

## Renegades advance to league finals

By Rich Thomaselli

This is getting to be second nature. The Hudson Valley Renegades were crowned champions of the South Atlantic League North Division on Friday night for the second straight year, taking down the Greensboro Grasshoppers 4-1 in a deciding Game 3 at FNB Field.

Hudson Valley has now reached the league championship series five times in the last eight seasons. The Renegades are now looking for their first South Atlantic League Championship in franchise history.

Hudson Valley started the best-of-three championship series against Bowling Green on Sunday in Kentucky and lost the opener by a score of 5-1.

Game 2 and, if necessary, Game 3, were scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday in at Heritage Financial Park in Wappingers Falls.

Roc Riggio started Sunday's game with a bang, cracking a leadoff solo home run off Brody Hopkins to put the Renegades in front 1-0. But that was all the runs Hudson Valley could muster. In the bottom of the first Bowling Green answered against Baron Stuart when Colton Ledbetter walked, stole second, and scored on a Mac Horvath double to tie the game.

Horvath touched up Stuart (0-1) for a solo home run in the bottom of the third to give the Hot Rods a 2-1 lead. The right-hander finished his day after 2.1 innings, allowing two runs on seven hits, walking two and striking out four, exiting after being struck on the hand by a comeback line drive from Noah Myers.

Bowling Green extended its lead to 4-1 in the fifth when Horvath tripled before Aidan Smith hit a pinch-hit two-run homer off Joel Valdez. They tacked on another in the seventh off Yorlin Calderon when Kamren James reached on a fielder's choice in and came home on a Hunter Haas RBI double to make it 5-1.

In the third inning in the deciding game against the Grasshoppers on Friday, an Antonio Gomez walk and

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## Lively and charming – time to ‘Fall in Love with Millbrook’

By Rich Thomaselli

With apple pies, pumpkin painting, music and a diverse Farm Market leading the way, Millbrook is again ready to celebrate everything that makes it a charming and lively Hudson Valley community.

The residents of Millbrook help to keep it as one of the most quaint and charming towns in Dutchess County, including areas such as the Town of Washington and Verbank. From the Millbrook Deli to the supermarket known as Marona's to the library that is dedicated to helping children, the village thrives on love.

Community Day is Saturday, September 21, and the Millbrook Business Association invites you to "Fall in Love with Millbrook" from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. The day promises fun for all ages, showcasing the best of Millbrook's local organizations, talent, food and festive spirit.

Here is a look at the highlights of the day.

- Millbrook Farmers and Makers Market, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Church Street. Discover fresh produce, unique crafts, and artisanal goods at our vibrant market.
- Two-by-Two Petting Zoo, 10-11 a.m., Millbrook Library Lawn. Children will delight in meeting and petting a variety of friendly animals.



The Apple Pie contest will be the highlight event of this year's Millbrook Community Day on Saturday, Sept. 21. Pie drop-off is at 10 a.m. and the winners will be announced at 1 p.m. *Courtesy image*

- Apple Pie Contest, 10 a.m. Pie Drop-off. Calling all bakers! Enter your best apple pie for a chance to win. Winners will be announced at 1 p.m.
- Pumpkin Painting, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Millbrook Library Lawn. Kids can get creative and paint their very own pumpkins.
- Bubble Bus, 1-3 p.m., Millbrook Library Lawn. Enjoy an afternoon filled with bubbles, perfect for playful fun.
- Live Music and MC, Millbrook Library all day.

In case of rain, activities will be held at the Millbrook Library, the Farmer's Market on Merritt, and Village Hall.

## Rhinecliff's Chili Cook-Off, Pie-Baking Contest set Sept. 21



Rhinecliff's Chili Cook-Off takes place this Saturday. The community samples a variety of chili recipes made by local cooks and votes for their favorite. There is also a Pie-Baking Contest. *Courtesy photo*

The Rhinecliff Volunteer Fire Company will host its Annual Chili Cook-Off at Firemen's Field, on Valley Road, next to the Old Schoolhouse Condos in Rhinecliff on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Says event coordinator Cynthia Baer, "I am excited for this good, old-fashioned event. The pollinator gardens are establishing themselves well and the shelter provides a shady place to hang out at Firemen's Field. Whether you bring a chili dish or a pie to compete or just come to try out the variety of homemade food, you will enjoy the warmth offered at this event."

Field games begin at 4 p.m. A few games have been added this year. A Cornhole Tourney is planned to begin at 4 p.m. Teams of two are encouraged to sign up for this single elimination contest. An entrance fee of \$10 per team is required, with the winning team receiving half the pot. The rest will go to fund the maintenance of Firemen's Field.

Kids games will include a spoon race, ring toss, a scavenger hunt and kickball.

Everyone is encouraged to bring their own balls and games, as well. At 6 p.m., the day will wrap up with a friendly Tug-O-War contest between North and South Rhinecliff (North and South determined by where you live in proximity to Shatzell Avenue in Rhinecliff). Winners of the best of 3 tugs will be named Hamlet Champions of 2024. Be prepared to get dirty as the field is wet in areas.

At 5 p.m., the 13th annual Chili Cook-Off will take place. Registration ends at 4:50 p.m. Anyone can participate; bring a pot of chili, hot and ready to serve. Chilis can be any type from vegetarian to chicken to traditional beef. First place prize is \$100 and a trophy. Runner up prize is \$50. A People's Choice Award will also be awarded with a prize of \$100.

After the contest, everyone is invited to test taste the chili selections. Hot dogs and beverages will be supplied for free by the Rhinecliff Volunteer Fire Co. This year multi-Chili Cook-Off Champion Paul Butler and his sidekick, Ivan Mentzke will be among the Chili judges,

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# Rhinecliff's Chili Cook-Off, Pie Baking Contest set Sept. 21

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The Pie Baking Contest features fruit pies baked by members of the community. Courtesy photo

leaving space for a big chance at the Gold.

The Pie Baking Contest will follow the chili contest. Bring your favorite FRUIT pie to compete in this amateur contest for a winning prize of \$100 and the title of "Rhinecliff's Pie-Making Champion." A second-place prize of \$50 will also be awarded.

The rain date for the Chili Cook-Off is Sunday, Sept 22, from 4 to 7 p.m., at the Picnic Shelter at Firemen's Field, located on Valley Way Road and Loftus Road, just past the intersection in Rhinecliff. For additional information, contact Cynthia Baer at (845) 876-5738.

# Stanford Grange changes meetings; special canning program set Sept. 24

Stanford Grange #808 is changing its monthly schedule of meetings starting in September.

The second Tuesday of each month will continue to be a business meeting, which includes performing our traditional ritual, deciding matters of importance for the Grange's routine functioning, and planning the various special events (like Penny Socials and Dinners) we offer. These meetings are open to anyone.

The fourth Tuesday of each month will become a topical meeting. Designed to last about an hour, these gatherings will focus on a special topic which may be of interest to people in the wider community. Unless otherwise noted, these meeting will begin at 7 p.m. All are free of charge. People are encouraged to attend whatever gatherings they find interesting or intriguing without being locked into the responsibility of attending every meeting.

The meeting on Tuesday, September 24 will feature "Just A Cook," Erik Morabito, presenting a program entitled "Introduction to Home Canning & Preservation" at the Stanford Grange Hall at 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville beginning at 7 p.m. Morabito, will instruct participants in the basics of food preservation in this introductory course. Please note that no actual canning or preserving will take place at this meeting.

To get people into the Halloween spirit, on Tuesday, October 22 at 7 p.m., we will host a program which is usually enjoyed by 8th Grade Social Studies

Students at Stissing Mountain Junior – Senior High School. Presented by Grange Secretary and 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher, Ryan Orton, this will focus on the Salem Witchcraft Trials and what actually happened in Salem, Massachusetts, in 1692.

On Tuesday, November 26, Stanford Grange will partner with Stanford: A Caring Community to host an original Thanksgiving Dinner. Featuring foods that would have been shared at the very first Thanksgiving meal in Plymouth, Massachusetts, and cooked as closely as possible to the way they would have been cooked in the early 1620s, each guest will have the opportunity to sample these dishes – the precursors to our current Thanksgiving menu – and discover some interesting facts about that initial celebration. The specific times for this event as well as how to make reservations to attend have not been finalized yet. Details will follow in October.

Plans for 2025 include programs with special speakers/presenters on emergency preparedness, beekeeping, straw bale gardening (in conjunction with the Garden Club) and a celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the beginning of the Revolutionary War (in conjunction with the Historical Society). Details will follow after the beginning of the new year.

For further information, contact Stanford Grange Secretary Ryan Orton at (845) 868-7869 or e-mail at rorton808@yahoo.com.

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# EPA selects Hudson Valley Council to receive \$3M to cut climate pollution

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has selected the Hudson Valley Regional Council to receive \$3 million through the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program as part of the Biden-Harris Administration's Investing in America Agenda and funded under the Inflation Reduction Act.

Regional Administrator Lisa F. Garcia, Hudson Valley Regional Council Executive Director Carla Castillo and County Commissioner of Planning & Development Eoin Wrafter gathered with local leaders Friday, Sept. 13, at the Hudson Valley Regional Airport, overlooking the closed municipal landfill, to celebrate the project that will curb methane emissions in the Mid-Hudson Region of New York.

"Across the nation EPA is funding projects to reduce greenhouse gases and empower community-led solutions to succeed in the fight against climate change," said Garcia. "We are so pleased to bring that funding to local efforts right here in the beautiful Hudson Valley of New York State. Under this project, innovative and sustainable clean energy solutions will go into effect at over a dozen closed landfills in the area to improve air quality."

The Hudson Valley Regional Council will use the grant to install bio-filters that will reduce the amount of methane emitted into the air from closed landfills in the Mid-Hudson Valley region. The grant will also be used to promote the installation of solar arrays and battery storage systems, installation of native pollinator gardens, and to create long-term ecosystem stewardship plans at former landfills. HVRC will provide technical assistance to municipalities interested in leasing their landfill for community solar and/or battery storage installations. Of the 14 closed landfills targeted for this project, half are in historically disadvantaged communities.

The participating local municipalities are: Town of Amenia, City of Beacon, Dutchess County, Town of North East and Town of Rhinebeck.

"With the Hudson Valley experiencing yet another historic heat wave, the health of our families and climate can't wait any longer. We have to act now to reduce greenhouse gas pollution," said Representative Pat Ryan (NY-18). "I'm proud that this funding from the landmark Inflation Reduction Act will help

the Hudson Valley Regional Council fight methane pollution – among the most potent greenhouse gases – right here at home. That's cleaner air for our families now and cooler air for future generations. I'll keep fighting for the clean air, water, and soil that every American deserves."

"Dutchess County continues to be a leader of environmental stewardship and sustainability efforts and this Climate Pollution Reduction Grant, one of just 25 awarded nationwide, is a testament to that," said Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino. "We thank the EPA for funding this important bio-filter project and we extend our gratitude to the Hudson Valley Regional Council for including us in this innovative work. HVRC has been a vital partner in many of Dutchess County's sustainability efforts and we are pleased to work together to set an example for communities across the nation demonstrating how practical goals and actionable plans can lead to meaningful impact and ensure a sustainable and healthy future for our children and generations to come."

"This is a significant win for the region," said Castillo, executive director of the Hudson Valley Regional Council. "With this funding, more residents in the Mid-Hudson Region – especially residents in historically disadvantaged communities – will be able to breathe cleaner air while enabling the Region to significantly reduce its share of GHG emissions. By taking a cohort approach to the landfill methane reduction issue, we can make a significant impact to climate change mitigation. Thank you to the Biden-Harris administration and the EPA for this Inflation Reduction Act opportunity, all our local leaders and Congressional delegation for their support, and our partner municipalities across the region for their collaboration."

Town of Amenia Supervisor Leo Blackman said, "We're very excited to be selected. The Conservation Advisory Council and Climate Smart Communities [committee] have been working diligently for a long time to secure the funds."

"The Town of North East has been in the forefront of efforts to clean up our environment and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions," said Town of North East Supervisor Christopher Kennan. "We are proud to be part of a cohort of



Participants at the Sept. 13 event at the Hudson Valley Regional Airport were, from left, Dutchess County Planning & Development Commissioner Eoin Wrafter, EPA Regional Administrator Lisa Garcia, Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavicini, Town of North East Supervisor Christopher Kennan, Town of Poughkeepsie Supervisor Rebecca Edwards, Hudson Valley Regional Council Executive Director Carla Castillo, Town of Cornwall (Orange County) Supervisor Joseph Wojehowski and Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger. *Courtesy photo*

Hudson Valley communities that are focused on mitigating GHG emissions from our closed landfills. We are deeply grateful to the Hudson Valley Regional Council and to the EPA for this initiative, and for the recognition that there are practical and affordable technologies to accomplish this goal."

"We are very grateful to the Biden-Harris administration for this Climate Pollution Reduction Grant," said Town of Rhinebeck Supervisor Elizabeth Spinzia. "Our old landfill is the largest producer of off gassing in the Town. This grant will enable us to implement a biofilter to reduce these emissions as we continue to protect our environments on the local level."

Specifics about the \$3 million EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant in relation to Dutchess County:

- Dutchess County's portion of the project will be focused on the closed landfill located along Rte. 376 in the Town of Wappinger that once served several local municipalities.

- According to Dutchess County's recently completed Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory for County Government operations, that landfill represents more than 20% of County Government's total GHG emissions,

using estimates from the EPA's Landfill Gas Emissions Model.

- The project will begin with initial monitoring conducted to determine the landfill gas flow rate and the concentration of methane emitted from each gas vent. This information will be used to determine the number, location and size of the bio-filters at the landfill.

- The biofilters use a particular mulch that contains micro-organisms, bacteria, that digest methane from the landfill gas and are estimated to be able reduce methane by as much as 90%.

- Dutchess County already has a 1.6-Megawatt solar array, which began operations in 2020, at the airport, across the street from the landfill, which exemplifies the County's commitment to harnessing renewable energy and reducing emissions via practical solutions. The clean energy produced by these panels is applied to the County's utility accounts, reducing the carbon footprint while also helping to stabilize electricity costs.

- With the solar array already in place, Dutchess County will pursue expanding biodiversity with native plantings to attract and benefit pollination. Population of important pollinators has declined in the United States and internationally, and this would help reverse that trend.

## Milan Hill Road reopened to traffic in Milan

The Dutchess County Department of Public Works (DPW) has announced the replacement of a culvert on Milan Hill Road (CR-54) between Willow Glen Road and Woody Row Road, in the Town of Milan is complete and the roadway reopened to traffic.

Project work, which began in July, included replacing the culvert and installing new inlet and outlet headwalls, as well as widening the road to add three-foot shoulders, and adding new guiderails to increase the safety of the roadway. The project was completed on time and within budget.

This section of Milan Hill Road averages approximately 233 vehicles per day.

For more information, contact the Dutchess County Department of Public Works' Engineering Division at (845) 486-2925.

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### Polarizations are a threat to our democracy

To the editor:

Letters to the editor reflect what people feel strongly about. At 94, for me it is feeling that our democracy is at risk and what will be left for our descendants. Are the letters just a sigh trying to change the direction of the wind?

I do not know how to explain the polarization in this country where some see Donald Trump as Jesus Christ resurrected and the only comparison is he stole the souls of the January 6th insurrectionists. Others see him as Hitler resurrected with followers like the women with drunken abusive husbands who beat them and when asked why do you stay with him - they reply "he loves me," when in reality he loves only himself. He complains about the media, but you can't turn on the television, open your computer, pick up a paper without him being a subject telling everyone how he is mistreated and when he is re-elected, is going to destroy all of those disagreeing with him; or if not elected there will be a blood bath (give us fear personified).

Like a balloon you see floating by - a big flashy shell, propelled by a burner fire, filled with hot air. I have confidence this country will survive with him or without him.

David F. Queen  
Red Hook

### Truth matters in presidential election

To the editor:

I thoroughly enjoy reading the Northern Dutchess News, and the Letters to the Editor in particular.

Regarding the presidential election, I have spent many hours, each week, sampling a variety of media sources, gathering and processing information from the left, neutral and right. At times, it can be exhausting, but necessary for balanced information, since there are no Walter Cronkites anymore.

Vituperation, distortion, misleading statistics, mis-speak and lies, abound on all sides. It's prudent to seek the truth. Truth matters!

It appears that 45% of the electorate are expecting to vote left of center, and 45% are expecting to vote right of center, no matter what. And, notwithstanding that it may be contrary to their own best interests. Perhaps an emotional thing! It's the remaining 10% in the center, who will decide.

During a recent elevation of consciousness, I had an epiphany! It should not be about individual candidates nor their personalities. It should be about maintaining our federal democratic republic, or socialism.

I have directly experienced both forms of government, here in the USA and in Venezuela.

The choice is for each of us, and should be respected by all.

Frank M. Volz, Jr.  
Pine Plains

## WEDC to honor female leaders at Entrepreneurial Spirit Gala

The Women's Enterprise Development Center (WEDC) is honoring five female leaders and three grant recipients from the Mid-Hudson Valley and Westchester County at its annual Entrepreneurial Spirit Awards Gala on Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Mansion on Broadway in White Plains.

In addition to an awards ceremony, cocktail hour and seated dinner, attendees will have the opportunity to shop at a client marketplace, made up of small businesses supported by WEDC. The public is invited to join in the non-profit's celebration by purchasing tickets at [wedc.biz.org/event/wedcs-entrepreneurial-spirit-awards-gala/](http://wedc.biz.org/event/wedcs-entrepreneurial-spirit-awards-gala/).

WEDC supports women and minority-owned organizations throughout the region, helping them achieve self-sufficiency, and aids entrepreneurs in reaching their full potential by providing access to high-quality training programs, advisory services, and resources to generate economic growth.

"We look forward to this event every year because it's a chance to shine a light on the remarkable women who personify the spirit of WEDC," says Nikki Hahn,

CEO of WEDC. "This year's honorees are no exception. Their diligence, passion, and resilience continuously make a profound impact and elevate entrepreneurship as a path to success. The grants we'll award will further shape the future of local businesses, which will in turn change our communities for the better. It's going to be an incredible celebration!"

The 2024 Entrepreneurial Spirit Award recipients embody the triumphs of female empowerment and industry advancement. Recognizing these outstanding efforts of those who continuously impact Westchester County and the Hudson Valley, WEDC is proud to present awards to the following women:

- Mastercard will accept the Corporate Partner Award for its invaluable advice and resources to small businesses, exemplifying the spirit of WEDC. Accepting the award on behalf of Mastercard will be Ginger Siegel, global head of the Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) segments, and Jane Prokop, North America small business lead.

- Stacy Tompkins, president of Tompkins Excavating, has been commended with the Women Helping Women Award. Devoted to guiding young men and women in their careers, as well as enhancing workplace culture, Tompkins continuously empowers employees and young professionals through her work with college students.


- Viviana Kaffury, owner of Kaffury

Designs, will be celebrated with the Premio Mujeres Ayudando a Mujeres Award. Kaffury has been recognized for her efforts showcasing Latino culture, business, and success stories in her publication, Kaffury Latin Magazine, as well as her mentorship of entrepreneurs and education on marketing and publicity through its digital platform.

- Neighbors Link will receive the Community Partner Award for its community education programs dedicated to aiding immigrants in the assimilation and integration process. Carola Otero Bracco, executive director of Neighbors Link will accept this award on behalf.

In addition, WEDC will present The Anne M. Janiak Leadership Grant to three deserving clients. This prestigious \$5,000 award, named in honor of Anne M. Janiak, the founder of WEDC and a pioneer in helping women achieve economic self-sufficiency and financial stability through entrepreneurship, is granted to clients based on their dedication to growing leadership within their organization and on their community engagement.

The 2024 Anne M. Janiak Leadership Grant awardees include: Melinda Huff of Mirame Swim, located in Cold Spring, New York; Cynthia Madden of Apex Kitchen RX, based in Poughkeepsie, New York; and Jennifer Fields-Tawil of Lean On Me Westchester Doula, in Ossining, New York.



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## Vaccine Clinic set Oct. 7 at LaGrange Town Hall

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Available vaccines include:

- flu (regular and high-dose for seniors 65+);
- COVID-19 (Moderna and Pfizer, possibly Novavax, as well);
- shingles (50+);

- pneumonia (65+)
- RSV (75+ or 60+ with underlying health issues such as asthma or heart disease).

Bring ID, Medicare/insurance cards, and COVID vaccine card.

Registration is requested by calling (845) 724-3200.

LaGrange Town Hall is at 120 Stringham Road in Lagrangeville.

# Legislature passes local law protecting aquifer and public water supply sources

At its September Board Meeting, the Dutchess County Legislature unanimously adopted a local law seeking to protect the public water supply from known contaminant sources. The law expands separation distances between specifically identified contaminant sources and public water supply wells, wetlands, and aquifers.

"This law represents a bold step forward in protecting our drinking water," said Legislator John Metzger, the prime sponsor of the legislation. "Many in

Dutchess County rely solely on public water supply wells or individual wells for clean and potable water. This legislation will ensure that our public water supplies are protected by requiring greater buffers between the source of contamination and any public water supply wells, wetlands and aquifers within Dutchess County."

The recently adopted local law requires that any new contamination sources, such as gas stations, car washes, and dry-cleaning establishments maintain at least 1,500 feet from the point of con-

tamination to the nearest public water supply, wetland, or aquifer.

"As our communities continue to develop and grow, groundwater sources become more vulnerable to contamination from potentially hazardous and harmful pollution sources," said Legislator Tony D'Aquanni, the Chairman of the Legislature's Environment Committee. "The enactment of this new law is a measured and necessary response to combat this problem."

"We live in a beautiful corner of the

world with an abundance of natural resources" said Dutchess County Legislature Chairman Will Truitt. "Protecting our environment, and more specifically, the water that we drink must, always be a top priority for those of us in public office. I thank Legislator Metzger for bringing forward this legislation, which I believe to be an effective piece of environmental protection."

The local law will now go to the County Executive for approval.



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# Renegades advance to league finals

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Garrett Martin, above, and Roc Riggio were key performers for the Renegades in the hitting department during playoff games last week. Photos by Dave Janosz



## GENERAL MANAGER Q & A

# Capitalizing on playoff wins and exciting entertainment

*Editor's note: The Hudson Valley Renegades have a first-year general manager in Zach Betkowski. He sits down with reporter Rich Thomaselli every week to share his thoughts on the Renegades and minor league baseball.*

**Two sides. Do you think the fans have an appreciation, or an expectation, of making the playoffs?**

It certainly makes it a little bit more exciting, right? I think we found that while our core mission is always to entertain first, the baseball obviously is a very important part of it. It's not only exciting that we have competitive baseball, but that we have more games for our fans. I don't know if 5 out of 8 years of being in the finals is a pace we can maintain for the next decade, given the nature of minor league baseball, but I can tell you that it's really been incredible to be a part of.

**Have you heard from anybody with the Yankees? And what do they think?**

Yes, we're in constant conversation, and there's a lot of logistical stuff that goes on with the playoffs anyway. But we've been very appreciative that they have taken an interest in what's going on. And they have encouraged us and wished us well.

**From a business standpoint, how does this bode for next year in terms of gaining new partnerships?**

To be honest, I think we will have to win it all to really take advantage of the situation. But hopefully we can do that. And of course, it's all up to the players. And we are grateful for what they have done so far. But rest assured, we will work it into our promotional schedule for next year, if we do win the whole thing.



front 2-1.

Roc Riggio single put runners at first and second. Josh Moylan drove in Gomez with an RBI single down the left-field line to make it 1-0. Brendan Jones doubled and scored in the fifth on a Riggio single that was misplayed by second baseman Duce Gourson to extend the lead to 2-0.

Starter Kyle Carr was on point in an elimination game. The left-hander tossed 4.1 scoreless innings, allowing just two hits while striking out five. He didn't allow a hit until the fifth and just four batters reached base safely against him. In the eighth, Shawn Ross reached on an error and advanced to second on an Omar Alfonzo walk. Lonnie White doubled home Ross in the next at-bat, but Alfonzo was thrown out at home trying to score the tying run, keeping the Renegades in

Hudson Valley added two key insurance runs in the ninth. Garrett Martin reached on an infield single before Jackson Castillo ripped a two-run homer down the right-field line to extend the lead to 4-1.

The Renegades bullpen played a pivotal role again in the victory as they have all season. Mason Vinyard, Ocean Gabonia, Matt Keating, and Kelly Austin allowed just two total hits and one run in 4.2 frames. Austin pitched a 1-2-3 ninth for the save.

The two teams split the first two games of the series, including another shutout win by Hudson Valley last week against Greensboro. It was the 19th-best in all of minor league baseball.

## LOCAL SPORTS

By Rich Thomaselli

### Beacon opens season with 43-0 triumph over Red Hook

Nobody knew what to expect from the Beacon High School football team this year.

After all, the program was coming off a year when they again did not make the playoffs and went through a coaching change prior to this season.

One game does not a season make, but the Bulldogs looked awfully impressive in their opener.

Playing on the road in Red Hook to debut the 2024 season, the Bulldogs defeated the Raiders, 43-0.

Beacon lost to the Raiders last season. Red Hook is a program that was in the Section 9 championship game as recently as 2021.

This year, Beacon did it on both sides of the ball. Jazziah Whitted threw for two

touchdowns and ran for another, and Jaden Jones grabbed two interceptions. Mercer Jordan rushed for one TD and returned a fumble for another.

Beacon forced five turnovers, including four interceptions.

### Spackenkill girls suffer first loss of the season

It was almost over before it began.

Malana Douglas scored two quick goals and set the tone right away for a New Paltz High School 5-1 victory over Spackenkill in girls soccer.

It was the first loss of the season for the Spartans in three tries.

Mia Orgetas had the only goal of the game for Spackenkill and it was notable. It was her first career varsity score.

Bella Gimore made four saves in goals for the Spartans.



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Clockwise from top left, seven-year-old Hanna Guzman plays with balloons from Bee Bee the Clown. Playground Build Coordinators of the new SPARC Park were named Citizens of the Year by the Stanford Grange. From left are Julia Descoteaux, Lorelei Christensen and Lauren Osterman. Three-year-old Austin Seebruch joins Stanford firefighter Chris Holsopple in the seat of an antique fire engine. Katrina and Ryker Kitchen, Patrick Cronin and James Griffin compete in the pie-eating contest. Clorinda Brewster, Gloria Heuer and Pat Scully represent the Forever Young Club. Scully is the senior member at 92 and has gone skydiving on her birthday for the past 30 years. Madison Rego and Alana Scofield compete in the Bucket Brigade. Eric Haims stands by his antique 1963 Ford Galaxie 500. The vehicle was restored by Wheels of Time in Pine Plains and has 56,000 miles on the original engine. *Photos by Curtis Schmidt*

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It's an exciting time for us here at the Dutchess County Office of Veterans Affairs!

You may have noticed from my opening line, that we have a new name – the Office of Veterans Affairs – as County Executive Sue Serino, a longtime passionate advocate for Dutchess County's veterans, has established our office as an independent department in County Government. For many years, Veterans Services was a division under the Department of Behavioral & Community Health. County Executive Serino rightly saw the need for Veterans Affairs to be a separate department, giving Dutchess County's heroes an equal seat at the table, with higher visibility and access to ever-emerging opportunities for resources that may be available from a variety of public and private sources.

While our department has a new name, local veterans can still expect the great service our team has long delivered. We remain at our offices inside the MHA Veterans One Stop, located at 1335 Route 44 in Pleasant Valley, ready to serve veterans and their families. You can still

reach us at (845) 486-2060 or [veterans@dutchessny.gov](mailto:veterans@dutchessny.gov), and you can always learn more about all we offer at [dutchessny.gov/veterans](http://dutchessny.gov/veterans). We look forward to continuing to connect with you, and we have look forward to seeing you at a few great events in the coming weeks.

This week, for example, we're proud to bring the American Veterans Traveling Tribute (AVTT) Traveling Vietnam Wall and Cost of Freedom Tribute to our great Bowdoin Park in Poughkeepsie. There will be an opening ceremony at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18th and don't miss a special candlelight vigil on Saturday, September 21st at 6pm. The memorial will be open 24 hours a day to give veterans a chance to solemnly express their feelings about their own service and their fallen comrades. It also gives local families the opportunity to see their loved ones' names on the walls, hopefully giving them a sense of closure. County Executive Serino and I hope as many residents as possible experience this unique event.

We will again honor our local heroes on Saturday, October 19, as we invite you

to our third annual "Red, White and You!" Veterans Picnic, held this year at James Baird State Park from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The beautiful 590-acre park has a large parking area, spacious and open picnic grounds for our guests, picturesque scenery and is fully handicapped accessible. We've got another great day planned for you – deliciously barbecued picnic-style food from Tavern 23, live country music from the Stringmasters, appearances from radio personality "Uncle Mike" and staff from Mental Health America of Dutchess County Veteran's Programs – and we'll get you headed home in time to enjoy your Saturday afternoon.

Baird Park is located at 14 Maintenance Road in Pleasant Valley. Directional signs will be posted to help attendees easily locate the picnic area. Courtesy golf cart rides will be available for those with mobility issues. The picnic is free for all local veterans and one guest; registration is required because space is limited. To register or for more information, please contact our department at (845) 486-2060 or visit

[www.dutchessny.gov/veterans](http://www.dutchessny.gov/veterans).

Other great events for coming up for veterans are County Executive Serino's free Veterans Appreciation Pasta Dinners this autumn. The dinners will take place on:

- Sunday, Oct. 27, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., American Legion Post 429, 6361 Mill Street Rhinebeck

- Sunday, Nov. 3, with a 2 p.m. seating and a 5 p.m. seating, Knights of Columbus, 339 Route 82, Hopewell Junction.

Veterans can bring one guest and RSVP for either dinner by calling our office at (845) 486-2060 or emailing [countyexec@dutchessny.gov](mailto:countyexec@dutchessny.gov).

Again, these are exciting times for our department, and we look forward to spending time with hundreds of our veterans, collectively, in the next few weeks. Just as important, our staff is also available for personal, one-on-one appointments to help veterans receive their maximum eligible benefits from all levels of government that they've earned through their service. Just contact our office, we are always here to help!

## Music and family fun at Hardscrabble Day in Red Hook



Left, members of Chocolate Jam (students from Red Hook High School) perform at the Teen Jam with vocalist Arianna Ramirez. Many families and organizations set up yard sales like this one at St. Christopher's Church. Volunteers with Red Hook Responds were on hand to greet and inform the public. In front are Maya Hall and Helen Moore. From left in back are Michael Frante, Pamela McKenzie, Leslie Pulver, John Horizney and Nevill Smythe. Photos by Curtis Schmidt



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# Vaccines: Make mine a 'double shot'

I just got my annual flu and Covid vaccines and I feel good about it. Here's why: Vaccines have come a long way since they were first used to prevent smallpox. Injections now contain additives, which enhance and keep them functional and free of contaminants. Vaccines also undergo extensive development before they are approved.

### Many safeguards

The FDA requires that vaccines are thoroughly developed in the lab. They undergo animal studies and human clinical trials. Highly trained scientists and physicians evaluate the research. The vaccines that are determined to be safe and effective are approved and continuously monitored after approval for safety. The safety protocol doesn't stop there. Like other medical devices such as pacemakers, intravenous lines, and implants, immunizations are tested for toxins.

### Testing for toxins

Toxins are produced by certain harmful microbes. Diseases caused by microbial toxins include tetanus, botulism, typhoid, and cholera. From the mid-twentieth century, medicines sold in the US have been legally required to be tested for those and other contaminants.

That testing was once done by injecting those medicines into rabbits and observing their temperature response. Hundreds of thousands of the animals were euthanized annually, as a result of the process. In the 1980s, testing on rabbits was replaced by the LAL test. The LAL test uses the blood of horseshoe crabs.

### Our horseshoe crabs

Atlantic horseshoe crabs have survived nearly unchanged for at least 445 million years. That goes farther back than when dinosaurs existed. Horseshoe crabs tend to be found lower toward the mouth of the Hudson River and other coastal areas.

Horseshoe crabs have been prized by

the pharmaceutical industry because special cells in their blood were found to coagulate in the presence of toxins. This reaction is the basis of the LAL test. The transition from laboratory testing on live animals to the LAL test was a significant advancement.

However, to create the LAL test, horseshoe crabs must be removed from the water to extract a portion of their blood in the lab. Although the arthropods are released alive back into the water from where they were collected; a portion of those crabs die from the procedure. *(If you are interested in learning more about horseshoe crabs, check this out: Horseshoe Crabs Are Living Fossils - Enrichment - Ecology (https://www.gert.rudekatzchronicles.com/store/p452/horseshoe-crabs-are-living-fossils-enrichment-ecology.html))*

### Ecological concern

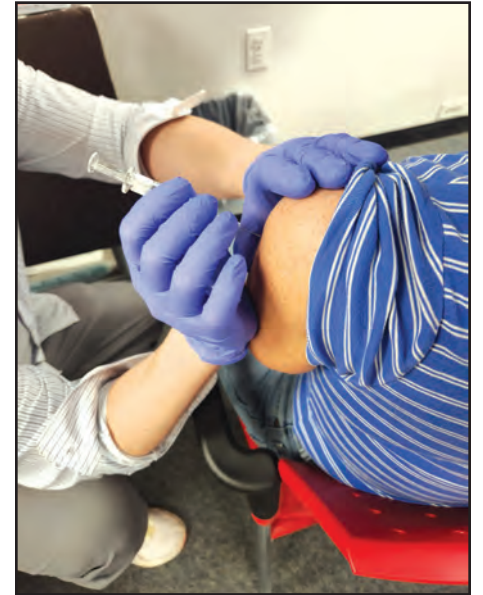
In addition to mortality from their use in the biomedical field, horseshoe crabs are also used by commercial fisheries as bait. As a result, their population has been declining and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature has listed them as vulnerable to extinction in our region. The decline in the horseshoe crab population impacts many marine animals, including shorebirds, whose survival is dependent upon an abundance of horseshoe crab eggs.

### A synthetic alternative

In 1997, scientists used biotechnology to create a synthetic alternative to the LAL test. In contrast to LAL, the synthetic alternative utilizes a single protein cloned from a horseshoe crab as its active ingredient. The alternative test, called rFC, has not yet been universally adopted, due to concerns over its efficacy.

### Vaccine manufacturers

Pfizer, Sanofi, and Moderna are among the pharmaceutical companies



Columnist Francine Wizner gets a flu shot in her right arm and a Covid shot in her left arm. Photos by Bruce Richards of LaGrange

that produce widely available vaccines in our area. When reached for comment about the use of LAL in vaccine testing, the following response was received:

"Pfizer is committed to the development and use of scientifically sound alternative testing methods that are acceptable to regulatory authorities and do not compromise patient safety or the effectiveness of our medicines. For more than 10 years, we have been exploring the use of recombinant Factor C (rFc) for the bacterial endotoxin test (BET) as an alternative to the Limulus amoebocyte lysate (LAL) method, which utilizes horseshoe crab blood. Based on our internal studies and the recent approval of rFc by the United States Pharmacopeia ('Chapter <86> Bacterial Endotoxins Test Using Recombinant Reagents'), Pfizer has begun implementing rFc for GMP testing of pharmaceutical water systems at some of our clinical supply manufacturing sites. Changes to commercial testing strategies require global regulatory approval and must be undertaken carefully to continue to assure product quality and supply. Pfizer is evaluating pathways for minimizing use of LAL reagent and introducing rFc in place of LAL in the commercial manufacturing network."

### The 2024 Covid and flu vaccinations

Given that the regulatory process is ongoing, LAL testing continues to be used with vaccinations and medical devices. Though I am happy that all humans benefit from vaccines being tested so thoroughly, I also hope that the scientific process moves swiftly so that the negative impacts on global food webs, including horseshoe crab and shorebird populations, improve. *(If you are interested in learning more about the use of animals in scientific research, there is this: The 3Rs in Research Practices - Enrichment - Scientific Inquiry, https://www.gert.rudekatzchronicles.com/store/p451/the-3rs-in-research-practices-enrichment-scientific-inquiry.html)*

Francine Wizner is a native of the Hudson Valley. She grew up in the Catskills of Greene County and spent over 3 decades teaching in Ulster County. She creates science-themed instructional materials and books, as well as being a Citizen Scientist in the management of her current home in an enchanted woodland of Dutchess County. Find her at <https://www.gert.rudekatzchronicles.com/> and <https://www.pleasantvalleymaplelodging.com/>

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# Creative Living

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## Quebec-based circus group to perform in Tivoli Sept. 21

The Hudson Valley's PS21/Center for Contemporary Performance, in partnership with the Village of Tivoli, will present an innovative, open-air acrobatic circus show called "SANTE!" by Quebec-based performance artists Cirque Kikasse, on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 1 to 4 p.m., in Memorial Park, Tivoli.

This dynamic performance group will feature high-flying acrobatics and energetic juggling in an unexpected form: atop a food truck. Patrons can enjoy both the show and treats such as Kombucha from Poughkeepsie's Laughing Gut, along with snacks and popcorn, before and after the show.

The event is free and open to all members of the community and region, where visitors enjoy Cirque Kikasse and then visit Tivoli village to experience its business and arts scene.

Over the past few years, PS21, steered by Executive and Artistic Director Elena V. Siyanko, has developed vital, active partnerships with many local and regional organizations – ranging from those that serve at-risk youth, to environmental groups, to town governments – through its PATHWAYS initiative.

Designed for all ages, PATHWAYS programs are all offered for free or at very low cost, and envisioned as a platform to foster collaboration among regional organizations to bring notable artists to – and into – communities, some with limited access to such artists and their work. Visiting international artists and long-term artists-in-residence work directly with local community members in programs designed to include them as active participants in experiences of creative and environmental engagement.

PS21's presentation of "SANTE!" by Cirque Kikasse in Tivoli is an example of its Hudson Valley CirqueFest initiative (2024-25). According to Siyanko, "This circus is an infectious performance of art hybrid employing elements of acrobatics, theater, music, comedy and improvisation to fashion narrative. It's uniquely suited to engage audiences of all ages and backgrounds, unifying the community we serve." She adds, "The primary goals of PS21 PATHWAYS and our partnership with the Village of Tivoli are to expand access to cultural expression, privilege public assembly, and combat the injustices inherent in socio-economic



Quebec-based performance artists Cirque Kikasse will perform an open-air acrobatic circus show in Tivoli's Memorial Park on Saturday, Sept. 21. Photo by Steven Taylor

exclusion within our Columbia and Dutchess County region."

Tivoli's Deputy Mayor Emily Majer chimes in: "Tivoli is always a big supporter of the arts, and opening all avenues and accessibility to our community. We like bringing locals, visitors, families and neighbors together, and we welcome PS21 and the circus team to our wonderful village."

Hudson Valley CirqueFest will feature over a dozen free productions by international contemporary circus groups over the next year (calendar of events to be announced), in communities throughout Dutchess and Columbia counties.

For more information, visit Cirque Kikasse on Instagram @cirquekikasse and <https://ps21chatham.org/events/cirque-kikasse-tivoli/>.

### WILDERSTEIN TO HOST TEA-CRAFTING WORKSHOP

Wilderstein Historic Site in Rhinebeck will host The Art of Tea Crafting on Saturday, Sept. 28, at 10 a.m. Explore the art of creating three exquisite tea blends, discover unique herbs and spices, and their health benefits. Also learn the simple and satisfying process of making fresh nut, seed or oat milk, perfect for enhancing your tea-drinking experience. Workshop participants will sample teas, enjoy light refreshments, and be provided with recipes to try at home. After class, add a guided tour of the Wilderstein mansion or stroll the grounds on your own.

The cost for the workshop is \$30, and \$45 for the workshop and tour. Reservations can be made at (845) 876-4818 or [wilderstein@wilderstein.org](mailto:wilderstein@wilderstein.org).

Wilderstein Historic Site is at 330 Morton Road, Rhinebeck.

### DOT-TO-DOT PUZZLE

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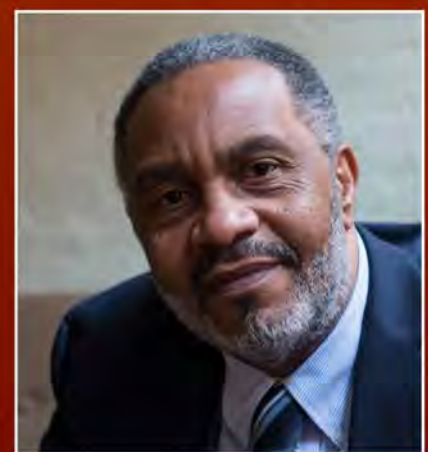
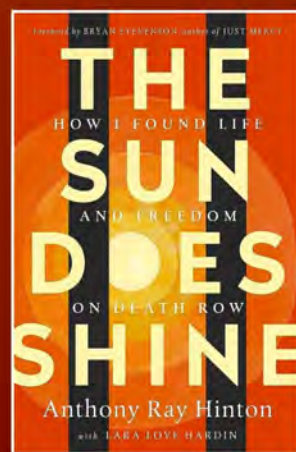
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## THEME: AT THE SUPERMARKET

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- Distinctive period in history
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- Black and white killer
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- First word in fairy tale
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- Long-lasting Steelers coach
- TV's "man named Brady"
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- French "place"
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- \*S&H Green \_\_\_\_\_
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- Will Ferrell's Christmas classic
- Like a gymnast

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- Mediterranean Strip
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- Port city in Japan
- Like marines in slogan
- Cowboy's bedding
- Flip-flop
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- High school ball
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# Italian Politics

Luigi contemplates running for office; Pop weighs in

Being in the season of political campaigns, I was reminded of the time that I almost made a foray onto the political stage. I was around thirty years old and I was asked if I wanted to run for a town board seat. Unsurprisingly I was very flattered to have been considered for such a position, and for a few days I was basking in the glory of such considerations.

Naturally, I went to my father for advice on this decision.

Me: Hi Pop!  
 Pop: Hey Luigi. Whatsa going on?  
 Me: Not too much Pop.  
 Pop: Whatsa a matter for you. Youa looka like you gotta ask me something.  
 Me: Well Pop, I need some advice.  
 Pop: Oh no. What did you do.  
 Me: Nothing Pop, listen....  
 Pop: Whatever you do, don't buy it.  
 Me: What? No Pop, listen please...  
 Pop: Lisa, shesa pregnant again?  
 Me: No, But I need to ask...  
 Pop: You gotta three kidsa now. That's enough no?  
 Me: Maybe? I don't know. Pop listen.  
 Pop: Well you know youa kinda young still.  
 Me: I know, Pop!!!!!! I need to ask

you something else! Please listen!

Pop: Whya youa getta so mad. Youa need to relax. What is it?

Me: I was asked to run for the town board and I wanted to know what you think.

Pop: You?! Are you kidding? No way. Thisa nota a gooda idea.

Me: Why? I think I'm smart enough for the job.

Pop: Yessa you are smarta. But with you, theya maybe, how you say, assassinate youa.

Me: (laughing) What?! Pop this is the town of Hyde Park. Not Washington,

Pop: I knowa. Ima no stupid.

Me: Then how would I be assassinated?!

Pop: Listena, youa very honesto. I knowa you. People are going to aska youa pensieri (thoughts) and you a going to give it to them. Thatsa notta good.

Me: Huh?

Pop: Youa gonna getta angry whena they nowa listen toa you and then they gonna assassinate you. Muerto. You needa to thinka about the restaurant. See?

Me: I guess ... You know Pop, somehow you can say something that make absolutely no sense at all and yet it makes

perfect sense.

Pop: Thatsa what I mean! Nowa have a piece of Tira mi su.

Me: Ok Pop. Thanks. I think.

Maybe it's time I get more involved in our local politics ... Nah, maybe I WILL be assassinated. Enjoy the tira mi su recipe.

## TIRA MI SU

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

**Method**  
 In a medium saucepan, whisk together egg yolks and 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.

In a small bowl, combine coffee and rum. Split ladyfingers in half lengthwise and drizzle with coffee mixture.

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

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

## Classic film series set at Bardavon, UPAC



Premier Performances, a free movie series at Bardavon and UPAC will open on Thursday, Sept. 19, with The Beatles' classic "A Hard Day's Night" at UPAC in Kingston. *Courtesy photo*

Bardavon Presents will open its free movies series, "Premier Performances" this Thursday, Sept. 19, with The Beatles' "A Hard Day's Night" at UPAC in Kingston. This 1964 classic features the Fab Four in a rollicking musical comedy.

This year's film choices focus on legendary stars of stage and screen in some of their most memorable roles.

Screenings are free and will take place at 7:30 p.m., alternately at the Bardavon in Poughkeepsie and UPAC in Kingston. No reservations required.

Additionally, all Bardavon screenings feature a 30-minute pre-show concert by Juan Cardona Jr. on the Bardavon's Mighty Wurlitzer organ, courtesy of the New York Theatre Organ Society.

The complete schedule:  
 "A Hard Day's Night" (1964) – Sept. 19 at UPAC

"Phantom of the Opera" (1925) – Oct. 24 at UPAC (with live organ accompaniment)

"Phantom of the Opera" (1925) – Oct. 25 at the Bardavon (with live organ accompaniment)

"On the Waterfront" (1954) – Nov. 21 at the Bardavon

"The Wizard of Oz" (1939) – Dec. 19 at the Bardavon & UPAC

"Yojimbo" (1961) – Jan. 16 at UPAC

"Little Richard: I Am Everything" (2023) – Feb. 20 at the Bardavon and UPAC

"Network (1976)" – March 20 at the Bardavon

"The American Friend" (1977) – April 24 at UPAC

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# IBM had military focus during World War II

by Bill Jeffway

Many people know that the single biggest economic driver in Dutchess County in the 20th century occurred with the arrival of the computer technology giant International Business Machines (IBM) in Poughkeepsie in 1941. IBM went on to be the county's largest employer. By the 1980s there were 31,000 IBM employees in Mid-Hudson Valley and another 15,000 working for IBM suppliers.

What many people don't realize is that the wartime arrival of IBM required its business to focus on immediate wartime needs, not its core computing technology business. As war seemed to be emerging in Europe in 1938, the US Army requested that the ordnance department develop a "light rifle" or carbine. The formal requirement for the weapon type was approved in 1940 and there was peak demand by 1944. Companies like the car company General Motors, Underwood typewriters, and IBM Poughkeepsie were involved in their manufacture.

1944 was emerging as a critical year. American troops landed in France on D-Day, June 6. President Franklin Roosevelt was campaigning for his unprecedented (and never to be repeated) fourth U.S. Presidential election. Of course, no one knew at the time, but the war would not end until 1945 with victory in Europe in May and victory in Asia in September. But all that was unknown and victory was uncertain.

IBM's arrival in Poughkeepsie was launched when the "Munitions Manufacturing Corporation," a subsidiary of IBM, purchased the former Delapenha factory in south Poughkeepsie in April of 1941. The building eventually became IBM Plant No. 4 (see photo).

While IBM was manufacturing the

metal components, it partnered with the local window sash and blind woodworking company, Lumb Woodworking, to create the wooden stocks. Founded locally in 1866 Lumb Woodworking remained a family-owned business as it grew, handed from father to son.

The 1944 wooden gunstock manufactured in Poughkeepsie (see photo, DCHS Collections) was manufactured during this period of peak demand. The demand can be understood by looking at local newspaper help wanted ads in the Poughkeepsie Journal. The Lumb woodworking factory was operating day and night and employing men and women. May 1944: "Men to work night shift on gun stock machines. Lumb Woodworking company. 61 Main Street." July 1944: "Women to work on power sanding machine gun stock division. Apply Lumb Woodworking Company, 61 Main Street."

#### Factory building's prior wartime history

The factory that IBM bought had a history of wartime use a generation earlier during WW1. The four-story factory was designed by the well-known local architect Percival Lloyd in 1912 at a time when the Delapenha Company, which canned local fruits and vegetables, consolidated its operations. You can still find references to the area in south Poughkeepsie as "Rudco" on maps. This stems from the name formally given to the neighborhood based on "R. U. Delapenha Co." owned by Rudolph Delapenha.

The impact of the war was pressure to greatly amplify the volume of canned food they were producing. At the time of America's involvement in World War One in 1917, the factory had grown to have a capacity of a quarter of a million



Above: Built in 1912 for the Delapenha fruit and vegetable canning company in south Poughkeepsie, the building was bought in 1941 by a subsidiary of IBM. Initial work at the factory involved the manufacture of combat-ready light rifles or carbines. This small footprint launched IBM's massive post-war growth in the region for the next 40 years. Photo courtesy of DCHS Collections

cases of canned goods annually. Tomatoes, corn, and beans were the particular focus.

In 1918 Delapenha expanded into the practice of growing its own food stocks on its 240-acre site to complement what it purchased from local farmers. They had 1 million tomato plants of their own land and 150 men and women including 22 Vassar College students tended to their growing. Again, unusual for the time, women were called into factories for wartime service.

One ad appealing to women promised that they could come in late morning after doing their housework and leave by early

afternoon having made an important patriotic contribution.

Rudolph Delapenha regularly took annual trips to Europe. By 1933 he was warning Americans that Europe feared it was approaching another World War, which of course turned out to be true. By 1941 he had sold the factory, and the next generation of use was begun.

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Above inset: 1944 M1 Carbine wood stock made for the US Army by Poughkeepsie's Lumb Woodworking would accommodate metal components made by IBM. Background: 1888 photo of Lumb Woodworking. Photo courtesy of DCHS Collections

## Gem, Mineral, Fossil, Jewelry Show & Sale set Sept. 21-22

Mid-Hudson Valley Gem & Mineral Society, Inc. will host the annual Gem, Mineral, Fossil, Jewelry Show & Sale at Gold's Gym, 258 Titusville Road, in Poughkeepsie, from Sept. 21-22. Times are 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Sunday. The show theme is "The World of Crystals." General admission (cash only) is \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students. Children under 12 are free accompanied by an adult. Most vendors accept credit.

The show features over 30 vendors offering a variety of minerals, fossils, jewelry, beads, gems, and related craft items. The show and sale is family-oriented, educational, and appeals to a wide range of interests. In addition to the vendors, there will be activities for children such as a sluice at "Garnet Gulch" and free rocks at "Glitter Mountain." There will be displays related to crystals by the Vassar

Geology Museum and MHVGMS members. There will also be a scavenger hunt for students, lapidary demonstrations (i.e. cutting, polishing rocks and minerals) and a fluorescent mineral display.

The Mid-Hudson Valley Gem and Mineral Society, Inc., founded in 1969, is a non-profit organization dedicated to earth science education. It is a club for people interested in minerals, gems, fossils, jewelry making, general earth science and geology. Our monthly meetings vary during the year and include organized field trips, presentations by speakers on various geological topics, an annual auction, and our yearly Gem and Mineral Show.

More information can be found at <http://mhvgms.org> or on the group's Facebook page. They welcome new members who can enroll at the show or through the website.

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Vicki Frank Day shares stories and recipes.



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**Through Sept. 29: "Into the Woods,"** The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck, 661 Rte. 308, Rhinebeck. On Stage present a captivating musical by Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine that brings together a host of storybook characters, each of whom embarks on a journey to fulfill their deepest wishes. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. Family-friendly one-act show on Sept. 28, at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$19 (\$15 for the Sept. 28 matinee). [www.centerforperformingarts.org](http://www.centerforperformingarts.org)

**Sept. 19: Author Event,** Merritt Bookstore, 57 Front St., Millbrook. Memoirist Patricia Bonis, along with her daughter Amanda, will talk about her new book, "Jeddah Bride," 5 p.m. To what lengths would you go to save your children? Would you sacrifice your safety? Your sanity? Your life? Patricia fell madly in love with Rahman Abbar, scion of a wealthy Saudi Arabian family, and when he suggested they marry, it was the happiest day of her life. Free admission. (845) 677-5857 or [www.merrittbookstore.com](http://www.merrittbookstore.com)

**Sept. 19: Third Thursday Events,** Olana State Historic Site, 5720 Rte. 9G, Hudson. Olana Third Thursdays are free monthly community days of tours and programs for all ages, 12:30-7 p.m. More info: (518) 751-0344 or [OLANA.org/ThirdThursdays](http://OLANA.org/ThirdThursdays)

**Sept. 19-21: Music Festival,** Kaatsbaan Cultural Park, 120 Broadway, Tivoli. Sept. 19: Listening to Records with Joe Hagan, Vanity Fair special correspondent Joe Hagan brings a jazz kissa-inspired listening event to Kaatsbaan, 7 p.m. \$15 GA. Sept. 20: Community Sing (outdoors on the Meadow Stage), Gaia Music Collective leads audience members in a singalong rooted in the classic American folk song canon, featuring songs made popular by Hudson Valley-legend Pete Seeger accompanied by a live band and vocalists 7 p.m. Free admission. RSVPs encouraged. Sept. 21: New Music ensemble Contemporaneous brings an early look at Act 1 of their upcoming work, "History of Life," by composer and Co-Artistic Director, Dylan Mattingly, and librettist Thomas Bartscherer. 5 p.m. Tickets \$40 General, \$50 Premium. Mountain Stage, outdoors. [www.kaatsbaan.org](http://www.kaatsbaan.org)

**Sept. 20: Richard's Rhinecliff Acoustic Show,** Morton Memorial Library, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. Featuring Dan Driscoll, Fire Dean, Cheryl and Kurt, Andy Jones, Gary Kromirs, 8-10 p.m. Donations suggested. More info: (845) 876-7007

**Sept. 20: Tavern Trail: "Wurtembergers: Being German in 18th Century Northern Dutchess,"** Lasting Joy Brewery, 485 Lasher Rd., Tivoli. Join county historian Will Tatum at Lasting Joy Brewery for a journey into the initial European settlement of southern Columbia and northern Dutchess Counties, 6-7 p.m. RSVP required. <https://www.historicredhook.org/>

**Sept. 20-21: "Incorruptible,"** County Players Falls Theatre, 2681 W. Main St., Wappingers Falls. Welcome to Priseaux, France, c. 1250 A.D. The river flooded again. The chandler's shop just burned to the ground. Nobody's heard of the wheelbarrow yet. And St. Foy, the patron of the local monastery, hasn't worked a miracle in thirteen years. In other words, the Dark

Ages still look dark. All eyes turn to the Pope, whose promised visit will surely encourage other pilgrims to make the trek and restore the abbey to its former glory. That is, until a rival church claims to possess the relics of St. Foy — and their bones are working miracles. All seems lost until the destitute monks take a lesson from a larcenous one-eyed minstrel, who teaches them an outrageous new way to pay old debts. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sat., 2 p.m. [www.countyplayers.org](http://www.countyplayers.org)

**Sept. 20-21: Live Music at the Towne Crier Cafe,** 379 Main St., Beacon. Sept. 20: Professor Louie & The Crowmatix, 8:30 p.m. Tickets \$20 advance, \$25 door. Sept. 21: Stanley Jordan, 8:30 p.m. Tickets \$40 advance, \$45 door(845) 855-1300 or [www.townecrier.com](http://www.townecrier.com)

**Sept. 21: Hudson Valley Dance Depot,** New Beginnings Alliance Church, 35 Degarmo Rd., Poughkeepsie. Hustle lesson, 7-7:45 p.m., followed by a lively dance session to Joe's DJing until 10:30 p.m.; Swings, Hustles, Foxtrots, Salsas, Merengues, Tangos, West Coast Swings, and Waltzes too. Admission: \$20/person covers the evening, including refreshments and lesson. (845) 204-9833

**Sept. 21-22: Plays by Gertrude Stein,** Stissing Center for Arts & Culture, Church St., Pine Plains. Performed by Six-time OBIE Award winner David Greenspan, only Gertrude Stein could have written this hidden gem of theatricality and wit. A provocative lecture on theatre, her development as a playwright, and her exploration of sight and sound in the theatre. Performances: Sept. 21, 7 p.m.; Sept. 22, 3 p.m. [www.thestissingcenter.org](http://www.thestissingcenter.org)

**Sept. 21-22: Steamroller Print Fest,** Kingston. Midtown Kingston Arts District (MKAD) presents the 2024 Steamroller Print Fest as part of Art Walk Kingston. During the weekend-long fest, various events will take place simultaneously at two MKAD locations. Schedule at <https://madkingston.org/news/2024-steamroller-print-fest/>

**Sept. 21-22: Staged Reading, "The Clan of the MacQuillins,"** Churchtown Dairy Round Barn, 357 County Road 12, Hudson. The Columbia County Players Theatre presents a staged reading of local playwright John Paul Porter's historical family drama, an epic tale in 12 scenes set in Scotland, Ireland, and the New World of the 17th century. Based on a legend in the author's family. Performances at 3 p.m. Free; no reservations needed. [info@columbiacountyplayers.com](mailto:info@columbiacountyplayers.com)

**Sept. 22: Celebrating the Music & Culture of Ukraine,** Ashokan Center, Olivebridge. The event will feature a diverse lineup of Ukrainian music including The Ukrainian Village Voices, singer Maria Sonevtsky, bandura player/Singer Olya Fryz, and Eva Salina, founder of internationally-acclaimed group, Driftwood Chorus. Activities will include Ukrainian folk medicine plant walks, dance instruction, hands-on workshops showcasing Ukrainian potters, and wool spinning & weaving artists, noon-4 p.m. Visit <https://ashokancenter.org/> for tickets and more information.

# FDR Library to host author talk on 'The New York Game' Sept. 24

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum will present an author talk and book signing with Kevin Baker, author of "The New York Game: Baseball and the Rise of a New City," at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 24.

The event will be held in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home and streamed live to the official FDR Presidential Library YouTube and Facebook accounts. This is a free public event, but registration is required to attend in-person. Visit [fdrlibrary.org](http://fdrlibrary.org) to register.

Baseball is "the New York game" because New York is where the diamond was first laid out, where the bunt and the curveball were invented, and where the home run was hit. It's where the game's first stars were born, and where everyone came to play or watch the game. With nuance and depth, historian Kevin Baker brings this all vividly back to life: the still-controversial, indelible moments -- Did the Babe call his shot? Was Merkle out? Did they fix the 1919 World Series? Here are all the legendary players, managers, and owners, in all their vivid, complicated humanity, on and off the field.

In Baker's hands, the city and the game emerge from the murk of nine-

teenth-century American life -- driven by visionaries and fixers, heroes and gangsters. He details how New York and its favorite sport came to mirror one another, expanding, stumbling through catastrophe and corruption, and rising out of these trials stronger than ever.

From the first innings played in vacant lots and tavern yards in the 1820s; to the canny innovations that created the very first sports league; to the superb Hispanic and Black players who invented their own version of the game when white baseball sought to exclude them. And all amidst New York's own, incredible evolution from a raw, riotous town to a new world city. The New York Game is a riveting, rollicking, brilliant ode to America's beloved pastime and to its indomitable city of origin.

Baker is a novelist, historian, and journalist. He has been a professional writer since the age of 13, working originally for the Gloucester Daily Times as a stringer covering school-boy sports). He is the coauthor of Reggie Jackson's "Becoming Mr. October." His work has appeared in Harper's, where he is a contributing editor, New York Observer, The New York Times, and The New Republic. He lives in New York City.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

**Town of Pleasant Valley, Dutchess County, NY**

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

**92 Wigsten Road, Pleasant Valley Appeal #1073**  
**Grid# 6363-02-602962**

Interpretation Request: The applicant is appealing a determination made that the property was converted from a single-family residence to a two-family. SAID Meeting will take place on September 23, 2024 at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, N.Y, and begins at 7:00 p.m.

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**NOTICE OF ADOPTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Dutchess at a meeting held on August 12, 2024, adopted a local law entitled: LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2024, A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE DUTCHESS COUNTY CHARTER AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH INTO TWO SEPARATE DEPARTMENTS: THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND TO ADD THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AS A DISTINCT UNIT OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT

The Legislature hereby determines that the Department of Behavioral and Community Health should be reorganized, such that two separate departments shall be created: the Department of Health and the Department of Mental Health. The current Division of Mental Hygiene, from a division within the Department of Behavioral &

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Community Health, shall be elevated to a distinct Department of Mental Health. The Legislature further determines that the Office of Veterans Affairs shall be a distinct unit of County government.

A copy of the local law is available at the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature where it may be inspected during regular office hours.

LEIGH WAGER  
 Clerk  
 Dutchess County Legislature  
 Dated: September 5, 2024

**LEGAL NOTICE EAST CLINTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Pursuant to New York State Town Law Article 11 Section 181-3a "Annual Budget and Levy of Taxes", **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the East Clinton Fire District will hold a public hearing relative to the **2025 Proposed Budget on Tuesday, October 15, 2024** from 6:00

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p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the East Clinton Fire District firehouse located at 9 Firehouse Lane, Clinton Corners, NY 12514. A copy of the budget is available for inspection with the Fire District Secretary and the Town of Clinton Town Clerk and is posted on the East Clinton Fire District website.

Dated: September 12, 2024  
 East Clinton Fire District Board of Commissioners  
 Carol Mackin, Secretary

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**TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION NO.: 815/2024 RE: ACCEPTING A PROPOSED LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 PURSUANT TO GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-c FOR COMMENCEMENT OF THE LOCAL LAW ADOPTION PROCESS**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has determined that it may be necessary for the Town of Pleasant Valley to exceed the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Pleasant Valley pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c for fiscal year 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Attorney to the Town has prepared a proposed local law to override the tax levy limit for fiscal year 2025 pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c, and the same has been reviewed and approved by the own Board members.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby accepts the Proposed Local Law X of 2024 entitled "Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal Year 2025 pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c" for commencement of the local law adoption process; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby schedules a public hearing on said local law to be held on October 7, 2024 at the Town of Pleasant Valley Town Hall, at 7:15PM and that the public hearing be duly noticed by the Town Clerk as required by law.

Date: September 4, 2024

**MOTION:** Councilman Rifenburgh  
**SECONDED:** Councilwoman Chapman

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilwoman Chapman  
 Councilman Degan  
 Councilman Iapichino  
 Councilman Rifenburgh  
 Supervisor Albrecht  
 Carried.

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This Resolution was declared duly adopted on September 4, 2024  
 Dated: September 4, 2024

Pleasant Valley, New York

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 Town of Pleasant Valley

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Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action Supreme Court Of The State Of New York County Of Dutchess ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE Index #: 2023-53660 Mortgage Assets Management, LLC Plaintiff, vs James M. Phillips As Administrator And As Heir To The Estate Of Margaret A. Phillips, Scott Phillips As Heir To The Estate Of Margaret A. Phillips, Mark Phillips As Heir To The Estate Of Margaret A. Phillips If Living, And If He/She Be Dead, Any And All Persons Unknown To Plaintiff, Claiming, Or Who May Claim To Have An Interest In, Or General Or Specific Lien Upon The Real Property Described In This Action; Such Unknown Persons Being Herein Generally Described And Intended To Be Included In Wife, Widow, Husband, Widower, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devises, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devises, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assigns, All Of Whom And Whose Names, Except As Stated, Are Unknown To Plaintiff, People Of The State Of New York, United States Of America On Behalf Of The Secretary Of Housing And Urban Development, United States Of America On Behalf Of The IRS "John Doe #1" through "John Doe #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the

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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, Defendant(s). Mortgaged Premises: 15 Barbara Lane Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Dutchess. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Mark Phillips Defendant In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Maria G. Rosa of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Twenty-Sixth day of August, 2024 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Dutchess, in the City of Poughkeepsie. The object of this action is to foreclose an Adjustable Rate Home Equity Conversion Mortgage ("Mortgage") dated March 25, 2005, executed by Margaret A. Phillips (who died on March 5, 2023, a resident of the county of Dutchess, State of New York) to secure the sum of \$406,125.00. The Mortgage was recorded at Instrument Number 0120056134 in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk on April 6, 2005. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed September 25, 2009 and recorded on October 28, 2009, in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk at Instrument Number 0120092193A. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed June 22, 2023 and recorded

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on June 27, 2023, in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk at Instrument Number 01-2023-50684A. The property in question is described as follows: 15 Barbara Lane, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF. SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE The state encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or the Foreclosure Relief Hotline 1-800-269-0990 or visit the department's website at WWW.DFS.NY.GOV. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME AT THIS TIME. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO STAY IN YOUR HOME DURING THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME UNLESS AND UNTIL YOUR PROPERTY IS SOLD AT AUCTION PURSUANT TO A JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU CHOOSE TO REMAIN IN YOUR HOME, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR PROPERTY AND PAY PROPERTY TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND LOCAL LAW.

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**TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY 2025 BUDGET MEETING DATES**

The Pleasant Valley Town Board will hold their 2025 Budget meetings at Town Hall 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, NY on the following dates:

**WORKSHOP MEETING**

-Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 7:00PM

**PURPOSE:**

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Town Clerk presents Supervisor's 2025 Tentative Budget to Town Board

**SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING**

-Monday, September 9, 2024 at 5:00PM

**PURPOSE:**

All Department Heads present their 2025 Budget

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

The Regular Town Board meeting scheduled for Monday, September 16, 2024 at 7:00PM is now rescheduled for Monday, September 16, 2024 at 5:00PM.

**PURPOSE:**

To discuss all lines of the 2025 Tentative Budget

**SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING**

-Monday, September 23, 2024 at 5:00PM

**PURPOSE:**

Resolution to release of the 2025 Preliminary Budget and schedule Public Hearing for 10-07-24

Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk  
Town of Pleasant Valley

**TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE APPROVAL OF A CABLE TELEVISION AGREEMENT BETWEEN SPECTRUM NORTH-EAST, LLC AND THE TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY**

**P L E A S E TAKE NOTICE** that the Town of Pleasant Valley will hold a Public Hearing on October 7, 2024 at 7:10 p.m. at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, located at 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, New York regarding the granting of a cable television franchise renewal agreement by and between the Town of Pleasant Valley and Spectrum Northeast, LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications.

A copy of the agreement is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Town Clerk's office, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, New York. At such public hearing, all persons will be given an opportunity to be heard. Written and oral statements will be taken at that time. Time limitations may be imposed for each oral statement, if necessary. Dated: August 19, 2024 By Order of the Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held by the County Attorney of Dutchess County in the

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County Office Building, County Attorney's Conference Room, 5th Floor, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, on the **26th day of September 2024 at 10:00 am**, on the following local law:

A LOCAL LAW REGULATING HAZARDOUS POLLUTION SOURCES IN PROXIMITY TO PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SOURCES, AQUI-FERS AND WETLANDS.

At said time and place, all parties interested will be heard.

Dated: September 11, 2024 Susan J. Serino Poughkeepsie, New York Dutchess County Executive

**TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY PROPOSED LOCAL LAW X OF THE YEAR 2024 OVERRIDE OF THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 PURSUANT TO GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-c**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley as follows:

**Section I: Title.**

This Local Law shall be known and cited as "A Local Law To Override the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal Year 2025 Pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c."

**Section II: Legislative Intent.**

The Town Board acknowledges that it is vitally important to use the taxes of the Town of Pleasant Valley in a fiscally responsible manner and it is necessary to keep the tax levy of the property taxpayers to a minimum amount, especially in economically hard times. The Town Board has reviewed the proposed budget, the appropriation requests of the Town Department Heads and the financial position of the Town. The Town Board has determined that the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget will require a tax levy increase that is greater than that allowed by General Municipal Law §3-c.

It is the intent of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Pleasant Valley, County of Dutchess, pursuant to General Municipal Law § 3-c, and to allow the Town of Pleasant Valley, County of Dutchess, to adopt a Town budget for Town purposes and any other special or improvement district governed by the Town Board for the fiscal year 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

**Section III:**

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**Authority.** This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes the Town Board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Town Board.

**Section IV: Tax Levy Limit Override**

The Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley, County of Dutchess, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for fiscal year 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the limit specified in General Municipal Law §3-c.

**Section V: Severability.**

If any part or provision of this local law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this local law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstance, and the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley hereby declares that it would have passed this local law or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

**Section VI: Effective Date.**

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE**

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for: Bid#RFP-DCP-63-24

Fare Collection System for Dutchess County Public Transit

Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 11th day of October 2024 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 website <http://www.dutchessny.gov>, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Vendors sought for Poughkeepsie Elks Flea Market

The Poughkeepsie Elks will hold their annual Flea Market on Sunday, Oct. 27, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Vendors are wanted. Each space costs \$30 and includes three 6-foot tables. Twenty spaces are available. Call (845) 471-1659 or (845) 454-6660 for more information.

## Community Day Wrap-Up Meeting at Clinton Town Hall

There will be a Community Day Wrap-Up Meeting on Thursday, Sept. 19, at 6:30 p.m., at Clinton Town Hall, 1215 Centre Road, Rhinebeck. Attendees are invited to discuss what worked and what didn't work at this year's Community Day, and to help make plans for next year's event.

## Tag Sale, Bake Sale to support Clinton Historical Society

Clinton Historical Society is having a Fall Tag and Bake Sale on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20 and 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Creek Meeting House, 2433 Salt Point Turnpike, Clinton Corners.

## Repair Café in Hyde Park

This event is set Saturday, Sept. 21 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Hyde Park United Methodist Church, 1 Church Street. Bring your "Beloved but Broken" items for help and advice. Our team of skilled volunteers will be on hand to repair everything from electronics to clothing and more. Don't throw away your broken items, bring them to us and let's fix them together!

## Indian Cookbook Potluck set Sept. 22 in Tivoli

The Red Hook Rotary Club will hold an Indian Cookbook Potluck to meet and welcome Red Hook's 2024-2025 youth exchange student from India on Sunday, Sept. 22, from noon to 2 p.m., at Tivoli Park, Katherine Lane, Tivoli. Bring your favorite home-made Indian dish to share with everyone.

The Rotary highlights two suggested cookbooks: "Made In India" by Meera Sodha and "Indian Flavor Every Day" by Maya Kaimal. Local chef, Maya Kaimal, will be on hand for the occasion.

A digital copy of your preferred recipe can be sent to you, or if you would like a physical copy of the cookbooks, they are available at the public library and Oblong Books.

Those who are unable to bring a dish, are welcome to meet the Rotary's new exchange student and help eat all the delicious food.

## Miles of Hope to host talk about trend of earlier onset of breast cancer

Join Miles of Hope Foundation for an enlightening evening where attendees will gather for small bites and a vital discussion on the increasing incidence of breast cancer in women under 40. This event is set Wednesday, Sept. 25, from 6 to 8 p.m., at Heritage Food + Drink, 1379 Route 9, Wappingers Falls. Miles of Hope Board Member Dr. Lisa Curcio, a fellowship-trained breast surgeon at Northern Dutchess Hospital, will offer brief remarks and answer questions. RSVP is requested by Sept. 20 to info@milesofhope.org.

## Rhinebeck Garden Club upcoming events

On Wednesday, September 25, at 10 a.m., the Rhinebeck Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting at Rhinebeck Village Hall, 76 East Market Street. Program: Cyanotype: A Process of Creating Art, Presented by Yoram Gelman. Refreshments served. Every year the Rhinebeck Garden Club puts together a series of meetings, field trips and events. Meetings are open to the public, but visitors are asked to join after attending two meetings. For more details, or information, call Hannah at 914-263-5298 or logon to <https://www.facebook.com/p/Rhinebeck-Garden-Club-100064834505072/>

Rhinebeck Garden Club's Annual Plant and Bake Sale will take place on Saturday, September 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at The Rhinebeck Reformed Church, 6368 Mill St., at the corner of South Street and Route 9. Perennials, shrubs, herbs, and houseplants will be available; the selection is always varied and pricing is competitive. Proceeds enable the Club to remain a viable organization to educate community members interested in gardening, foster an appreciation of gardening, and maintain its two community gardens.

## Tickets available to MHA of Dutchess County Spotlight Gala on Sept. 26

Mental Health of America of Dutchess County (MHA) will host its Spotlight Gala on Thursday, Sept. 26, from 6-9 p.m. at The Grandview in Poughkeepsie. This year the Spotlight Gala will benefit the MHA Veterans Programs.

Attendees will learn of the services MHA provides and have a feeling of thanks for the Veterans who have given so much to protect our freedoms. Tickets and sponsor opportunities can be found at [www.mhadutchess.org/spotlight](http://www.mhadutchess.org/spotlight).

## Autumn Harvest Fundraising Brunch to benefit Kemmerer Farm

On Saturday, Sept. 28, join the Stanford community at a beautiful autumn-themed brunch filled with delicious food, great company, and a chance to support the Kemmerer Farm rebuild. Enjoy a family style brunch with open bar, music, and a silent auction. The goal is to raise \$50,000 to support the purchase of a used John Deere tractor for the farm between ticket sales and silent auction proceeds. Ticket prices start at \$35, and all proceeds will go directly to the Kemmerer family. The event will take place from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at Bangallworks, 97 Hunns Lake Road in Stanfordville. Purchase tickets at EventBrite.com (search for "Autumn Harvest Fundraising Brunch to benefit Kemmerer Farm").

## Anderson Center Centennial Gala set Sept. 28

Join Anderson Center for a Roaring 20s-themed celebration of Anderson Center for Autism's 100th anniversary. The party will include an auction, dinner, dancing, and an inspiring program honoring Vance Anderson Gage, the recipient of the 2024 VV Anderson Community Service Award (and grandson of Anderson Center for Autism's founder, Dr. Victor V. Anderson). In addition, an Anderson Center team member will be recognized with the 2024 Above and Beyond Award. Black tie optional. Details: Saturday, Sept. 28, 6:30pm Cocktail Reception, 7:30pm Dinner and Program. The Grandview, 176 Rinaldi Boulevard, Poughkeepsie. Reservations at (845) 889-9208 or [www.AndersonCenterforAutism.org/Gala](http://www.AndersonCenterforAutism.org/Gala)

## Take a ride in an EV

This event is set Sunday, Sept. 29, from 12:30-3:30 p.m. at Coppola's Italian American Bistro, 4167 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park. National Drive Electric Week, Sept. 27-Oct. 6, is a nationwide celebration to raise awareness of the many benefits of all-electric and plug-in hybrid cars, trucks, motorcycles, and more. Talk to local Hyde Park owners and take a ride in one of their EVs. We will have a Tesla Model Y, a Hyundai Ionic 5, and a Ford Mustang Mach-e. You must make an appointment in advance using the link below. If all appointments are full, just stop by and we can fit you in.

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## Coat Sale and More at Uncle Al's in Millbrook

Uncle Al's Thrift Shop in Millbrook will have its annual Coat Sale and More on Friday and Saturday,

Oct. 4 and 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at St. Joseph School gym, 25 St. Joseph Drive. The event will feature coats and jackets, sweaters, handbags and other cold-weather accessories. The Coat Sale is a popular annual event that benefits St. Joseph-Immaculate Conception Church in Millbrook. For more information, call Uncle Al's Thrift Shop at 845-677-5002.

## Oktoberfest to raise funds for Ryan McElroy Foundation

The Ryan McElroy Children's Cancer Foundation will hold an Oktoberfest fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 5, from noon to 5 p.m. at Ryan's Barn: 450 Gardner Hollow Road in Poughquag. The organization is a nonprofit 501c3 based out of Pawling. Ryan McElroy passed away from Ewing Sarcoma at 5 years old; his parents created the foundation to help other children living throughout the Hudson Valley suffering from life-threatening illnesses.

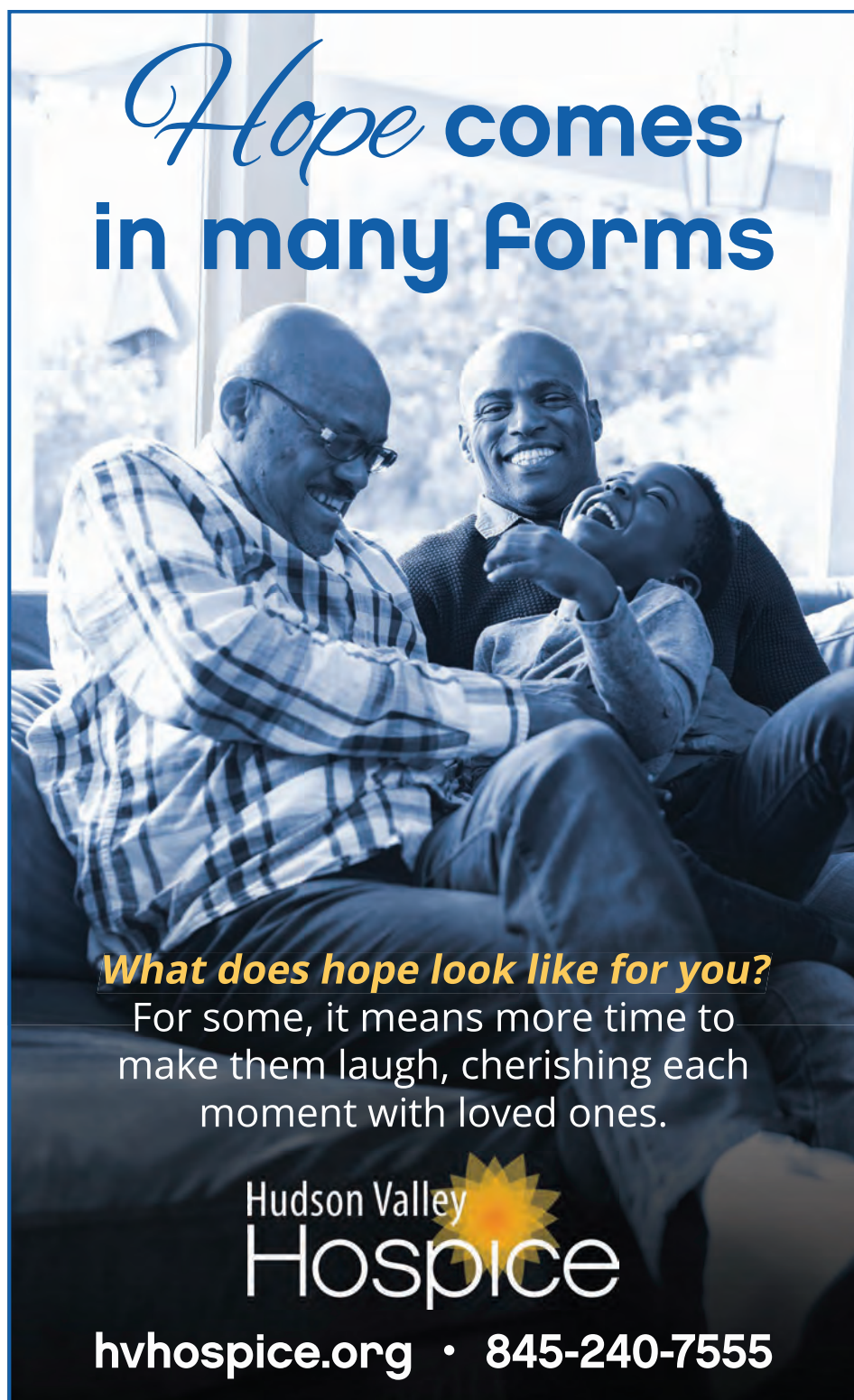
There is no admission to this family fun day encompassing fall and everything October. From live music, food, clam chowders, a beer truck and bar for the adults to bouncy houses, pony rides, face painting, magician, cotton candy, and hay rides for the kids. Donations and sponsorships are welcome. Visit [ryansfoundation.org](http://ryansfoundation.org) to learn more.

## Pancake Breakfasts set in Rhinecliff

The Rhinecliff Volunteer Fire Company and Rescue Squad host Fall Pancake Breakfasts on Sunday mornings from 8 to 11:30 a.m. on Oct. 6, Nov. 3, and Dec. 8 at the Rhinecliff Firehouse (corner of Shatzell & Orchard). Enjoy a pile-high of "Rhinecliff's Best" pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee and juice. It's all-you-can-eat so bring your appetite and your friends. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$4 for children (age 5 and younger eat for free). Proceeds Support the Rhinecliff Vol. Fire Co. Call Cynthia at (845) 876-5738 or e-mail [csaniewski1@gmail.com](mailto:csaniewski1@gmail.com) for more information.

## Repair Cafe in Pleasant Valley

The next Pleasant Valley Repair Cafe will take place on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1558 Main Street (Route 44). Skilled repair coaches will be on hand to fix everything from electronics to clothing—completely free of charge. Bring your beloved items that need some TLC and learn how to repair them with the help of our experts. Donations are appreciated.



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