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ELECTION OUTLOOK: DUTCHESS COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Crucial issues abound for Serino, Zurhellen

By Curtis Schmidt

With former Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro now serving as representative of New York's 19th District in the U.S. Congress and the planned departure of current County Executive William F.X. O'Neil, two candidates have stepped up to vie for the position in Republican Sue Serino and Democrat Tom Zurhellen.

In accordance with the Dutchess County Charter, O'Neil was sworn in on Jan. 3 and is serving the remainder of the current term of County Executive, which ends on Dec. 31.

Serino and Zurhellen will face off in the Nov. 7 election. Both candidates were asked to respond to the following questions. (Since both candidates are running for the role for the first time, responses will be presented in alphabetical order with Sue Serino first.)

1. Please list your qualifications or accomplishments as they apply to this position.

2. What do you see as the main role/duties of the position of County Executive?

3. This position covers a wide range of departments and concerns. How do you plan to work with the many stakeholders involved - both on a daily basis and with short-and long-range goals.

4. What do you see as the main issues in this race?

5. What improvements would you like to see in the county (and undertake) if you are elected?

Sue Serino

Qualifications/accomplishments

I'm running for Dutchess County Executive because I love our county and I believe it deserves the best.

I'm someone who went to work at the age of 15 and never stopped. Before becoming a small business owner, I worked for years as a waitress and restaurant manager, and I spent a portion of my life as a working, sin-



Sue Serino



Tom Zurhellen

gle mom. So when people tell me they're struggling, I truly get it. I know what it's like to live paycheck to paycheck, to make payroll, and navigate through the worst recession in history. My business not only survived, but it thrived due to smart decision-making. It is those experiences that help drive me to always do what is right for our neighbors and to deliver results that ease our cost of living.

I have served on the Hyde Park Town Board, the Dutchess County Legislature and the New York State Senate. I have a deep understanding of government and how it can work for the people.

As a State Senator, I stood out as a staunch advocate for seniors, a fierce supporter of New York's veterans, a steadfast partner for Dutchess County's small business commu-

nity, and was a strong voice for New York's law enforcement and first responders. I also worked tirelessly to help increase education regarding Lyme and tick-borne diseases and fought to deliver funding that would allow more research to be done on this issue.

If elected Dutchess County Executive, I will work hard to make our county a more affordable and stronger community for everyone.

Main role, duties

I will listen, care, and lead Dutchess County by putting our families, taxpayers, and our business community first.

I will listen to people's needs and address the challenges our communities face. I will find solutions to the issues to protect our

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Race for DA features Parisi, Weishaupt

By Curtis Schmidt

With the planned retirement of longtime Dutchess County District Attorney William Grady, two candidates have entered the race - Democrat Anthony Parisi and Republican Matt Weishaupt.

Grady has served in the role of District Attorney for 10 terms and has said he will retire at the end of 2023. Both Parisi and Weishaupt have worked in the office of Dutchess County District Attorney and will face-off in the Nov. 7 election.

The candidates were asked to respond to the following questions.

1. Please list your qualifications and/or accomplishments as they apply to this position.

2. What do you see as the main role/duties of the position of Dutchess County District Attorney?

3. What do you see as the main issues in this race?

4. What are your goals in this position if elected?

Here are their responses. (Since both candidates are running for the office for the first time we present the responses in alphabetical order, with Parisi first.)

Anthony Parisi

Qualifications/accomplishments

I began my legal career in the Dutchess County Public Defender's Office representing indigent clients in criminal matters. Subsequently, for more than 25 years, I have served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Dutchess County District Attorney's Office and am currently the Major Crimes Bureau Chief.

I have handled a broad array of criminal cases from DWI and DWI-related homicides, to cyber crimes, white collar crimes, crimes of domestic violence, drug related crimes, and violent felonies including homicides. I spear headed a "first of its kind" gang investigation in the City of Poughkeepsie utilizing Intelligence Driven Policing ultimately reducing violent crime for two years. I have litigated hundreds of cases. I am an experienced trial attorney having most recently tried a murder case to guilty verdict in February involving the shooting of an innocent father in the City of Poughkeepsie.

I've played a major role in the modernization of the District Attorney's Office, including creating the DWI forms utilized by law enforcement throughout the county, founding the Dutchess County Field Intelligence Group with my law enforcement partners to facilitate interagency cooperation and sharing of information across the county, creating a first of its kind

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DUTCHESS COUNTY CLERK

Incumbent Kendall faces challenge from Gadsden

By Curtis Schmidt

In the race for Dutchess County Clerk, incumbent Republican Brad Kendall is facing the challenge of Democrat Kenya Gadsden in the Nov. 7 election. Both candidates were asked the following questions.

1. Please list your qualifications and/or accomplishments as they apply to this position.

2. What do you see as the main role/duties of the position of County Clerk?

3. What do you see as the main issues in this race?

4. What are your goals in this position if elected/re-elected?

(In races with an incumbent, we begin with the incumbent.)

Here are the responses.



Kenya Gadsden



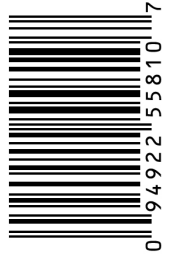
Brad Kendall

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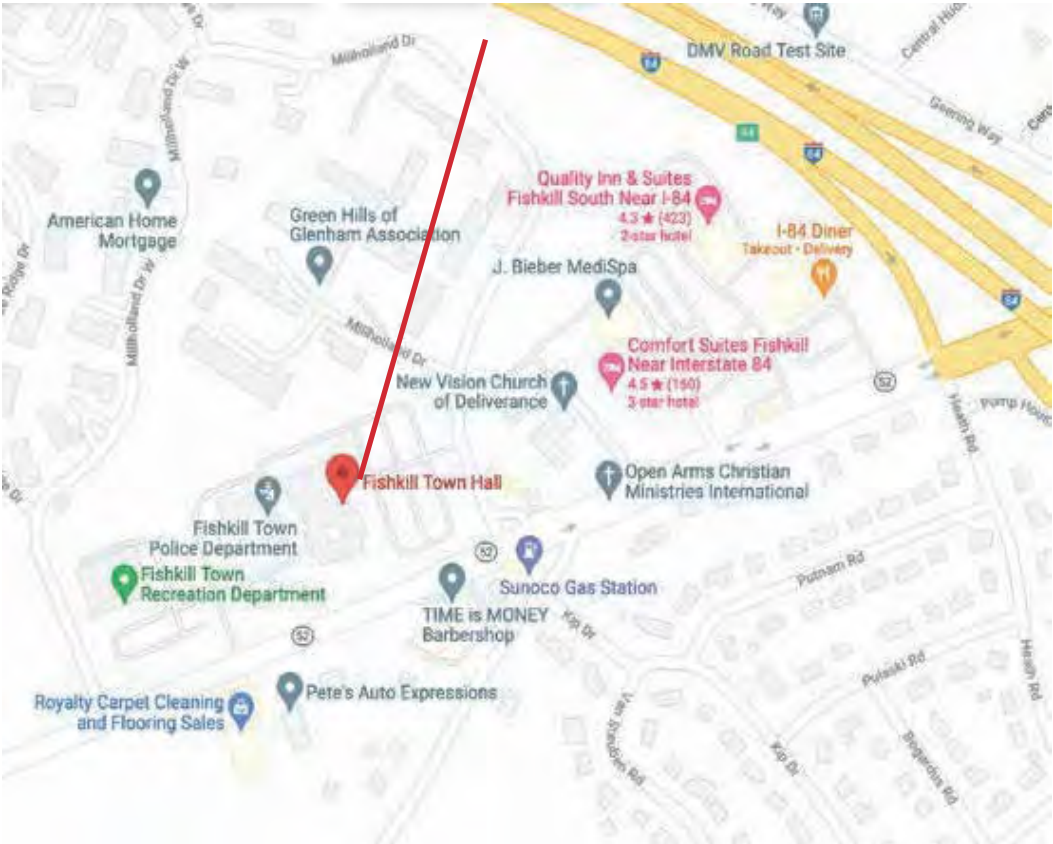
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Fishkill councilwoman backs Gadsden for County Clerk

To the Editor:

I am an independent voter who does not vote by party line. I vote for who I believe will do the best job. Kenya Gadsden served on the Fishkill Town board. Her thirty years of experience in her career caring for adults with intellectual disabilities gives her the experience and passion to bring the Dutchess County Clerk’s office to a superior level. She will bring services into the community to make them more accessible, as other Counties do. With her administrative and organizational leadership, she will create a more welcoming naturalization process and improve DMV services.

If career politicians at the local, county, state and federal level had term limits, we would get more accomplished. When people stay too long in a position, they become complacent and don’t look to continually create ways to expand services for citizens. Change is good to stimulate growth.

As a woman I feel strongly about supporting qualified female candidates, such as Kenya. As women we have come a long way, but we can go further. Your vote will help us go further, by making history in our County. It can only happen with your vote.

Louise Daniele
Fishkill Councilmember
Retired NYSP Sergeant/Station Commander

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Wappinger supervisor backs Licari for office

To the Editor:

People have asked “why do you have a democrat candidate’s sign on your lawn?” Simply put, Robin Licari is the best candidate for Wappinger Supervisor.

I encourage you to vote for Robin Licari because she will:

- keep our taxes lower than any neighboring community.
- promote the protection of our environment, farmland, and aquifers.
- care for our seniors and veterans.
- create affordable housing for existing Town residents.
- take responsibility for her actions.
- preserve and protect strong Open Government.
- refuse to tolerate influence peddling in Town Hall.

I worked closely with Robin during the 2017 and 2019 elections when she supported me for Town Supervisor. Because I have worked with both candidates closely, I can say without hesitation that Robin Licari is the only candidate for Supervisor in whom I have 100% trust and confidence to run the Town professionally. Robin will not run the Town into the ground with frivolous initiatives in pursuit of the front-page or Facebook photo op.

Robin Licari is a long-time Wappinger resident, with solid work and community experience. She is a college graduate who raised a family while working as a local businesswoman. She has paid town taxes continuously. Having earned and practiced a master’s degree in social work, she is compassionate and very aware of the suffering of our residents. Robin has what it takes to make hard decisions during challenging times.

Please vote for Robin Licari for Wappinger Town Supervisor. I will!

Dr. Richard L. Thurston, Esq.
Wappinger

Parisi is a ‘standout candidate’ for D.A.

To the Editor:

Anthony Parisi is the standout candidate for District Attorney. He offers a record of experience, integrity and a commitment to victim’s rights and crime prevention. He also has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to fairness and justice. Party affiliation is not and should not be a part of the equation, since enrollment in a political party provides no guidance as to a candidate’s qualifications for District Attorney.

Voters should do their own homework on each candidate before stepping into the voting booth. Do not pair or group candidates by party affiliation or rely on the number or size of road signs. On November 7th, I urge a vote for Anthony Parisi because he is the best candidate and will bring honor and integrity to the important office of District Attorney.

Jamie Greenwald, Esq.
East Fishkill

Retired Poughkeepsie judge supports Parisi for D.A.

To the Editor:

I am proud to support Anthony Parisi for Dutchess County District Attorney. I have known Mr. Parisi as an adversary and litigant appearing before me in Poughkeepsie City Court.

In his many years of public service, Anthony has shown himself to be a hardworking and successful prosecutor with a strong commitment to achieving justice for victims while adhering to the highest ethical standards imposed by the Constitution. His steadfast devotion to the rule of law and, simply, doing what is right, has earned him impressive support for his candidacy, including from members of the legal community, law enforcement and others in the criminal justice system.

As a lifelong Dutchess County resident, attorney and retired judge, I can think of none better than Anthony Parisi to serve us as the next Dutchess County District Attorney. He is the obvious choice.

Please join me in voting for Anthony Parisi in this critical election for District Attorney. Early voting begins on October 28th.

The Honorable John B. Garrity (Ret.)
City of Poughkeepsie Court

Dailey for County Legislator

To the Editor:

Elections for County Legislator are on November 7 and Kathleen Dailey is the best choice. Kathleen is a long time Wappinger resident whose dedication and determination are unmatched.

I have watched Kathleen pour her heart and soul into advocating for children who have dyslexia. Kathleen followed through and fought all the way to Albany, fiercely advocating to help all residents. When academic testing and common core were introduced to our children, Kathleen did not hesitate to express her concerns and personally lobby our state legislators. She worked tirelessly for the “Test opt out” movement. She is outspoken and will not back down. That is the kind of leader we need.

Her focus on family and community will never waiver. I am proud to call her my friend and I know she will be an amazing County Legislator ready to support and help the community whenever and wherever needed.

Please consider voting for Kathleen this upcoming Election Day. She will work hard for the community and is just what we need.

Lynn Ramage
Wappinger

Licari understands community issues

To the Editor:

Robin understands the community issues. She is an excellent communicator, and a good administrator. I would like to see her as our community leader (Town Supervisor).

Partha Mukherjee
Wappingers Falls

Viewpoints

Former Wappinger supervisor endorses Licari for office

To the Editor:

I am proud to have a “Robin Licari for Town Supervisor” sign on my lawn and support her candidacy for several reasons. Wappinger needs a Town Supervisor who has a track record of successful employment. Wappinger needs a Town Supervisor who has experience managing personal and business finances and keeping exhaustive records. Robin Licari meets these criteria. I find her to be honest, consistent, and sincere in her beliefs. I may not agree with her on everything, but her consistency shows core values that many in public office lack.

I will not cast my vote for someone who is currently unemployed and who revels in photo-ops and fancy signs. I will not cast my vote for someone who missed 29 out of 30 Dutchess County Budget amendment votes last December, thus denying the people he represents a voice in their government. I will cast my vote for someone who respects her community through her involvement and interest. I will cast my vote for someone who has managed a family business and understands budgets and financial records. I will cast my vote for someone who has counseled many clients via her role as a clinical social worker. I will cast my vote for a mature adult who respects people of all backgrounds, and that person is Robin Licari.

Barbara Gutzler
Wappinger Town Supervisor
2011-2015

Wappinger Councilman William Beale goes above and beyond

To the Editor:

Councilman William Beale has served the Town of Wappinger as an elected councilman since 2007. As the senior council member on the Board, he has served alongside five different town supervisors and has been appointed deputy supervisor on three occasions, a position he currently holds.

Outside his town role, Councilman Beale works full time as the Director of Emergency Management for Dutchess County, where he is responsible for preparedness and response to major emergencies countywide. When not working, he volunteers for the Hughsonville Fire Department as a firefighter and EMT.

When preparing for town events, such as Community Day, Councilman Beale uses his expertise in emergency management to ensure there is a safety plan for each event. He coordinates all police, fire, and emergency medical services coverage and oversees the execution of the plan.

Most importantly, during an emergency at my residence, Councilman Beale was the first one to arrive (more than once). Councilman Beale goes above and beyond for our community. On Tuesday, November 7th, please join me in supporting Councilman William Beale.

Jessica Fulton
Wappingers Falls

Wappinger is not affordable

To the Editor:

Republican campaign signs scream; “Keep Wappinger Affordable.” News Flash!! Wappinger is NOT affordable. Chances are, if you work in Wappinger you cannot afford to live here. And if you are a senior, you cannot afford to downsize here. Yet, the Republican dominated Town and Planning Boards have consistently opposed any reasonable business and housing proposals.

Town residents have told me that they believe low income or Section 8 housing is coming to Wappinger. This is false! There are zero site plans for this type of housing before the Town Planning Board! Residents are the victims of scare tactics, not facts!

Robin Licari, candidate for Town Supervisor, has been a vocal advocate for affordable workforce housing and sensible business development. She is an accomplished businesswoman who is experienced with developing and managing budgets. Robin Licari presents a maturity level necessary to work with elected officials and business leaders at all levels.

Your vote for Robin Licari for Wappinger Town Supervisor will move Wappinger forward into a better future.

Karen Swanson
Wappingers Falls

Bringing awareness to prevalence of depression

To the Editor:

It is likely that you or someone you care about has been impacted by depression. October is National Depression Awareness Month, a time to bring awareness to the prevalence of depression. According to a Gallup report from earlier in 2023, 29 percent, or about 3 in 10, of U.S. adults report having been diagnosed with depression at some point in their lifetime. This is nearly 10 percent higher than in 2015. The report also found that young adults reported higher rates of depression than any other age group; nearly a quarter of adults under 30 say they are currently depressed.

Symptoms of depression can include feeling hopeless, down on yourself and your life, inability to enjoy things that used to bring you joy, and fatigue or lack of energy. Depression can become severe and take a great toll on families and employers and can even become life-threatening when people become suicidal or complete suicide. However, even those with severe symptoms respond well to treatment. Though close to 80 percent of people improve with treatment, almost two thirds of people who experience depression do not seek out treatment.

Treatment can include therapy or medication, but most people benefit most from combining medication such as selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) and cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT).

If you or someone you know is struggling with depression start by getting connected to trusted family, friends, or other supports as well as a mental health professional. We know that getting connected to help and starting treatment can be challenging. Fortunately, there are organizations like Coordinated Behavioral Health Services (CBHS) that can help; the agencies that are part of our organization provide treatment and other essential support throughout the Hudson Valley, and we can connect you to the care you need. You can also call 911 or contact the Suicide & Crisis Hotline via call or text at 988.

If you or someone you know is being impacted by depression, please reach out. There is help and there is hope!

Mark Sasvary, Ph.D., LCSW
Chief Clinical Officer Coordinated Behavioral Health Services

Councilman Beale is qualified and experienced

To the Editor:

Councilman William Beale has served our town for over fifteen years as an elected official, and over thirty as a volunteer firefighter and emergency medical technician. He is a former fire chief of the Hughsonville Fire Department and has been credited with risking his own life to save the life of a special needs child who was trapped in a burning home on Old Hopewell Road.

Councilman Beale is currently the senior member of the town board, having worked with five administrations, and serving as deputy town supervisor under three of them. He is a proven leader. During a time where ambulances are few and far between, Councilman has provided leadership at the town and county levels to ensure our town residents receive prompt emergency medical care. In fact, he responds to many of these calls for service as an EMT and has provided medical care to many town residents.

Last, but not least, Councilman Beale’s leadership and experience in municipal budgeting have ensured that our town taxes have remained among the lowest in the entire county. Our town tax rate is far below our neighboring towns. The cost of living is skyrocketing – we can count on Councilman Beale to keep our taxes low.

Please join me in supporting Councilman William Beale on Tuesday, November 7th.

Ryan D. White
Wappingers Falls

Cavaccini as Wappinger supervisor will make ‘future of our Town secure’

To the Editor:

Legislator Joseph Cavaccini is running to enhance our family's quality of life and ensure that the future of our Town is secure. We need a different kind of Supervisor to restore management and fiscal oversight to Town Hall and not allow for developers and consultants to bully the residents into destroying our homes’ values with harmful overdevelopment.

I was dismayed to see Robin Licari’s recent advertisement attacking the tenure of Legislator Cavaccini. To the contrary, Cavaccini’s campaign shows how a young elected official can bring drive, dedication and determination to public service, the exact qualities Congressman Marc Molinaro had while serving locally in public office.

Quite frankly, Cavaccini has over 12 years of service and dedication to the Town of Wappinger, serving both behind the scenes and out front in local government, from serving under three different administrations in Town Hall to representing us for two terms as County Legislator.

Robin Licari is endorsed by Dick Thurston, who is failing the residents of the Town of Wappinger with plans for over- development, poor fiscal management, rezoning that allows commercial propane storage tanks in residential areas, along with gas stations, unnecessary lawsuits against the Town and a proposed water expansion district at the southern end of Route 9 for business owners, not even considering residents in areas with failing wells.

Support Joseph D. Cavaccini in the General Election on November 7th - the only candidate who will always look out for us.

Markos Peratikos
Wappinger

Vote Cavaccini for Wappinger supervisor to ‘protect our quality of life’

To the Editor:

While progress and growth are important, striking a balance between development and preserving our quality of life in the Town of Wappinger is just as important.

Licari is opposed to developers requesting code changes in residential zones but supports code changes in commercial zones, such as eliminating 10 acres of green space for high density development. Both have a negative impact on our community. Our green spaces and natural beauty are being sacrificed for development.

Overdevelopment will increase traffic congestion, not only compromising our quality of life, but also posing potential safety hazards. The Superintendent for the Wappingers Central School District stated at a Wappinger Town Board meeting that overdevelopment could lead to a significant increase in enrollment, requiring the need for additional schools, more buses, and thus, impacting our taxes.

The surge in demand for local resources such as water, electricity, and waste management could lead to environmental degradation and higher costs for residents.

And the indiscriminate construction of high-rise buildings and large-scale developments would negatively impact the aesthetic value of our neighborhoods, and in turn, diminishes property values our for current residents.

Vote Joseph Cavaccini on November 7th to protect our quality of life and property values.

Anthony Triano
Wappinger

Voice of change needed in Wappinger

To the Editor:

It is my personal opinion as an NOP voter in Wappinger that all residents of Wappinger are not represented equally. The Town Board, the Planning Board, the Zoning Board, are all dominated by one political party which stresses its own agenda in making decisions concerning our entire town.

Those of us who are registered in other political parties, or who are independent voters like myself, have no representation in any decision made by these Boards which serve as our Town government. I am calling for a change in leadership starting at the top. If our Town government does not offer all voters equal representation, they should not represent us.

As an Independent voter, I will cast my vote for Robin Licari as Wappinger Town Supervisor. She is the voice of change that Wappinger needs and she will make sure that Town rules and codes are enforced equally for everyone.

Yvonne W. Thurston
Wappinger

Parisi, Weishaupt in D.A. race

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online subpoena request portal allowing our law enforcement partners to easily request investigatory subpoenas, the creation of a first of its kind targeted arrest notification system (TAN), designed the case management system and digital evidence management system currently used by the office.

If given the opportunity to serve as District Attorney, I will make important reforms regarding transparency, function, and justice.

Main role/duties

The District Attorney plays a critical role in our criminal justice system. The DA represents the People of the State of New York in criminal cases and is responsible for prosecuting individuals accused of crimes. The District Attorney is charged with the duty to seek justice in every case, carefully evaluating the evidence and protecting the rights of the victim and the accused. The District Attorney works closely with law enforcement agencies to investigate crimes, determine whether charges should be filed, and prosecute cases in court. The DA also prioritizes working with victims and witnesses to ensure their rights are protected and they are supported throughout the process.

The role of the District Attorney is critical in maintaining public safety in our communities. The District Attorney also plays an important role in shaping criminal justice policy and works to raise public awareness of important criminal justice issues, such as domestic violence, child abuse, and other forms of violence. The DA serves on the Executive Committee of the Dutchess County Criminal Justice Council. The work of prosecutors is essential to maintaining a fair and just society, and they play a critical role in ensuring that justice is served for all.

Main issues in race

Ending gun violence and protecting our communities is an issue on the minds of everyone. I will diligently work to reduce and end gun violence and protect the citizens of all our communities utilizing the best crime fighting strategies including intelligence-led policing and prosecution.

The perception of prosecutors and the police have suffered in recent years. I will work hard through community engagement and office transparency and accountability to restore public trust between law enforcement and the communities we serve. I will engage with our communities in holding informed conversations about prosecution policies and priorities. I will promote greater transparency across the legal spectrum including referred and charged cases, incarceration rates, plea bargaining, convictions and sentences.

School safety is of vital importance. We must utilize all our law enforcement and crime prevention capabilities, including the latest technology, to protect those in our schools, students and staff alike. We have seen the average number of gunfire incidents in our schools throughout the country quadruple. We need meaningful actions to keep our schools and surrounding communities safe.

Goals if elected

- Make our communities safer by working



Anthony Parisi

smarter and preventing crime before it happens by implementing intelligence driven policing and intelligence driven prosecution. This IDP strategy involves enhanced information-gathering through close coordination with local law enforcement and robust community outreach. This technology-centered intelligence collection and analysis of specific factors driving crime will allow the DA's Office to more effectively and efficiently allocate resources needed to reduce crime throughout the county.

- Keep our Children Safe in their Schools and Daycare Centers: We need meaningful actions to address gun violence in schools. As District Attorney I will form a multi-agency, cross-program Task Force to address the root causes of violence and school shootings to prevent them before they take place.

- Address Domestic Violence: Create a Victim's Contact Web Portal for greater transparency for crime victims, allowing victims to access important information about their cases including, court dates, orders of protection, and case updates.

- Appoint a Hate Crimes Prosecutor: Create a Conviction Integrity Unit to address past wrongs and ensure justice for all by investigating fact-based wrongful conviction claims and/or sentencing inequities. This unit will increase trust in the DA's Office and the criminal justice system as a whole.

- Improve office transparency.

Matt Weishaupt

Qualifications/accomplishments

With nearly four decades of experience as a prosecutor, no one knows the job of District Attorney better.

As the Chief Assistant District Attorney, I currently run all the important aspects of the office. I'm fighting for crime victims and delivering justice against murderers, violent felons, gang members, and drug dealers.

Experienced prosecutor

- Chief Assistant District Attorney:



Matt Weishaupt

Responsible for all Office Operations including Administrative, Budget, Investigative, and Trials.

- Special Prosecutions & Administration Bureau Chief; Justice Court Bureau Chief; Narcotics & Gang Bureau Chief.

- Terrorism Coordinator and Liaison

Record of real results

- Won Dutchess County's first ever capital murder case; verdicts in six first degree murder cases; verdicts in multiple other murder cases.

- Worked with federal authorities and state investigative commission on several public corruption cases.

- Worked in Special Prosecutions Bureau, responsible for violent felony and major prosecutions

Lifetime of service - Security Patrol Clerk - Federal Bureau of Investigation, Officer - New Paltz Police Department, Deputy Sheriff - Ulster County Sheriff's Department

Main role/duties

My priority will be to ensure the safety and security of all who live, work, and go to school in Dutchess County. This mission starts with a District Attorney who has the experience and knowledge to do the job most effectively. I will ensure law and order, community safety, and the protection of victim's rights using a balanced approach working with law enforcement to establish trusted legitimacy through community engagement.

New York's current bail laws are creating a revolving door for criminals. We need unprecedented prosecutorial experience to ensure criminals do not fall through the cracks and loopholes created by dangerous bail and discovery laws.

Experience is the only defense we have against these laws and we can't afford to compromise our community's safety. I will also support law enforcement in their efforts to enforce our laws and work together through community engagement to rebuild trust in our criminal justice system.

New Yorkers are demanding real action

against crime. Our safety and security are not something we can take for granted or leave to chance. Without a District Attorney with the experience and knowledge to do the job right, we put our community and families at risk.

Main issues in race

The main issues in this race revolve around public safety and the need for a seasoned, capable prosecutor who can address the unique challenges facing our community.

First and foremost, the race is shaped by the impact of New York's bail laws, which have created what many see as a revolving door of crime in Dutchess County. These laws have put our community at risk by allowing repeat offenders back on the streets too easily. Residents are deeply concerned about this issue and are looking for a candidate who can navigate these challenges effectively.

Another pressing issue is the opioid and fentanyl crisis, which is tearing families apart. Dutchess County needs a district attorney who can address this epidemic head-on by cracking down on drug traffickers and providing essential treatment and services to reduce recidivism and save lives.

Additionally, I place a strong emphasis on community safety, from securing our schools and workplaces to reforming bail laws to protect victims and prevent criminals from evading justice.

In summary, the main issues in this race are centered on the urgent need for a District Attorney with the experience, toughness, and dedication to ensure the safety and security of Dutchess County residents in the face of evolving challenges. My extensive experience and commitment to these issues make me the best choice for the role of Dutchess County District Attorney.

Goals if elected

I have released a detailed "Vision for a safer and stronger Dutchess County." My vision encompasses several crucial aspects of our community's well-being.

- Crime Reduction: Prioritize the safety of our residents by reducing crime, focusing on violent offenses, and ensuring that our neighborhoods remain secure places to live.

- Bail Reform: Advocate for responsible bail reform that safeguards public safety while treating individuals fairly within the criminal justice system.

- Opioid Crisis: Address the opioid epidemic head-on by targeting drug traffickers, expanding treatment options, and supporting rehabilitation programs to combat addiction.

- Community Safety: Strengthen the security of our schools, workplaces, and neighborhoods through close collaboration with local agencies and community organizations.

- Victim Advocacy: Be a relentless advocate for crime victims, offering them the support they need while holding offenders accountable for their actions.

- Criminal Justice Reform: Continuously improve our criminal justice system to ensure it remains fair, efficient, and responsive to our community's needs.

For a more in-depth look at my vision, please visit MattForDutchessDA.com. Together, we can build a safer and stronger Dutchess County for all residents.

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Robin Licari

**Town Supervisor
of the Town of Wappingers Falls**

Dear Voter,

I am Robin Licari, and I am running for Town Supervisor of the Town of Wappinger.

I am a lifelong resident of Dutchess County and I have lived in the Town of Wappinger for 24 years. I attended our local schools and

graduated from Roy C. Ketcham High School, DCC, SUNY New Paltz. and received my master's degree from Adelphi University. I understand this community and its needs, hopes and dreams.

I was a businesswoman with stores in Wappinger, Beacon, and Fishkill. We sold our family business in 2012. We provided good jobs to residents for decades. I understand the problems of small businesses and their contribution to our community.

I was a psychiatric social worker for 30 years working in inpatient and outpatient facilities.

Business and housing development should be well designed, add to the quality of life of the residents, and should preserve community character. I believe we can build in Wappinger and increase our tax revenues without decreasing our property values or endangering our water supply. Remediation of polluted water is expensive, takes years, and still is sometimes impossible to achieve.

I am adamantly opposed to developers buying land in single family residential zones and then requesting that the Town Board change the zoning to multifamily zoning so they can build apartments. Developers should not determine zoning in this Town. Zoning is the purview of the Town Board, and it is about building what this community needs in an appropriate place within the Town.

If a problem is defined as too big, then it feels insurmountable. We do not have to resolve all the international and national problems to find answers to problems in this community. We need to break down our problems into solvable units and work on fixing these issues - for instance, providing housing for seniors and young people so they don't have to leave their Town of Wappinger community to find housing, preserving our green spaces, maintaining access to clean drinkable water, decreasing taxes and the cost of utilities, and repairing our needed infrastructure.

I have life and work experience. The opposing candidate is a twenty-four-year-old who lives with his parents and has no consistent full-time work history. Vote for someone who knows what your life is like in this community - working a full-time job, paying bills. You do this while raising children, caring for elderly parents, participating in faith-based communities and charitable organizations. Your days are long and working full-time is not an option, but a necessity.

Please vote for me on Election Day on November 7th. I will be your voice in this Town of Wappinger.

Most Sincerely,
Robin Licari

Endorsed by Town Supervisors Richard Thurston, Barbara Gutzler, and Joseph Ruggiero.

Municipalities, Stony Kill to hold Halloween events



The (Not -So-Haunted) Stony Kill Spooktacular will take place on October 28 at Stony Kill Farm, 79 Farmstead Lane (off Route 9D), in Wappingers Falls. Photos are from a previous year's event.



By Kristine Coulter
Halloween is almost here. The towns of Wappinger and East Fishkill, as well as Stony Kill Farm, will host events for their residents this weekend. Stony Kill's event is open for all. Residents in the town of Poughkeepsie were able to attend its annual Halloween Trunk or Treat on October 22.

Expect fun at Town of Wappinger Trunk or Treat on Saturday
The Town of Wappinger will host its Trunk or Treat and Great Pumpkin Awards on October 28, from 1-3 p.m., at Schlathaus Park, 123 All Angels Road, in Wappinger.
"Folks should expect an afternoon of community fun. We will have our annual Golden Pumpkin Awards, as well as

snacks, a craft, and of course, candy handed out by the very kind folks who decorate a trunk for trunk or treat," explained Jessica Fulton, Town of Wappinger Recreation Director.
Fulton said typically this event has about 300 people come to enjoy the activity and there are between 25-30 trunks for children to trick or treat at during the event but they can always use more Register trunks at <https://wappingerny.myrec.com>.
"We are always looking for more people to come out to set up a trunk. It's a great way to get involved in your community. People interested in registering to set up a trunk can find more info at wappingerrecreation.com," said Fulton.
Golden Pumpkins will be awarded to

children ages 0-3, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-13 for cutest, funniest, scariest, and most original costumes, according to the Wappinger Recreation website. Also, there will be an award presented for the Best Family costume. One may pre-register at the recreation website.

Costume parade, prizes Sunday in East Fishkill
What can one expect at the East Fishkill Halloween Costume on October 29, from 3-5 p.m. at Mill Creek Caterers, 17 Route, 376, in East Fishkill?
"A costume parade with prizes to the best costumes as well as to all who attend, musical fun with Bob Martinson, donuts and cider and again some great Halloween decorations from Mill Creek Caterers," said Bill Green, East Fishkill Recreation Director.

This is an event for East Fishkill residents only. One must pre-register at <https://eastfishkillny.myrec.com> or call 845-226-8395 by October 26.
Green said creation Department officials expect between 300-350 people to attend the annual event.
One will "see kids and their parents having a fun time. We also give prizes to our creative dancers in costume," said Green.
There will be an Adult Halloween Costume Party, Concert, Buffet on October 27 at Mill Creek from 6:30-9:30 p.m.
"We offer a fun Halloween party (\$30) with great food (a Mill Creek buffet with a make your own ice cream sundae dessert)

great musical fun with Johnny Dell and Nite Life, excellent prizes for the best and most creative costumes and some "Dancing with Your Costumes" prizes!"
Green noted, "We really appreciate the hospitality and generosity of Mill Creek Caterers who go out of their way each year to make our Halloween Party better than ever! Thanks Joanie, George and staff!"

The (Not-So-Haunted) Stony Kill Spooktacular
The (Not-So-Haunted) Stony Kill Spooktacular will take place on October 28 (rain date is October 29) from 4 to 7 p.m. at Stony Kill Farm, 79 Farmstead Lane (off Route 9D), in Wappingers Falls.
Organizers said to "get ready for lots of kid-friendly fun on the farm!" At the Stony Kill Spooktacular, one can go on a costumed Spooky Barn Tour, hop on the hay wagon for a ride through the fields, and enjoy s'mores and other treats fireside.
There will also be a Not-So-Haunted I Spy Garden (4-5 p.m.), potion-making (4-6 p.m.), and a Slithers and Scales experience (4-6:30 p.m.) for attendees to discover. If one dares, said Shelly Loveland, Stony Kill Foundation Events Committee, they can walk the Haunted Gardens (6-7 p.m.)
Admission is a \$5 suggested donation which will support community programs and stewardship of the farm. Bring cash for s'mores, food truck treats, as well as a flashlight to navigate back to one's car. Learn more at stonykill.org/Halloween.

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Community support requested for Astor's Adopt-A-Family program

With the holiday season approaching, Astor Services, a non-profit organization providing mental/behavioral health and educational services to thousands of children, adolescents, adults and their families throughout the Hudson Valley and the Bronx, is seeking monetary donations to continue its successful annual Adopt-A-Family program, which helps families in need locally.
For more than 30 years, the Adopt-A-Family program has paired children enrolled in Astor programs and their families (ages 18 and under) with donors who purchase gifts for them during the holidays. Since 2020, when safety modifications were made to the program due to the pandemic, Adopt-A-Family has sought donations to purchase gift cards, a format that was well-received by all. This year, like the last three years, instead of wrapped gifts, gift cards will be sent directly to the families of the children registered.
"During the holiday season, many of the families we serve struggle to meet their children's needs and holiday wish-

es," said Yvette Bairan, chief executive officer of Astor Services. "For these families, a gift card is truly more than just a gift. It empowers families to choose what is right for them and their children and strengthens a family's bond. Gift cards enable families to experience joy as their children open a gift chosen personally for them."
Last year, through the generous donations received from individuals, local businesses, and foundations, Astor's Adopt-A-Family program provided gift cards to more than 2,100 children in the Hudson Valley and the Bronx. Astor hopes that, with the community's generosity, it will once again be able to provide some holiday joy to families in need. For more information about the program, or to sign up to donate, visit www.astorservices.org/adopt-a-family or contact Dana Valdez at dvaldez@astorservices.org. Matching corporate donations are also greatly appreciated, as they increase the impact of this program.

Promises Made - Promises Kept!

RE-ELECT OZZY ALBRA TOWN SUPERVISOR

Development

50 years of developers running the town has been stopped. Thanks to YOU, we have controlled development under my watch. Together we stopped over 1,400 high-density housing units. We have stopped a \$35 MILLION dollar school that YOU would have paid for. For years developers have run the town by threatening lawsuits. I stepped up to the challenge, beat the developers and CUT litigation-insurance costs by a whopping 75%! Thanks to setting case law that we have a right to enforce zoning laws. We have control over our destiny when it comes to Texaco, Downstate and not for profits.

Traffic

Traffic has been mitigated. Imagine the town with 1,400 more housing units? What would traffic and your quality of life be like? We have worked with the county to build a new Washington Ave. bridge and we are moving forward with a new Rt 9D overpass at the Newburgh-Beacon Bridge.

Water

We passed comprehensive aquifer protection and joined the state with DWSP2 program to further protect our water and make it harder for future boards to help developers make money. I stopped the \$5.6 plan to remediate health department concerns regading your water. I cut that plan to \$1.2 million and will use federal aid with no cost to you the taxpayer. How? I did what was needed, not set it up so the developers could make more money.

Police

As a retired police officer who retired with honor, I know the need for public safety. That's why I gave the PBA a great contract and increased spending by 25% since I have been in office. I also added a third officer to the 12-12 shift to keep you safe. I also worked with Greg Totino (my secretary) to secure \$600,000 for body cameras at no cost to taxpayers! I understand that some want to spend more. But we need to make sure our seniors and the middle class can still afford to live here. We can't have seniors leave and have our town become gentrified.

Quality of Life

What a transformation. It was nearly a decade since the town honored its Veterans Day, Memorial Day and the 911 anniversary. As a US Army veteran, we brought it all back and then some. We took the resources the town used to help developers make money and made HUGE investments in all our parks that you can see today. We added Senior-Recreation staff to our outstanding Senior Center. We built the Chief Nimham statue to honor Fishkill's first hero. We honored General Lafayette. We are going to have a grand 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. It will be a year-long event honoring local history every month. It will culminate with a parade from Town Hall past the Chief Nimham statue and a fireworks display at Doug Phillips park.

None of this was difficult to accomplish. I attended over 400 board meetings in-person before I was elected. I had a plan and with my military experience and I executed it. I did not just move here. I have lived in Fishkill since 1997. My wife and all four of my children were born here and attended local schools. People will say they are committed to Fishkill, but ask them for the proof. I am "all in" for Fishkill. I ask you to work with me to continue to make our great town better. For years the developers have done what they wanted and they want back in real bad. Don't let that happen. Re-elect me and my team and let's keep working for us and not the developers.



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Incumbent Kendall faces challenge from Gadsden

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Incumbent Brad Kendall

1. Qualifications

I have served as Dutchess County Clerk since December 29, 2006. Prior to that, I served on the Dutchess County Legislature for 13 years, the last seven as Chair. I have extensive experience in County government that allows me to provide unmatched service to the residents of Dutchess County.

As County Clerk I re-established the County Department of History , exploring and conserving our earliest records. I have also assumed responsibility for the County Records Management Department.

As County Clerk I have served as President of the New York State Association of County Clerks, receiving recognition as Clerk of the Year in 2018 and the Lifetime Achievement award in 2019. Our work has also been recognized with the NYS Archives Award for excellence.

I am very pleased to be endorsed this year by the CSEA, the Dutchess County Sheriff's PBA and Employee Association and the NYS Supreme Court Officer's Association.

2. Duties of the position

The position of County Clerk dates to 1715 and is established by the NYS Constitution. The County Clerk is responsible for the land records of the county as well as the legal records of the County Court and the Dutchess County Supreme Court.

Since 1921, County Clerks have served as the agent for the NYS Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for DMV services locally. As such we maintain offices in Poughkeepsie, Wappinger, Millbrook and Beacon.

The County Clerk is the chief notary of the County and oversees the Department of History, Records Management , the acceptance of passport applications, oaths of office, corporation notices and the Naturalization of our newest citizens.

I'm also pleased to have initiated the "Return the FAVOR" program for Dutchess County veterans. This service offers a safe repository for discharge papers and issues a Dutchess County ID card which is honored by 250 businesses across the county.

3. Main issues

Experience and Leadership - As County Clerk, I have gained the experience and demonstrated the leadership that makes our office a leader in provision of customer services in New York State.

Nothing demonstrates this better than our response to COVID-19. Other agencies and governments shut down or ZOOMED in from home. We worked hard to stay open and provide services to our constituents. When NYS ordered DMVs to close we fought to reopen, bringing in employees (safely) to answer phones and process drop off and mail work. Then we fought NYS to reopen. Our investments in electronic filing and land recording allowed us to continue providing services to the public.

My commitment has been to improve the customer experience from small things like providing pens for forms to big things like providing unmatched access to our office electronically.

We have a great team of employees doing good work for our customers.

4. Goals if re-elected

1. To expand e-Filing to the criminal courts in Dutchess County. E-filing in civil cases has resulted in ease of access to the courts, better security of documents and demonstrated saving to the taxpayer in greater efficiency and less paper. Having successfully done this in the civil courts I look forward to working with the new district attorney and public defender to bring e-Filing to the county court.

2. Manage the transition in DMV services. NYSDMV is aggressively working to move more and more transactions to the internet. This year NYS county clerks achieved a milestone in a renegotiated funding formula that will make us whole financially. As local DMVs move from processing routine transactions to more and

more problem solving, we need to provide employees with the tools to help our customers navigate the bureaucracy.

3. To continue to provide excellent customer service in the most cost-efficient manner possible.

Challenger Kenya Gadsden

1. Qualifications

I have lived in Fishkill for the past 16 years. I have served on the Beacon City School Board and I served on the Fishkill Town board. I currently serve as President of the Dutchess Democratic Women's Caucus and was a lead for Open Arms Christian Ministries International food pantry that operates out of Beacon. I have my Bachelor's degree in Human Behavior and Developmental Disabilities from Concordia College and I have worked for the past 30 1/2 years in the nonprofit world-serving adults with Intellectual Abilities.

In caring for adults with intellectual abilities my responsibilities range from fiscal accountability, oversight and managing staff in nine facilities. Each facility has a budget and operates as an entity within the organization. I am a certified instructor that teaches Strategies for Crises Intervention and Prevention to all incoming employees and I assist with recertifying the current staff.

2. Duties of the position

The main roles or duties of the Clerk is the Custodian of the records for Dutchess County. The Dutchess County Clerk's office may not be the most well-known branch of county government, but it touches residents' lives in many ways. The Clerk should have excellent administrative and organizational leadership to carry out or direct team members on the best method to meet the needs of the residents and tax payers. The Clerk's office is responsible for overseeing the records for deeds, mortgages, judgments, liens, and maps to name a few areas. The office provides drivers licenses, registrations for automobiles and other motor vehicle transactions can be conducted in the office. Management of the records along with processing passports is also part of the Clerk's job. I see the Clerk's

office as the "front door" to Dutchess County as the Clerk administers the Oath of office to newly naturalized citizens.

3. Main issues

The issues with the race are the lack of transparency and sharing which has led to many residents not knowing the services and functions of the Clerk's office. Dutchess County continues to lag in technology and service for all. The Clerk's office should embrace social media and invest in real time response for questions asked. The website should include handicap parking guidelines and accessibility, travel for service can be a 2-3-hour commute for some residents. Precious documents that should be stored in a State-of-the-art facility continue to sit in a building with the possibility of deteriorating. The Clerk's office could utilize its brick and mortar to connect needed services to the community by way of displays. The Clerk's office has missed opportunities to create educational opportunities on prevention of scams and fraud for all. It is my belief that the areas of concern are fixable if addressed.

4. Goals if elected

If elected I plan to work with the existing leadership and staff to create the welcoming "front door" for all. The priorities I listed from my campaign will be put into motion starting with improving the DMV services by upgrading the appointment system and website to get questions and needs answered faster. I will work within the existing budget to find ways to bring County Clerk services out of the central office and into communities to make them easier to access.

Lastly, I will work on creating a welcoming "front door" for new citizens. The process will include linking newly naturalized citizens to their local library, businesses, and community organizations to support their integration into their new communities. The concept is to build stronger communities by bringing together the new and the existing residents of each municipality.

A free Christian Science Talk
by Nicole Virgil

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Register for helicopter candy drop in Fishkill

By Kristine Coulter

Fall Fest will take place at Sarah Taylor Park in the village of Fishkill on October 28, from 2-5 p.m. This year will include a “high-flying” treat – a helicopter candy drop!

“We wanted to give back to our community while bringing them together in a family-oriented event,” said Flor Najera, the digital director for Fusion Church.

Fusion Church, Vineyard Church, Faith Assembly and Hopewell Reform Church joined together to host the event, which will include a pie eating contests, carnival games, bounce houses, food, face paint-

ing, farm animals and arts and crafts.

“This year’s festival promises an unforgettable experience. This event is totally free for families and anyone from our community,” stated a press release.

“People can expect carnival-style games, bounce houses, food, candy, a helicopter candy drop and so much more,” remarked Najera.

There are no age restrictions and “this event is for families with children,” said Najera.

In order to attend the event, one needs to register at <https://fusionchurchny.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/167/responses/new>.

County to participate in Halloween crackdown October 27 – October 31

Various law enforcement agencies throughout Dutchess County are participating in a special enforcement effort to crack down on impaired driving during Halloween weekend. The STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaign begins Friday, Oct. 27th and runs through Tuesday, Oct. 31st.

Be it due to parties, trick-or-treating and other festivities, Halloween night can be especially dangerous on the nation’s roadways, according to officials. Between 2016 and 2020, there were 129 drunk-driving fatalities nationwide on Halloween night, defined as 6 p.m. Oct. 31st to 5:59 a.m. Nov. 1st. Adults between the ages of 21 and 34 had the

highest percentage (68 percent) of fatalities in drunk-driving crashes on Halloween night 2020. During that same night, 11 pedestrians were killed in drunk-driving crashes nationwide.

Motorists are urged to watch for pedestrians this Halloween — whether they be children trick-or-treating or adults who have had too much to drink. Walking while intoxicated can also be deadly, as lack of attention to their surroundings could put pedestrians at risk of getting hit by a vehicle.

STOP-DWI New York urges residents to download its mobile app, “Have a Plan,” which enables drivers to find a safe ride home www.stopdwi.org/mobileapp.

Dutchess County-Poughkeepsie Land Bank Board to meet Oct. 25

The Dutchess County-Poughkeepsie Land Bank Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. on October 25th in person at Christ Episcopal Church, 20 Carroll St, Poughkeepsie, in the library. Members of the public are encouraged and welcome to attend.

To submit comments, for more information, including any requests for reasonable accommodation, including Sign Language Interpreters (requires 5 days’ notice), please call 845-293-3547 or email info@dcpoklandbank.org.

Pomona Grange #32 to hold penny social November 4

Dutchess County Pomona Grange #32 will host a Penny Social on Saturday, November 4, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and calling begins at 7 p.m. There will be penny items, \$1 table, home-made baked goods, theme baskets, 50/50 drawing, and door prizes. The Grange Youth will have refreshments for sale; no outside food, please - it takes money away from the kids. Total proceeds benefit the Dutchess County Pomona Grange’s “Kids Helping Kids” Projects.

For more information, contact Marilyn Brands at 845-223-5717 or Melissa Traver at 845-891-9779.

EFCL Book Club to discuss ‘The Color of Water’ Oct. 26

The EFCL Evening Book Club will be held at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, on October 26 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss this month’s book “The Color of Water” by James McBride. Copies of the book are available within the Library system. All are welcome to come and join in the discussion of this work.

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

Halloween events held in area

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Town of Poughkeepsie hosted a Trunk or Treat

On October 22, the Town of Poughkeepsie held its annual Trunk or Treat & Graveyard Café at Crown Heights Park.

“We [kept] with our Trunk or Treat tradition that so many people love. [We had] lots of decorated vehicles, Bee Bee the Clown, DJ Bob Martinson, March of the Goblins Children’s Parade, games, prizes, giveaways and more!” said Janet McHugh, Town of Poughkeepsie Recreation Director.

“What we love most about our events is the sense of community. We strive to bring free events to our local families and residents,” she said.

McHugh thanked this year’s sponsors that made the event possible. The sponsors were ShopRite of Poughkeepsie, AP Packaging, Arlington Wine & Liquor,



The (Not-So-Haunted) Stony Kill Spooktacular will take place on October 28 at Stony Kill Farm in Wappingers Falls. Pictured are attendees during a previous year’s event.

-Courtesy photo

Vera’s Pizzeria, and Stop & Shop in Poughkeepsie.

Jacobson to host billing assistance meeting with Central Hudson Oct. 26

Assemblymember Jonathan Jacobson (D-104) is sponsoring an in-person billing assistance meeting with Central Hudson where customers can get one-on-one help with a Central Hudson representative to resolve their billing issues. It will be held on October 26th from 4-6 p.m. at the Adriance Memorial Library, 93 Market Street, in Poughkeepsie.

Jacobson said, “For nearly two years, my constituents have experienced every type of billing disaster, from excessive charges and wildly inaccurate estimated

bills to late or missing bills and more. That’s why I am bringing Central Hudson representatives directly into the community, so customers can talk face-to-face with a real person and finally get solutions to their billing problems.

Jacobson hosted a similar event in Newburgh last month. “At the first event in Newburgh, most people had their problems resolved,” said Jacobson.

Central Hudson customers can sign up for an appointment or call 845-763-7011 for more information.

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REFEREE'S NO-TICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF DUTCHESS RHINEBECK SAV-INGSBANK, Plaintiff-against - VERVA PARKER A/K/A VERVA AHDERS, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judg-ment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on August 28, 2023, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auc-tion in the rear lobby of the Dutchess County Courthouse, 10 Mar-ket Street, City of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York on the 3rd day of November, 2023 at 2:30 PM. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and im-provements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of North East, County of Dutchess and State of New York. Premises known as 4608 Route 199, Millerton, NY 12546. (SBL#: 7170-00-740940 & 719998) Approximate amount of lien \$30,477.63 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 2021-54208. Raymond A. Cote, Esq., Referee. Stein, Wiener & Roth LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 1400 Old Country Road, Suite 315 Westbury, NY 11590 Tel. 516-742-1212 PARKER AKA AHDERS-80355 Dated: September 11, 2023 During the COVID-19 health emergency, bidders are required to comply with all gov-ernmental health re-quirements in effect at the time of sale includ-ing but not limited to, wearing face cover-ings and maintaining social distancing (at least 6-feet apart) dur-ing the auction, while tendering deposit and at any subsequent closing. Bidders are also required to com-ply with the Foreclo-sure Auction Rules and COVID-19 Health Emergency Rules is-sued by the Supreme Court of this County in addition to the condi-tions set forth in the Terms of Sale.

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF QUESTION TO THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PLEAS-ANT VALLEY AT THE NEXT GEN-ERAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to NYS Education Law §259(1)(13), and in accordance with the provisions of the NYS

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Election Law, the fol-lowing question will be submitted to the qual-ified voters of the Town of Pleasant Valley at the General Election to be held on the 7th day of November, 2023:

SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRI-BUTION OF THE TOWN OF PLEAS-ANT VALLEY FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE PLEASANT VALLEY FREE LIBRARY BE AT FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOL-LARS (\$525,000) ANNUALLY?

Further notice is hereby given that the said election shall be held at the following lo-cations in the Town of Pleasant Valley: Traver Road School West Road School Salt Point Fire House on the 7th day of No-vember 2023, and that the polls will be open on that day between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9 p.m. Mary Beth Muir Town Clerk, Town of Pleasant Valley

Town of Fishkill Office of the Town Clerk
807 Route 52
Fishkill, NY 12524
845-831-7800 ext. 3338 | btompkins@fishkill-ny.gov
www.fishkill-ny.gov

The Joint Landfill Board will hold a public meeting and presentation regard-ing the draft Public Participation Plan for the Fishkill-East Landfill SPEDES permit. The meeting will be held October 26, 2023 at 4:00 pm. To partici-pate in this meeting: <https://meetings.dialpad.com/room/renniadesign>
<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ydkDtqvo0xcwnax/AAAU8FYdPP5o3Tu1SjF88sbsa?dl=0>

NOTICE TO BID-DERS-RFB-DCB-19-23 Rebid Geother-mal Valve Vault Relo-cation at Emergency Response. Multi Prime Bids shall be re-ceived for the follow-ing classes of work: General Construc-tion, Mechanical and Electrical. The County of Dutchess official bid documents for this project are obtained from the Empire State Purchasing Group's Regional Bid Notifica-tion System www.bidnetdirect.com/new-york/county-of-dutchess. Copies of bidding documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies. It is incumbent upon all potential bid-ders to view all posted addenda prior to the bid close date. You

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may obtain an official copy by registering on the Empire State Re-gional Bid Notification System at www.bidnetdirect.com/new-york/county-of-dutchess or by using the link provided at www.dutchessny.gov, selecting "Govern-ment" then selecting "Bidding and RFP Op-portunities." For those without Internet ac-cess, you may obtain an electronic copy of bidding documents by contacting the Dutchess County De-partment of Public Works at dpwcontracts@dutchessny.gov, or in person, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4 pm: Dutchess County DPW, Busi-ness Office, 1st Floor, 626 Dutchess Turn-pike, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Upon re-quest, all interested parties may review the hard copy of the Bid Specifications and Drawings by visiting the above referenced address. All Addenda will be posted on Bid-Net Direct (aka Em-pire State Purchasing Group) site. Bids due on or before **11:00am Thursday, Novem-ber 16, 2023**, and at that time opened and read aloud. Bids re-ceived after that time will not be accepted. Bids for the above project will be re-ceived by: Diane McKenna, Contract Specialist Dutchess County De-partment of Public Works (DPW) 626 Dutchess Turnpike-1st Floor, Pough-keepsie, NY 12603. The bid opening for this solicitation will be conducted through Microsoft Teams Audio Conferencing. Anyone who wishes to hear bids read aloud will need to call into the phone number listed below, in-person at-tendance at a bid opening will not be al-lowed. We ask that you call in at least three minutes prior to bid due/time to ensure you are connected properly. All call-ins will be asked to iden-tify themselves by name and organiza-tion. Join Microsoft Teams Meeting +1 516-268-4602 United States, Hempstead (Toll) Conference ID: 847 183 288#. Each bid shall be submitted as one paper original and one electronic copy and be accom-panied by Bid Security (bid bond, certified check, official bank check) or a Letter of Credit (in a form agreeable to Dutchess County) in the amount of 10% of the bid amount. Bid-ders' security will be retained until the suc-cessful bidder has signed the Owner-Contractor Agree-

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ment and the County has finalized the Agreement. Each bid with Bid Security shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name of the Project, Name of the Bidder, and the date and hour of the bid opening, which must be visible upon delivery. A Walk-through is scheduled for 9:00am Wednes-day, October 25, 2023 at Emergency Re-sponse Center, 392 Creek Rd., Pough-keepsie. All parties in-terested in bidding must apprise them-selves of the site con-ditions immediately prior to bidding. Ques-tions will be accepted by the close of busi-ness November 9, 2023 and emailed to Diane McKenna at dpwcontracts@dutchessny.gov and cc'dmckenna@dutchessny.gov with the County's response published in Addenda prior to 48 hours before the bid opening date. This project may be subject to NYS Department of Labor Prevailing Wage Rates PRC #: 2023012206. View Bid Specifications re-garding APPREN-TICESHIP PRO-GRAM, if applicable. The County reserves the right to waive irreg-ularities in bids and in bidding and to reject any or all proposals.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF MILAN ZONING BOARD PLEASE TAKE NO-TICE that the Zoning Board of the Town of Milan will hold a public hearing in accor-dance with Town Law for a new driveway/two car garage at the request of Diane Goetz for property located at 430 Academy Hill Road, tax grid number 6572- 00-525331 lo-cated in the A3A zon-ing district. SAID HEARING will be held at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, on Wednes-day, October 25, 2023 at which time all in-terested persons shall be given the opportunity to be heard. The meet-ing starts at 7:00 p.m. and this application will be heard in the or-der at which it appears on the agenda. Dated: October 16, 2023 By Order of Town of Milan Zoning Board

Notice:
Halloween Curfew
Just as a reminder to the Town of Fishkill residents the Hal-loween Curfew, which was adopted on Octo-ber 16, 1997, will be enforced this coming **October 30, 31 and November 1, 2023**. It

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will be enforced during the evening hours from **8:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m.**, prevailing time, or any other period that the Town Board deems necessary. It shall be unlawful for any minor (any person under the age of 18 years) to congregate, stroll, wander, play or operate a motor vehi-cle in, about or upon any public park, public area, street, road or highway in the town unless:
They are accompa-nied by a parent or guardian.
The minor is on an emergency.
They are conducting business at the re-quest of an employer, and must have a state-ment in writing verify-ing this.
They are involved in adult supervised church, school or civic event, and again, must have a written statement verifying this.

NOTICE
Snow Ordinance
Just as a reminder to the Town of Fishkill residents, the Snow Ordinance, which was adopted in 1982, will be enforced from **November 1st, 2023 to March 31st, 2024** ("winter season"). It will be enforced during the morning hours from **1:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.**, prevailing times, or any other period that the Town Board deems necessary. It shall be unlawful for any person to park or allow to remain parked any vehicle on any Town road or high-way during the "winter season".

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY 2024 BUDGET MEETING DATES
The Pleasant Valley Town Board will hold their 2024 Budget meetings at Town Hall 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, NY on the following dates:
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

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-Monday, October 30, 2023 at 6:00PM
PURPOSE: Town Board Review of the 2024 Budget Lines
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
-Wednesday, No-vember 1, 2023 at 5:30PM
PURPOSE: Release of the 2024 Preliminary Budget
The **PUBLIC HEAR-ING** for the **2024 Preliminary Budget** will be held on Wednesday, Novem-ber 8, 2023 at 6:00PM
The Workshop Meet-ing originally sched-uled for Monday, November 6, 2023 at 7:00PM is now rescheduled for Wednesday, Novem-ber 8, 2023 at 7:00PM.
Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk
Town of Pleasant Valley

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING
I, Mary Beth Muir, duly elected Town Clerk of the Town of Pleasant Valley, Dutchess County, New York hereby cer-tify that a notice re-garding a
PUBLIC HEARING "NOTICE OF PUB-LIC HEARING FOR THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY 2024 PRELIMINARY BUDGET" to be held on the **8th** day of **NOVEMBER** at **6:00PM** was posted on the sign board at the entrance to my office on the **23RD** day of **OCTOBER 2023**; and also at the Post Office in Pleasant Valley, the Post Office in Salt Point, and on the bulletin board in the Pleasant Valley Fire-house. Further, due notice has been published in the Town's official newspaper, the Northern Dutchess News on the **25TH** day of **OCTOBER 2023** and the **1ST** day of **NOVEMBER 2023**.

Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk
Town of Pleasant Valley

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REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE
The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Pough-keepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-69-23
Sign Shop Materials
Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 16th day of November 2023 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportuni-ties". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE
The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Pough-keepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-66-23
Electric Transit Bus Infrastructure Study for Dutchess County
Proposals will be re-ceived until 2:00 p.m. on the 22nd day of November 2023 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, New York 12601. Specifi-cations and proposal forms may be obtained by visiting our website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportuni-ties". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

DUTCHESS COUNTY EARLY VOTING FOR THE 2023 GENERAL ELECTION LEGAL NOTICE

POLLS ARE OPEN FOR EARLY VOTING AS FOLLOWS:

Saturday, October 28:	9AM – 5PM
Sunday, October 29:	9AM – 5PM
Monday, October 30:	Noon – 8PM
Tuesday, October 31:	8AM – 4PM
Wednesday, November 1:	9AM – 5PM
Thursday, November 2:	Noon – 8PM
Friday, November 3:	9AM – 5PM
Saturday, November 4:	9AM – 5PM
Sunday, November 5:	9AM – 5PM

At any of the following locations:
Mid-Hudson Library Auditorium, 105 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY, 12601
Boardman Road Library, 141 Boardman Road, Poughkeepsie, NY, 12603
Rhinebeck Town Hall, 80 East Market Street, Rhinebeck, NY, 12572
Wappinger Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, Wappingers Falls, NY, 12590
Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524
Cornell Cooperative Center, 2715 US-44, Millbrook, NY 12545
Board of Elections Training Facility, 4280 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park, NY 12538
HANNAH R. BLACK and ERIK J. HAIGHT, COMMISSIONERS
DUTCHESS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
112 DELAFIELD STREET, SUITE 200 POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK 12601 845-486-2473
www.elections.dutchessny.gov

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DUTCHESS COUNTY 2023 GENERAL ELECTION LEGAL NOTICE ALL POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M. GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 7, 2023 GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE Pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-120 of the New York State Election Law, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there will be a General Election held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 in Dutchess County. The polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. We, Erik J. Haight and Hannah R. Black, Commissioners of Elections for the County of Dutchess, State of New York, do hereby certify the following offices and propositions that may be lawfully voted for in the said election. The offices and propositions to be voted on are listed below: <u>SUPREME COURT JUSTICE- 9th DISTRICT</u> (4) JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT DUTCHESS COUNTY (1) COUNTY CLERK (1) DISTRICT ATTORNEY (1) FAMILY COURT JUSTICE (1) COUNTY EXECUTIVE (25) MEMBER DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE <u>TOWN OF AMENIA</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF BEEKMAN</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN CLERK (2) TOWN JUSTICE (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBER <u>TOWN OF CLINTON</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN CLERK (1) TOWN JUSTICE (1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS (1) TAX COLLECTOR (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF DOVER</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN CLERK (1) TOWN JUSTICE (1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS (1) TAX COLLECTOR <u>TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL</u> (1) RECEIVER OF TAXES (1) TOWN CLERK (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF FISHKILL</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (2) TOWN JUSTICE (1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF HYDE PARK</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (2) TOWN JUSTICE (4) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF LAGRANGE</u> (1) TOWN CLERK (1) TOWN JUSTICE (1) RECEIVER OF TAXES (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF MILAN</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBER (2) TOWN ASSESSOR <u>TOWN OF NORTH EAST</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN CLERK (1) TOWN JUSTICE (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBER (1) TOWN BOARD MEMBER – UNEXPIRED TERM <u>TOWN OF PAWLING</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN JUSTICE (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS VILLAGE OF PAWLING (1) TRUSTEE – UNEXPIRED TERM (1) TRUSTEE – UNEXPIRED TERM <u>TOWN OF PINE PLAINS</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN CLERK (1) TOWN JUSTICE (1) HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS (2) TOWN ASSESSOR <u>TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN CLERK (1) TOWN JUSTICE (1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF RED HOOK</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (2) TOWN JUSTICE (1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF RHINEBECK</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN JUSTICE (2) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS (1) SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS <u>TOWN OF STANFORD</u> (1) TOWN SUPERVISOR (1) TOWN CLERK (1) TOWN JUSTICE			(2)TOWN BOARD MEMBERS (1)SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS <u>TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE</u> (1)TOWN SUPERVISOR (1)TOWN CLERK (2)TOWN JUSTICE (6) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS (1)SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS (2)LIBRARY TRUSTEE <u>TOWN OF UNION VALE</u> (1)TOWN SUPERVISOR (1)TOWN CLERK (2)TOWN BOARD MEMBERS (1)TAX COLLECTOR (1)SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS <u>TOWN OF WAPPINGER</u> (1)TOWN SUPERVISOR (1)TOWN CLERK (1)TOWN JUSTICE (1)SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS (4) TOWN BOARD MEMBERS <u>TOWN OF WASHINGTON</u> (1)TOWN CLERK (1)TOWN JUSTICE (2)TOWN BOARD MEMBERS (1)SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS <u>CITY OF BEACON</u> (1)MAYOR (2)COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE (4) COUNCILMEMBERS <u>CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE</u> (1)MAYOR (1) COUNCILMEMBER AT LARGE (8) COUNCILMEMBERS (1) LIBRARY TRUSTEE PROPOSITIONS: PROPOSAL NUMBER ONE, AN AMENDMENT The proposed amendment to Article 8, section 4 of the Constitution removes the special constitutional debt limitation now placed on small city school districts, so they will be treated the same as all other school districts. Shall the proposed amendment be approved? PROPOSAL NUMBER TWO, AN AMENDMENT The proposed amendment to Article 8, section 5 of the Constitution extends for ten years the authority of counties, cities, towns, and villages to remove from their constitutional debt limits debt for the construction of sewage facilities. Shall the proposed amendment be approved? AMENIA Shall the annual contribution of the Town of Amenia for the operating budget of the Amenia Free Library be increased by Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars to the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand (\$225,000) Dollars annually? BEEKMAN Shall the annual contribution of the Town of Beekman for the operating budget of the Beekman Library be at Five Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Nine (\$538,889) Dollars annually? PINE PLAINS Shall the annual contribution of the Town of Pine Plains for the operating budget of the Pine Plains Free Library be increased to the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$166,900) annually? PLEASANT VALLEY Shall the annual contribution of the Town of Pleasant Valley for the operating budget of the Pleasant Valley Free Library be at Five Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$525,000) annually? POUGHKEEPSIE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT Shall the 2024 Library District budget, as submitted by the Board of Trustees of the Poughkeepsie Public Library District, be approved and shall the Board of Trustees authorize estimated expenditures of \$11,056,505 for Library District operations for the year January 1-December 31, 2024, which includes \$1,241,676 of previously authorized combined debt service for the year of January 1 – December 31, 2024 and, further, shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to instruct the City of Poughkeepsie and the Town of Poughkeepsie to collect taxes on its behalf for the financing of Library District operations and debt service as prescribed in the Library District’s special legislation as amended in 1994, 1997, 2006 and 2016? RHINEBECK Shall the annual contribution of the Town of Rhinebeck for the operating budget of the Starr Library be increased by Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000) to the sum of Four Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$464,800) annually? ERIK J. HAIGHT and HANNAH R. BLACK Commissioners of Elections			ecutive William F. X. O’Neil extended Local Emergency Order #1, Local Emergency Order #2, and Local Emergency Order #3 in furtherance of Executive Order No. 5 of 2023, dated May 18, 2023. The text of the declaration of state of emergency and local emergency orders is available at www.dutchessny.gov. At the October 18, 2023, Town of Fishkill Town Board Meeting, the Town Board voted to cancel the first meeting in November.			Notice is hereby given that the November 1, 2023, Town of Fishkill Town Board Meeting is canceled. REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-71-23 REBID Antenna Support Towers Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 14th day of November 2023 at the Dutchess			County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website http://www.dutchessny.gov, selecting “Government”, then selecting “Bidding and RFP Opportunities”. For additional information, call 845-486-3613. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND SPECIAL USE PERMIT STAR OF BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Chapter 150, Sections 150-97B. and 150-109 of the Code of the Town of Fishkill, the Town of Fishkill Planning Board (Planning Board) will hold a Combined Public Hearing on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible in the Francois R. Cross Meeting Room located in the lobby of the Town of Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524 for the proposal known as Star of Bethlehem Baptist Church, located at 37 Lamplight Street, identified as Tax Map Parcel No. 5955-04-768471, consisting of 2.1 acres in the RB (Restricted Business) Zoning District for the following approvals: * Site Development Plan Approval and Special Use Permit Approval (Town Code Chapter 150, Sections 150-97B. and 150-109) to utilize the existing building located at 37 Lamplight Street for a house of worship to assemble, congregate and offer biblical studies. Worship services shall take place weekly on Sunday mornings, occasional bible study sessions shall take place mid-week, and there are no plans to alter or change the existing building footprint. All interested persons will be heard by the Planning Board of the Town of Fishkill at the public hearing to be held as aforesaid. For any persons unable to attend the public hearing, email comments may be submitted in advance to dcollonna@fishkill-ny.gov. BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE TOWN OF FISHKILL, NEW YORK Debbie Colonna, Planning Board Secretary		

Obituaries

Pete (Brian Peter) Dowd



WAPPINGERS FALLS - Pete (Brian Peter) Dowd crossed over the Rainbow Bridge holding the hand of his wife of 49 years Ginny (Virginia Marie) Perre-Dowd at VBMC on October 5, 2023. Born in Brooklyn, NY on March 23, 1937 to Francis Patrick Dowd and Nona Veronica Dowd (née O'Brien), Pete joined and was honorably discharged from the USMC as Lance Corporal, specializing in radio technology. He relocated to Poughkeepsie in the IBM migration wave of 1960, and moved to the Village of Wappingers where he resided since his marriage on December 16, 1973.

He was a great lover of classical music, jazz, poetry, philosophy, fig newtons and theatre (an actor on and volunteer with Wappingers Falls County Players). He was

a member of The Toastmasters' Club; a volunteer of Friends of Seniors and Big Brothers Big Sisters Association. He will be remembered for his wit and peculiar sense of humor. He enjoyed hiking and wandering trails, seeking community theaters in his travels, and loved to toast the sunsets on Cape Cod.

In addition to his beloved wife, Ginny, to whom he is eternally indebted for constructing this obituary, Pete is survived by their daughter Alicia (Seashell) Renée Perre-Dowd, (Jean-Philippe Lemieux) ~ son Michael Brian Dowd, (Connie Barlow), Michael's children Sheena Aileen Stevens, Shane Michael Dowd (Daniella), Miriam Joy Dowd-Eller, (Trevor) - grandchildren Ayela Renee, and Anjali Sirona; daughter Kathleen (Pidgey) Patricia Newbold (Patrick), their children Taryn Patrice Gordon (Jeffrey), Kyle Evan (Jessica), and Sean Christopher - grandchildren Hailey Ginny and Madison Patrice; son Kevin Joseph Dowd (Karen), their children Hannah Rene and Christopher Joseph; and son Shawn Patrick Dowd. A warm hearted thanks to Pete's first wife, Barbara Plotner, who is largely responsible for the wonderful human beings mentioned above in this paragraph.

Pete is also survived by his sister Margaret Agnes Dunleavey (Barry), their children and grandson, his sister-in-law and brother-in-law Louise and John Blakley, their children and grandchildren. Also surviving are several cousins, nephews, his closest lifelong friend Edward Ganz (Maureen Wing), and his grand orange friend, Cream Puff, who misses him dearly but can't resist being delighted to have his whole half of the bed.

Our special gratitude is extended to those who aided in Pete's care in his final months ~ Tavia Grant, and from Hudson Valley Hospice, Gizelle.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Brian (Pete) Dowd to Hudson Valley Hospice of Poughkeepsie, 374 Violet Avenue, Poughkeepsie NY 12601.

Graveside services were held at Wappingers Rural Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were under the care the Delehanty Funeral Home, Wappingers Falls, NY www.delehantyfuneral.com.

Giovanna Battista



WAPPINGERS FALLS - Giovanna Battista, 92, an area resident since 1996 and formerly of Mount Vernon, died on October 17, 2023 at The Grand at Pawling following a long illness.

Born in Casalciprano, Italy on August 19, 1931, she was the daughter of Giuseppe and Maria Assunta (DeLuca) Colitto. Giovanna was a talented seamstress who worked in Mount Vernon. She enjoyed baking and cooking. She never drove a car, and her family remembers her walking home each day with four bags of groceries in her hands. Another fond memory was when she took her children to see Santa Claus each year at the Cross County Mall in Yonkers.

Giovanna is survived by her husband of 67 years, Donato Battista; her children and their spouses, Gerald Battista, Lucio and Elizabeth Battista, Joseph and Carol Battista, and Maria Russo; her grandchildren, Danny Lagana, Kim Lagana, Lucio and Katy Julia Battista and Giuseppe Russo; her great-granddaughter, Rosalina Maria; and her siblings, Michael Colitto and Teresa Petrucci. In addition to her parents, she was also predeceased by her sister, Nicolina Lombardi.

Calling hours were held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. The Mass of Christian Burial was offered at St. Columba Church, 835 Route 82, Hopewell Junction followed by interment in St. Denis Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Sandra Lee Ritter Hall



Sandra Lee Ritter Hall passed away peacefully at the age of 76 with her family at their ranch in Austin, Texas on October 14, 2023 after a 30+ year battle with bipolar disorder and almost two years of fighting non-Hodgkin lymphoma. Sandra was born on September 13, 1947 to Joseph Ritter and Margaret Pearce in Beacon, New York. She was the first of three including her brother Robert Ritter and sister Lesley Aron-Bayof.

Her mother abandoned the family when Sandra was nine years old leaving her as a young matriarch. She was raised by her grandparents, Jacob and Sara Ritter, founders of the Beacon Hebrew Alliance (<https://www.beaconhebrewalliance.org>), and went on to live in Phoenix, Arizona where she met her husband, Sigourney Hall.

As an Air Force wife, Sandra moved duti-

fully from base to base taking care of the family while volunteering for local charities. Sandra completed her undergraduate degree at Louisiana State University and achieved her Masters of Psychology at St. Mary's University. She dedicated her life to helping others first working as a therapist at a battered women's shelter. She went on to Lutheran Social Services where she pioneered the practice of open adoption, facilitating communications between birthmothers and their child's adoptive parents. Sandra also served in the Civil Service and later finished her career at Long Island University (LIU Post) as an academic and career counselor.

Sandra is survived by her brother and sister, son Dennis Hall (Annaleise), grandchildren, Ella Hall, Ian Hall, Rebecca Kight and two great grandchildren. Services will be held on Saturday, October 28th in Beacon, New York. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the National Alliance on Mental Illness at www.nami.com in her memory.

Viscount Wines and Liquor begins ‘V4V’ program to benefit DAV

Viscount Wines and Liquor in the Town of Wappinger has initiated a “Veterans for Veterans” (V4V) program to give veterans the opportunity to “pay it forward” to other veterans.

The program allows all military (active, reserve, guard, veteran and retired) the option of receiving their well-deserved discount, or the option of donating it to the local Disabled American Veterans (DAV) chapter 144, run by John Masselli and his dedicated staff.

“We have raised approximately \$3,000 in under six months, and plan to present a check to the local DAV chapter at our Paint and Sip event being held on the Oct. 29 at the Lomola Civic Center,” said Sean Landolt, of Viscount Wines and Liquor.

Landolt's wife, Rachel, will be the artist donating her time to lead the event to benefit the DAV chapter. Sean noted that “When we were stationed in Thailand, she started a successful business where she would host adult and children parties, which were always a huge success. We thought doing a fundraising event to add to the money V4V has raised for the DAV would be just as successful. We were right. The class filled up almost instantly and we will have raised another \$1,000.”

Landolt added, “As a retired Air Force veteran, it means a lot for me to come home to where I grew up and make positive changes. I hope perhaps our V4V program will catch on and perhaps other businesses will adopt similar programs which can help to serve any number of communities.”

TINTYPES AT WILDERSTEIN NOV. 4

Tintypes at Wilderstein will take place on November 4 at 2 p.m. This lecture and demonstration will showcase the art, history, and alchemical process of the unmatched beauty of tintype photographs.

Tom DeLooza, a historical photographer, will delve into Wilderstein's collection of tintypes and is available for a limited number of portrait sessions that day using his equipment and antiquarian and techniques. The audience will be encouraged to stay for the first portrait session and witness the ethereal appear out of the darkness.

Tickets for the lecture are \$15 and portraits may be booked for an additional \$60 per session. For more information, call 845-876-4818.

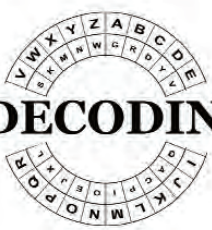
Hochul makes solidarity visit to Israel



Governor Kathy Hochul continued her solidarity mission in Israel on October 19. During day two of her trip, the Governor visited the Western Wall and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in the Old City of Jerusalem, visited Shaarei Tzedek Hospital, toured the HQ for United Hatzalah, met with President Isaac Herzog and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, and toured Kfar Aza kibbutz. Governor Hochul also delivered remarks to a gathering organized by the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations.

Hochul learned that her father, John Courtney, died during the second day of her trip.

-Courtesy photo



DECODING DUTCHESS PAST



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In a few days children of all ages, robed as everything from pirates to witches, will take to the streets, feverishly striving to fill their sacks with candy. The “holiday” has become so cherished in America that according to the National Retail Federation more than \$10 billion was spent last year on costumes, decoration and huge bags of chocolates of all kinds.

Halloween or Hallowe’en is celebrated in many countries on October 31, the eve of the western Christian festival of All Saint’s Day, a day dedicated to remembering the dead. Authorities claim the celebration originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain when people lit bonfires and wore costumes to ward off ghosts. One of the more recent traditions associated with Halloween is the cemetery tours that are held throughout the county in the last few weeks of October. Where better to find a ghost that will earnestly conjure up the past. A booklet recently rediscovered in the collections of the Historical Society may just be the earliest “cemetery crawl.”

In 1906, 18 years before the Dutchess County Historical Society published *Old Gravestones of Dutchess County, New York*, Laura Roosa of Fishkill wrote a paper entitled “A Grave Matter” that was later published in book form for the Melzingah Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She undertook this task to improve upon the work previously undertaken by Elias Van Voorhis to record tombstone inscriptions from the churchyard of the First Reformed Church of Fishkill.

As Van Voorhis’ compilation was for private distribution only, Roosa felt motivated to familiarize herself personally with those whose last resting place was in the churchyard. To do so she determined to study the epitaphs but her work was constantly interrupted by amiable neighbors and “trolley visitors from Newburgh or Poughkeepsie” straying into the yard and asking questions.

While she pronounced the encounters pleasant, they delayed her work. The solution suddenly came to her - “I was pondering over the matter, late one night, as I sat on the porch, with the moonlight streaming through the trees, and the thought came to me: Why not go up now? It is very light, and no one is ever disturbed in a graveyard at midnight, by human beings at any rate. I resolved to go. Now all my lifelong I have been afraid of ghosts; but these fore-fathers had come to seem like real flesh and blood, and not at all like departed spirits.” With that revelation Laura set off alone up the silent street. Finding a comfortable seat on the chapel steps with the tombstones nearby she wrote that “the past came visibly before me.”

Throughout the night she made her way through all the tombstones and entered into conversations with many of the deceased. One of her encounters was with Domine Benjamin Meenema and his wife. She described him as “clerical looking” and she as “fair.” Upon Laura’s request the Domine told her he has been born in Holland and educated there. He shared that he found life very different here from what it was in the Netherlands. She would have liked to have learned more from the Domine but while they were conversing she observed Colonel John Brinckerhoff had arrived at her back. He shared stories of his times with General Washington.

Wishing to have “tarried longer with this courtly old soldier and his warm-hearted wife” she was beckoned on by other “friends for her to see.” Her next encounter was with Jacobus Swartwout. “Are you General Jacobus Swartwout?” she questioned. “No, no, my child, I am his father. He lies buried in a family vault at Swartwoutville, and was a greater man than I.”

Her encounter with William Walmsley,

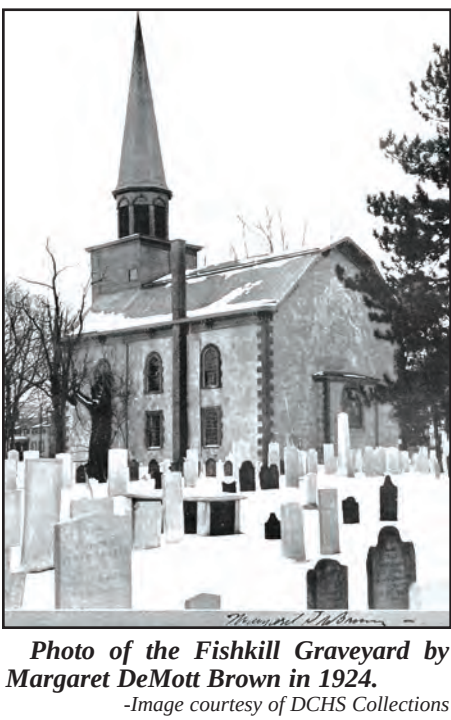


Photo of the Fishkill Graveyard by Margaret DeMott Brown in 1924.

-Image courtesy of DCHS Collections

measurer of grain in the city of New York, proved enlightening. He died at Fishkill on August 24, 1803 and was laid to rest beneath an imposing tomb-table. The epitaph carved into the gravestone was lengthy but Laura commented “Mr. Walmsley, it looks as if there might have been another verse here.” “Yes,” he said, quite indignantly, “there was. When I died I left a small sum of money to the church to keep my stone in repair; the yard became very much run down and my tomb was broken and defaced. When the church people came to their senses, they ordered it repaired; but between neglect and the repairer the last stanza was somehow lost. I will tell it to you, however, so that you in your turn may repeat it to others. She included it in her paper.

As she continued through the graveyard she encountered Major William Roe Van Voorhis, a man of fine appearance, nearly six feet in height, his whole bearing showing him to be a man of genial disposition. Pausing before the stone of Jacob Du Bois she let him tell his own story and then next saw some children – four from the same family. One calm, moonlight night Grandmother Shear appeared before her and told her that she was married to her first husband, Francis Hasbrouck, when she was only thirteen. John N. Bailey recalled that when he was a boy about ten years old he caught smallpox from soldiers in the nearby encampment. His father prevailed upon health officers to allow John to be cared for at home “with the assistance of a negro slave named Caesar.” John recovered and lived to be seventy-nine years old. She found the Van Wyck family genealogy to be confusing so upon nearing their gravestones pleaded with them “Will you please help me get your family straightened out in my mind, for I can never remember which of you built the “Wharton House?”

As the night grew to a close Laura looked to the east and “fancied I saw the first faint streaks of dawn.” She saw the rooster on the church steeple “spreading his wings and making vigorous preparations for his early proclamation.” Knowing that no spirits would be stirring in the daylight she ended her tour.

Her paper concludes with the following: “My friends, you may think I have dreamed all this; but I am enough of a spiritualist to believe that I held direct communication with the departed; but if you doubt it, come and visit the churchyards some night with me. Perhaps you will hear stranger stories than any I have told, and you may be able to win wonderful words from some who refused to unseal their lips when I questioned.”

Laura died on February 8, 1938 at the

Encounters with the Passed: A Grave Matter

By Melodye Moore



The 1906 publication by Laura Roosa for the Melzingah Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution she called *A Grave Matter*. Inset: title page. Background: handmade cover.

-Image courtesy of DCHS Collections

age of 75. At her death she had \$5,000 of personal property and \$5,000 of real estate. Among the bequests in her will was \$1,000 for the Endowment Fund of the First Reformed Dutch Church of Fishkill. Perhaps she was thinking of all her friends in the graveyard when she made out her will. I wonder where she is buried.

Happy Halloween. May all your ghostly encounters be as friendly as those

of Laura.

Melodye Moore is a long-standing Board member of DCHS, Chair of its Collections Committee, regular contributor to the DCHS Yearbook, and develops a wide range of programs. More information at www.DCHSNY.org.

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Creative Living

Costumes, fun highlight annual Halloween Parade in the Village of Fishkill



The Village of Fishkill held its annual Halloween Parade on Main St. in the village on October 22. A fire truck from the Village of Fishkill Fire Department, and a police patrol car from the Village of Fishkill Police Department, led off the parade. Parade participants dressed in a variety of costumes. Village of Fishkill Mayor Kathy Martin waves to paradegoers.

-Photos by Kristine Coulter

Learn about the Lenape Native Americans at Mount Gulian Historic Site on November 4

A talk about the local history of the Lenape Native Americans, the first inhabitants of the region, will be held on November 4 at 1 p.m. at Mount Gulian Historic Site in Beacon.

For more than 12,000 years, the ancestors of the Lenape culture lived and thrived in Lenapehoking, the land of the Lenape, which included the Hudson Valley. Local tribes such as the Wappinger, Esopus and Tappan encountered Henry Hudson along the Mahicannituck in 1609, changing things dramatically forever.

Mount Gulian property was identified as the site of temporary Lenape encampments, and was also the site of the Rombout Patent of 1683, the Indian Deed selling much of Dutchess County to colonial settlers. Interaction with the Europeans forced the Lenape to develop survival strategies, resulting in a remnant leaving the area to live elsewhere.

The talk, given by Harv Hilowitz, Contributing Scholar for the Maritime Museum in Kingston, will focus on Lenape life-ways before the contact period and delve into the Lenape diaspora, and current renaissance and return to the area.

Reservations are preferred but walk-in will be accommodated if space allows. Light refreshments will be served. Admission: \$12/adults; \$10/seniors; \$5 children (5-15 years).

Mount Gulian members are free; membership is open to the public. To make a reservation call 845-831-8172 or email info@mountgulian.org. Payment may be made the day of the event.

This event is sponsored by the Hudson River Valley National Heritage area.



Citizens Preparedness Training Nov. 1 in Beacon

Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response and the Beacon Lions Club invites community members to a Citizens Preparedness Training on November 1 at the Veterans Memorial Building, 413 Main St., in Beacon. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the program begins at 7 p.m.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information and to register, mrc@dutchessny.gov.

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Spooky cookie

These crisp, spicy biscuits are just right for Halloween

Although it must be said that my thoughts tend toward the spooky, eerie and Gothic all year long, now is finally the true season to let those tendencies shine. Halloween, All Hallows Eve, Samhain, call it what you will; but the history is a rich one with many of the things we still do to celebrate it - and the dead - strongly tied to the past. Read on, if you dare, mortal friends, because, fair warning, history can indeed be too dark for some. But then, it IS Halloween...

You no doubt know that the origins of Halloween can be traced back to the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain. (A quick side note to put something to rest once and for all: the Celtic, and true, pronunciation is SAH-win. It is Gaelic, after all, and it literally translates to summer's end.) To summarize, Samhain marked, well, the end of summer, the final harvest and getting ready for the dark half of the year, and was celebrated with feasts, revelry and bonfires. It was the separation of summer and winter, plenty and decay, lightness and dark.

It was also believed to be the time when the veil between the living and the dead was thinnest. This meant that mortals were vulnerable to visitations from the dead and preparations were made to placate these spirits while showing respect and maybe currying some favor for next year's harvest. But let's face it, this was a scary thought, and so precautions were taken to protect the living, who often wore costumes to disguise themselves. Much like the Mexican Day of the Dead, it was a time to honor one's ancestors, tell their stories and remember. Think of it as their New Year celebration. But with dead people on the guest list. Customs changed over time, but food always played a major role. Feasts from the harvest were common and often food was laid out for the dead. Some even set places at their tables for any otherworldly visitors that might happen by. (I can't help thinking that if I ever come back that's exactly what I'd want!)

With the rise of Christianity, the pagan festivals changed. Renamed All Hallows Eve, the holiday now marked the night before All Saints Day and was celebrated with fires and harvest feasts but now also prayers for the dead. Spiced, shortbread-like soul cakes would be given to anyone who knocked on your door, a holdover from when pagan revelers would go door-to-door wearing disguises, begging for something to eat. Soul cakes were given in exchange for prayers for the family's departed, in theory helping to save their souls. Before there were soul cakes there was another way to save the dearly

departed. For that, we'll travel back to medieval times. Tolerated but not sanctioned by the Church, God-fearing people throughout Europe took it on themselves to do all they could to purify their loved ones, and hopefully themselves one day, by freeing them of sin to make the passage to Heaven.

Following the death of a loved one during this time, it was a common practice to have in attendance a unique, though often reviled, individual paid a pittance to perform an important ritual. Food, usually bread, was placed on the chest of the recently deceased with the intent of it absorbing any unconfessed sins. The bread would then be consumed by this paid individual - a Sin-Eater - who would symbolically then take those sins into himself, putting his own soul in jeopardy so that the deceased could move on. (This was certainly preferable to and likely symbolically replaced, eating the corpse itself as some early cultures did. Sorry, but I did warn you). After performing this act, the family would chase the Sin-Eater away. Despite being deemed necessary, he would forever be considered a social outcast and pariah, utterly detested and unsavable. A high price to pay for a pittance and a meal.

This practice continued into the early 1900s, but it would by then more than likely be performed by a grieving family member willing to sacrifice their own souls for those of their loved ones. In the Victorian age, mourning practices became more civilized, and Sin-Eaters were replaced by other symbolic traditions.

All of this is well and good and certainly explains a lot of the Halloween traditions of today, but it also speaks to our fear and awe of the mystery that is death. It further proves we mortals have always placed importance on food in our celebrations. But my favorite of these food traditions, and one you may not know about, is what I'm most excited to share.

It may interest you to know that, when it comes to mourning, the food we partake of may have origins in the once-popular and integral part of any respectable Victorian funeral, the funeral biscuits that essentially replaced the Sin-Eaters while launching an entire industry that catered to the dead, although, let's be honest; it really was all about the living left behind.

Ah, the Victorians and their, dare I say, obsession with death. Who can blame them, really? This was a dark time, especially in 1850s England, with life expectancies of the working class averaging 40 years for men and 43 for women.



Funeral Biscuits have a long history associated with the celebration we call Halloween.

-Photo by Vicki Frank Day

Children working in factories might make it to 15. The gentry had it slightly better with maybe 20 extra years. Queen Victoria herself is the undisputed Queen of Mourning after losing her beloved husband, Albert. She was in mourning for 40 years after his death and until her own, wore black for the rest of her life and is responsible for most of the elaborate funeral practices of the day. Mourning became an art form and started a tradition of etiquette that spawned an industry. Bakeries specialized in and boasted of their biscuits, and huge full-service funerary establishments sprang up that offered everything from elaborate banners and wreaths to caskets and carriages and the biscuits that served as obituaries of their day. Think Warehouses of Death and you wouldn't be wrong.

I found lots of mentions and even old ads for funeral biscuits, but an actual recipe was elusive. Some articles spoke of lady fingers while others shortbread or gingerbread. They could be presented as rounds or cut into shapes, like coffins. At times they were served to mourning guests at the service or given as favors, but later it seems to have been more common to send them as invitations to the funeral. Maybe the best part was the presentation: two cookies wrapped in white paper, sometimes with death-related verses printed on it, tied with black ribbon and sealed with black wax. On reading that I knew I had to make them. And, of course, I would make them in the shape of coffins.

Of all the descriptions I found, the one I went with was gingerbread. It's dark, slightly bitter, spicy and not too sweet, more befitting the occasion and perfect for this time of year. But not just any gingerbread. What vague recipes I was able to find looked, on paper, to yield a crispier cookie, or biscuit as the English say. And baking times and lengths were all over the map, if there at all. This meant a LOT of experimentation to get a result that tasted good, could be cut into the desired shape and wouldn't break your teeth. Three times proved a charm, and this is the result.

FUNERAL BISCUITS

I present to you crisp, dark, gingery cookies, with a lovely molasses bitterness and just enough sweetness, lovingly cut into coffin shapes and imprinted with skulls, hearts, crosses (just what I happened to have). The flavor is amazing, spice-forward with pleasing bitter notes. Pay heed to the thickness and baking times lest you end up breaking your teeth! These will spread while baking, no matter that you chill them first, so your devotion to re-cutting them immediately after they've baked will surely reward you in

the Afterlife.

INGREDIENTS

- 2 sticks butter
- 1 cup molasses
- 3.5 cups flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon ground ginger
- 1 tablespoon ground cloves
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- A pinch of salt

METHOD

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Lightly grease a baking pan and set aside.

Melt the butter. Add molasses and stir to mix. Don't worry that it won't blend terribly well. It all comes together in the end.

In a large bowl, whisk dry ingredients together. Pour in butter/molasses mixture and mix just to combine. Dough will be slightly soft. Turn dough onto parchment and form a disc. Wrap and chill in the refrigerator for a few hours to firm it up a bit.

Place some of the chilled dough on a piece of parchment with a slight dusting of flour and roll to 1/2-inch thickness. Cut into desired shapes, keeping in mind you will have to re-cut them after baking. Lay cut cookies in on parchment, layering with more of the same, and stick in the freezer for 5-15 minutes, making sure they lay flat.

Place chilled cookies on prepared baking sheet at least 1-inch apart. Bake for 11 minutes. They will be soft at first but crisp up quickly, so you need to work fast. They will have spread, losing some of their shape. Carefully transfer cookies to a cutting board and re-cut. You can press or cut shapes into them, like crosses or skulls, while still warm, being careful to press just hard enough to leave a clear imprint. Transfer to a cooling rack and start baking the next batch.

When completely cool, cookies will be crisp. Wrap 2 at a time in white parchment or vellum, with or without a gloomy verse or image, and tie with black ribbon. If you can find black sealing wax, drip some on and press into it the appropriate emblem of your choosing. Give to those you wish to save or impart with advice for the Hereafter. Or the Here-And-Now, for that matter.

And that, dear mortal friends, is a bit of history worth sinking your teeth into. A most delicious Halloween to you all.

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Our favorite farmer

DPW Farm Bureau honors Elizabeth Ryan as ‘Favorite Farmer of the Year.’

She was born in Wyoming. But that’s not the only reason Elizabeth Ryan was chosen as “Favorite Farmer of the Year” at the Dutchess/Putnam/Westchester Farm Bureau annual meeting.

Elizabeth Ryan owns six farms in the Hudson Valley, soon to be eight, including Breezy Hill Orchard in Dutchess County, home to 50 varieties of apples, pears, peaches, plums and nectarines. Elizabeth comes from a long line of farmers that skipped a generation. Growing up, she couldn’t wait to get back on the land. While pursuing a degree in pomology at Cornell University, she took a class on agriculture policy, leading to a two-year detour as an activist in Washington, D.C. But Elizabeth soon realized that the truest form of activism was to become a farmer, instead of just talking about it.

Now she does both, and it is her work in public policy that cinched her favorite farmer award, specifically a meeting that she hosted at her orchard in Stone Ridge featuring a discussion with congressmen Pat Ryan and Marcus Molinaro about the upcoming farm bill.

Elizabeth is a founding member of the Union Square Farmer’s Market and a pioneer in the hard cider industry. Her orchards maintain a long-standing commitment to sustainable agriculture and local green economies.

Farm Bureau is a member-supported organization with a mission to serve and strengthen agriculture. At our annual meeting we discussed current issues including:

- Farm distilleries should be allowed to ship spirits (vodka, whiskey) through the mail, as wine is allowed to be shipped.
- Farm Bureau supports the “Strengthening Local Processing Act,” a proposed federal law that will build greater capacity among independent meat processors (slaughterhouses) to meet the demand for locally grown beef and pork.
- Reduce the taxes for locally grown marijuana. The 35% tax (including sales tax) makes it almost impossible for small local growers to compete with big corporations and unlicensed backyard gardeners.
- Overhaul the payment system that farmers markets use to redeem SNAP and FMNP coupons. Local farmers wait

months to claim the money from products they have worked hard to grow and sell.

Both of the candidates for Dutchess County Executive attended our annual meeting, just two weeks ahead of the November 7 Election Day. As expected, both Sue Serino and Tommy Zurhellen professed their love for family farms and their commitment to local agriculture, and I have no reason to doubt their sincerity.

Farm Bureau has policy calling for a working relationship with Cornell Cooperative Extension in support of maintaining a viable food and agricultural industry in New York. To help achieve this goal, we are hoping for support from the Dutchess County budget, especially for 4H. The county’s Division of Youth Services administers funds for the N.Y. Office of Children and Family Services. Young people throughout the county are in need of support.

Are you listening, Sue and Tommy?

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



Elizabeth Ryan with local Farm Bureau President Isaac Coon.
-Photo by Diane Lee

Town of Poughkeepsie Recreation

**By Janet McHugh
Recreation Director**

Have you heard about the latest activity taking the community by storm? It’s Pickleball and on October 28: It’s Pickleball for Alzheimer’s! If you want to learn to play Pickleball, then join us for beginner lessons with instructors Ray & Debbie Hirsch. \$5 suggested donation for a one-hour lesson. Balls, paddles, water, and light refreshments will be provided. They’ll be raffles and the Hudson Valley Alzheimer’s Association will be here to give out information. If you don’t want to play Pickleball, you’re welcome to stop by and visit the Alzheimer’s Assoc. booth. noon–4 p.m. at Hagantown Park, 40 Millbank Rd. (Rain date: October 29).

We are so excited to tell you about our senior citizen art classes that take place at the sr. center. The artists have produced some beautiful watercolors and we will be displaying their work in the main hallway at Town Hall. The public is invited to view the artwork and “Meet the Artists” on November 1st from 5 –7 p.m. There will be refreshments served and you’ll be able to chat with the artists. Stop by and check it out at Town Hall, 1 Overocker Rd., Level 2. The artwork will be on display for quite some time so if you can’t stop by on the 1st, stop in anytime town hall is open (Mon-Fri 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.). For all the latest and greatest news at the Senior Center see Ruta Ronis’ column.

Parishes to celebrate 150th anniversary

It’s celebration time!

The combined city of Poughkeepsie parishes of St. Joseph’s, St. Mary’s and Our Lady of Mount Carmel will help celebrate the 150th anniversary of St. Mary’s.

There will be special masses dedicated to the church throughout the month of November.

There will also be a dinner commemoration.

For more information, please contact the parish at 845-452-8250.

Mount Alvernia tag sale on Nov. 4 in Wappingers Falls

Something for everyone which benefits Mt. Alvernia, 158 Delavergne Ave., in Wappingers Falls, at its tag sale on November 4, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Holiday decor plus toys, houseware items of every kind and more.

Craft fair in Fishkill Nov. 4

A craft fair with more than 50 vendors will take place at St. Mary School, 106 Jackson St., in Fishkill from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. on November 4.

CLUB CLASSIC SENIOR CENTER NEWS
By Ruta Ronis

Apples, pumpkins, colorful leaves, a chill in the air, and shorter days mean the seasons are changing, but the joy and comradeship at our Senior Center at 14 Abe’s Way remains in full swing between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

We’re looking ahead to our next two big holiday celebrations and hope you’ll sign up now to join us. Both events are open to those age 55+. Spaces are limited and filling up quickly, so please don’t hesitate.

Nov. 21 (Tu) - We’ll be sharing our thanks and merriment at an in-house Potluck Thanksgiving Luncheon. We kindly request that everyone please bring an appetizer or an entree OR a dessert that serves at least five people to place on our buffet table. There is no additional charge to attend.

Dec. 19 (Tu) - Mill Creek Catering Hall here we come for our Holiday Party from 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.! This is the venue we celebrated last December. Once again, we will enjoy conversation and laughter over a tantalizing four-course lunch. This year we will be able to relax and dance to the music of The Streets of The Bronx Band. The cost for this party is \$45 per person, and that includes your raffle ticket for a chance to win one of the prizes. Full payment is due at registration.

Our November calendar includes all of those weekly sessions as well as the following specials:

Nov. 3 (F) - noon - Club Classic Presents “Hatti Johnson’s Poems” - Come listen as our very own member Hatti shares from her published book of original poems.

Nov. 4 (Sat) - 11 a.m. - Britishmania Concert Trip for those that are already signed up

Nov. 7 (Tu) - Center is closed for Election Day

Nov. 9 (Th) - noon - Lunch and Learn: “Scams” presented by the Town of Poughkeepsie Police - Learn about the latest scams and how to not fall prey to them. Participants are invited to enjoy a complimentary light lunch afterwards. Thank you Stop&Shop for your continued support.

Nov. 10 (F) - Center is closed for Veterans Day

Nov. 14 (Tu) - 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Brain Games - warm up those little gray cells with various fun thinking activities

Please stop by our Senior Center or call us at 845-462-0265 for more information and to sign up for activities and events. You can view our Senior Center Calendar at www.PoughkeepsieTownRec.com.

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Stone Ridge Engineering, LLC . Filed: 2/14/23. Office: Dutchess Co. Org. in NJ: 08/12/2015. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 1583 Livingston Avenue, , Suite #4, North Brunswick, NJ,

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Notice of Formation of Earp LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 06/25/23. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at: P.O. Box 484, Hughsonville, NY, 12537, USA. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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Browns Quality Lawn Care LLC, a domestic LLC filed with the SSNY on September 20, 2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 6172 Rt 82, Stanfordville, NY 12581. Purpose: any lawful.

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High Movementz Entertainment LLC App. for Auth. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 9/19/23. LLC was organized in DE on 3/15/21. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to 2 Forrestal Heights, #708, Beacon, NY 12508, which is also the principal business location. Required office: 8 The Green Ste.

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R, Dover, DE 19901. Cert. of Org. filed with SSDE, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

ECONOMY PLUMBING AND HEATING OF THE MID-HUDSON, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/19/23. 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, 4416 Route 44, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Hudson Nails LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/13/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 15 Eastdale Ave S; Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Qualification of HUDSON PERFORMANCE CENTER LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/19/23. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/18/23. Princ. office of LLC: 131 7th Ave., Ste. 201, NY, NY 10011. 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. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

BARBALOOT SUITS LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/13/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Levine & Levine, PLLC, 2 Jefferson Plaza, Ste 100, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: any lawful act.

DEER MEADOW APARTMENTS LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on

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9/15/2023. 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, 20 Ballymeade Rd, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful act.

Quixotics Solutions LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 9/14/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 52 Virginia Ave., Fishkill, NY 12524. General Purpose

Investbeacon LLC. Filed with SSNY on 9/22/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 40 Victoria Lane Beacon NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful

Orchard 44 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 9/14/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 22 Smithfield Rd Amenia NY 12501. Purpose: any lawful

L.c Pros LLC. Filed with SSNY on 9/18/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 943 W Dover Rd Pawling NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: Buon Giorno Foods, LLC hereinafter "LLC". Registration filing date with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) was September 7, 2023. Principal office location is Dutchess County, New York. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it or served upon it on behalf of the LLC to the registered agent, 33 Jackman Drive, Apt. A, Poughkeepsie, New York 12603. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

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MEDLA MEADOWS, LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/15/2023. 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, 37 Hocks Ln, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful act.		LEGAL NOTICE Notice of formation of MHA South Ave LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/22/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process served to: The LLC at 253 Mansion Street, Suite 201, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: any lawful act.		Two Peas Catering of the Hudson Valley LLC filed w/ SSNY 9/26/23. Off. in Dutchess Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to LLC, 6 Cross Rd, Beacon, NY 12508. Any lawful purpose.		Expressive Talks Publishing & Coaching Services, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/6/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 292 Holmes Rd Holmes NY 12531. Purpose: any lawful	
Ultra Holdings, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 9/19/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 414 River Rd., Newburgh, NY 12550. General Purpose		MOSSY HILL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/28/23. 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, 809 N. Quaker Hill Road, Pawling, NY 12564. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.		Notice of Qualification of SILO RIDGE VENTURES CP MULTI FAMILY PROPERTY, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 9/26/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 9/22/23. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St, Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St. Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is C T Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity.		Wm Real Estate Holdings LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/4/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 145 Beach Rd Poughquag NY 12570. Purpose: any lawful	
ANGELL LAW, PLLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/22/2023. 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: Bentley Fieldhouse, 6030 Route 82, Ste D, Stanfordville, NY 12581. Purpose: Law.		38 CHEVIOT LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 9/29/23. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 168 Parker Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.		Notice of Formation of Over The Hill Zebu Farm LLC filed with SSNY on 9/27/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Roy Barticciotto, 122 Grape Hollow Road, Holmes, NY 12531. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.		Ag1eastmainst LLC. Filed with SSNY on 9/28/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 145 Beach Rd Poughquag NY 12570. Purpose: any lawful	
LEGAL NOTICE Notice of formation of MHA Montgomery LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/22/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process served to: The LLC at 253 Mansion Street, Suite 201, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: any lawful act.		Whittepray Lake LLC. Filed with SSNY on 9/26/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 2 Hilee Rd Rhinebeck NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful		Notice of Formation of Ferncliff Films LLC. Arts. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/03/23. 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, 118 La Bergerie Lane, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful activity.		Gerlach Hypnotherapy LLC filed w/ SSNY 10/4/23. Off. in Dutchess Co. Process served to SSNY - desig. as agt. of LLC & mailed to the LLC, 5304 Rte. 44, Amenia, NY 12501. Any lawful purpose.	
LEGAL NOTICE Notice of formation of MHA Virginia Ave LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/22/2023. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as		Notice of formation of QUINCY'S CANDY SHOP LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/02/23. Office in Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 2833 ROUTE 9D #7 WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY, 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose		NC Rentals, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 9/5/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 498 Van Wyck Lake Rd., Hopewell Jct., NY		Notice of Formation of Beacon Hill Carpentry, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 09/05/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Beacon Hill Carpentry, 6 Brookside Road Beacon New York 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.	
BEACON HILL CARPENTRY LLC. Filed 9/5/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 6 Brookside Rd, Beacon, NY 12508. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228.		Notice of Formation of Taj Duval, LLC. Arts of Org filed with SSNY on 6/14/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Meghan Duval, 107 East Meadowbrook Lane, Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose any		LRG Industries LLC Articles of Org. filed		Notice of Formation of EMP DENTAL, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/05/23. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of PLLC: 36 Robinson Ln., Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Goldstein & Goldstein, LLP, One Civic Center Plaza, Ste. 541, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Dentistry.	
						18 Bancroft Road LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 9/26/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Robert N Ilardi, 18 Bancroft Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purpose	
						Three Pines Property Management LLC. Filed 9/13/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 264 Pine Ridge Dr Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Property Management.	
						BRIDGET LENNON NP IN PSYCHIATRY PLLC, a Prof. LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/11/2023. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 242 Main Street, #317, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: To Practice The Profession Of Nurse Practitioner In Psychiatry.	
						Notice of Formation of Beacon Hill Carpentry, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 09/05/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Beacon Hill Carpentry, 6 Brookside Road Beacon New York 12508. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.	

County Players to present ‘The Humans’ November 3-18 in Wappingers Falls

County Players, one of the longest-running community theatre companies in the area will present the Tony Award-winning Comedy “The Humans” by Stephen Karam. This Main Stage production is directed by Andrew Karl and opens November 3 through November 18 with performances scheduled for Fridays and Saturdays November 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, and 18 at 8 p.m., with matinees on Sunday, November 12, and Saturday, November 18 at 2 p.m. Performances are at the County Players Falls Theatre, 2681 W. Main Street in the Village of Wappingers Falls.

It’s the small dinner party that made big waves on Broadway about a fractured family at its not-so-finest. A bold, bruised, and billowing comedy, “The Humans” layers the fabric of a family’s past as they gather at the New York Chinatown apartment of the youngest daughter and her boyfriend for a holiday meal. Of “The Humans” the Associated Press said: “Terrific . . . crackling with joy and sadness. It is an absolute triumph!”

The production features the local talents of Ann Citron, Paul Herbig, Claudia King, Brian Mathews, Ivy Meehan, and Jessica Valente. Of this production director Karl says, “As may be the case with many Thanksgiving gatherings, “The Humans” brings out the best (and worst) in a tight-knit family grappling with fear

of the unknown in an ever-evolving world. Come take a seat at the table and score the modern American Family at its not-so-finest.”

COVID-19 Policy: Please note that proof of vaccination is no longer required; masks are optional. You may visit the website at countplayers.org/covid019-policy/ for complete up-to-date information on our theater protocols as COVID-19, and policy is reviewed after each production. NOTE: The box office is open for in-person ticket sales on performance days.

Individual tickets are available online in advance of the performance dates at countplayers.org

Hudson Valley Credit Union proudly sponsors County Players’ 66th Season. This production of “The Humans” is made possible with the support of Bronze Sponsor: Facilities Maintenance Corp., and is produced by special arrangement with Broadway Licensing, LLC, servicing the Dramatists Play Service collection. dramatists.com

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

For more information, countplayers.org/shows/thehumans,instagram.com/ countplayers.org Facebook.com/countplayers.org



County Players will present “The Humans” November 3-18 in Wappingers Falls.
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Legal Notices THE10THS LLC. Filed 8/1/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 25 Thompson Ter, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General. TASTY DELIGHTS ORG. L.L.C.. Filed 6/21/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 6 Virginia Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General. PRE ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION LLC. Filed 1/5/22. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Hopeton Marsh, P.o. Box 11, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: General. Cash City LLC. Filed 9/26/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 64 Meddaugh Rd, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave ,	Legal Notices Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General. AD VANTAGE C O N T E N T SOLUTIONS, LLC. Filed 9/18/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Zenbusiness Inc., 41 State St, Ste 112, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: General. Mainstay Mechanical LLC. Filed 8/2/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Michael P Mahoney, 18 Wilson Blvd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General. EPICO FOODS LLC. Filed 08/03/23 Office Location: Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 1849 South Road #1035, Wappinger Falls, NY 12590 Purpose: Any lawful purpose Notice of Formation: Shadbrush Consulting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 10/4/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 8 Maizeland Rd, Red	Legal Notices Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful purpose. Notice of Formation of Silvern Works, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 09/11/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Silvern Works, 19 Willard Court, Poughquag, New York 12570. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 98 E MARKET APTS LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 8/23/23. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 18 Winthrop Court, Apt. D; NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. EN ESPANOL SERVICE LLC. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY 9/29/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 18 Winthrop Court, Apt. D; NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.	Legal Notices P A T T E R S O N , CALHOUN LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/16/22. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 10 Fitchett St., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME: 2girlsteetime, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/17/2023. 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 against the LLC served upon him or her to the company c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste. 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Principal business address: 31 Zerner Blvd. , H o p e w e l l Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful act or activity Millbrook Machining, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/4/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process &	Legal Notices shall mail to: P.o. Box 632 Red Hook NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful C.t.s. Construction Management LLC. Filed with SSNY on 9/27/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 31 Heather Drive Wappinger Falls NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful Bowden Music Publishing LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/04/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 5 Taconic View Ct, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: Any lawful. Upstate Therapy LCSW PLLC. Filed 8/22/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 33 Henry St, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: LCSW. Notice of Formation: Sprout Creek Holdings, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY 10/4/23. Location: Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Caldwell M. Welles, PO	Legal Notices Box 1179 Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful purpose. Notice of Formation: The Iron Furnace, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY 10/4/23. Location: Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Caldwell M. Welles, PO Box 1179 Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful purpose. Notice of formation of Nilufer's Home Kitchen, LLC, a domestic LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on 06/17/2023. Office: Dutchess County SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Nilufer's Home Kitchen c/o Nilufer Goodson 135 Main st, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful purpose. CARNABY LLC. Filed 10/01/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & mail: 120 Roundhill Road, Hopewell Junction NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful act. RIC CHOICE FARM	Legal Notices LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/17/23. 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 Ricky A. Angier, Jr., PO Box 398, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 42 Montgomery Street LLC. Filed with SSNY on 8/28/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 42 Montgomery Street Tivoli NY 12583. Purpose: any lawful Ee Mayflower Properties LLC. Filed with SSNY on 4/11/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 15 Mayflower Ave Dover Plains NY 12522. Purpose: any lawful Dawn Lane LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 8/22/2023. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to Vincent Lomonaco, PO Box 1112, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 General Purpose
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Hocus Pocus Parade, ghost stories, lead Halloween activities October 27, 28

By Kristine Coulter

Ready to put on a costume and have some Halloween fun? The festivities begin on October 27 with Main St. Trick or Treating, the Black Cat Scavenger Hunt and Ghost Tours and Stories.

Take part in the annual Hocus Pocus Parade on Main St. on October 28. Line up for the parade is at 1:30 p.m. and the parade steps off at 2 p.m.

“We expect around 1,000 local people of all ages all dressed up and some dogs,” said Charlotte Guernsey, with The Gate House Team at Compass.

The Beacon High School Marching Band will lead the parade, said Guernsey, and the general public will follow. “All are welcome to either join the walk down Main St. or watch on the sidewalks. The Beacon police will be in the front and end of the parade controlling a rolling stop for traffic and we will have volunteers at the side streets helping as well,” she said.

Asked if there will be any new treats this year for attendees and participants, Guernsey replied, “Yes! We have some exciting new features and enhancements this year! This will be the second year we are doing activities the day before the Hocus Pocus Parade. On Friday the 27th, we will have Trick or Treating on Main St. from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. along with the super-fun Black Cat Scavenger Hunt. Kids find the cat hidden in participating stores, marked with a pumpkin in the window, and then get their passport stamped. Once they get at least 10 stamps, they can redeem it for a prize from our Halloween grab bags found at The Gate House Team at Compass at 492 Main Street.”

Beacon Walking Tours will present ghost stories. “We have ten ghosts of Beacon’s history from Bank Square to the Howland Center. Each character will be dressed in period costume and will introduce themselves to the visitors and tell a little bit about them, their history, and interact with the public,” Robin Lucas, who runs the tours with local resident Emily Murnane as part of Beacon Walking Tours, LLC.

Guernsey noted, “Hear from a possible femme fatale, a World War I soldier, the

Matteawan Ghost who haunts the factory buildings, the second mayor of Beacon, a famous palmist, the widow who sold her land to build what is now Beacon, a candy store owner who haunts the location to this day, and more.” Check out hocuspocusbeacon.com for specific locations.

All ages should enjoy this—the scarier characters will be more friendly to the little ones, said Lucas. Information about the event can be found on the Beacon Chamber of Commerce website: <https://www.beaconchamberofcommerce.org/events/hocus-pocus-beacon-listing-91-7876.aspx>.

Lucas noted, “If the adults are interested in a scary ghost walk through the streets of Beacon hearing local lore and legend, visiting haunted houses that have had paranormal investigations, and helping us solve an 1865 murder mystery about the Matteawan ghost, visit BeaconWalkingTours.com.”

On Saturday, besides the parade, the Black Cat Scavenger Hunt happens from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

A Monster Jam Party will take place at Memorial Drive, Robert Cahill Drive (off Route 52) from 2:30-5 p.m. There will be food, beverages, and other treats. At the park there will also be vendors to visit and games to play.

“This will be a fun festival with food, vendors and a Frank Sinatra Zombie MC hosting our Hocus Pocus Costume Contest with categories such as best scariest, couples, group, handmade, pop-culture, funniest, animal, and witch costumes to name a few. We have lots of prizes lined up for the costume contest (by the Memorial Park pavilion) generously donated from our local Main St. businesses including ten \$100 gift certificates to Carter’s. After the contest, professional hip hop dancers will teach Michael Jackson’s iconic “Thriller” dance to all who want to join,” Guernsey said.

The Hocus Pocus fun takes about six months to plan said Guernsey.

“This has been a really fun event for years. I remember going to my first Hocus Pocus Parade in 2015 with my then 9-month-old who was dressed as “Yoda” in a stroller. It’s just such a great day to get out and have fun, mingle, be creative and soak



The annual Hocus Pocus Parade is set for October 28 in Beacon. Pictured are participants from previous events.

-Courtesy photos



up this gorgeous Main St. that we have here in Beacon. The kids all see their friends, families, and bond over getting dressed up, and the community really comes together. These moments end up being priceless and it’s one of the things that makes Beacon special. We’re so thankful to the local businesses and sponsors such as Beacon Walking Tours, Beacon Homes Hudson Valley NY, The Gate House Team at Compass, Hudson Valley Renegades, Joker Ink, Lambs Hill Bridal Boutique, Law Office of Dennis R. Vetrano, Jr., Pedego Electric Bikes, as well as our host the Beacon Chamber of Commerce for helping make this a great event,” Guernsey remarked.

For adults, a comedy show will be held at the Happy Valley Arcade Bar from 5:30-8 p.m. on Oct. 28th.

For more information, visit HocusPocusBeacon.com or on Facebook.

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East Fishkill Recreation

**By Bill Green
Recreation Director**

This weekend is Halloween fun-time in Hopewell. On Friday night join the adults at Mill Creek Caterers for a fun Halloween Party featuring musical treats with the entertaining Johnny Dell and Nite Life, costume prizes, a great buffet dinner with a make-your own sundae dessert. The fee is \$30 for a fright night of fun.

On October 29 from 3-5 p.m. at Mill Creek we have our annual children's Halloween party and parade featuring Bob Martinson providing the music, a gift bag of goodies for all participants, donuts and cider and prizes for the best costumes. Register online if you haven't done so.

We are now signing up residents and non-residents for our annual trip to Radio

City Music Hall on November 18 for the Christmas Spectacular. The fee is \$150 (\$165 non-residents) which includes orchestra seats, Coach Tours Bus transportation and tip for driver.

You may still join Mens Winter Basketball and Co-ed Adult Volleyball. The fees are \$50 residents and \$75 non-residents. Youth Basketball begins in November.

Participants in games of chance. Your last opportunity to win Holiday Gift money will be Sunday, November 12 with our final casino trip for 2023 to the Resorts Catskills Casino. The fee is \$40 and includes Bus transportation, \$15 food voucher and \$25 free slots play.

If you have any recreation questions or concerns, please call 845-226-8395 or go to recreation1@eastfishkillny.gov.

Fishkill Recreation

**By Lauren McMenamin
Recreation Assistant Director**

Afterschool Program: Registration is now open for session 2 of our afterschool program. The program is held at Fishkill, Brinckerhoff and Glenham Elementary Schools. Stay afterschool with us after school and play sports, building blocks, board games, and more! Limited number of spots available; register today. www.FishkillRecreation.com

Winter Hoops: Registration for our popular Winter Basketball League has begun! This program offers boys and girls ages 4 to 12th grade the opportunity to learn and play the great game of basketball. Each age group is modified to promote positive play and team development so that each player can excel! To register, visit www.FishkillRecreation.com.

Little Rascals: We are excited to bring

back our popular Little Rascals program! The gymnasium at the Recreation Center is turned into a giant playroom for our little ones to run free. There are pedal cars, parachutes, slides, bouncy houses, tunnels, and much more! Little Rascals is open on Thursday mornings from 10-11:30 a.m. The fee is \$5 per child and parents get to play for free! Remember that everyone must wear sneakers. One must pre-register at www.FishkillRecreation.com. Contact Lauren for more information call, 845-831-3371.

Volleyball Camp: The Volleyball Camp is open to ages 10-14. The camp will be held on November 7 (No School) from 1pm-4pm at the Fishkill Rec Center. Register today before the camp fills up!

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

Practice yoga at the East Fishkill library Oct. 31

Yoga teacher Elaine Correa will practice yoga at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, on October 31, at 6 p.m. The class will include asanas sequences, breathing and relaxation techniques, and meditation guided. All levels are welcome. Please bring a yoga mat, a small blanket and wear comfortable

clothing. Class will now meet the last Tuesday evening of the month.

Participation is limited to 15 and registration is required.

Please call the library at 845-221-9943 or use the online calendar at <http://www.EFLibrary.org>.

Photography Club set to meet Oct. 26

The Photography Club will meet at The East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, on Thursday, October 26 at 7 p.m. This group meets at the library on the fourth Thursday of each month. This group is composed of local photographers - both professional and amateur - who come together each month to share

their love of the art of photography, to explore new techniques and discover new software, applications and tools to enhance their art. The group is open to all interested individuals; drop-ins welcome.

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

Legends and Lore marker dedication set for Oct. 25

The Wappingers Historical Society proudly announces the installation and unveiling of a Legends and Lore historical roadside marker on Spook Hill Road in Wappinger. The marker was made possible by a grant from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation, the nation's leading funder of roadside markers. The Spook Hill marker commemorates the legend and folklore behind the naming of Spook Hill Road. The Wappingers Historical Society, along with town officials, will unveil and dedicate the marker on Saturday, October 28, at 10 a.m. at Spook Hill Park. The park is at 38 Spook Hill Road. The public is invited to attend this celebration; light refreshments will be available after the ceremony.

The Wappingers Historical Society is honored to receive this Legends and Lore grant from the Pomeroy Foundation. Roadside markers bring attention to the varied and rich history of our area. The

William G. Pomeroy Foundation® is committed to supporting the celebration and preservation of community history; and working to improve the probability of finding appropriate donor matches or other life-saving treatments for blood cancer patients. Established by Trustee Bill Pomeroy in 2005 to bring together his two greatest passions, the Pomeroy Foundation is a private, philanthropic organization located in Syracuse, N.Y. As the nation's leading funder of historical roadside markers, the Pomeroy Foundation has awarded more than 2,200 grants for markers and bronze plaques in 48 states and Washington, D.C. To learn more about the Pomeroy Foundation, visit wgpfoundation.org. For more information about the Wappingers Historical Society and this marker dedication ceremony, please call 845-632-1281 or email info@wappingershistoricalsociety.org.

50th Holiday Craft Fair set in East Fishkill

The Altar Rosary Society of St. Denis, St. Columba, and St. Kateri will hold its 50th Holiday Craft Fair at the St. Columba School Hall, Route 82, East Fishkill on Saturday, November 4, from 9

a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be more than 50 tables of handcrafted items. Also there will be numerous raffles, a baked goods table, food and much more. Plan to attend. There is something for everyone.

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Dance and Theater Arts sets grand opening in Red Hook



Dance and Theatre Arts in Red Hook offers classes for adults of all levels and abilities. The grand opening event is set from 11 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28.

-Courtesy photo

Dance and Theater Arts of Red Hook will officially open its doors with a day of class demonstrations followed by a showcase at the studio located in Hardscrabble Plaza at 7270 South Broadway.

The Adult Program For Body Mind and Spirit grand opening and open house will run from 11 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. on October 28.

Under the direction of former Broadway performer/director/choreographer and master teacher Mary Rotella, the studio offers classes for adults of all levels and abilities.

Students range in ages from mid-20s to 92. “It is a joyous, inclusive and safe environment in which to learn, make new friends and enjoy all that the arts offer,”

said Rotella. “Come experience the variety of offerings and celebrate the dance and theater arts in the Hudson Valley.”

She added “Most importantly, we focus on adults. There are so many opportunities for youth to explore the performing arts, but adults and seniors are often forgotten or must resort to taking beginning classes for teens and adults. This can be intimidating and can cause injury if the level leans toward teen ability. Dance and Theater Arts is all about you - the adult dancer, actor and singer.”

All the instructors are professionals with degrees, certifications in their fields and all have performance experience.

Rhinebeck Bank, Betsy Jacaruso Gallery partner to support Grace Smith’s Clothesline Project

Rhinebeck Bank and the Betsy Jacaruso Gallery are partnering in support of Grace Smith House’s 2023 Clothesline Project, a powerful visual display of t-shirts decorated by survivors of domestic violence or their loved ones.

A nationwide movement, The Clothesline Project aims to increase awareness about domestic and sexual violence, something particularly impactful during October, which is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. For 42 years, Grace Smith House has provided victims of domestic violence with several critical services, including crisis intervention and information, 24/7 emergency shelter, transitional housing, counseling, support groups and much more.

Grace Smith House will host a Clothesline Project exhibition at the Betsy Jacaruso Gallery, Rhinebeck Courtyard, 43 East Market Street #2, Rhinebeck, from October 20th – 22nd with an opening reception and donation collection on Saturday, October 21st, 5-7 p.m. Rhinebeck Bank will continue to collect monetary donations (cash or check) and personal hygiene products in support of Grace Smith House between Monday,

October 23rd and Friday, November 3rd at its 6414 Montgomery Street, Rhinebeck branch. (Please visit Grace Smith House’s website at <https://www.gracesmithhouse.org/how-to-help/donate-items.html> for a comprehensive list of items they need for their in-house pantry.)

“We’re so grateful to have this opportunity to support our friends at Grace Smith House,” said Sharon Whiteley, assistant vice president and branch manager at the Bank’s Rhinebeck location and Grace Smith House board member. “The Clothesline Project is a truly powerful display – one that helps those impacted in their healing process, while also educating and making our community more aware of the prevalence of domestic and sexual violence problems happening around us.”

For details regarding donations to Grace Smith House, please see Sharon Whiteley at the Bank’s Rhinebeck branch during regular business hours. Additional information about the Clothesline Project is available on the Grace Smith House website at <https://www.gracesmithhouse.org/news-events/clothesline-project.html>.

Skyllkill presents ‘Unlock Secrets to Matching Stitches and Threads’ November 1

“Unlock Secrets to Matching Stitches and Threads” on November 1, at the Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church, 1168 Rte. 55, Lagrangeville. Skyllkill, a local chapter of the Embroiderer’s Guild of America, presents Ellen Johnson via a Zoom program on confidently matching embroidery stitches with threads. Ellen does blogs and teaches online classes in different aspects of needlework, most notably canvas work.

She will discuss options in choosing threads and stitches to best enhance your work. This program begins at 12:30 p.m. Join other needleworkers for fun and learning beginning at 10 a.m. (bring your own morning project and a bag lunch) or, come for this program only beginning at 12:30. For more information visit www.facebook.com/SkyllkillEGA or email to EGASkyllkill@gmail.com.

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