

4-H community
mourns loss of
leader, mentor

by Curtis Schmidt

Don Cookingham, who passed away on Feb. 11, is being remembered as a leader, mentor and friend.

He was a memorable co-leader for the “Kids 4 Kids” 4-H Goat Club, a member of the Board of Directors of the Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County and great participant and all-around helper at the Dutchess County Fair for many years.

Remembrances have come in from all over the county. They paint a picture of what Cookingham meant to the 4-H and agricultural communities and help to list his contributions to his beloved county, his personality and his sense of humor.

We are presenting remembrances below and many more on the 4-H pages (8-9) in today’s Northern Dutchess News.

• Irene Decker, co-Leader of the “Kids 4 Kids” 4-H Goat Club: “I worked with Don for many years, in 4-H and also with the Dutchess County Fair. Everyone that he came in contact with liked him. If you did not like him at first, you loved him later.”

• Andy and Vicki Imperati of the Dutchess County Fair: “Don was involved with the Goat Department for many years and was an integral part of making sure that things ran smoothly in both the open and 4-H shows during the Fair. His knowledge and sense of humor will be missed.”

• Faith Shultz, 4-H member and Junior Leader of the “Kids 4 Kids” club: “Mr. Cookingham was such a large part of the 4-H community, whether it be him sitting on a committee or helping to mentor his 4-H club, he was always making an unforgettable impact. I will forever be grateful to have Mr. Cookingham

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“If they are our brothers, why are they killing us?”

Father Ivan Kaszczak, pastor of Ukrainian Catholic churches in Hunter and Kerhonkson

HV Ukrainian community
watches, prays as war explodes

by Jim Donick

The Ukrainian American Community in the Hudson Valley is watching events unfold in Ukraine with horror, and individuals are working to provide support to the victims. The community has come together like never before, sharing information about events, about family members, and about ways to help.

The situation is frightening - and galvanizing the community. Many are trying to understand how it could have been allowed to happen.

Ukraine has a long history and its people have a national identity that stretches through the Kieven Rus back to the ninth century. The Ukrainians have been fighting for or protecting their independence from Russia for centuries.

Father Ivan Kaszczak, the pastor of the St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Hunter and also of Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church in Kerhonkson, is busy looking after his flock and looking to communicate with their families, whether they be in Ukraine or already refugees somewhere else.

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Orest Temnysky, first-generation Ukrainian American and a trustee of the St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Hunter, addresses attendees at this past Sunday’s interfaith prayer service for the Ukraine. Temnysky was relating his understanding of recent developments in Ukraine and sharing ways that people can help with aid. Photo by Jim Donick

Local residents: War in
Ukraine is replica of the past

by Rich Thomaselli



Esther Odescalchi

For Esther Kando Odescalchi, this has an all-too-familiar – and sad, and frightening, and frustrating – feeling.

When Russia’s invasion of Ukraine went from rumor to reality on February 24, Odescalchi was flooded with the searing memories from her childhood when, as a teenager, she and her family escaped from Hungary in 1956 after the former Soviet Union invaded the country to quell a rebellion.

“What’s happening in Ukraine right now is the exact replica of what happened in Hungary,” said Odescalchi, a Pleasant Valley resident for nearly 50 years now.

Like other area residents with ties to Ukraine, she is keeping a keen eye on the current developments.

“In 1956 we had enough of the Iron Curtain,” she said of Communist rule. “The revolution was winning, but the west, just like now, was doing nothing. I remember as a young person, the Russian tanks coming in and bombarding my city and crushing the Revolution.”

Most of her memories are sad and poignant.

Most of them.

“I remember when the Russian tanks were coming into Budapest and we were just outside of the city,” she recalled with

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a laugh. “One of the soldiers asked me and a bunch of children which way it was to Budapest. We all pointed and told them it was the opposite direction of the way they were going and they turned around and actually headed away from Budapest! Even the smallest children did something to defend their country.”

Odescalchi is, quite literally, standing with her Ukrainian friends, helping to organize donations to help the people affected by the war. There’s a kinship there – Ukraine actually used to be a part of Hungary more than a century ago and Hungary was the first country in the world to recognize Ukraine’s sovereignty when it declared independence in 1991.

“I am proud,” she says, “that Hungary is welcoming so many refugees from Ukraine right now.”

Much as Austria welcomed Odescalchi and her family in 1956. Not long only after a harrowing escape from Hungary, she wrote a book called “My Escape – Memoirs of a Hungarian Teenage Freedom Fighter.”

Odescalchi chronicled the escape, including getting lost in a swamp and being unsure if her family was traveling toward Austria or back into the arms of Soviet soldiers. But they made it to the border nation and, in 1957, she came to the United States as a refugee.

She completed her education in the United States, earning a MS in library science and a Ph.D. in communications from Columbia University. After a career as a librarian, she met her husband – who was employed by IBM in Poughkeepsie – and she too joined IBM and worked in executive communications. She lectures and conducts workshops at colleges, universities, national and international organizations in the United States and abroad.

“When Russia came to Hungary, they kicked my father out of his job, they made us move from our house to a one-room place. The pipes were always frozen. We went hungry,” she said. “To this day, I still appreciate that my heat

turns on when I get cold, that I can take a hot shower, and that I don’t want for food. The United States is still the greatest country in the world, even at this exact moment, and anybody who thinks otherwise can go to hell.”

Ulana Salewycz

For Ulana Salewycz, her memories are similar.

Salewycz is a Poughkeepsie resident whose parents left Ukraine as refugees after World War II, escaping the murderous regime of Soviet Chairman Josef Stalin.

“This is not the first time this has happened in our history,” Salewycz said. “In fact, it’s probably the fourth or fifth time. But before (the 1986 nuclear reactor accident in) Chernobyl hit, most people didn’t know that much about Ukraine. Now people know.”

After her family settled in America, Salewycz was born and raised in a heavily Ukrainian area in Passaic, New Jersey. She and her siblings learned Ukrainian and lived in a three-level home with her grandparents on the top floor, her own family in the middle and her sister and her family on the bottom floor.

“Ukrainians are like mushrooms. You meet one and you see there are a lot of us in different parts,” she joked.

Salewycz is active in the Hudson Valley’s biggest Ukrainian community in Kerhonkson in Ulster County, including the Ukrainian Women’s League of America and the Ukrainian Holy Trinity Church. She still has cousins currently living in Ukraine, and her aunt gives the family updates as often as possible. So far, one in Lviv and one in Kyiv, are safe.

She said the current invasion does not surprise her.

“The Orange Revolution has been going on for eight years,” she said. “Putin wants the old Soviet Union back. He’s going to keep going. (Former Russian president Mikael) Gorbachev was friendly to the Ukrainians, but most of the Russian leaders are not to be trusted.”

Sheriff’s Office investigating fatal house fire in LaGrange

The Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office is investigating a fatal house fire that occurred on March 5 at approximately 11:32 p.m. on Lakeview Road in the Town of LaGrange.

The first arriving deputy sheriffs and state troopers advised Dutchess County 911 dispatchers of heavy smoke and fire and confirmed the initial reports of an occupant and dog trapped in the house. A neighbor attempted to enter the house to rescue the occupant but due to the fire conditions, neither the neighbor nor law enforcement officers were able to make entry into the house.

Upon arrival, LaGrange firefighters immediately began an aggressive fire attack and attempted to locate the occupant.

LaGrange firefighters extinguished the three-alarm fire with the assistance of

firefighters from the Arlington, Pleasant Valley, East Fishkill, New Hackensack and New Hamburg fire departments. Once the fire was extinguished, firefighters located a deceased individual and dog inside the residence.

Sheriff Kirk A. Imperati said, “Detectives and fire investigators from the Sheriff’s Office are working closely with members of the Dutchess County Fire Investigation Division, Dutchess County Medical Examiner’s Office and the LaGrange Fire Department to determine what caused this fatal fire. We extend our condolences to the family and friends who lost a loved one and a family dog in this tragedy.”

The origin and cause investigation and the death investigation are both continuing.

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4-H member Karlie Klingner stands next to her mentor, Don Cookingham, with a prize-winning goat at the Dutchess County Fair. Courtesy photo

as one of my leaders. He will truly be missed by many!

• Karlie Klingner, 4-H member: “My sponsor, my second family, my biggest supporter- all came from just one man who changed my life. Don and his family became my sponsor family in 2014 and gave me the opportunity that had started my life in agriculture. At first, I thought he was a grumpy man, or at least I had been told that numerous times. But if you really got to know him, he was far from that. He welcomed me into his family knowing that I had no clue about goats, but here we are eight years later and I all I can think about is how excited I am to

do chores. We had countless hours at the barn, teaching, practicing, and laughing all while getting the job done. Within the past few years, we have accomplished some of the most amazing goals that we had at the farm, at shows, individually and as a group. Although I did not spend the last few years of 4-H at his barn, he gave me the opportunity to bring the girls to my barn and still supported me and loved to hear about all the great things that we were doing. I cannot thank the Cookingham family enough for what they have done and who they have helped me become.”

Getting the mortgage shouldn't get in your way

Like most of us, Gordon Burdis leads a busy life. As regional sales manager for his family's company James L. Taylor, a local business that has made woodworking machinery for over 100 years, he spends a lot of time traveling the Western US and Canada.

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Candidates running unopposed in village elections

by Kate Goldsmith

The villages of Red Hook, Rhinebeck and Tivoli will hold elections on Tuesday, March 15. All voters for the village elections must be registered with the Dutchess County Board of Elections.



Karen Smythe

Red Hook

This is a special election to fill the final year of the Mayor's term and for one Trustee.

Interim Mayor Karen Smythe is running unopposed to fill the unexpired term of Ed Blundell, who resigned in 2021. Smythe was appointed Interim Mayor in June 2021.

Declan Dwyer-McNulty is running unopposed for the position of Trustee, a one-year term to fill an unexpired term.

Voting is at Village Hall, 7467 South Broadway, from noon to 9 p.m.

Rhinebeck

Two incumbent Trustees, Brant Neunecker and Vanessa Bertozzi, are each running unopposed for re-election.

This election will take place from noon to 9 p.m., upstairs at the Rhinebeck Village Hall, 76 East Market Street. The Village Hall is handicapped accessible, and a lift is available.



Brant Neunecker



Vanessa Bertozzi

Tivoli

Two incumbent Trustees, Emily Mangieri and Emily Majer, are running unopposed for re-election.

Voting will take place at the Tivoli Firehouse, 2 Tivoli Commons, from noon to 9 p.m.



Emily Mangieri



Emily Majer

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Job Fair set March 10 at Poughkeepsie Galleria

An in-person job fair will be held inside the Poughkeepsie Galleria shopping center on March 10, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. in center court on the lower level. The Get Hired Job Fair is a convenient opportunity for local employers to interview, hire workers, and help job seekers connect with businesses that need their skills. Employers from a variety of industries will be in attendance looking for candidates at all skill levels.

Employers hiring include CP United, Anderson Center for Autism, New Horizon, Amazon, Ethan Allen Workforce, Pyramid Management Group, Sodexo, Adapt of the Hudson

Valley and others.

Several stores and venues at Poughkeepsie Galleria will also be hiring to fill open positions and will be in attendance including LensCrafters, Pandora, and More. The event is free to attend for all job seekers.

Employers interested in participating in the upcoming job fair should contact Elena McPhee, Advertising Representative for Poughkeepsie Galleria, at (845) 453-7394 or elenamcphree@pyramidmg.com.

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Delgado urges Biden to take further steps to lower energy costs

Editor's note: Congressman Antonio Delgado (NY-19) recently wrote this letter to President Joseph Biden requesting he take action to lower energy costs for Americans.

Dear President Biden:

I write out of concern for New Yorkers who are seeing rising costs in the energy sources used to heat their homes. A recent analysis from the U.S. Energy Administration (EIA) shows significant increases in the cost of natural gas, propane, and heating oil. As a representative for upstate New York, these energy sources are necessary for home heating, and such cost increases are detrimental to my constituents in the cold winter months. I encourage you to continue to take steps now to lower energy costs and lessen the energy burden Americans are facing across the country.

I want to thank your Administration for the diligent efforts to prioritize the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). I was proud to work with your Administration to enact the funding increase through the American Rescue Plan, as this program has been crucial to upstate New Yorkers. I urge you to consider another funding increase for LIHEAP to continue to combat the rising prices of energy. Additionally, I remain supportive of the Administration's effort to transition our economy to renewable energy sources.

I believe we must do more to lower costs of energy sources for Americans who are struggling to heat their homes throughout the winter. That is why I urge you to release inventory from the Northeast Home Heating Oil Reserve, to increase supply in the northeast United States. These initiatives could lower energy costs for working Americans who are less able to absorb the increases.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. Please do not hesitate to reach out if I can provide any more information, and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,
Antonio Delgado
Member of Congress

Blames Cuomo decisions for spikes in energy costs

To the editor:

The explosion in electricity charges and natural gas heating charges are a direct result of former Gov. Andrew Cuomo's cut-off of natural gas pipelines from western NY and Pennsylvania. The illusion that windmills and solar farms would take the place of a decommissioned nuclear plant can only be believed by a thuggish politician who is used to having real people fear his

utopian dreams.

New Yorkers who haven't fled to free states (yet) must pay for these inane ideas until honest 'leaders' return the Empire State to economic sanity.?

Lawrence Boland
Poughkeepsie

Alternative views on pandemic solutions

To the editor:

Dr. Sucharit Bhakdi's perceptive COVID-19 pandemic letter to German Chancellor Merkel, in early 2020, looks prophetic now. So I offered his book, along with ones on the pandemic by Dr. Joseph Mercola and Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., to the Red Hook library, so readers could evaluate other thoughts about the pandemic.

But the library said it only shelved books from trusted sources, a bit different from my recollections of civics lessons. After all, in the 1700s, before the Revolution, the trusted source was the King and Parliament, no longer so a few years and civic upheaval later.

The library also spoke about lack of space. Could not some current books be given a temporary rest while readers consider the key event dramatically impacting their lives the last two years?

Well, how about an event at the library, sharing views of some medical professionals, via internet and video, with county health officials there to provide the official view as well?

No go there, either. But with Ken McCarthy, who has been working to get the Kennedy book shelved, we hope to find a venue for such a forum, so folks can hear both the official view and dissenting views of some medical professionals on the pandemic.

After all, despite the lockdowns, masks, and vaccinations, the U. S., and New York, have some of the worst COVID-19 statistics worldwide.

Watch this space. Or buy one of the books. Or check aidspe-tition.org/cv, with links to the book information and websites with alternate views.

Frank Stoppenbach
Red Hook

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A.G. offers tips for charitable giving during Ukrainian crisis

New York Attorney General Letitia James provided warnings and tips to New Yorkers who are seeking ways to support the Ukrainian people amid the ongoing conflict. The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) warns that they should be wary of sham charities attempting to take advantage of this humanitarian crisis and ensure they are giving to credible organizations.

New Yorkers seeking to donate to charities should take the steps below before donating over the phone, through mail, or online to ensure that their contributions reach the causes they intend to support. Important tips to keep in mind include:

- Solicited by Email? Find Out Who is Soliciting. If you receive a solicitation by email, find out who is behind that email address. Contact the charity whose name is in the email or visit its website to find out if the email is really from the charity. Do not give personal information or your credit card number in response to an email solicitation unless you have checked out the charity.

- Be Careful When Giving Through Social Media or Other Fundraising Sites. Before giving through these social media or fundraising sites, research the identity of the organizer of the fundraising efforts and ask the same questions you would of a charity. Online platforms that host groups and individuals soliciting for

causes may not thoroughly vet those who use their service. Donors should only give to campaigns conducted by people whom they know. Donors also should take a close look at the site's FAQs and Terms and Conditions to see what fees will be charged. Also, don't assume that charities recommended on social media sites, blogs, or other websites have already been vetted. Research the charity yourself to confirm that the charity is aware of the campaign and has given its approved permission for the use of its name or logo. If available, sign up for updates from the campaign organizer to keep abreast on how contributions to the campaign are being spent.

- Check Before Giving. Donate to charities you are familiar with and carefully review information about the charity before you give. Most charities are required to register and file financial reports with OAG's Charities Bureau if they solicit contributions from New Yorkers. Check OAG's website for financial reports of charities or ask the charity directly for its reports.

- Ask How Your Donation Will Be Used. Find out how the charity plans to use your donation, including the services and individuals your donation will support. Find out more than just the cause. Find out what organization or entity will receive the money and what programs it conducts or what services it provides.

- Look Into Newly Formed Organizations Carefully. Often, in the aftermath of tragedies, new organizations emerge to meet community needs. While most of these organizations are well-intentioned, and some may provide innovative forms of assistance, some may not have the experience or infrastructure to follow through on their promises, and some may turn out to be scams.

- Exercise Caution Before You Text A Contribution. Check the charity's website or call the charity to confirm it has authorized contributions to be made via text message.

- Don't Give Cash. Give directly to the charity either by check made payable to the organization or through the charity's website.

- Be Careful About Personal Information. Be cautious before giving credit card or personal information over the phone, by text message or via the Internet. In all cases, make sure you are familiar with the organization to which you give such information and check to see that the fundraising campaign is legitimate.

- Report Suspicious Organizations. If you believe an organization is misrepresenting its work, or that a fundraising or charitable scam is taking place, please contact the Charities Bureau at complaints@ag.ny.gov.

Local legend Brian Giorgis to retire from coaching next year

by Rich Thomaselli

It's funny now to think about, but the most successful girls and women's basketball coach that Dutchess County has ever known had his doubts.

At least twice, in fact.

In 1987, Brian Giorgis led the Our Lady of Lourdes High School girls team to the New York State Public High School Athletic Association tournament for the third time. He lost in his previous two trips, but the Warriors won the state title this time.

A relieved Giorgis was asked after the game how he felt and said, "I was feeling like Bud Grant, like I was never going to win this thing," he said of the Minnesota Vikings football coach, who reached the Super Bowl four times without winning.

After winning nine state high school titles, Giorgis was courted by Marist College, just a few miles up the road from Lourdes in the town of Poughkeepsie, to become its new coach. Yet he still had his doubts and, in fact, he went to the Lourdes administration and said, "If this doesn't work out, can I come back?"

There was no going back.

Giorgis continued his success at the collegiate level and, last week, decided that next year, the 2022-23 season, will be his last on a basketball sideline as he has decided to retire.

He will be replaced by his former player and longtime assistant coach, Erin Doughty.

"It's been an incredible ride, but it's time," Giorgis said. "As sad as I am to see the light at the end of the tunnel, I am extremely excited for the future of Marist

women's basketball. Marist could not have made a better choice than Coach Erin Doughty to continue the legacy of Marist women's basketball. She brings the enthusiasm, knowledge, and spirit of what the program has been about for the last 20 years, and I am confident that Erin can bring the program to even greater heights. I thank Tim Murray, Deb DiCaprio, Dennis Murray and Kevin Weinman for one of the most incredible journeys that a coach could ever have, and I thank them for having the vision to see that Coach Doughty can take the program even further."

Giorgis is currently in his 20th season as head coach of the Red Foxes. He has the best track record of championship success of any coach in the 40-year history of Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference women's basketball. Giorgis led the Red Foxes to their first MAAC championship in 2004, won nine straight conference crowns from 2006 through 2014, and most recently captured the title in 2021. His total of 11 MAAC championships is the most in conference history.

And he remains the only coach in conference history, men or women, to take a MAAC team to the NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 after accomplishing the feat in 2007.

"What an incredible coaching career!" Marist Director of Athletics Tim Murray said. "Brian's successes over the past 20 years here at Marist have exceeded everyone's expectations. He recruited, developed and won with terrific basketball players, but more importantly, with amazing young women that captivated both the Marist community and the fans



Marist College women's basketball coach Brian Giorgis will step down after next season after coaching more than 40 years in Dutchess County at both Marist and Our Lady of Lourdes High School. Seated next to Giorgis is associate coach Erin Doughty, who will take over as head coach at Marist on April 1, 2023. Photo courtesy Marist Athletics

throughout the greater Hudson Valley. He established Marist women's basketball as one of the top mid-major programs in the country."

Giorgis has won five NCAA Tournament games in his tenure, as he also led the Red Foxes to first-round victories in 2008, 2011 and 2012. That total is also the most of any coach in MAAC history.

Giorgis' current record stands at 451-183 overall. He was 450-44 in 19 years at Lourdes.

Giorgis' coaching prowess has extended to the international stage. In 2013, he served as an assistant coach for Team USA at the World University Games in

Russia. Team USA earned the gold medal and won all six of its contests.

Doughty will take over as head coach on April 1, 2023.

"Brian's incredible record of wins on the court speaks for itself, but is only a fraction of his amazing story," said Marist College President Kevin Weinman. "For decades, he has developed student-athletes on and off the court, as well as the next generation of women's basketball coaches. Over the next year, we look forward to celebrating Brian's accomplishments and contributions to Marist, and to welcoming Erin Doughty to her well-deserved appointment to be Marist's next head coach."

DC Baseball Hall of Fame seeks nominations for Class of 2022

The Dutchess County Baseball Hall of Fame (DCBHOF) currently has 11 applications for the Class of 2022 and members are looking for more.

Every year the DCBHOF recognizes outstanding ballplayers for their achievements on the ball field, as well as qualified coaches, umpires and sponsors. Also, two high school "Players of the Year" are presented \$1,000 scholarships. Nomination requires the individuals must

have been a Dutchess County resident during their career.

The organization was founded in November 1957 with the purpose of supporting and keeping the great game of baseball active in Dutchess County.

Membership is for coaches/umpires/sponsors and individuals interested in baseball. Dues are \$15 per year. Raffle tickets are sold to help donate money to community groups as

well as scholarships.

There are 10 Membership Meetings (March-December) at Madison's Restaurant in Pleasant Valley, at noon for lunch to coordinate activities, committee

reports, etc. One of the activities is raffling off Renegades Tickets.

For additional information contact President Skip Rottkamp at (845) 297-3546, cyrilrottkamp@gmail.com.

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Virtual Cary Science Conversation: The Ecology of Segregation

Experts will discuss how research insights can improve urban justice now & in the future

On March 17 at 7 p.m., join Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies President Dr. Joshua Ginsberg for a virtual science conversation on the ecology of segregation. Learn how ecologists, urban planners and landscape architects can use research insights to improve urban justice now and in the future.

Segregation, by race, class, indigeneity, immigration status and other social distinctions, is a nearly ubiquitous feature of the American landscape. Yet segregation has rarely been considered as a factor that shapes how people experience the natural and built environment, with direct impacts to the health and safety of marginalized communities.

This event will feature urban ecologist Dr. Steward Pickett of Cary Institute,

landscape architect Dr. Anne Whiston Spirn of MIT, and urban planner Dr. Marccus Hendricks of University of Maryland. Topics to be discussed include: lasting legacies of redlining, connections among segregation and exposure to environmental pollution and disasters, and the importance of using social data to guide just practices in urban planning and design.

The speakers will also spotlight projects that are working to restore nature, improve urban infrastructure, and achieve environmental justice. Among them: the West Philadelphia Landscape Project, the Stormwater Infrastructure Resilience and Justice Lab, and the Baltimore Ecosystem Study.

Join the conversation. This event is free and open to all, and will include time for audience Q&A. Zoom login info will be sent with registration confirmation. Register via EventBrite.

Dutchess County seeks input on mental health services

The Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health (DBCH) will host a series of public forums to discuss the needs for individuals living with intellectual and developmental disabilities, substance use disorder and/or mental health issues.

Dutchess County holds these forums in the continuing effort to “Think DIFFERENTLY” about those of all abilities, and “Breaking Through” stigma to bring accessibility of care to those living with substance abuse and mental health issues. These forums are free and open for all residents to attend. All comments and feedback received will help shape the development of the County’s 2023 Local Services Plans.

This series of forums will each take place virtually from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Microsoft Teams on the following dates:

- Tuesday, March 29: Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities;
- Thursday, April 14: Individuals at All

Stages of Addiction and Recovery;

- Tuesday, May 3: Mental Health and Substance Use Services for Children and Youth;
- Tuesday, May 10: Mental Health Service Needs for Adults.

Registration is required. To register, go to dutchessny.gov/forumcomments. Registration is currently open for the March 29 I/DD forum and will be available for the April and May forums soon.

For information on services provided by the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health visit dutchessny.gov.

For those unable to attend, or do not feel comfortable speaking in public settings, DBCH welcomes written comments and questions to be read aloud by the forum moderators. Individuals may submit comments online at dutchessny.gov/forumcomments, fax comments to (845) 486-2829, or mail to: DBCH Forum Comments, 230 North Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MHA of Dutchess County Vet2Vet group sets meetings

MHA of Dutchess County Vet2Vet Support Group will hold meetings on March 9 and March 23, from 3 to 4 p.m. at 515 Haight Avenue, Poughkeepsie. These groups serve as an outlet for veterans to discuss with peers their opinions, challenges, successes and anything else in order to regain balance in their lives. The groups are free, confidential and judgment free. They are open to all veterans despite discharge type, time in services or period of service. Active and inactive and National Guard members are welcome as well. RSVP is required.

For more information, call (845) 473-2500, ext. 1306 or 1307 or 1365.

Stissing Theatre Guild to present ‘The Addams Family: A New Musical Comedy’

The Stissing Theatre Guild at Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School, 2829 W Church St., Pine Plains, will present “The Addams Family: A New Musical Comedy” on Friday, March 11, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 13, at 1:30 p.m. Comic chaos reigns in this musical comedy with singing, dancing and all your favorite Addams Family characters. To order tickets go online to stissingtheatreguild.org or www.seatyourself.biz/stig-boxoffice or call the Stissing Theatre Guild Box Office at (518) 398-1272 Ticket prices are \$13 for adults & \$11 for students and seniors.

Hyde Park Knights of Columbus holds 28th Annual Lenten Fish Fry

The Hyde Park Knights of Columbus will serve freshly breaded fish each Friday during Lent, except Good Friday.

Your choice of meal entrée includes: fried haddock, baked haddock w/baked potato, fried clam strips, battered shrimp OR breaded scallops. Sides include coleslaw, French fries, roll and dessert. The cost is \$14 - \$16.

Kids Portion (fish or shrimp) is \$10.

Combo Platter - includes fish fillet, scallops, shrimp and clam strips for \$19.

Side Dishes Available: Clam chowder for \$3; Side of fries for \$3; Baked Mac ‘n’ Cheese for kids is \$6 (full portion \$10).

Take-out only from 5 to 7 p.m. For takeout orders: order when you arrive from parking lot or call, after 4:30 p.m. at (845) 229-6111. You may also order online at <https://kofchydepark.square.site>

The Hyde Park K of C is located 1 mile north of the East Park Light on Route 9G across street from Moose Club.

Stanford Grange sets Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

Stanford Grange #808 will host its Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner on Saturday, March 12, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville. All dinners are take-out only at 5 p.m. The menu will consist of corned beef & cabbage, smashed potatoes, carrots, homemade Irish soda bread, and shamrock pudding for dessert. Donation is \$15 per dinner. Drive to the back door of the Grange Hall, pay for your dinner, get your food through your car window, and take it home to enjoy. All CDC & Gov. Hochul’s Health Guidelines will be followed. Call Grange Secretary Ryan Orton for reservations at (845) 868-7869.

Blood drive set March 15

A blood drive will be held on March 15 from 1 to 7 p.m., at the Poughkeepsie Galleria- JC Penney store (lower-level outdoor entrance), 2001 South Road, in Poughkeepsie. The blood drive is being held by the New York Blood Center in partnership with Dutchess County.

Sign up at nybc.org or call 1-800-933-2566.

Dutchess County-Poughkeepsie Land Bank to hold meeting March 16

The Dutchess County-Poughkeepsie Land Bank will hold a meeting on March 16, at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom. If one would like to attend, please register. After registering one will receive a link to the meeting. Meeting materials are available on the website at: [hps://www.dcpoklandbank.org](https://www.dcpoklandbank.org).

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

Historic Red Hook to host free virtual event

On Wednesday, March 16, at 7 p.m., Sarah K. Herman will present an author talk via Zoom, titled “The 1903 Jackson Corners Signature Quilt.”

Hermans grew up in Millerton, and has resided in Poughkeepsie and Pine Plains. Her grandmother, Clara Weller Losee, was a dedicated local and family historian for the towns of Red Hook, Milan and Northeast.

In 2010 an old, stained muslin sheet made of 42 blocks sewn together, many covered in embroidered names, was passed down through five generations of Hermans’ family. She spent a decade researching the quilt; the 260 names of local people from Milan, Red Hook, Rhinebeck,

Pine Plains, Livingston, Clermont and Ancram embroidered on it; and the world of Northern Dutchess and Southern Columbia counties in 1903 when the “simple” life was coming to an end. Register for this free program at <https://www.historicredhook.org/register>.

Board of Health meeting March 17

The Dutchess County Board of Health will be holding their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 17, at 4 p.m. virtually using Microsoft Teams. To listen to the meeting, call 1-516-268-4602 and enter the Conference ID number: 809 604 719#.

NPS sites seek garden volunteers; meeting set March 18

Join the gardeners at the Roosevelt Vanderbilt National Historic Site for an informational meeting to learn about volunteer opportunities in their historic gardens. The meeting will be held on Friday, March 18, at 10 a.m., at the Greenhouses at the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt, 4097 Albany Post Road (Route 9), Hyde Park.

Questions: Contact Anna de Cordova, NPS Horticulturist, at anna_decordova@nps.gov

No prior gardening experience is required; tools and training will be provided.

Visit www.nps.gov to learn more about the National Park Service.

Penny Social set at Grange Hall

Dutchess County Pomona Grange #32 will host its Annual Penny Social on Saturday, March 19, 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 a penny table, \$1 table, baked goods table, special theme baskets donated by our Dutchess County Granges, and door prizes. Dutchess County Youth Grangers will have the Snack Bar open for refreshments. For more information, contact Marilyn Brands at (845) 223-5717 or Melissa Traver at (845) 891-9779.

Innisfree sets lecture series

Innisfree Garden is hosting a lunchtime lecture series via Zoom. Lectures all start at 1 p.m. via Zoom. The cost is \$15 (free for Innisfree members); register at <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/innisfreegarden>.

Upcoming events include:

“Painting the Romantic Landscape: Claude Lorrain to the Hudson River School” with John McGiff, Wednesday, March 23;

“Landscape, Poetry and Ecology: Romanticism at Innisfree” with Paul Kane, Wednesday, April 6;

“Romanticism at Innisfree” with Katherine H. Kerin, Wednesday, April 20.

Chili Bowl Warm Up to benefit Red Hook Community Center

On Friday, March 25, from 5 to 8 p.m., the Red Hook Community Center will host a Chili Bowl Warm Up fundraiser. Choose a bowl, eat the chili and keep the bowl, one-of-a-kind handmade bowls crafted by local artisans.

The cost is \$35 Dine-in or Take Out & Ceramic Bowl; \$20 Dine-in, Meal Only; \$10 Take Out, Meal Only. Meal includes cornbread and dessert

Visit www.redhookcommunitycenter.org to purchase tickets and for more information.

Concerts set at Millbrook Library

The Millbrook Arts Group will present “Southland, Swing & Spain,” a monthly concert series, at the Millbrook Library, 3 Friendly Lane. The schedule:

Teresa Broadwell - Swing Violinist and Singer – March 26;

Maria Zemantauswki - Flamenco Guitar Master – April 30.

Concerts start at 5 p.m. and end by 7 p.m.

Miles of Hope Spring Brunch set May 15

Save the date for the 18th Annual Spring Brunch to benefit the Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation. The event will be held on Sunday, May 15, starting at 11 a.m. with a ceremony followed by a reception with catered buffet, live music, raffle/silent auction items and more.

This year, the event will be held at the Hudson River Rowing Association Boathouse at 272 North Water St. in Poughkeepsie. Honorees include BMW of the Hudson Valley, Poughkeepsie South Rotary, and Joan O’Neill & Eileen Gannon. To register and for more information, visit <https://milesofhope.org/>.

ONGOING

The Frederick W. Vanderbilt Garden Association is looking for volunteers to perform all tasks required to plant and maintain the garden. No gardening expertise is needed; we will train as we work. You need to be 18 years old or older and be able to perform, at minimum, basic physical labor such as bending, kneeling and carrying buckets. Garden work is done during the spring, summer and fall months on Saturday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to noon. You are welcome to work as often and on any days that suit your schedule. For further information, e-mail info@vanderbiltgarden.org, visit <http://www.vanderbiltgarden.org> or call (845) 229-6432.

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HV Ukrainian community watches, prays as war explodes

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“People are worried about family and friends back there,” he says. “One of my friends was working in Kyiv, but has managed to get to Hungary with his wife and two kids.”

“We, here, are ready to sponsor refugees to come to USA when that can happen. Right now, though, most of the wives don’t want to leave their husbands, who are staying and fighting. We will be ready when the time comes.”

“This whole thing is surreal,” Father Kaszczak says. “Putin has said that he is doing this to protect the Russian speakers in Eastern Ukraine. Yet, his troops are destroying Kharkiv, one of the largest Russian-speaking cities in the world. (Kharkiv is third behind Moscow and St. Petersburg -2017 census data). If they are ‘our brothers,’ why are they killing us?”

Father Kaszczak continues, noting that “Putin talks of ‘de-nazification.’ I only know of two countries in the world where both the president and the prime minister were Jewish. One is Israel and the other, up until recently, is Ukraine. This truly is surreal.”

Orest Temnysky, first-generation Ukrainian American and a trustee of the St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Hunter, has been active in helping to coordinate aid and has been in close touch with family still in Western Ukraine. Most are elderly relations.

“They worry about the shelling,” he says. “My aunt is in her 80s and lives on the 14th floor of her building. She doesn’t think she can get down to shelter in the basement in time.”

“If it comes,” she says, “I’ll just be closer to God here.”

He says his family isn’t leaving yet. “The line at the border is so very long and they are in their 80s. They can’t sit in a car for three days waiting. They’re stuck.”

“There’s got to be more that can be done,” remarks Temnycky. “We are watching in slow motion the murder of thousands of people. I don’t see how he (Putin) is going to stop.”

Luba Fedun, a Ukrainian American, laments, “I’ve been to Ukraine so many times since the break-up of the Soviet Union and at last count, I had 176 relatives still there. I’ve been in touch with an elderly aunt. Her father was killed by the Nazis just before she was born, and when the Soviets returned after driving



The pastor of St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Hunter, Father Ivan Kaszczak, (center with cane) is flanked by members of the Mountaintop Interfaith Community, who sponsored an interfaith prayer service at the church for the people of Ukraine. They are standing behind a table with Kyiv, spelled out in burning candles. The candles were all lit by all the members of the interfaith community. Inset: The Ukrainian Catholic Church building in Hunter. Photos by Jim Donick

out the Nazis, they exiled her mother. My aunt was only three months old, so her mother handed her to her own sister to look after her as she couldn’t survive the exile with a tiny baby.”

The aunt lives in the Kherson Oblast (district) in southern Ukraine. Kherson was the first major city to fall to the Russians recently.

“I was in touch with her until the Russians came,” Fedun said, “And now there is no more communication with anyone there. She’s elderly and we’re all worried.”

The area community, represented by the Mountain Top Interfaith Community, hosted an interfaith prayer service at the Ukrainian church in Hunter on this past Sunday afternoon. The better part of 200 people packed the facility. Father Kaszczak led the service with help from the interfaith council. The whole community joined in praying for peace and for the safety of the Ukrainians but also for the Russian soldiers.

“We wish no one any harm,” Kaszczak reminded everyone. “We simply pray that the Russian soldiers will find it in their hearts to stop the fighting.”

While donations for humanitarian aid to Ukraine were being accepted at the church on Sunday, Father Kaszczak announced that, on a larger scale, humanitarian aid donations are being coordinated through the Church by the Ukrainian Catholic Church’s Metropolitan in Philadelphia.

“They, like Catholic Relief Services, (CRS) have very little overhead and most of the donations will go directly to those in Ukraine or refugees, who have gotten out,” he said.

The Ukrainian Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia (215-627-0143) has a Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine. One may mail a check to the Ukrainian Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia and send it to the office at: 810 North Franklin Street, Philadelphia PA 19123.

People are asked to write on the check

“Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine.”

It is also possible to donate on the Philadelphia Archdiocese’s website ukrarcheparchy.us, and click on Donate through PAYPAL and select “War victims and humanitarian crisis in Ukraine.”

Father Kaszczak also recommends the following charitable organization, should one wish to donate another way toward humanitarian aid to Ukraine and its citizens.

United Ukrainian American Relief Committee, Inc.
1206 Cottman Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111

They can be found online at uuar.org ‘Donate Now’

United Ukrainian American Relief Committee (UUARC) is a non-profit organization recognized by the IRS under Article 501(c)3, every gift is tax-deductible and the donor receives an acknowledgment for the donation.

Efforts and prayers within the community continue.

MHA OF DUTCHESS COUNTY SELLING LOCALLY GROWN ANEMONE FLOWERS

Mental Health America (MHA) of Dutchess County is now taking orders for pick up during Administrative Professionals’ Week of locally grown Anemone flowers as a fundraising event.

The cost for each 10-stem bouquet is \$15. Glass vases are available for \$4.

Anemones will be available for pick up on Tuesday April 26 from noon to 5 p.m. at 253 Mansion Street, Poughkeepsie. The flowers are freshly cut/delivered each sale day.

On Wednesday, April 27, Administrative Professionals’ Day, deliveries will be provided to local businesses ordering 12 or more bouquets.

Orders will be taken until Monday, April 18. Contact Rhonda at (845) 473-2500, ext. 1301, or info@mhadutchess.org for information, or to place your order. If you prefer to order online, go to the website at mhadutchess.org/anemones.

COVID-19 QUICK FACTS for Dutchess County (as of March 5)

Active cases: 141 (down from 165 on Feb. 27)

Community transmission: 6.81 per 100,000 (down from 12.94 on Feb. 27)

Hospitalizations due to COVID-19: 9 (up from 7 on Feb. 27)

Hospitalizations of individuals with COVID-19: 11 (down from 12 on Feb. 27)

Total deaths: 650 (was 648 on Feb. 27)

% population 18+ with at least one dose of vaccine: 85.1 (slightly up from 85 on Feb. 27)

% of total county population with at least one dose of vaccine: 76.55 (slightly up from 76.44 on Feb. 27)

% of total county population that has completed their vaccine series: 68.85 (slightly up from 68.63 on Feb. 20)

The county dashboard doesn’t include data on boosters; however, according to the CDC, 50.4 percent of the county’s fully vaccinated population has received a booster, up from 50.1 percent on Feb. 27.



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4-H loses inspirational mentor and friend with passing of Don Cookingham

On the Feb. 11, 2022 the Dutchess County 4-H community, along with many others in our area, lost somebody dear to our hearts and influential in our lives. Donald Cookingham, better known as "Don," "Donny" or "Mr. C.," left us all the better because of his unwavering commitment to our youth.

The visitation service, which took place on Thursday, Feb. 17 at the West Clinton Fire Station #1, was followed by a Fireman's Service. Many of those present had never experienced this traditional sendoff where his family, friends, and community were privileged to honor the life of service which Don led.

It was an extremely moving event, ripe with tradition, and allowed all present to pay the proper respect for the passing of this local hero. When the last call came over the radio and Don completed his tour as a Firefighter in this life thoughts turned to the legacy that this remarkable man left behind.

The many remembrances that were shared paint a picture of what Don meant to the 4-H and agricultural communities and help sum up his contributions to his beloved county, his personality, and his sense of humor!

- Carolyn May (nee Cookingham - Don's daughter): "My dad always wanted to get kids involved with 4-H. I remember the first time he told me another 4-H member would be coming to the farm to help care for our goats and show one at fair. They would be using one of our goats, because they could not own an animal of their own. I, only being 5 years old at the time, was not thrilled on the idea. Looking back now, I could not be more thankful he made that choice. We have had several 4-H members sponsor our goats over the past 20 years. Over those years, I got to watch him be a mentor to several other children and young adults. These other children look at my dad as something more than just a 4-H leader. He had such an impact on some. He became a second father figure to them. When someone would mention the name "Mr. C.," all the kids knew who he was. He was the grumpy man in the chair that everyone respected, but also knew he was a sweet and caring man."

- Sally Graybill, Don's sister: "Family and 4-H - two things that meant the world to my brother, a mentor, a friend and a dedicated leader."

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More remembrances of Don Cookingham

• Landon and Family: "Over the seven years having Mr. C as his 4-H sponsor, Landon learned that a sponsor was more than someone who let you show a goat at the Fair. He learned that a sponsor was equally as dedicated to sponsoring a child as he was to his own children who were in 4-H and whom the farm was established for decades prior. We are forever grateful for our memories spent on the farm, shows and fairs with Mr. C. and his milk-stand conversations, jokes, stories and knowledge. We are forever grateful beyond any trophy or ribbon for all that he has done to help Landon grow as a 4-H member. Forever in our hearts."

• Andrea Tibbets, Leader of The Spitters 4-H Club: "4-H'er to Mr. C - 'I have a question?' Mr C.'s response - "And I may or may not, have an answer."

• Jane Rodd - 4-H Program Leader: "Don never said no when it came to supporting 4-H. From caring mentor to the kids, to being our voice on the Cornell Cooperative Extension - Dutchess County Board of Directors, Don was always there for us."

• Karmen Smallwood - D.C. Assistant Commissioner for Youth Services: Don Cookingham made a significant difference in the lives of youth through his long-standing involvement on the 4-H Program Advisory Committee. He will be remembered with respect for his unwavering commitment to supporting youth's positive growth and development."

• Denise Dunn, 4-H "Got Goat Milk" club Project Leader: "When Donny fell ill, I wrote to friends asking for prayers. I described him as "the beloved grump in the 4H Goat Barn." He was loved and respected by decades of our youth. He seemed to see who they were and what they needed more clearly than they could know themselves. Donny was observant of the people and patterns around him. One day he ran after me to deliver my prayer books which I had left near the show ring in the red pavilion. It was a simple kindness that I have not forgotten. Don Cookingham knew 'his people.'

We are all blessed to have known him."



Don Cookingham is pictured with his son, Christopher, and daughter, Carolyn, at the Dutchess County Fair. Courtesy photo

County sets Household Hazardous Waste Disposal & Electronics Recycling event

The Dutchess County Division of Solid Waste Management will hold its next Household Hazardous Waste Disposal & Electronics Recycling Event on Saturday, April 9, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Dutchess County Department of Public Works, located at 626 Dutchess Turnpike in the Town of Poughkeepsie; residents can access the event by taking Route 44 East to Burnett Boulevard. The collection is open to Dutchess County residents only.

This popular event is first-come, first-served, and residents should expect to experience wait times when they arrive at the location on April 9 due to high demand. Registration is limited to the first 380 households; advance registration is required for this event, and there is a \$10 registration fee; registration often reaches capacity quickly, so residents are encouraged to register promptly. Beginning on March 9, residents can register online at <https://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/HHW/Register.aspx> or by calling (845) 463-6020. The fee can be paid online using a credit card or paid by check. Checks should be made payable to "Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance" and mailed to or dropped off to the Dutchess County Division of Solid Waste Management at 96 Sand Dock Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.

This will be the first of Dutchess County's three 2022 Household Hazardous Waste Disposal & Electronics Recycling Events, which provide residents with a safe and responsible way to discard a diverse range of household items that cannot be disposed of through regular recycling or garbage bins.

Acceptable items include television sets, computer monitors, telephones, pesticides, pool chemicals, and more. A complete list of acceptable items to bring to this disposal day is included below. Hazardous waste in containers larger than 10 gallons will not be accepted.

More information about the Dutchess County Division of Solid Waste Management's Household Hazardous Waste Disposal & Electronics Recycling Events is available online.

Acceptable Items:

Product Containers Marked: "Warning," "Hazardous," "Flammable," "Poisonous," "Corrosive"

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Do Not Bring:

Ammunition or explosives, asbestos products, latex driveway sealer & latex paint, building or construction debris, tires, furniture, medical waste, pharmaceuticals, propane or other flammable gas cylinders, radioactive materials, scrap metal, metal drums or empty containers, motor oil, car batteries, alkaline or rechargeable batteries.

Ulster Savings Bank to present Free Homebuyer Virtual Seminar

Ulster Savings Bank is presenting a Free Homebuyer Virtual Seminar on Wednesday, March 16 at 5:30 p.m.

The event is designed to help individuals understand the many critical steps to owning your own home. David Friedman, the bank's Mortgage Trainer and Business Services Manager, will be the presenter. David will discuss: Steps in getting pre-qualified; credit scores, and

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The best part is that participants may be eligible for a \$750 Home Buyer Credit* just for attending.

Sign up at ulstersavings.com/why-us/seminars/#section_Homebuyer_Seminars.

Program provides more than \$624K in COVID-19 Rent Relief

Dutchess County Marc Molinaro recently announced that more than \$624,000 in funding for rent and utility relief is available through a COVID-19 Emergency Rent and Utility Relief program for low- and moderate-income households. The program, previously announced in April 2021, was placed on pause while New York State continued to accept applications under its Emergency Rent Relief Program (ERAP). Since the Dutchess County allocation under the ERAP program has seemingly been exhausted, the County is partnering with Hudson River Housing to reopen the Rent Relief Program.

The parameters of the program remain the same; the area median income (AMI) limits, however, have been revised to reflect current income limits updated by Housing and Urban Development (HUD), annually. To be eligible, household income must be below 80 percent of the AMI with a priority for households at or below 60 percent of the AMI; see <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il/il2021/2021summary.odn> for details.

Additional household eligibility requirements are as follows:

- Demonstrate a COVID-19 related impact;
- Legally binding rental agreement

with the landlord;

- Landlord-issued rental ledger outlining rent owed by month; and,
- Landlord and tenant agree to enter into a landlord/tenant rental agreement, with landlord agreeing to waive late and legal fees.

Applications received, via an online application portal through March 14, will be processed via a lottery selection process, with households earning less than 60 percent assisted prior to those earning less than 80 percent of the AMI. After March 14, applications will be processed in the order in which they are received until all funding is exhausted.

Complete program guidance, eligibility requirements and application instructions are available at <https://hudsonriverhousing.org>.

Funding available under this rent relief program is for Dutchess County residents, who do not live in the City of Poughkeepsie since the City of Poughkeepsie receives its own Community Development Block Grant funds. The City of Poughkeepsie, however, is partnering with Hudson River Housing for implementation of a similar rent relief program for City of Poughkeepsie residents.

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Serino to host mobile office hours in and around Harlem Valley

Sen. Sue Serino and her team will be on site at the following locations to help answer questions and assist with casework on state-related matters.

Monday, April 11, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Dover Plains Library (1797 NY-22, Wingdale)

Tuesday, April 12, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Millbrook Library (3 Friendly Lane, Millbrook)

Tuesday, April 12, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Pleasant Valley Library (1584 Main St., Pleasant Valley)

Wednesday, April 13, 11:30 a.m.-

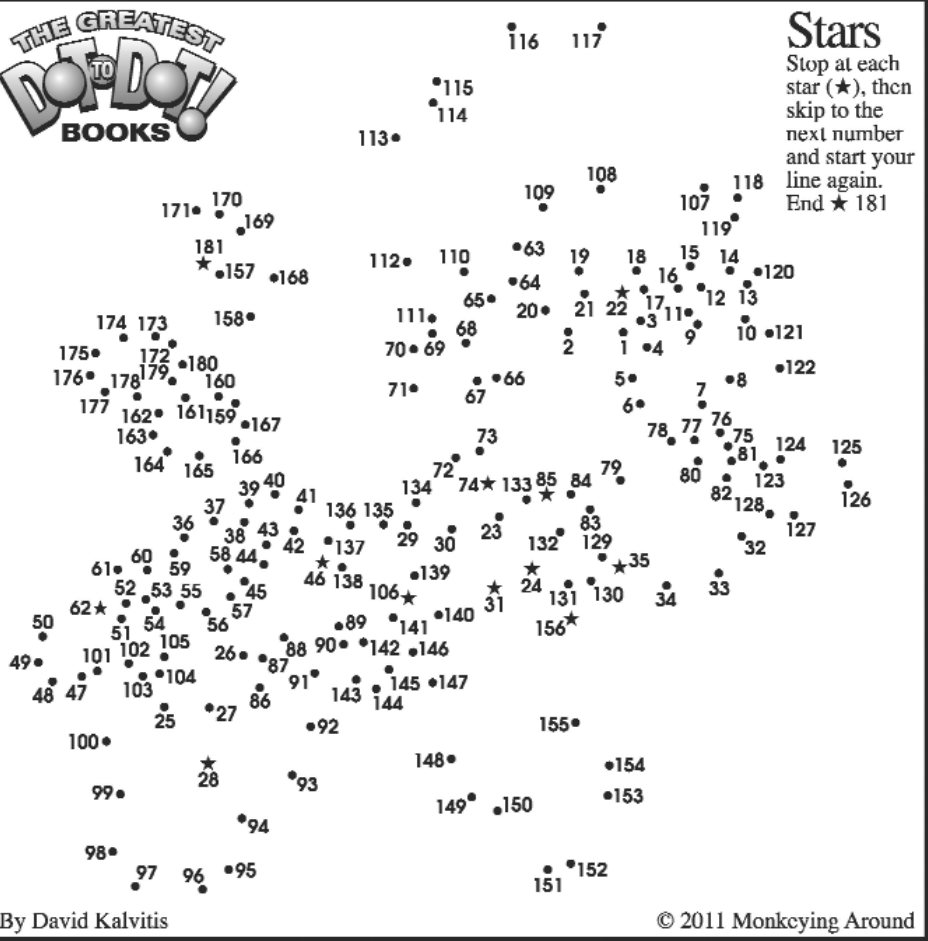
1:30 p.m.
Pine Plains Free Library (7775 South Main St., Pine Plains)

Thursday, April 14, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
NorthEast-Millerton Library (75 Main St., Millerton)

An RSVP is required for these events to ensure a smooth flow of meetings. Contact Serino's District Office at (845) 229-0106 to reserve your spot. If you are not able to attend one of these events but need assistance with a state related matter, call the Hyde Park office at (845) 229-0106 or email serino@nysenate.gov.

DOT-TO-DOT PUZZLE

See page 18 for finished puzzle (no peeking!)



Stars

Stop at each star (★), then skip to the next number and start your line again. End ★ 181

By David Kalvitis

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Bruce Molsky's return to The Stissing Center will highlight his first all-guitar album.
by Kate Goldsmith

Bruce Molsky
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2981 Church St., Pine Plains
Tickets \$20 advance, \$25 door
(518) 771-3340
<https://thestissingcenter.org/>

"Guitar was my first instrument," says Bruce Molsky. Though he's best known as a fiddler and banjo player, "the guitar is the one [instrument] that has accompanied me, whether mentally or physically, to the most places."

Molsky recently got around to realizing a dream of more than two decades when he released "Everywhere You Go," his first all-guitar album (2022, Tiki Parlour Recordings). Eleven tunes span a lifetime of musical and cultural influences and partnerships, coalescing around guitar and, on some tracks, vocals.

"Every piece on the CD represents a different experience, kind of like a memoir," Molsky says. "I've been doing this for a long time."

Selections from the CD will be the centerpiece of a performance at The Stissing Center in Pine Plains this Saturday.

"I'll be doing a bunch of guitar stuff, but [also] bringing my fiddle and banjo," says Molsky. "I hope for it to be a well balanced show. Half the show is songs, half instrumental pieces."

The March 12 performance will be Molsky's third at The Stissing Center, a renovated historic building that serves as a center for diversity, culture and civic life in Pine Plains. His first performance there was with his Americana trio, Molsky's Mountain Drifters; the second

one, a sold-out event that took place this past December, featured Molsky and famed banjo master Tony Trischka.

"[The show with Trischka] was great. We've been friends since dinosaurs roamed the earth," Molsky says.

"I love The Stissing Center," he says, adding that the Executive Director Brian Keeler's "heart is in the right place." Keeler has been the driving force behind The Stissing Center, nurturing it from a germ of an idea to reality over several years.

Molsky's new release contains the cream of the crop from a wish list that's at least 20 years old.

"Back in the days when we used to burn CDs, I burned a CD of ideas for a guitar CD," he says. "Not too many made it to [this album]."

In determining which ones made the final cut, Molsky considered the track sequence and diversity – there are tunes here reflecting cultures as diverse as Nordic, Celtic, South American, Appalachian and the American South.

"A common thread between the songs is important," says Molsky, calling the CD "kind of a world tour. ... I picked the ones I thought would work well together."

Although it is a solo album, there are a few guest artists such as Darol Anger (David Grisman Quintet), Swedish folk violinist Ellika Frisell & singer and kora player Solo Cissokho, and Scottish singer Mary Ann Kennedy.

"The track with Mary Ann Kennedy, that was the only track that wasn't recorded recently," says Molsky. "We've been friends forever, and she and her husband have a beautiful studio up in the Highlands. That's been the track I've been saving for the right type of presentation."

Darol Anger appears on three tracks.

"We've also been close friends for a lot of years; he's a musical inspiration to a lot of people," says Molsky. "He's just a brilliant musician, a brilliant thinker. It was also an excuse to visit with him and spend a few days in the studio together."

From self-described "street kid from the Bronx" who taught himself how to play guitar at age 10, to world-renowned multi-instrumentalist and visiting scholar at Berklee College of Music, Molsky's musical journey is admirably encapsulated in "Everywhere You Go."

He writes in the CD's liner notes, "Recently I heard another artist talk about wanting to 'write my younger self a letter.' That made so much sense to me. So here's my letter to my younger self and, of course, to you. I hope you like it."

The CD is available at www.bruce-molsky.com.

Like many artists who haven't been able to interact with live audiences due to the pandemic, Molsky wants readers to know "How happy I am to be coming



Bruce Molsky returns to The Stissing Center in Pine Plains on Saturday, March 12. The performance will feature his new album, "Everywhere You Go," which showcases songs and tunes on the guitar, Molsky's first instrument. *Photo by Michael O'Neal*



into the world like everyone else."

"I started playing music for the social joy of it, and I can't be more excited," he says. "I hope people will have a really good time [at The Stissing Center show]."

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Big band ensemble to perform at Towne Crier on Sunday



Analog Jazz Orchestra will play at the Towne Crier in Beacon on Sunday, March 13. Courtesy photo

The Analog Jazz Orchestra (AJO) will perform at the Towne Crier Cafe this Sunday, March 13, at 7 p.m. AJO is a 17-piece big band comprised of active-duty servicemen of the West Point Band and former, retired members of the West Point Jazz Knights. In addition to these world-class soldier-musicians, the band is filled out with the most talented jazz musicians the Hudson Valley has to offer. The band performs classic big band repertoire from groups such as Count Basie and Thad Jones in addition to per-

forming original compositions and arrangements by the members of the group. Members of the AJO have performed and toured with the Count Basie Orchestra, the Artie Shaw Orchestra and Arturo O’Farrill’s Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra, just to name a few. Tickets are \$20 advanced and \$25 day of show, and are available at www.townecrier.com or by calling (845) 855-1300. The Towne Crier Cafe is at 379 Main St. in Beacon.

Upcoming events at Clermont

Clermont Crafts for Kids
Saturday March 19, 11 a.m.
Clermont Visitor’s Center
Kids can make history-themed crafts, decorate mini birdhouses or come up with their own creations using Clermont’s craft supplies. Light instruction is offered, creativity is encouraged. This program will be hosted in the visitor center, masks are encouraged.
The cost of the event is \$5 per person. All adults must be accompanied by a child and all children must be accompanied by an adult. Space is extremely limited. Visitors must register in advance.

Macrame Plant Hangers, Why Knot?
Saturday April 9, 1 p.m.
Clermont Cottage
Did you know that macrame was popular in the Victorian Era, adorning housewares like tablecloths, bedspreads, and curtains? In fact, throughout history, many cultures have put this method of knotting and braiding to use, creating endless items like costumes, towels, hammocks, and even fringed fly swatters crafted to keep flies off camels and horses. In this workshop, you’ll “knot” only learn what it takes to make your own macrame plant hanger, but we’ll also usher in spring by covering plant propagation basics, providing indoor plant cut-

tings and tips on how to clone plants of your own. Recommended for ages 8+. Admission is \$10 for adults and free for children 12 and under. This program will be hosted at Clermont Cottage, masks are encouraged.

The Soothing Power of the Calendula Flower
Saturday April 23, 1 p.m.
Clermont Cottage
Chances are, if you were to visit a medicinal flower or herb garden, it would be filled with the cheerful yellow and orange blooms of the calendula flower, a member of the daisy family commonly referred to as “pot marigold.” While it is an edible flower widely used in food and teas, calendula blossoms also contain nourishing qualities that can sooth dry and cracked skin when infused with a carrier oil. Honestly, it should be called “calendul-ahh”! Join us in making all-natural calendula body salve and lip balm! While the salve is simmering, we’ll sip calendula tea and plant flowers in pots to take home. Fun for all ages! Admission is \$15 for adults and free for children 12 and under. This program will be hosted at Clermont Cottage, masks are encouraged.

Go to <https://www.friendsofclermont.org/> to register for these events.

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County St. Patrick's Day Parade draws crowd



The Annual Dutchess County St. Patrick's Day Parade returned on Saturday, March 5, with much fanfare and smiles in the Village of Wappingers Falls. In the photos, clockwise from top left: Bagpipe music filled the air. A leprechaun finds his pot of gold at the end of the rainbow on a Bottini Fuel truck. Parade goers gather by Mesier Park. The Irish Dance Company dancers kick up their heels. Members of the Wappingers Falls Fire Department make their way in a fire truck on the parade route. *Photos by Kristine Coulter*

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Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

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Suguru

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The heavy lines indicate areas, called cages, from one to five squares in size. Fill each cage with unique digits, counting up from 1. So for example a 2-square cage contains the numbers 1 and 2; and a 5-square cage contains the numbers from 1 to 5. Adjacent (touching) squares, even ones that touch diagonally, may never contain the same number.

ACROSS

- Exposes
- Modify
- Safe investments, for short
- "...to reap and ___ to sow..."
- Craze
- Mauna ___
- Popular TV host of the fifties and sixties
- Beard of grain
- Receive
- Gambler's destination
- Lending a hand to
- Toadies
- Petty officer, for short
- "___ Wonderful Life"
- Pretense
- Cries
- Addict's need, for short
- Denial
- Adam's grandson
- Hole-in-one makers
- To be in Paris
- From ___ Z
- Frighten
- Ascends
- Lucille Ball or Debra Messing
- Ending for mob or old
- Shade tree
- Greek letters
- Pass
- Highest: pref.
- Last queen of Spain
- Vehicle
- Popular comedy team of past decades
- Mich.'s neighbor
- Mythological giant
- Diminutive endings
- Musical notes
- French student's milieu
- Cattleman's rope

DOWN

- Loose
- "___ Grows in Brooklyn"
- Public disturbances
- Earthbound bird
- Confidences
- King of Judah
- Mr. Wayans
- Santa ___, California
- Very unfriendly fishes
- Hailed vehicle
- Insurance paper filers
- Toward the ground
- Warbled
- Egg producers
- Large dung beetle
- Linear units
- Colors, in Britain
- Word with penny or video
- "You wouldn't ___!"
- Items with lids
- Growler
- Opening bet
- Forests
- Poet's word
- Educational
- St. Brigid's land
- Able to be perceived
- Alter a building
- Fashionable
- Having mixed emotions
- Like a twang
- Men
- Home for a llama
- Authority
- Devilish
- ___ Turner
- Oldster's prop
- American Indian
- ___ loss for words

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The solutions to both the Sudoko & Crossword puzzles can be found on page 18

Discovering Ann Blake: The challenges of recovering women’s voices from the past

by Will Tatum

For historians, genealogists, and other researchers, the challenges of recovering stories from the past on anyone other than elite men are well known. The further back one goes in time, the more those remnants of other voices are filtered through the perspectives of those elite men, sometimes to the point where the original tone and words are lost. That is, in part, why we have the discipline of history, with specific methods for addressing bias in the historical record, and themed months, to encourage people to think more widely.

It seems fairly obvious and easy to accept that the experiences, attitudes, and ideas of women living in the seventeenth, eighteenth, and even the first half of the nineteenth century would be difficult to recover. We must not lose site of the fact, however, that this obscurity of women’s voices extends into our modern era of living memory. Readers born since the 1980s, and particularly those whose lives began in the twenty-first century may find this idea difficult to imagine, but women’s individual identities were hidden behind the mantles of their husbands well into the 20th century.

Back in 2013, when I was conducting the research for the Dutchess County Government exhibit that still hangs on the 6th floor of the Dutchess County Office Building at 22 Market Street, I thought I knew all about the difficulties of seeing through the haze of old customs to access the details of women’s lives.

Pride cometh before a fall, as the old expression goes, and I was in for a wake-up call. In reviewing the press coverage from the Poughkeepsie Journal archives and sifting through the layers of government reports, I repeatedly encountered one woman (the only woman) on the Charter Commission.

The writers of these sources always referred to her as Mrs. Edwin T. Blake. For those readers of a more recent vintage, this custom of referring to married women by their husband’s name carries back well before the foundation of Dutchess County in 1683. Usually, there are ways to work around that issue, but not in this case. Try as I might, I could not locate a single written source recording this individual’s given first name.

An accident of fate that you can experience for yourself today offered the solution to this puzzle. Following in the footsteps of many historians, and perhaps drawing from a few too many detective novels, I returned to the scene of the event, in this case the Dutchess County Legislative Chambers. During the

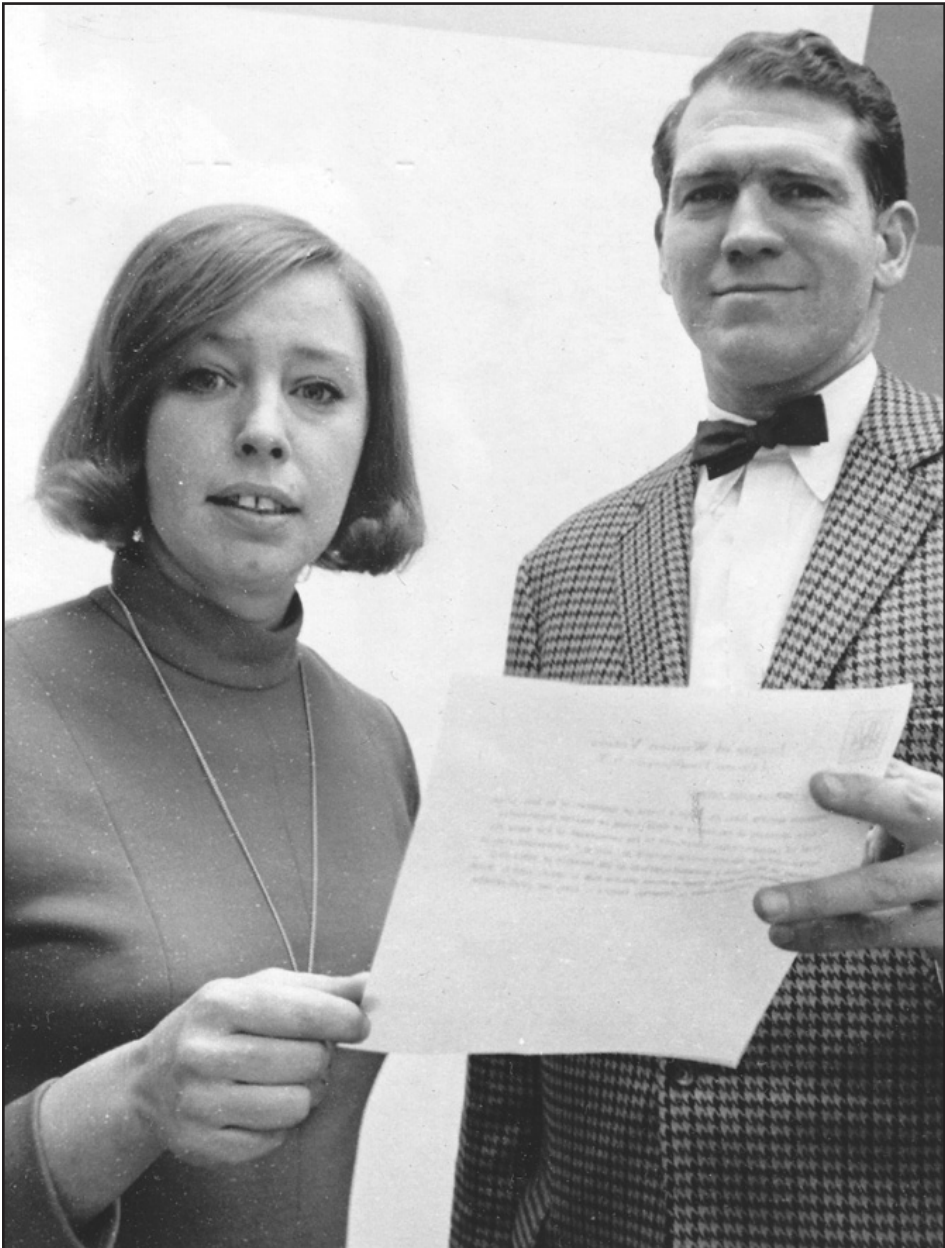
debates of 1965-1967, this room belonged to the Dutchess County Board of Supervisors. A small bronze plaque located to the right of the entrance to the chambers commemorates the “vision, wisdom, perseverance and continued untiring effort” of the Charter Committee of the Dutchess County Board of Supervisors and the Dutchess County Charter Commission. Located below this inspiring proclamation, dated April 17, 1967, are the names of the members of the committee and the commission. Tucked between W. Carlton Bernard and Joseph MacAvery is Ann Blake. Finally, an answer to a months-old question.

Additional research quickly revealed that Ann Blake, the mysterious Mrs. Edwin T. Blake, was a key member and one-time president of the League of Women Voters of Greater Poughkeepsie. A Native of Litchfield, Connecticut, she earned her BA from Smith College and MA from Vassar College, and chaired the League’s County Charter and Reapportionment Committee before joining the County Charter Commission in 1966.

She served in many other civic capacities, including the Model City Advisory Council during the years of peak Urban Renewal in Poughkeepsie and the building committee for the LaGrange Town Hall. Unfortunately, additional details on her life and experience remain elusive, offering yet another reminder of how challenging research can be. If any readers know more about Ann Blake, please reach out to me at wtatum@dutchessny.gov. To see how Ann Blake features in the County Government Exhibit, you can visit in person or see digital copies of the exhibit panels at www.dutchessny.gov/history.

For those interested in learning more about the challenges of recovering women’s voices from the past, the Dutchess County Historical Society has a great opportunity for you. On Thursday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m., I will be presenting a program on how historians use court records to reveal details of women’s experiences in the past. My analysis will focus on data drawn from eighteenth and early nineteenth century cases preserved in the Dutchess County Ancient Documents Collection, which the County Clerk’s Office both preserves and makes accessible via the online search portal at dutchessny.gov/ancientdocuments.

Attendees will hear tales ranging from Elisabeth Hitchcock’s lawsuit against Robert Howe for failing to marry her to Elizabeth Ryhert’s unfortunate and vio-



Ann Blake (Mrs. Edwin T. Blake) receiving a letter of commendation from U.S. Rep. Hamilton Fish, Jr., December 1, 1969. *Photo courtesy of Poughkeepsie Journal Archives*

lent encounter with the Reverend Johann Christofells Hartwick in Rhinebeck. We will discover how court records can be wonderful for preserving moments and experiences that would otherwise be lost to time, while also being a source of extraordinary frustration due to the absence of “the rest of the story,” as Paul Harvey put it. Thursday’s program is free and accessible via the world wide web: visit dchsn.org/march10 to sign up.

In the meantime, I advise readers to think carefully about their experiences

and those of their friends, family, and loved ones can be recorded for posterity. The 1960s were an especially vital time for Dutchess County, a decade that seems a lot closer than it actually is to 2022. When going through old photographs or speaking to folks with memories of that era, give some thought to preserving those stories for future generations.

Will Tatum has served as Dutchess County Historian since October 2012. He holds a Ph.D. in History from Brown University.

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The other day, my father came into the restaurant. It was a Sunday, and Sunday is my last day before my day off. Needless to say, Sundays are a little rough because I am usually on my last leg, and I am not the most pleasant person to be around. Sundays Pop usually comes in later, after noon mass, to make dinner for himself. He's full of energy for his age and always ready for me.

So when Pop comes in I have already put in around five hours of work with only eight more to go, and I've got my eye on the prize. I'm trying to stay focused and not lose my cool.

So Pop comes in and he sees me, and right away he starts.

Pop: Quello che un viso brutto (What an ugly face) Hai mangiato limoni stamattina? (Did you eat lemons this morning?)

Me: Why do you say that?

Pop: Come on, itsa morning and you already in a bada mood?

Me: No, Pop, I'm not in a bad mood.

Pop: Whya you looka that way?

Me: I don't know. I'm busy and I'm trying to get all my work done.

Pop: Maka sure the bread crumbs are done.

Me: What? Huh?(sigh) Yes, Pop.

Pop: Maka sure you no taka the sauce off the fire too soon.

Me: (sigh) Yes, Pop.

Pop: Youa sure youa OK?

Me: Yes, Pop, I'm fine.

Pop: OK. Do you still need me to maka the Tira mi Su?

Me: No, Pop. We ran out, so I had to make it.

Pop: What?! Nowa you no needa me no more?

Me: No, Pop. We ran out; I had to make it.

Pop: Nowa youa the chef, right? Youa no need me to bea the chef?

Me: (sigh) No, Pop. That's not true. I just needed to make one for today. You can make it for tomorrow.

Pop: (pause as he stares at me) Youa maka it the righta way?

Me: Yes, Pop. I followed your recipe.

Pop: Youa usa the brandy?

Me: Yes, Pop.

Pop: Anda the Kahlua?

Me: Yes, Pop.

Pop: Youa make the custard the righta way?

Me: Yes, Pop, just like you showed me.

Pop: Youa...

Me: Pop, please. Stop. I'm tired. I've got to finish the day, so I can take tomorrow off.

Pop: Oh, youa tired?

Me: (sigh) Yes, Pop, I'm tired.

Pop: How many days youa work this week, huh?

Me: Oh, no Six, Pop.

Pop: Six? You taka any nights off?

Me: No, Pop.

Pop: You gotta everything done?

Me: Almost, Pop. It'll be done by the end of the day.

Pop: Good. (pause) Youa worka too hard.

He kissed me on the cheek and slapped my other cheek. He turned away from me and went into the walk-in cooler to get his ingredients for dinner. At that moment I thought my head was about to explode. I could almost hear Frank Sinatra singing "The Impossible Dream." I wasn't sure, but I think he paid me a compliment.

TIRA MI SU

Ingredients

6 egg yolks
3/4 cup white sugar
1 1/2 cup milk
1 1/4 cups heavy cream
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 pound mascarpone cheese
1 cup strong brewed coffee, room temperature
4 tablespoons brandy
4 tablespoons Kahlua
4 (3 ounce) packages ladyfinger cookies
1 tablespoon unsweetened cocoa powder

Method

In a medium saucepan, whisk together egg yolks and 1 cup of sugar until well blended. Whisk in milk and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture boils. Boil gently for 1 minute, remove from heat and allow to cool slightly. Cover tightly and chill in refrigerator 1 hour.

In a medium bowl, beat cream with vanilla until stiff peaks form. Whisk mascarpone into yolk mixture until smooth. Add chilled custard and gently whisk until blended.

In a small bowl, combine coffee, 1/2 cup sugar, brandy and Kahlua. Dip lady fingers into the coffee mixture.

Arrange half of soaked ladyfingers in bottom of a 7x11 inch dish. Spread half of mascarpone mixture over ladyfingers. Sprinkle with cocoa. Repeat layers and again sprinkle with cocoa. Cover and refrigerate 4 to 6 hours, until set.

To serve, cut into a 3-inch squares and garnish with whipped cream.

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

The Art Effect announces the opening of the Media Lab at Poughkeepsie HS

Poughkeepsie High School students are now able to participate in hands-on experiences from The Art Effect's extensive media arts program directly in their high school. The Art Effect has announced the opening of the Media Lab at Poughkeepsie City High School this month featuring a great big, green wall (in place of a green screen) creating a set for film and media production and enriching the existing ELA curriculum.

The Art Effect's after school enrichment program within the Poughkeepsie High School media lab provides opportunities for students to generate original media and musical artwork while exploring poetic texts and advancing ELA skills.

"In the past, we have worked with English classes throughout the district during the annual Big Read Project, and this year we will be serving students inside and outside of the classroom through a variety of residency and after-school programs revolving around media art and the power of the students' voice" says Mary Ellen Iatropoulos, Director of Programs.

The first program operating out of the PHS Media Lab space named the Liberty Media Lab is the newest program developed from The Art Effect's long-standing relationship with the Marist Liberty Partnership Program (MLPP). The Liberty Media Lab after school program offers students enrolled in MLPP a

chance to creatively express themselves and discover their artistic voices while learning valuable media production skills. Through hands-on workshops in photography, filmmaking, and digital animation, students will experiment with technology, and create their own original works across multiple media platforms.

"We are so excited about our relationship with the Poughkeepsie City School District and our ability to bring our teaching artists, equipment and advanced technology, and other curricular materials to Pougheekspie's youth." Says Nicole Fenichel-Hewitt, Executive Director at The Art Effect. A series of after school workshops will include analyzing, interpreting, relating to, and synthesizing personal experiences in order to inspire and

inform the public through original lyrics and music video production. Finished projects will be presented on the school district's website and other public spaces.

The first week of programming introduced ten students to digital photography and animated GIFs using the green screen wall. Enrollment for the music video production workshop at the Liberty Media Lab is open to Poughkeepsie High school students and begins on March 7. Application can be found here: thearteffect.org/mvp

For more information on other after school enrichment programs, and how to bring The Art Effect into your school, visit thearteffect.org/programs/residencies, call Mary Ellen at (845) 471-7477 or email maryellen@thearteffect.org.

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Maple Weekend returns to Bowdoin Park March 25-27

Dutchess County Parks’ Sap Happy Maple Weekend returns with tasty, educational and fun events for all ages in collaboration with the Office for the Aging, Poughkeepsie Public Library, Farmers and Chefs restaurant, and Sean’s Waffles Food Truck from Friday, March 25, through Sunday, March 27, at Bowdoin Park, located at 85 Sheafe Road in the Town of Poughkeepsie.

“Dutchess County Parks’ Sap Happy Maple Weekend is a great opportunity for residents of all ages to explore our beautiful Bowdoin Park while learning about the art and history of maple syrup production, take a fun Story Walk, and even taste syrup made at the park,” said County Executive Marc Molinaro.

Throughout the weekend, Bowdoin Park Maple Syrup will also be available for purchase at the park for \$5 for 3.4oz or \$10 for 8oz. bottles, while supplies last.

Sap Happy Maple Weekend Schedule:

- Pancakes in the Park Drive-Through for Senior Citizens: March 25, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Free, advance registration required by calling (845) 486-2555.
- Story Walk with Maple Syrup from the Sugarhouse by Laurie Lazzaro Knowlton: March 25-27, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., near the Sugar house. Free, no registration required.
- Hands-On Public Maple Education Classes: March 25-27, sessions at 10 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. \$5 per person, limit 20 per session. Register at DutchessNY.gov/Parks.
- Bowdoin Park Maple Syrup Menu at Farmers and Chefs Restaurant: March 25-27, while supplies last.
- Sean’s Waffle Food Truck at Bowdoin Park: Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., near Pavilion 5.

Pancakes in the Park
Pancakes in the Park will be a drive-through opportunity, in collaboration with the County’s Office for the Aging (OFA), for Dutchess County seniors to receive a free pancake breakfast, including a sample of Bowdoin Park’s own maple syrup. Seniors can register in advance by calling OFA at (845) 486-2555 for a designated time to pick up their meal. Reservations are required and are limited.

“We are happy to once again collaborate with Dutchess County Parks to offer Pancakes in the Park drive-through breakfast to our seniors. Bowdoin Park maple syrup is a huge hit with many of our seniors. They welcome being at the park and enjoy their delicious fun-filled visit,” said Office for the Aging Director Todd Tancredi.

Story Walk with Maple Syrup from the Sugarhouse by Laurie Lazzaro Knowlton

Friday, Saturday and Sunday residents of all ages can take a self-guided Story Walk to read the book, Maple Syrup from the Sugarhouse, by Laurie Lazzaro Knowlton, in larger-than-life format. The Story Walk, in partnership with the Poughkeepsie Public Library District, will be located on the path near Bowdoin Park’s Sugar house from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Hands-On Public Maple Education Classes

Friday, Saturday and Sunday Parks staff will provide hands-on learning opportunities for all ages about the art and history of making maple syrup. Participants will get to watch the different steps of the maple syrup making process, from the tapping of trees at the park, to sap collection, and boiling it down to make syrup. Native American methods for creating maple sugar will also be explored.

Sessions will be offered at 10 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. all three days. Classes are \$5 per person and advance registration is required. Sessions are limited to 20 participants. Registration is open at DutchessNY.gov/Parks.

Bowdoin Park Maple Syrup Menu at Farmers and Chefs Restaurant

For those who can’t get enough maple syrup, thanks to a partnership with Poughkeepsie-based restaurant, Farmers and Chefs, Bowdoin Park’s Maple Syrup will be featured over several delectable dishes over the course of the weekend. Diners can visit the restaurant, located at 40 Albany St., Poughkeepsie, to try menu items such as crispy Hudson Valley pork belly glazed with Bowdoin Park maple syrup, roasted duck breast with orange, Bowdoin Park maple syrup, pomegranate & star anise, and Bowdoin Park maple pecan pie.

Sean’s Waffle Food Truck at Bowdoin Park

New this year, on Saturday, March 26, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., park visitors can purchase delicious waffle creations topped with Bowdoin Park maple syrup from Hudson Valley-based food truck Sean’s Waffles.

“We truly enjoy hosting Sap Happy Maple Weekend at Bowdoin. It is a great opportunity to showcase the facility, our Park Staff who oversee maple production, and the Park Naturalists who lead maple workshops. We also thank our community partners that assist in providing additional fun happenings throughout the weekend,” said Parks Director Sandy Washburn.

To learn more about these events or other programs offered at Bowdoin Park, call the Dutchess County Parks Division at (845) 298-4600 or visit DutchessNY.gov.

Harvey Fierstein in Conversation with Justin Vivian Bond on March 11



Harvey Fierstein (left) and Justin Vivian Bond will discuss Fierstein's new memoir at Bard College on Friday, March 11. *Courtesy photos*

The Fisher Center and Oblong Books welcome Tony Award-winning performer and author Harvey Fierstein for an evening in celebration of his new memoir, “I Was Better Last Night” On Friday, March 11, Fierstein will be joined on stage by another icon, Justin Vivian Bond, in a lively conversation about his memoir, followed by a Q&A with the audience.

A poignant and hilarious memoir from the cultural icon, gay rights activist, and four-time Tony Award-winning actor and playwright, “I Was Better Last Night” reveals never-before-told stories of Fierstein’s personal struggles and conflict, of sex and romance, and of his fabled career, which has transported him from community theater in Brooklyn, to the lights of Broadway, to the absurd excesses of Hollywood and back.

Fierstein has received accolades and awards for acting in and/or writing an incredible string of hit plays, films and TV shows: “Hairspray,” “Fiddler on the Roof,” “Mrs. Doubtfire,” “Independence Day,” “Cheers,” “La Cage Aux Folles,” “Torch Song Trilogy,” “Newsies” and “Kinky Boots.” While he has never shied away from the spotlight, Fierstein says that even those closest to him have never heard most of the tales revealed in these entertaining pages.

“I Was Better Last Night” bares the inner life of this eccentric nonconforming child from his roots in 1952 Brooklyn, to the experimental worlds of Andy Warhol and the Theatre of the Ridiculous, to the gay rights movements of the Seventies and the tumultuous AIDS crisis of the

Eighties, through decades of addiction, despair and ultimate triumph. Fierstein’s candid recollections provide a rich window into downtown New York City life, gay culture and the evolution of theater (of which he has been a defining figure), as well as a moving account of his family’s journey of acceptance.

Justin Vivian Bond has appeared on stage (Broadway, Off-Broadway and London’s West End), screen (“Shortbus,” “Can You Ever Forgive Me?” and “Sunset Stories”), television (“High Maintenance,” “Difficult People” and “The Get Down”), nightclub stages (most notably, a decades-long residency at Joe’s Pub at The Public Theater) and in concert halls worldwide (including Carnegie Hall and The Sydney Opera House). In December 2019, Mx. Bond made their Vienna Staatsoper debut as Orlando’s child in the world premiere of Olga Neuwirth’s “Orlando.” Bond’s visual art and installations have been seen in museums and galleries in the United States (Participant, Inc., and The New Museum) and abroad (Vitrine, London). Their memoir, “Tango: My Childhood Backwards and in High Heels” (Feminist Press), won the Lambda Literary Award for Transgender Nonfiction.

This event will be held on Friday, March 11, at 8 p.m., in Olin Hall at Bard College. Tickets are \$38 and include a signed copy of “I Was Better Last Night.” To purchase or reserve tickets, visit fishercenter.bard.edu, call (845) 758-7900 (Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.), or email boxoffice@bard.edu.

LOOK FOR LOVE TO COOK IN NEXT WEEK’S ISSUE

Vicki Frank Day shares stories and recipes.



ART EXHIBITIONS

Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center, 9 & 12 Vassar St., Poughkeepsie. **Through April 29:** Featured in the Hallway Art Gallery at 9 Vassar St. will be Rachel Arielle Kleinman; and at 12 Vassar St. will be Barbara Masterson in the Reception & Hancock Galleries. **Public Art Opening Reception for Kleinman** on Friday, March 11, 5-7 p.m. Visitors must call the Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center Office at (845) 486-4571 for access to galleries. Visit cunneen-hackett.org for hours and to review the Visitation Safety Protocols.

Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie. **Through July:** “Beyond the Threshold: Contemporary Tibetan Art,” on view in the Loeb’s Asian Gallery. Among the major themes explored in these wide-ranging works are the impacts of globalization and commercialism on Tibetan culture, the creation and inhabitation of virtual worlds, self-representation and the questioning of identities, interconnectedness and pushing back against expectations collectively imposed upon Tibetans as subjects of the outsider gaze. (845) 437-5632 or flac.vassar.edu

WomensWork.art, 4 S. Clinton St., Poughkeepsie. **Through April 23:** “Emerging,” a collection of artwork featuring emerging and student artists. **Opening reception:** Sat., March 12, 2-6 p.m. www.womenswork.art

CLINTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR BOOK SALE

The Clinton Community Library is accepting donations for its spring book sale on the following days/times: Tuesdays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thursdays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Library Director Carol Bancroft said, “The Clinton Community Library book sale is always a great community event as well as a significant fundraiser. Our Friends Group, Board of Trustees, and volunteers put so much hard work into it! Last year we added a plant sale that happened alongside the book sale and because it was so popular, we plan to do that again, as well.”

Donations should be clean and in good condition. The library will not accept books that are dirty, dusty, discolored, torn, marked, musty or otherwise damaged. Other unacceptable items include: out-of-date travel guides and medical books, encyclopedias, condensed books, VHS tapes and textbooks.

Items that sell well include hardcover, softcover and paperback books in new or like-new condition; children’s books; coffee table books; audiobooks on CD; DVDs and music CDs.

Bancroft added, “We will accept donations of up to 5 boxes. If you need help carrying the books downstairs, please call ahead and schedule a time or plan to come on a Saturday when we have volunteers who can help you.”

The Spring Book Sale will be held on the following dates:

- Preview Night (\$10 entrance fee): Thursday, May 19, 5-7 p.m.
- Book Sale: Friday, May 20, 1-6 p.m.
- Book Sale/Plant Sale: Saturday, May 21: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- \$5 Bag Sale/Plant Sale: Sunday, May 22, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

About Clinton Community Library

Clinton Community Library is located at 1215 Centre Road in Rhinebeck, adjacent to the Clinton Town Hall. For more information, call (845) 266-5530 or visit www.clintoncommunitylibrary.org.

SECOND EMERGENCY 'HEAP' BENEFIT NOW UNDER WAY

A second Emergency Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) benefit is now available to applicants, through April 29, when the Emergency component is scheduled to close. The eligibility criteria for the second Emergency benefit will be the same as for the first Emergency benefit, which began in early January. Applicants must have exhausted, or have unavailable to them, both the Regular benefit and the first Emergency benefit to be eligible for the second Emergency benefit. First and second Emergency benefits must not be issued concurrently.

Applicants must apply in their county of residence by telephone or in person and may be eligible for income deeming based on their most recently filed HEAP Application.

If this is the first time you're reading about the HEAP program, you're a Dutchess County resident over age 60, and you'd like information about whether you qualify, contact the Office for the Aging's HEAP division at (845) 486-2553 or zserrano@dutchessny.gov.

2022 OFA PICNIC SEASON COMING SOON

The Office for the Aging is putting the finishing touches on the 2022 schedule of OFA Picnics, along with the reminder cards we send every spring and summer to tens of thousands of older adults throughout the county. This will be our 30th year of picnics!

For those of you who are new to the OFA Picnic program, a quick rundown:

Our picnic season takes place between Memorial Day and Labor Day with a total of 12 picnics that cover every community in Dutchess County. Every county resident over age 60 is eligible for one free meal at the picnic that serves their home community.

We start taking reservations in mid-April. That's when we publish the picnic schedule and start mailing picnic reminder cards to all households with at least one registered voter over age 60. You don't need to get a reminder card to make a reservation, but reservations are required for all picnics.

For the past two summers the picnic has been held in drive-through format, last year with optional seating for picnic guests. For 2022 we are hoping to be able to return to the traditional sit-down outdoor picnic format where you can enjoy a hot lunch, along with live music and companionship. You can also speak directly with your community's elected officials and visit with local businesses and non-profit organizations that serve Dutchess County seniors. We'll keep the drive-through option "in our back pocket" if pandemic safety necessities should require it, and hopefully we won't.

Visit dutchessny.gov/OFAPicnics for a look at previous years' picnics.

BILLBOARD CONTEST FOR OLDER ADULTS IN DUTCHESS (Deadline April 1)

The deadline for entries is Friday, April 1, for the Dutchess County MS4 Coordination Committee's Billboard Contest to Promote Stormwater Awareness.

The contest is open to all older adults

in Dutchess County. (MS4, incidentally, stands for "Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems.")

One of the contest's main goals is to get people thinking about rain water – what it can wash away or take away, and what happens to it between falling from the sky and ultimately into the Hudson River.

First prize is \$500 plus a billboard in Dutchess County with the winner and town/village recognized

Second prize is \$300; third prize is \$100. All three prize winners will be utilized by the Dutchess County MS4 Committee for education and outreach, and MS4 municipalities may use their regional submissions, in addition to the top three prize winners, for localized education and outreach.

More information, plus the entry form and complete rules, are at www.dutchessswcd.org/ms4.

'GETSETUP' AND LEARN NEW SKILLS

GetSetUp (www.getsetup.io) is an online community of older adults who want to learn new skills and stay connected with others. The safe, social and interactive GetSetUp learning environment has been specifically designed for older adults, with classes taught by older adults and kept small to ensure everyone can actively participate. Classes are FREE to older adults. For more information, visit <https://www.getsetup.io/partner/NYSTATE>.

DEALING WITH DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME, WITHOUT TOO MUCH COFFEE

Nobody likes losing sleep, but that's what's going to happen after we turn in this Saturday night, March 12.

Daylight Saving (no S) Time, which officially begins at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 13, does mean that later sunsets are coming soon, but before we get to spring we have to get through the time change and the lost hour of sleep that comes with it. The time change has been linked to increases in car crashes, strokes,

heart attacks and cluster headaches, all spiking just after the date of the time change.

Thankfully there are ways to safely adjust:

Get the same amount of sleep. You'll wake up "an hour later," or you can go to bed earlier the night before. More below.

Adjust gradually. Eventually your body does need to get back in sync with the new time. Try going to bed 15 minutes earlier on Saturday, another 15 minutes earlier on Sunday, and so forth until Tuesday night. You'll wake up on Wednesday more well-adjusted.

Stay active. In a way, you're gaining an hour of daylight. Might as well use it to your benefit. Whatever exercise you do, make sure it's wrapped up at least two hours before bedtime.

Caffeine in the morning only. While your body is adjusting, you'll want to stay away from caffeinated beverages after lunchtime.

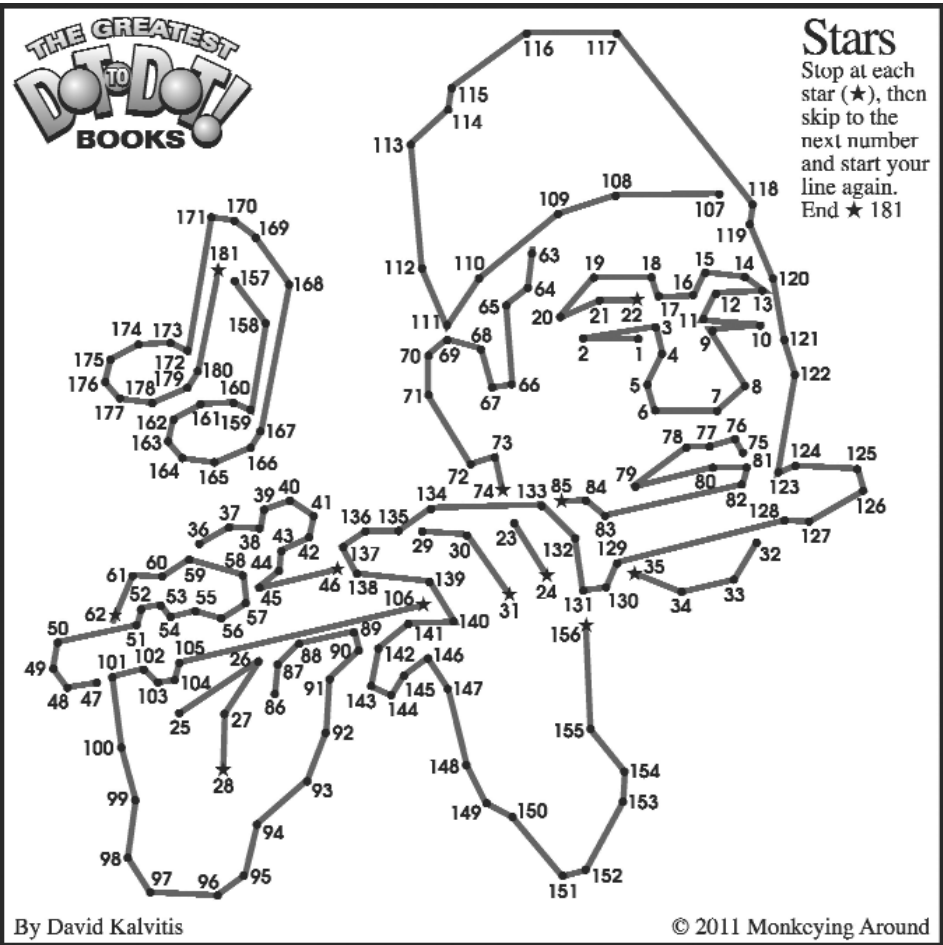
No screens. The blue light from electronic screens reduces the body's production of melatonin, the hormone that tells the brain it's time to go to sleep.

Take a break from naps. Unless you are disciplined about naptimes, you could oversleep and backfire on you as you try to adjust.

For caregivers: watch for a bump in "sundowning." You may know of sundowning as a symptom of dementia that feature increases in confusion and agitation. The time change can make the situation worse. You can smooth any rough edges by sticking as close to routine as possible, and make sure your loved one is getting plenty of time in light during the day. Additionally, avoid any noises or visual stimulation that could upset them.

Golden Living is prepared by the Dutchess County Office for the Aging, 114 Delafield St., Poughkeepsie, New York 12601, telephone 845-486-2555, email: ofa@dutchessny.gov website: www.dutchessny.gov/aging

Answer to this week's Dot to Dot (puzzle on page 10)



Answers to this week's diversions (puzzles on page 14)

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This week's answer

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OBITUARIES

Paul E. Burke

RED HOOK – After a long and valiant battle against Lewy Body Dementia, Parkinson’s and an array of other issues, Paul E. Burke of Red Hook, NY, finally succumbed on Monday, February 28, 2022 surrounded by his loving family. Born on May 21, 1932, in New York, NY, he was the son of the late Paul and Dorothy (Tompkins) Burke. Paul married Harriet Peavy on December 8, 1985 in Rhinebeck, NY. Paul proudly served his country as a member of the US Air Force 1950 to 1954 and then his community as an NYPD officer until 1977. Following his retirement from the NYPD, Paul was the Assistant Director of Security/Locksmith at Marist College until 1991. Always active throughout his community, Paul was a member of American Legion Post #429 of Rhinebeck, NY, he was a past vice president of the PTA, he was a volunteer fireman in Amity Harbor- Long Island, a member of the board of trustees at St. John’s The Evangelist of Barrytown, NY, and was driver for the Northern Dutchess Caregivers and thoroughly enjoyed playing Santa for children of all ages. In his free time, Paul enjoyed spending his time fixing and collecting clocks, gardening, reading, attending tattoos and above all spending time with his family. In addition to his wife, Harriet, Paul is survived by his children, Mike Burke of Red Hook, NY, Molly Burke of Dobbs Ferry, NY, Colleen (Ken) Willisich of Carmel, NY, Karen (Tom) Burke of Milton, NY, and Sean (Cathy) Burke of Red Hook, NY ; his grandchildren, Ashley, Kenneth, Cathryn (Hector), Patrick, Jake, Sean and Charlotte; his great grandson, Ethan; his siblings, Sarah Bulanda and Charles Sosebee; his sister in law, Eunice; in addition to extended family and friends. Memorial donations may be made in Paul’s memory to The Lewy Body Dementia Association at <https://www.lbda.org/donate/> or to The Tunnel to Towers organization at <https://t2t.org/>. Special appreciation to Dr. Pallone and Nancy & Marty Shapiro (Paul’s sister- in-law & brother-in-law) who provided extra love and support throughout. Friends called at the Burnett & White Funeral Home on Friday, March 4, 2022 and on Saturday, March 5, 2022. Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 5, 2022 at St. John’s The Evangelist, Barrytown, with the Rev. Bruce Chilton. Arrangements are under the direction of Burnett & White Funeral Homes 7461 S. Broadway, Red Hook, NY. To sign the online guest book, please visit www.Burnett-White.com.

Pamela Jean Sperry Bendyk

HYDE PARK – Pamela Jean Sperry Bendyk, age 64, passed away peacefully in Hyde Park, NY on February 25, 2022. Mrs. Bendyk was born in Poughkeepsie, NY on September 4, 1957, the daughter of Page Walter Sperry Jr. and Gwenyth Jean Planck. Pam grew up in Hyde Park and met her future husband, Mark Bendyk in kindergarten. Following college, Mark and Pam settled in Hyde Park to live and raise their family. They were blessed with a son, Josh, and a daughter, Caroline. Mrs. Bendyk was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend. Pam was an exceptionally loving wife, always offering words of encouragement and support. With Mark, Pam raised their children with everlasting love, forever willing to lend an ear and caring for them with kindness and understanding. She was overjoyed when she became a grandmother this past year and spent every possible opportunity showering her new granddaughter Maeve with affection and books. Pam was a lifelong dog lover and little time passed without a four-legged family member running around in their home. She enjoyed and excelled at cooking, baking, and entertaining, often hosting large gatherings of family and friends alongside her husband in their Hyde Park and Loon Lake homes. Mark and Pam also enjoyed traveling together, giving them the opportunity to discover and explore other cultures and make fond memories. As an avid reader, Pam was delighted to be a member of a book club with many of her friends and past colleagues. She was always eager to learn and quick to laugh. She also belonged to the Hyde Park United Methodist Church and the Mahwenawasigh Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Pam graduated from SUNY Plattsburgh with a bachelor’s in elementary education, and later earned her MS in education from SUNY New Paltz. Professionally, she made the perfect career choice as an extraordinarily dedicated teacher. She began her teaching career in Virginia but spent the

majority of her career at Hyde Park Elementary School and Haviland Middle School in the Hyde Park Central School District. She was equally admired and respected by her colleagues, parents and students. To be admired by fifth and sixth graders is no easy feat, but Pam was exceptional. She relished teaching mathematics and conveyed a true love of literature. Her demeanor was firm yet fair with a great dose of humor and contagious laughter. Any student fortunate enough to be in her class became a better learner and a better person because of who she was as a devoted teacher and strong role-model. As an educator, Pam will always be fondly remembered. She is survived by her beloved husband of thirty-eight years, Mark P. Bendyk, who she married on May 21, 1983 and by her son and daughter-in-law, Josh Bendyk and Taylor Dennerlein, her granddaughter Maeve Bendyk, and her daughter Caroline Bendyk. She is also survived by her mother Gwen Sperry, her mother-in-law Olga Bendyk, her siblings Beth Hagy (Gary), Wesley Sperry (Dawn), and LouAnne Scherb (Brian), aunts and uncles, and many cousins, nieces, and nephews. She is predeceased by her father Page W. Sperry Jr. and her father-in-law Walter Bendyk. Relatives and friends called on Sunday, March 6, 2022, at Sweet’s Funeral Home, Rte. 9, Hyde Park. Memorial services were held on Monday, March 7, 2022, at United Methodist Church of Hyde Park, 1 Church Street, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Cremation already took place. Photos and memories can be shared on Pam’s obituary page at www.sweetsfuneralhome.com. Pam will be tremendously missed and forever remembered for her love of life and infectious laugh. Pam would ask that people celebrate her memory by living life to the fullest with genuine interest and passion to care. Memorial donations can be submitted to the Hyde Park United Methodist Church, 1 Church St., Hyde park, NY 12538, the American Heart Association, PO Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692 or www.heart.org, or the Dutchess County SPCA, 636 Violet Ave., Hyde Park, NY 12538 or <https://dcspca.org>.

Jeanne B. Fayden

DOVER PLAINS – Jeanne B. Fayden, 93, a five-year local resident, formerly of Allendale and Bayville, NJ, died on Friday, February 25, 2022 at her daughter’s home in Dover Plains. Mrs. Fayden worked as a secretary at Ramapo College of New Jersey in Mahwah, NJ retiring in 1991. Born on April 9, 1928 in the Bronx, NY, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Catherine (Ward) Suchy. On February 15, 1958 in the Bronx, NY, she married Joseph Fayden who died on October 15, 1986. Mrs. Fayden is survived by a son, Joe Fayden of Bridgeville, NY and two daughters, Mary Fayden of Mount Arlington, NJ and Ginny Mirande and her husband, Tony, of Dover Plains, NY. She is also survived by a grandson, Jonathan Fayden and his wife, Victoria. Calling hours were held on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at Hufcut Funeral Home, 3159 Route 22, Dover Plains, NY. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at St. Charles Borromeo Church, 62 Mill St., Dover Plains, NY. Burial will follow at Maryrest Cemetery in Mahwah, NJ. Memorial contributions may be made to Maryknoll, P.O. Box 302, Maryknoll, NY 10545-0302. To send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.

Donald Lane

PLEASANT VALLEY– Donald B. Lane, 81, died on March 2, 2022 at Mid Hudson Regional Hospital. Born in Ossining on August 24, 1940, he was the son of Joseph Robertson and Mary (Turner) Lane. Fortunately, Donald was retired for the last 15+ years. Don started his career as a printer for the Patent Trader in Mount Kisco for 25 years, after which he was a leading real estate agent for Serls Realty in LaGrange. On June 22, 1962, at Blessed Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Donald married Judith Holland who survives at home. They raised their family in LaGrangeville, and then spent several years in Florida, before moving back to Pleasant Valley 14 years ago. Donald loved sports, as a player, coach, and fan. He was a great athlete who played basketball, baseball, and softball. He shared this passion as a father and coach with his children and the community at large. He coached baseball and basketball for years in Lagrange, and was the Commissioner for LaGrange Little League baseball. He bled Dodger blue! After giving back to the community for many years, he began enjoying

music, and as an old school listener, was so proud of his 436 CD collection. He also loved to bake (and eat his creations) later in his life, with brownies as his specialty. In recent years, he was a collector of Dollar Store sun catchers. In addition to his wife Judy, Donald is also survived by his children and their spouses, Kim and John Vivalda, Brian Lane, and Timothy and Cynthia Lane; his grandchildren, Patrick Vivalda, Ashley Walsh, Amanda Lane, Anthony Lane, Dylan Lane, Carly Lane and Christy Lane; his great-grandchildren, Beckham, Karson and Teagan Walsh; his siblings, Debbie Bodnar and Kevin Lane; and many nieces and nephews. Calling hours were held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction. Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

Barry ‘Running Bear’ Fowler

STAATSBURG – Barry “Running Bear” Fowler, 74, of Staatsburg, NY was called to Heaven for a well-deserved rest, after a long illness on February 28, 2022, at the Fishkill Health and Rehabilitation Center. He was born on July 2, 1947, in Rhinebeck, New York to the late Chester and the late Leola (Clinton) Fowler. Barry was a graduate of Roosevelt High School and a local resident all his life. Barry was a self-employed Trucker, he owned Fowler Trucking Company. On June 24, 1978, at St. James Episcopal Church in Hyde Park, Barry married the love of his life Diane Hopkins, she survives at home. Barry was Barry was affectionately known as Pop by his loving granddaughter. He enjoyed life to its fullest. Barry loved snowmobiling, fast boats, riding his motorcycle, fishing, hunting, building street rods and going to car shows. He also loved spending time in the ADKs and did so as often as he could. Barry your family will miss you, Rest in Peace. Survivors include his spouse Diane Fowler Staatsburg New York, his cherished daughter Kristine Fowler Kortright and her husband Todd Wawarsing New York, granddaughter Nicole “Nicki” Kortright Wawarsing New York and he was predeceased by his brother Jesse Fowler. Interment will be private and at the convenience of the family Pleasant Plains Cemetery, Town of Clinton, NY. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Timothy P. Doyle Funeral Home 371 Hooker Ave. Poughkeepsie, New York 12603. If you would like to send an online condolence to the family, please visit our website at www.doylefuneralhome.com.

Nelson S. Kranker

RHINEBECK – Nelson S. Kranker, 74, passed away at his home on Saturday, February 26, 2022. Born on February 24, 1948, in Orlando, FL, he was the son of Julius and Gladys Kranker of Beacon, NY. He honorably served in the US Army from 1968 – 1970. He was stationed in Italy as a Radio Teletype Operator on a nuclear base. His medals included Good Conduct, National Defense, and Expert Rifle Marksman. On April 5, 1980, he married Rose Greene in a Methodist Church in Maryland and they remained married for 42 years. Rose continues to live in the family home in Rhinebeck. Nelson was the Director of Dutchess County

Consumer Affairs for 35 years and a 20-year member and Treasurer of the Southeastern Weights & Measures Association. In addition to being a wonderful husband to his wife, he was an active family man, incredibly loving, and a selfless provider to his three children Andrea, Travis, and Nova. Nelson was an avid skier, enjoying the peaks in Killington, VT in the winter. In the summers, he would take his family boating from Canada to Maryland amongst many other destinations. There are no calling hours. A memorial service will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements are under the direction of the Dapson-Chestney Funeral, Rhinebeck, NY. To send an online condolence, please visit <http://www.dapsonchestney.com>.

Barbara Schmansky

LAGRANGE – Barbara Ann Schmansky, 58, died on February 28, 2022 at Vassar Brothers Medical Center. Born in Honolulu, Hawaii on May 23, 1963, she was the daughter of Robert and Roseanne (Muranelli) Boyle. Barbara was a devoted and loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was a talented home decorator and enjoyed restoring antique furniture. On November 16, 1984 in the Bronx, Barbara married Gary Schmansky who survives at home. She is also survived by her children and their spouses, Gary and Marissa Schmansky, Robert and Gianna Schmansky, and Melissa Schmansky; her grandchildren, Robert, Bradley, Lincoln, and Elena; her father, Robert Boyle; her sister and brother-in-law, Laura and Daniel Pannissidi; and several nieces and nephews. Calling hours were held at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc., 895 Route 82, Hopewell Junction with a funeral service. A graveside service was held at Fishkill Rural Cemetery.

Robert Walsh

LAGRANGEVILLE – Robert E. Walsh, 81, passed away on March 1, 2022 at Vassar Brothers Medical Center. Robert was born on November 3, 1940 in the Bronx to Thomas and Ann (Pasternak) Walsh. He married the love of his life Dorothy Walsh (nee’ Fink) at St. Francis of Rome Church in the Bronx on November 16, 1963. For the past 52 years, they made their home in LaGrangeville, NY. Previous to that, they lived in Yonkers. Robert served proudly in the U.S. Army. He was employed by the Maryknoll Missionaries in Ossining, NY for 20 years. He also worked for the Dutchess County Office of Central and Information Services as a programmer. In his younger years, Robert enjoyed hunting and fishing. He was a member of the Dutchess County Pistol Association. He also loved to collect Lionel, HO and N gauge model trains. Robert is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, Dorothy; his loving son Kevin Walsh (Laura Betty); and his grandson Tyler Walsh. Calling hours were on Sunday March 6, 2022 at the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc 895 Route 82 Hopewell Junction, NY, with a funeral service. Donations in Robert’s memory may be made to Shriner’s Hospitals for Children www.lovetotherescue.org or St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital www.stjude.org. Please visit Robert’s Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS
Index No.
2020-52502

Date Filed: 2/2/2022
SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Plaintiff designates Dutchess County as the Place of Trial
Designation of Venue is based upon the situs of the Subject Property
Subject Property: 9 Greenbush Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-1, Plaintiff,

-against-
Ronald Eutsey a/k/a Ronald V. Eutsey, if he be living or dead, his spouse, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; Karen Eutsey a/k/a Karen A. Eutsey

"JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the Subject Property described in the Complaint, State of New York;

Defendants.
To THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Milan Town Board will hold a Public Hearing on 03/21/2022at6:55pm on the proposed Local Law # 4 of 2022 – amendment to Sections 7 of Chapter 200 (Zoning). Said hearing will take place at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle. By order of the Milan Town Board
Catherine Gill, Town Clerk

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NOTICE CONCERNING THE EXAMINATION OF ASSESSMENT INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA
(Pursuant to Section 501 of the Real Property Tax Law)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Assessment Inventory and Valuation Data is Available for Examination of Review.

The Data is the information that will be used to establish the Assessment of Each Parcel which will appear on the Tentative Assessment Roll of the Town of Milan which will be filed on or Before May 1st, 2022. The information May be Reviewed, by Appointment, in the Assessor's Office at Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, Milan, New York.

To set up an Appointment to Review the Assessment Information, Please call the Assessor at 845-758-5133 ext. 4.
Dated 1ST day of MARCH 2022
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York) in the event the United States of America is made a party defendant, the time to answer for the said United States of America shall not expire until sixty (60) days after service of the Summons; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Hal B. Greenwald, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Dutchess County, dated Feb. 10, 2022 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Dutchess County Clerk's Office.

THE OBJECT OF THE ACTION is to foreclose a mortgage recorded in the Public Records of the County of Dutchess on Dec. 5, 2005 at Document Number 01 2005 23608, covering premises known as 9 Greenbush Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 a/k/a Section 6163, Block 4, Lot 504451.

YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME
If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.
Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property.

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Catherine Gill, Town Clerk

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INVITATION TO BID AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS

DATE: FEBRUARY 21, 2022
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SEALED BIDS ARE SOUGHT AND REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:
BID NAME: STORAGE SHED REPLACEMENT COVER
BID NUMBER: RFB-TOMIL-2021-006
RECEIPT OF BIDS: MILAN TOWN CLERK, UNTIL 2:00 P.M., APRIL 15, 2022
PLACE OF OPENING: TOWN OF MILAN, 20 WILCOX CIRCLE, MILAN, N.Y. 12571

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Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FLING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: September 21, 2021
Rochester, NY
LOGS Legal Group LLP
f/k/a Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard
Rochester, New York 14624
Telephone: (585) 247-9000
File No. 20-087516
#99185

TOWN OF UNION VALE
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Pursuant to Section 501 of the Real Property Tax Law, notice is hereby given that assessment inventory and valuation data is available for examination and review. This data will be used to establish the assessment of each parcel for the tentative assessment roll of the Town of Union Vale which will be filed on May 1, 2022.

The information may be reviewed in the Assessor's Office Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM.
An appointment is not required, but may be requested. For an appointment, please call (845) 724-5600 ext 5.
Eric Axelsen, Assessor

NOTICE CONCERNING THE EXAMINATION OF ASSESSMENT INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA
(Pursuant to Section 501 of the Real Property Tax Law)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Assessment Inventory and Valuation Data is available for examination and review. This Data is the information which will be used to establish the assessment of each parcel, and will appear on the tentative assessment roll of the Town of East Fishkill, to be filed on or before, May 1, 2022.

This information may be reviewed by appointment, at the Assessor's office located at the East Fishkill Town Hall, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Jct., NY any time

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DATE OF OPENING: APRIL 18, 2022
TIME OF OPENING: 7:00 P.M.
CONTACT PERSON: GLENN BUTLER
SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
845-758-5164
BID PACKETS AVAILABLE FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
VENDORS MUST SUBMIT BID IN A SEALED ENVELOPE
PLEASE PRINT ON THE FACE OF OUTSIDE/MAILING ENVELOPE:
1) NAME & ADDRESS OF BIDDER
2) BID NAME & NUMBER

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after March 1, 2022 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. To set up an appointment to review the assessment information, please call Kathleen Martin, Town Assessor at 845-226-6353.
Date: March 1, 2022
Kathleen A. Martin
Town Assessor

DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AND LOCAL EMERGENCY ORDERS DECLARED BY DUTCHESS COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Please take notice that on February 24, 2022 pursuant to Article 2B of the New York Executive Law and the Dutchess County Code Section 3.05, Dutchess County Executive Marcus J. Molinaro executed an Executive Order declaring a Local State of Emergency, effective at 12:00 am on February 25, 2022, and revoked later the same day, due to the impact of a winter storm. The text of the declaration of state of emergency and local emergency orders are available here: <https://www.dutchessny.gov/v/Departments/County-Executive/Executive-Orders.htm>.

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF FISHKILL
Proposed Local Law No. 1

[Introductory] of 2022
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Town Board of the Town of Fishkill, New York, will hold a Public Hearing at Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52 Fishkill, New York 12524 on March 16 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon after as the matter may be heard to consider Local Law No. 1 (Introductory) of 2022, amending Local Law #6 – Historical and Cultural Preservation, adding a grand-fathering clause.

The Town of Fishkill will make every effort to assure that the public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

By Order of the Town Board
Town of Fishkill
Becki Tompkins – Town Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF FISHKILL
Local Law No. 2

[Introductory] of 2022
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Town Board of the Town of Fishkill, New York, will hold a Public Hearing at Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52 Fishkill, New York 12524 on March 16 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon after as the matter may be heard to consider Local Law No. 2 (Introductory) of 2022, amending local law #7-2021 Aquifer Overlay Protection Zone adding grand-fathering clause.

The Town of Fishkill will make every effort to assure that the public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

By Order of the Town Board
Town of Fishkill
Becki Tompkins – Town Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF FISHKILL
Proposed Local Law No. 3

[Introductory] of 2022

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Town Board of the Town of Fishkill, New York, will hold a Public Hearing at Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52 Fishkill, New York 12524 on March 16 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon after as the matter may be heard to consider Local Law No. 3 (Introductory) of 2022, Installation of Two (2) Stop Signs.

The Town of Fishkill will make every effort to assure that the public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

By Order of the Town Board
Town of Fishkill
Becki Tompkins – Town Clerk

NOTICE TO BIDDERS- RFB-DCH-2022-08 NAME OF PROJECT: Culvert U-7 Replacement Project.
Project Description: The project involves the replacement of an existing culvert with a precast four sided box in the Town of Union Vale. The anticipated start of construction is May 16, 2022; the anticipated substantial completion date is September 30, 2022 and the final completion date is October 21, 2022, respectively. Beginning March 9, 2022 at 8:00AM: Bid Specifications and Drawings may be obtained in person Monday through Friday 8am to 5pm or by mail (provide your FedEx account number or SASE) at: Dutchess County DPW, Business Office, 1st Floor, 626 Dutchess Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Upon request, all interested parties may review the hard copy of the Bid Specifications and Drawings by visiting the above referenced address.

The bid documents will be distributed on a USB Flash Drive. You must give the following information to obtain the flash drive: Company Name, Address, Contact Name, Phone Number, E-mail Address. A refundable deposit of \$15.00 in the form of a check made payable to the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance or cash will be required for each set of bid documents. The deposit is refundable in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 102 and will be made by the County upon receipt of a written request accompanied by said USB Flash Drive.

Bids due on or before Thursday, March 31, 2022 at 11:00am , and at that time opened and read aloud. Bids received after that time will not be accepted. Bids for the above project will be received by: Denise Spens-Gallagher, Contract Specialist, Dutchess County Department of Public Works (DPW), 626 Dutchess Turnpike-1st Floor, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Due to COVID-19, 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 attendance at a bid opening will not be allowed. We ask that you call in at least three minutes prior to bid due/time to ensure you are connected properly. All calls will be asked to identify themselves by name and organization. Join Microsoft Teams Meeting +1 516-268-4602 United States, Hempstead (Toll)

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Conference ID: 512 605 160#
All Addenda will be issued to Plan Holders via E-mail, but also posted on BidNet Direct (aka Empire State Purchasing Group) site. Each bid shall be submitted as one paper original and one electronic copy and be accompanied 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. Bidders' security will be retained until the successful bidder has signed the Owner-Contractor Agreement 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. Questions will be accepted by the close of business March 24, 2022 and emailed to Denise Spens-Gallagher at dpw-contracts@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 #: 2022001648. The County reserves the right to waive irregularities in bids and in bidding and to reject any or all proposals.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-19-22
Staffing Services for Law Enforcement
Assisted Diversion (Lead) Initiative
Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 30th day of March 2022 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, New York 12601. Specifications and proposal forms may be obtained by visiting our web site <http://www.dutchessny.gov> , selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call (845) 486-3613.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF SALE

UNDER SECTION 182 OF THE NY STATE LIEN LAW
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS CONTENTS OF STORAGE UNIT, WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE OR AUCTION AT:
A SPACE TO PLACE STORAGE – OWNED BY DBVAN PROPERTIES NORTH, LLC
4 MARSHALL ROAD - WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY 12590
DATE: MARCH 22, 2022 - TIME: 11:00 AM
THE SALE OF SUCH PROPERTY IS TO SATISFY THE LIEN OF A SPACE TO PLACE STORAGE ON PROPERTY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF: UNITS 1070,1097,1112, 2296,1110, 2167,1079, 2253,1334, 2019,1306,1074, 1071, 1078, 2197,1010,1027, 2112, 2011,1069,1014, 2192,1111

REQUEST FOR BIDS
NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid

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#RFB-DCP-21-22
Network Switches
Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 17th day of March 2022 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 web site <http://www.dutchessny.gov> , selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call (845) 486-3613.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale will hold a public hearing at the Town Hall, 249 Duncan Road, LaGrangeville, New York 12540 (in the Town of Union Vale) on April 6, 2022, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. prevailing time, on proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2022, a Local Law of the Town of Union Vale, Dutchess County, New York, adopting a 90-day moratorium, subject to extension for good cause, on the consideration of applications for and the issuance of approvals, variances and permits for uses allowed in the Town Center Zoning district, and for common driveway and private road permits in the Town, the adoption of which Local Law is a Type II action requiring no environmental review. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that copies of the aforesaid proposed Local Law will be available for examination at the office of the Clerk of the Town of Union Vale, at the Town Hall, 249 Duncan Road, LaGrangeville, New York 12540 between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on all business days between the date of this Notice and the date of the Public Hearing. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that all persons interested shall have an opportunity to be heard on said proposal at the time and place aforesaid. In addition to in-person viewing the public hearing will be held on Zoom and carried on the Town of Union Vale YouTube channel for live viewing (access at www.unionvaleny.us). The Zoom invite is for this public hearing is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84936345261?pwd=NEZMdE1Lc1Q3RjNtZk50bzZhZDJOUT09MeetingID:84936345261withPasscode:426824>. The invite for participating on Zoom will also be posted on the Town of Union Vale website www.unionvaleny.us the morning of the public hearing. If you wish to be called upon to comment during the public hearing while participating on Zoom, you can place your name on the list by contacting the Town Clerk at townclerk@unionvaleny.us or (845) 724-5600. In-person attendees will be able to sign up when entering the hearing room. For any other questions contact the Town Clerk at townclerk@unionvaleny.us or (845) 724-5600.
Dated: Union Vale, New York
March 2, 2022
ANDREA CASEY, TOWN CLERK

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Legals continued from previous page

CITY OF BEACON
ONE MUNICIPAL PLAZA
- SUITE 1
BEACON, NEW YORK
12508
Phone
(845) 838-5002 Fax (845) 838-5026

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 in the Municipal Center courtroom, located at One Municipal Plaza, Beacon, New York. A training work session will take place at 7:00 PM and the regular meeting and public hearings will begin immediately thereafter, but not later than 7:30 PM. Review and hold public hearing on application submitted by Jonathan Miller, 64 Beacon Street, Tax Grid No. 30-5954-35-815855-00, R1-5 Zoning District, for relief from Section 223-10(B)(1) to extend a non-conforming use by creating a 552 sq. ft. home occupation/artist studio in an existing attached garage. Application submitted by Michael Isabell, 866 Wolcott Avenue, Tax Grid No. 30-6054-45-071581-00, R1-10 Zoning District, to construct an accessory structure (2 car garage) which requires relief from the following:

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Section 223-17(E) for a 6.7 ft. rear yard setback (15 ft. required)
Section 223-17(E) for a 968 sq. ft. accessory structure (383 sq. ft. maximum permitted)
Section 223-17(E) to allow 1,017 sq. ft of cumulative lot coverage
(960 sq. ft. maximum cumulative lot coverage permitted)

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDER CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE UNITED WAPPINGER WATER DISTRICT, KNOWN AS EXTENSION NO. 10 FOR CHURCH OF SACRED MIRRORS, A VIRGINIA TRUST; IN THE TOWN OF WAPPINGER, DUTCHESS COUNTY
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Wappinger, Dutchess County, New York on the 24th day of January, 2022, duly adopted an Order calling for a Public Hearing to consider a petition for a proposed extension of the United Wappinger Water District, known as Extension No. 11 for Church of Sacred

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Mirrors, a Virginia Trust. Dated: Wappingers Falls, New York March 4, 2022
Joseph Paoloni
Town Clerk
In the Matter of the Extension of the United Wappinger Water District Extension No. 11 – Chapel of Sacred Mirrors, LLC, ORDER CALLING PUBLIC HEARING
WHEREAS, The Church of Sacred Mirrors, a Virginia Trust (“Petitioner”) is the owner of certain real property located at 46-70 Deer Hill Rd in the Town of Wappinger; and
WHEREAS, the Petitioner submitted to the Town a written Petition pursuant to Article 12 of the Town Law requesting the establishment of a proposed Water District extension to be known as Extension No. 11 to the United Wappinger Water District (“Extension No. 11”), which petition, together with a map, plan and report accompanying the same and addendum thereto, have been filed in the office of the Town Clerk and are available for public inspection; and
WHEREAS, said map, plan and report include a map showing the boundaries of the proposed Extension, a general plan to serve said Extension, and a report of the proposed method of operation thereof, and

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were prepared by Berger Engineering and Surveying, competent engineers duly licensed by the State of New York; and
WHEREAS, the boundaries of said Extension shall be as shown in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein; and
WHEREAS, the improvements proposed for said Extension consist of the purchase and installation of water mains, valves and hydrants, including original equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, all as more fully described in the map, plan and report heretofore described; and
WHEREAS, the maximum estimated cost of said improvements is \$100,000, and
WHEREAS, the cost of said improvements shall be paid by the owner of the properties therein and no serial bonds of said Town shall be issued therefor; and
WHEREAS, the cost of the buy-in fee to the UWWD for the property is \$36,820 in accordance with §236-6 of the Town of Wappinger Code; and
WHEREAS, the estimated cost of hook-up fees to the typical property in said Extension is \$100,000, and

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there are no residential properties in the Extension; and
WHEREAS, the estimated cost of said Extension to the typical property therein is \$2,200.00 in the first year in which operation, maintenance, debt service and other charges and expenses are to be paid and there are no residential properties in the proposed Extension; and
WHEREAS, a detailed explanation of the manner by which were computed said estimated costs of hook-up fees and first-year costs to the typical property has been filed in the office of the Town Clerk where the same are available during regular office hours for examination by any person interested in the subject matter thereof; and
WHEREAS, said Extension and the establishment thereof has been determined to be an Unlisted Action pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, and the Town of Wappinger Town Board acting as lead agency shall make a determination as to the environmental significance of the action; and
WHEREAS, it is now desired to call a public

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hearing upon the question of the extension of the UWWD, the petition therefor, and the improvements proposed therefor, all pursuant to Article 12 of the Town Law;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, by the Town Board of the Town of Wappinger, Dutchess County, New York, as follows:
1.A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Wappinger, shall be held at the Town Hall, 20 Middlebush Road, in Wappingers Falls, New York on the 14th day of March, 2022, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Prevailing Time, for the purpose of holding a public hearing to consider an Extension of the United Wappinger Water District, known as Extension No. 11 for Church of Sacred Mirrors, a Virginia Trust; as described in the preambles hereof, the petition therefor, and the improvements proposed therefor, and to consider the map, plan and report filed in relation thereto, and to hear all persons interested in the subject matter thereof concerning the same, and for such other action on the part of said Town Board as may be required by law or shall be proper in the premises.
2.The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to

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cause a copy of this order to be published once in the official newspaper(s) of said Town, the first publication thereof to be not less than ten nor more than twenty days before the day set herein for the hearing as aforesaid, and said Town Clerk shall also cause a copy thereof to be posted on the signboard of the Town maintained pursuant to subdivision 6 of Section 30 of the Town Law not less than ten nor more than twenty days before the day set for the hearing as aforesaid.
3.This Order shall take effect immediately.
EXHIBIT A
Boundaries of Proposed Extension of the United Wappinger Water District, known as Extension No. 11 for Church of Sacred Mirrors, a Virginia Trust; in the Town of Wappinger, Dutchess County, New York
LEGAL DESCRIPTION
Parcel # 6057-02-834604
Parcel Address 46-70 Deer Hill Rd
Owner The Church of Sacred Mirrors

BUSINESS NEWS

Houlihan Lawrence Commercial named exclusive sales agent for St. Andrews Corner lot at Bellefield

HYDE PARK – Houlihan Lawrence Commercial recently announced it has been named exclusive sales agent for St. Andrews Corner, an integral commercial component of Bellefield at Historic Hyde Park.

Saint Andrews Corner at Bellefield Hyde Park is an 11-acre lot on the southeast corner of Albany Post Road (Route 9) and St. Andrews Road in the Town of Hyde Park. The highly visible and trafficked site is located across the street from The Culinary Institute of America and its future hotel/conference center, as well as the Asahi-Shuzo Sake Brewery nearing completion. Nearby attractions include the Vanderbilt Mansion, FDR Library and Museum, and Walkway Over the Hudson.

The pad site is approved for development of 75,000-square-foot commercial center, consisting of a mix of retail and office space. It features municipal water, nearby private sewer treatment and access to natural gas. A toolbox of incentives is available, including property tax abatements and sales and mortgage recording tax exemptions from the Dutchess County IDA, as well as potential reimbursement of up to 20-percent total project costs from Empire State Development.

Bellefield at Historic Hyde Park is an \$800 million, multi-faceted world-class hospitality, culinary and sustainable agrihood destination featuring two hotels, culinary shops, farm-to-table restaurants, a special event barn and educational center.

“We are thrilled to be the exclusive broker for this exciting world-class commercial development at the gateway to the Hudson River Valley and scenic Dutchess County. This innovative project will be a boon for tourism, which is the county’s second largest industry,” said Tom LaPerch, director of Houlihan Lawrence Commercial.

Ulster Savings Bank announces Promotions for three employees

Ulster Savings Bank has announced the promotions of three team members: Timothy Kovacs, Aziz Ullah, and Patti Ricci. Each of the employees have been recognized for their outstanding achievements.

Kovacs has been named Vice President of Loan Originations at the bank’s Kingston headquarters. He will oversee the bank’s residential lending operations and secondary marketing sales, as well as hedging the bank’s pipeline and managing risk.

A Kingston resident, Kovacs is a graduate of SUNY Ulster and is a graduate of the American Bankers Association Graduate School of Banking, a pre-eminent executive management school for the financial services industry. He is also a graduate of the Ulster Leadership Development Institute, a leadership skill development program provided by the Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce. He has been a bank employee for 29 years, having started in 1993. Tim serves as a fire commissioner board member for the Ulster Fire District 1.

Ullah, an employee of Ulster Savings Bank since 2018, has been promoted to



Aziz Ullah (above), Patti Ricci (right) and Timothy Kovacs (bottom right). Courtesy photos



Commercial Banking Officer/Loan Officer at the Kingston headquarters.

A Kingston resident, Ullah will source and develop a book of high-quality commercial relationships, including lines of credit, term loans and commercial real estate mortgages.

He holds a BS in Business from SUNY New Paltz and volunteers in various community events throughout the year.

Ricci, who joined Ulster Savings Bank in1984, has been named Assistant Secretary at the bank’s Kingston headquarters. In her new role, Ricci will work with the Board and Senior Executive team. She is responsible for maintaining Board records and managing their calendars.

A Lake Katrine resident, active in the community, she is a volunteer at Perfect Pet Rescue and has volunteered for many community events throughout Ulster

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DEC issues guidance to avoid coyote conflicts

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) recently issued guidance to help prevent conflicts between people and coyotes to protect the public and their pets.

“This is the time of year when New York’s resident coyotes breed and set up dens for pups that will arrive in the spring,” DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos said. “While conflicts with people and pets are rare, New Yorkers should remain alert and follow DEC’s common-sense guidelines to minimize the risk for potential conflicts with coyotes.”

Coyotes can be found in habitats throughout the state, from rural farmland and forests to green spaces in suburban and urban areas. For the most part, coyotes avoid contact with people. However, conflicts with people and pets may occur as coyotes tend to be more territorial during breeding and pup-rearing seasons in the spring and summer. If coyotes learn to associate food sources such as garbage or pet food with people, these animals may lose their natural fear of humans, increasing the potential for close encounters or conflicts.

To reduce the likelihood of conflicts with coyotes, New Yorkers are encouraged to take the following steps:

- Do not feed coyotes.
- Do not leave food outside. Pet food and garbage attract coyotes and other wildlife and increase risks to people and pets:

- Do not feed pets outside;
- Prevent access to garbage;
- Fence or enclose compost piles;
- Eliminate availability of bird seed.

Concentrations of birds and rodents that

come to feeders can attract coyotes.

- Do not allow coyotes to approach people or pets. If you see a coyote, be aggressive in your behavior: stand tall and hold your arms up or out to look as large as possible. If a coyote lingers for too long, make loud noises, wave arms and throw sticks and stones.

- Teach children to appreciate coyotes from a distance.

- Do not allow pets to run free. Supervise outdoor pets to keep them safe from coyotes and other wildlife, especially at sunset and at night. Small dogs and cats are especially vulnerable.

- Fence yards to deter coyotes. The fence should be more than four feet tall, and tight to the ground, preferably extending six inches below ground level.

- Remove brush and tall grass from around homes to reduce protective cover for coyotes. Coyotes are typically secretive and like areas where they can hide.

- Ask neighbors to follow these steps to prevent coyote conflicts.

During this time of year, coyotes tend to be more active and may be more visible and simply seeing a coyote occasionally is not a cause for concern. However, if coyotes exhibit bold behaviors and fail to exhibit fear of people, or if seen repeatedly during the day near residences, the public is advised to contact their Regional DEC Wildlife Office (<https://www.dec.ny.gov/about/558.html>) for assistance. In emergency situations, contact the local police department.

For additional information about the Eastern coyote and preventing conflicts with coyotes, visit <https://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/89522.html>.

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