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Pulver, Aymar-Blair locked in tight race for DC Comptroller



Gregg Pulver



Dan Aymar-Blair

By Curtis Schmidt

In the race for Dutchess County Comptroller, incumbent Republican Gregg Pulver and Democrat challenger Dan Aymar-Blair are locked in a tight race with many absentee and affidavit ballots still being counted.

In unofficial election night results reported by the Dutchess County Board of Elections, Pulver held a lead of 69,581 votes (50.13%) to 69,106 for Aymar-Blair (49.79%).

If the final result is less than a .5 % margin, a manual recount will be triggered, according to New York State law.

Pulver commented, "It's very tight and will most likely trigger a hand recount. There are many absentee and affidavit ballots to count. I look forward to every valid ballot counting and have faith in the process."

Aymar-Blair said, "Our democratic process is founded on ensuring that every voice is heard and every vote is counted. With thousands of ballots still outstanding, it is premature and dismissive for my opponent to claim a victory when the voters of Dutchess County deserve their full say. We owe it to them to respect this process and see it through to the end."

On election night, Pulver issued the following statement. "Over the past year, I pledged to bring true fiscal stewardship to Dutchess County - insuring that our tax dollars are being spent in the most efficient manner possible. Tonight's results show that we proved putting in the hard work and sticking to those principals matters. I love this community, and I'll always be here to fight for it. Thank you to everyone for your support throughout the last 10 months."

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Next generation sets marathon of support for Claudio Cares

By Rich Thomaselli

When Jack and Marcanthony Coppola decided to become more involved with the Claudio Cares Foundation, little did they know how active they would be.

Like, really active.

Jack is the cousin of Claudio Coppola and Marcanthony is his brother. Claudio tragically passed away almost a dozen years ago and immediately his parents, Lisa and Luigi Coppola, set up the foundation in his name.

"We're kind of starting to do more with the Foundation so my parents don't have to," Marcanthony said. "We wanted to become more active and find new ways of fundraising."

Boy, did they ever.

The two men will run the Philadelphia Marathon on Nov. 24 along with friends Thomas Stritt and Jose Buitrago. The foursome hopes to raise money for Claudio Cares, the Poughkeepsie Children's Home and Angels of Light. The fundraising will be split three ways among all the charities.

"We're not really big runners, but we wanted to do a marathon because we thought it would be a great cause for Claudio Cares," Jack said.

The foursome has been training



Running on the Dutchess County Rail Trail are, from left, Thomas Stritt, Jose Buitrago, Marcanthony Coppola and Jack Coppola. The foursome will be competing in the Philadelphia Marathon on Nov. 24 to raise funds for the Claudio Cares Foundation, the Children's Home of Poughkeepsie and Angels of Light. Photo by Curtis Schmidt

since July.

"By running it and actually planning for it, we feel like we can accomplish a whole lot," Jack said.

"We feel like we are the next generation," Marcanthony said. "We wanted to

come up with some new fundraising ideas and alleviate the pressure on my parents."

They all ran cross country in high school, but they haven't run

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Ryan re-elected in win over Esposito in NY's 18th District

By Curtis Schmidt



Congressman Pat Ryan

In the race for New York's 18th Congressional District, Democratic U.S. Representative Pat Ryan has been re-elected to a second full term. He represents parts of the Hudson Valley in Congress and defeated Republican challenger Alison Esposito.

Ryan's margin of victory across the district was unofficially 56.7% to 43.3%, according to the Associated Press.

The 18th District is made up of parts of Orange, Dutchess and Ulster counties, and includes the cities of Poughkeepsie and Kingston.

In Dutchess County with unofficial results from the County Board of Elections, Ryan totaled 68,797 votes to

51,967 for Esposito.

Speaking on election night, Nov. 5, Ryan issued a statement saying, "We lifted up the very best of the Hudson Valley, and I'm so proud our community showed up in overwhelming support of that mission. I love our community, I love our country and I cannot wait to get back to work serving and delivering for Hudson Valley families."

Ryan grew up in Kingston, attended U.S. Military Academy at West Point and served two tours in Iraq.

"We centered this campaign on freedom. On patriotism. On an optimistic, forward-looking vision for our country," said Ryan. "And we really did our best to

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Local election results

Compiled by Kate Goldsmith

The Dutchess County Board of Elections posted the following unofficial results from local elections that took place this year. Several towns also had propositions on the ballot.

Town of Amenia Member of Town Board - Unexpired Term

Nicole M. Ahearn (Republican/Common Ground) defeated Democrat Charlie Miller by a count of 964 (55.15%) to 781 (44.68%). Ahearn, who currently holds the seat, received 938 votes on the Republican line and 26 votes on the Common Ground line. There were also three write-in votes.

Town of Dover Member of Town Board - Unexpired Term

Roy T. Holmes (Republican/Conservative) was elected to serve a full term with 99.20% of the vote. Holmes received a total of 2,485 votes: 2,164 on the Republican line and 321 on the Conservative line. There were 20 write-in votes.

Town of Hyde Park Town Clerk - Unexpired Term

Sarah Hohmann (Republican/Conservative) was elected to serve a full term with a total of 6,843 votes (98.86%): 5,614 on the Republican line and 1,229 on the Conservative line. There were also 79 write-in votes.

Town of Pleasant Valley Member of Town Board - Unexpired Term

Scott C. Cookinham Sr. (Republican, Conservative) defeated Merry Meyer (Democratic, Working Families) by a count of 2,838 (55.70%) to 2,254 (44.24%).

Cookinham received 2,544 on the Republican line and 294 on the Conservative line.

Meyer received 2,043 on the Democratic line and 211 on the Working Families line.

There were three write-in votes,

as well.

Town of Rhinebeck Member of Town Board - Unexpired Term

Erich Blohm (Republican/Unite For RBK) received 1,262 votes (29.47%). Democrat Aaren Kokubun received 948 votes (22.14%). There were 2,072 write-in votes (48.39%).

Without knowing the results of the large number of write-in votes, it was unclear who the winner would be at press time. An email sent to the Dutchess County Board of Elections was not answered in time for publication.

Town of Stanford Member of Town Board - Unexpired Term

Adrienne Zetterberg (Republican/Conservative) has a 22-vote lead over Democrat Theodore Eagleson Secor. Zetterbert has a total of 1,036 votes (50.51%), with 908 of those on the Republican line and 128 on the Conservative line.

Secor has a total of 1,014 votes.

There was also one write-in vote

Union Vale Town Justice

Paul S. Pancio (Republican/Conservative) ran unopposed and received a total of 1,944 votes (99.44%). He received 1,678 votes on the Republican line and 266 votes on the Conservative line.

There were 11 write-in votes.

Town of Union Vale Member of Town Board - Unexpired Term

Kevin Harrington (Republican/Conservative) is the winner of a three-way race against Democrat Eileen Pucci and current seat holder Pat Cartalemi (Common Ground). Harrington received a total of 1,649 votes (63.08%), with 1,469 cast on the Republican line and 180 on the Conservative line.

Pucci received 876 votes (33.51%) and Cartalemi received 88 votes (3.37%). There was also one write-in vote.

Village of Millbrook Mayor

Republican Peter Doro ran uncontested, receiving 483 (95.27%) votes.

There were 24 write-in ballots cast.

Village of Millbrook Village Trustee (vote for 2)

The candidates receiving the top two votes cast were Democrat Julia Bucklin with 411 (27.42%) and Republican Elizabeth Molella Socci with 374 (24.95%).

Democrat Shannon Mawson received 371 votes (24.75%) and Republican Kay Vanderlyn Ulrich received 343 (22.88%).

No write-in votes were cast.

PROPOSALS

Amenia: Voters approved an increased contribution of \$20,000 for the operating budget of the Amenia Free Library, bringing the total to \$245,000 annually.

The count was 1,046 Yes and 697 No.

Beekman:

Proposition One: Voters approved the annual contribution of \$599,712 for the operating budget of the Beekman Library by a count of 4,045 Yes to 2,712 No.

Proposition Two: Voters rejected a proposition to eliminate the elected office of the Town Superintendent of Highways and create a Department of Public Works. There were 2,380 Yes votes and 4,372 No votes.

Clinton: Voters approved the annual contribution of \$154,800 for the operating budget of the Clinton Community Library by a count of 1,794 Yes to 612 No.

Rhinebeck:

Proposition One: Voters narrowly rejected a proposal to increase the term of office for Town Supervisor from two years to four years by a count of 1,982 Yes to 2,219 No.

Proposition Two: Voters did opt to increase the term of office for Town Superintendent of Highways from two to four years. The change will take effect for the term commencing Jan. 1, 2026. The count was 2,296 Yes to 1,905 No.

Union Vale: Voters rejected allowing the town to own and operate a public library. The proposal was roundly defeated by a count of 891 Yes to 1,809 No.

Washington: Voters approved an increased contribution for the operating budget of the Millbrook Library. The current contribution of \$184,000 will be raised to \$349,000 annually. The measure passed by a count of 1,367 Yes to 1,061 No.

For election count updates, visit <https://elections.dutchessny.gov/election-results/>

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FOR RESILIENT TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has released a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program, supporting projects that strengthen transportation resilience against climate change, flooding, and natural hazards. Up to \$576 million in FFY 2024 and 2025 funding is available.

The application period is open through February 24, 2025. To support applicants, FHWA will hold "How to Apply" webinars on:

- November 18: 2-3:30 p.m. (Benefit Cost Analysis session)

- November 19: 4-5 p.m.

Webinar slides and recordings will be posted on FHWA's PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program website: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/p/protect/discretionary/>

The Dutchess County Transportation Council's Resilient Ways Forward plan qualifies certain projects for reduced local matches and waives the benefit-cost analysis requirement. Interested applicants are encouraged to contact Dutchess County Transportation's Council to discuss potential projects and eligibility.

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bring people together and call to the best in people at such a difficult and divisive and dark moment in our country."

Esposito was the Republican nominee for lieutenant governor alongside Lee Zeldin in 2022. She conceded in a statement issued late on Nov. 5.

"The people have spoken," she said.

"And I called Congressman Ryan. I wished him luck. We had a very nice conversation. I told him to do good. I told him that I believed that we had the best interest of our country at heart. And I asked him to spend the next term putting our people first."

Next generation sets marathon of support for Claudio Cares

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The foursome of Thomas Stritt, Jose Buitrago, Marcanthony Coppola and Jack Coppola will be running in the Philadelphia Marathon on Nov. 24 to raise funds for the Claudio Cares Foundation, the Children's Home of Poughkeepsie and Angels of Light. Photo by Curtis Schmidt

competitively since. That was more than a decade ago. So are they ready?

"I think so," Marcanthony said. "We are excited. We're excited for our partners. Angels of Light, for instance, is similarly aligned with our foundation. And we've had a relationship with the Children's Home in the past. ... To look at all of this, I feel proud. I feel like we

brought some positivity to a negative situation."

Said Jack: "We really admire and respect our other partners. Claudio was my cousin, but he was like a best friend to me. I saw the gravitational pull he had. I hope we can emulate that."

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DEC declares drought watch for 15 New York counties, including Dutchess

Dry conditions creating increased wildfire risk

By Kate Goldsmith

On Nov. 2, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) declared a drought watch for 15 New York counties because of a significant shortage of rainfall and declining levels of streamflow and ground water. Counties in Drought Regions II and IIA are currently in drought watch, including Bronx, Delaware, Dutchess, Greene, Kings, New York, Orange, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Schoharie, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester.

The rest of New York State is in normal drought condition.

Drought status determinations are based on a State Drought Index that uses New York State specific attributes, so it may differ somewhat from national drought assessments. In addition, local conditions may vary, so some areas of the state may make their own determinations of drought stage using locally-focused criteria.

A watch is the first of four levels of State drought advisories, which are watch, warning, emergency, and disaster. No mandatory restrictions are in place under a state drought watch.

Following the declaration, DEC briefed the State Drought Management Task Force and federal partner agencies. New York State is encouraging residents in affected counties, particularly those dependent on private groundwater wells, to conserve water whenever possible during the coming weeks.

DEC Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar said, "Recent unseasonably warm weather and lack of precipitation have led to dry conditions for many counties in New York, resulting in some downstate areas being put under drought watch. Local water restrictions and educating residents about how to help conserve our water resources are crucial steps to help prevent a more severe shortage until conditions improve."

New York City also issued a citywide drought watch after a historic lack of precipitation, ordering city agencies to update water conservation plans and prepare to implement them, and urging the public to help conserve water. Conserving water will slow the depletion rate of the stored water in the city's reservoirs and can potentially postpone or eliminate the threat of a serious shortage.

To protect water resources, homeowners in regions under drought watch are encouraged to voluntarily reduce outdoor water use and follow these tips:

- Water lawns only when necessary, choose watering methods that avoid waste, and water in the early morning to reduce evaporation and maximize soil hydration;

- Reuse water collected in rain barrels,

dehumidifiers, or air conditioners to water plants;

- Raise lawn mower cutting heights. Longer grass is healthier with stronger roots and needs less water;

- Use a broom, not a hose, to clean driveways and sidewalks; and

- Fix leaking pipes, hoses, and faucets.

State Drought Index

The drought watch is triggered by the State Drought Index, which reflects precipitation levels, reservoir/lake levels, and stream flow and groundwater levels in the nine drought regions of the state. Each of these indicators is assigned a weighted value based on its significance to various uses in a region. The State Drought Index is attuned to the specific attributes of New York and may differ moderately from some national technical drought assessments.

DEC and the U.S. Geological Survey are partners in evaluating hydrologic conditions across New York State. In addition, DEC supports efforts by local governments and stakeholders to undertake water conservation measures based on specific local circumstances.

Wildfire risk

New York State continues to encourage New Yorkers and visitors to follow the recommendations below to reduce the risk of wildfires. The Catskills, Hudson Valley, and Long Island are currently at high risk for fires. Any outdoor fire can spread quickly, especially if the wind picks up. It is illegal to burn leaves anywhere in New York State. Brush of a certain size may be burned. See the burning regulations for details.

Campfires are among the top five causes of wildfires. While camping in the backcountry, New Yorkers are advised to:

- Use existing campfire rings where possible;

- Build campfires away from overhanging branches, steep slopes, rotten stumps, logs, dry grass, and leaves. Pile extra wood away from the fire;

- Clear the area around the ring of leaves, twigs, and other flammable materials;

- Never leave a campfire unattended. Even a small breeze could cause the fire to spread quickly; and

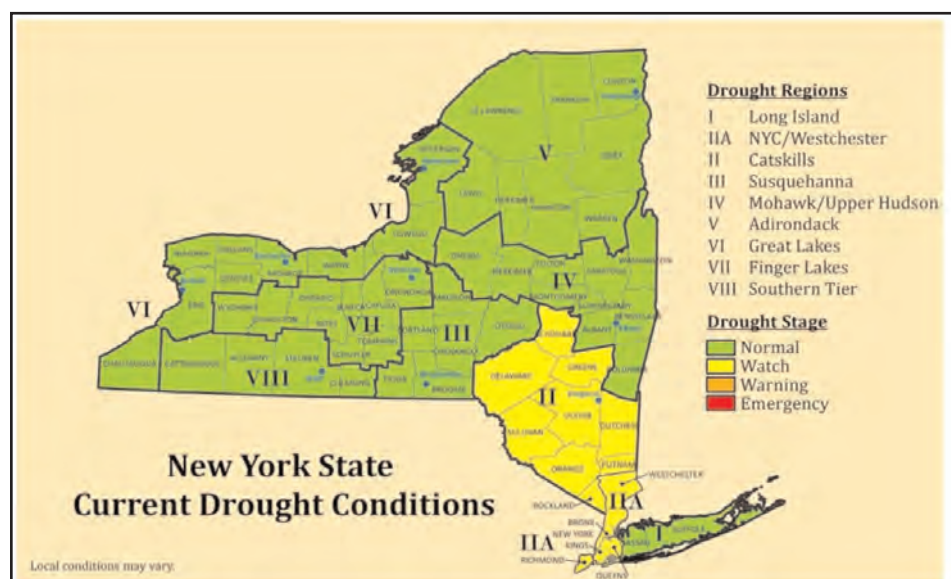
- Drown the fire with water. Make sure all embers, coals, and sticks are wet. Move rocks as there may be burning embers underneath.

For more water saving tips, visit <https://dec.ny.gov/>. For more information about drought in New York, visit the DEC's Water Use and Conservation webpage.

Town leaders urge caution, conservation

On Oct. 28, Rhinebeck Town Supervisor Elizabeth Spinzia issued a Declaration of State of Emergency "banning all exterior open burning, including campfires, in the Town of Rhinebeck" until further notice.

Spinzia stated "After consultation with



This map highlights current drought conditions in New York. Courtesy www.dec.ny.gov

Dutchess County 9-1-1 Emergency Services Acting Commissioner Shawn Castano, and upon the advice of the Village of Rhinebeck Fire Department Chief Bryant Knapp, this State of Emergency is being declared in the Town of Rhinebeck due to extreme drought conditions, wind, and an areawide increase of wildfires which threaten the safety of our citizens and of private property."

All town agencies and departments will enforce and uphold the ban, she said.

Also on Oct. 28, Michael Whitton, Supervisor of the Town of Clinton, declared a state of emergency due to drought and issued a Burn Ban until further notice. All outdoor burning of yard trash, household paper products, bonfires, campfires, warming fires, outdoor fireplaces, chimneys, and cooking fires within the town is prohibited.

In an email newsletter sent last week to residents, Wappinger Town Supervisor Joseph D. Cavaccini along with Camo Pollution Control (which manages the town's municipal water supply) encouraged "voluntary water conservation efforts."

Cavaccini and Mike Tremper (Camo Pollution Control) noted the "very warm and dry autumn conditions ... [with] no measurable amount of rain in the near future..." for issuing the advisory.

Tremper noted that the drought has not come about during peak water usage, when people are watering lawns and gardens, filling pools and other high-volume water usages.

"Despite this I believe we should advise the residents to conserve when

possible," he said. "We are closely monitoring the well levels and at this point they are not at critical levels."

Town of Poughkeepsie Supervisor Rebecca Edwards sent an email reminder to residents that Town Code does not permit open fires at any time without a special permit from the town board or state DEC.

"Right now, even contained blazes, like firepits, are discouraged," the email stated. "Be aware that some recent fires have been caused by stray cigarettes thrown out of vehicle windows. With current weather conditions, any stray spark can start a blaze."

Town of East Fishkill Supervisor Nicholas D'Alessandro posted a statement on the town's Facebook page urging residents to follow DEC guidelines and Town Code, which prohibits open burning; and also asked residents to "refrain from having campfires until this [drought] ends."

Beacon Mayor Lee Kyriacou declared a State of Emergency for the City of Beacon regarding all exterior burning, including campfires. He signed the order on Nov. 1. The order is for 30 days.

Other towns in the Northern & Southern Dutchess News areas currently under a state of emergency and/or burn bans due to drought conditions and risk of wildfires include Beekman, Dover, Hyde Park Milan, Pine Plains, Pleasant Valley, Red Hook, Stanford, Union Vale, and Washington.

Visit your town or village's website and/or Facebook page for updated information.

VILLAGE OF RHINEBECK SNOW ORDINANCE IN EFFECT NOV. 15

The Village of Rhinebeck Snow Ordinance goes into effect on Nov. 15 and lasts through March 31, 2025. The Snow Ordinance prohibits overnight parking (which includes all vehicles, trailers, storage containers, dumpsters, etc.) on village streets between the hours of 12:01 a.m. and 6 a.m. during this time. Offenders will be issued a ticket.

Contact Village Clerk Martina McClinton at mmcclinton@villageofrhinebeckny.gov with any questions.

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Applause to all caregivers

To the editor:

As a Dementia Care Practitioner, I wish to applaud, rather loudly, ALL CAREGIVERS! If you are a Direct Support Professional you are a Caregiver, if you are a Family Member or Friend helping someone, you are a Caregiver. If you are a Neighbor helping another Neighbor, you are a Caregiver. If you are a Teacher or in the Medical field, you are a Caregiver. If you are a First responder, you are a Caregiver. If you work in a Care Facility or are a Social Worker, you are a Caregiver.

Caregivers make up a large portion of our society and sadly are paid one of the lowest fees or no fee at all.

We as a society undervalue those who Partner in Care with those individuals and their families who need assistance!

Businesses often do not recognize that an employee of theirs may be suffering with Caregiver burnout because of a personal matter. This needs to change! Those in charge need to educate themselves on their employees' life situations in order to not only better assist them at home but in their jobs as well.

SUPPORT AND CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE! They are NUMBER 1!

If you know someone who needs support, reach out to the Office of Aging at 845-486-2555 or the Alzheimer's Association at 800-272-3900 or the Mental Health Association at 845-473-2500 option 0 or if you are caring for a Veteran call 845-486-2060. There are many organizations that are available to help.

Help is out there, just make the call!

Wishing all Caregivers my sincerest acknowledgment.

Donna J. Slavin
Poughkeepsie
International Council of
Certified Dementia Care Practitioners
Support Group Professional

**Medicaid bill would provide profound
benefits with creative arts therapy**

To the editor:

Facilitating healing. Providing safety and containment. Strengthening connections. These are just a few of the transformative benefits of creative arts therapy, yet this evidence-based approach remains out-of-reach for some of New York's most underserved populations.

Fortunately, there is a remedy. With just a stroke of her pen, Governor Hochul can sign the Medicaid bill into law and expand access to the second largest group of licensed mental health therapists in New York, licensed creative arts therapists (LCATs).

As an art therapist with 17 years of experience, I have witnessed the profound and far-reaching impact of creative arts therapy - from strengthening self-confidence for clients emerging from abusive environments, to creating a sense of stability for adults with chronic mental illness, to finding moments of lucidity for patients with Alzheimer's, to rebuilding a sense of safety for victims of domestic violence.

Creative arts therapy is not merely about artistic expression; it allows for externalization of emotions and experiences that can be difficult to articulate with words. Art becomes a bridge to understanding oneself and connecting with others. Imagine the widespread impact on communities throughout New York when access to these vital therapies is expanded for Medicaid recipients.

Take, for example, a therapy group I co-facilitated for survivors of domestic violence using structured art therapy techniques for self-discovery and expression. At first you could feel the tension as the women exchanged little more than head nods. However, as our sessions continued, an amazing transformation occurred. Engaging in the art therapy techniques provided the group with a universal language to express both their pain and their resilience, bringing a visceral level of empathy and understanding. Strangers transformed into a support network.

Expanding access to these crucial therapies for Medicaid recipients is about more than individual well-being. It is about creating mental health equity. Those populations historically most underserved in New York deserve access to the transformative impacts creative arts therapy has on communities.


And the need has never been more urgent as our state continues to endure a mental health crisis. By signing the Medicaid bill into law, Governor Hochul can expand access to creative arts therapy and champion a future where healing and empowerment are within the reach of all New Yorkers.

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Incumbents re-elected to Assembly, Senate seats

Compiled by Kate Goldsmith

New York State unofficial Election Night results indicate that local incumbents for state Senate and Assembly districts will continue to serve for the next two years.

ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 103

Sarahana Shrestha, running on the Democratic and Working Families lines, defeated Republican/Conservative challenger Jack Hayes by a decisive margin.

Shrestha received a total of 44,879 votes (60.89%); 37,857 (51.36 %) on the Democratic line and 7,022 (9.53%) on the Working Families line.

Hayes received a total of 25,416 votes (34.48%); 21,552 (29.24%) on the Republican line and 3,864 (5.24 %) on the Conservative line.

There were no write-in votes, and 3,383 (4.59 %) were left blank.

The 103rd Assembly District includes the towns of Red Hook and Rhinebeck.

“Elections are a great opportunity to talk with my constituents about what we’re fighting for at the State level and bring them into the political process,” said Shrestha. “This year, we knocked on over 25,000 doors and spoke with thousands who are enthusiastic about my priorities to tackle issues at their root. We want to remove the profit motive from essential needs like healthcare and energy, make serious investments in public goods like schools and permanently affordable high-quality homes, stop wasting billions of taxpayer dollars on for-profit middlemen, and ensure that everyday people have stable lives and opportunities to prosper.”

Shrestha rejects donations from corporations, corporate CEOs, corporate lobbyists, corporate PACs, fossil fuel polluters, for-profit real estate developers, and school and healthcare privatizers.

“So far almost 2,500 voters who live in the Central Hudson service territory have put their name down to support our bill, the Hudson Valley Power Authority Act, to eliminate the profit motive from our energy provider and replace it with a people’s utility,” she said. “We started collecting names on Labor Day, and I’m excited to continue talking with tens of thousands of more ratepayers all over the service territory about this piece of legislation. People of all political persuasions have so far put their name down in support when we knocked on their doors, even people who disagree with me on everything else. And that’s because it’s common sense that people should come before profits.”

“We also talked with voters about Prop 1 [which passed with nearly 4.5 million

votes; see below], a ballot proposal for the Equal Rights Amendment, which had millions of dollars spent against it, misleading people about what the amendment actually does—it closes loopholes in our State constitution to prevent New Yorkers from facing discrimination of their civil rights based on something about their identity.”

ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 106



Assemblymember Didi Barrett

Six-term Democratic Assemblymember Didi Barrett was elected to serve a seventh term, defeating Republican/Conservative challenger Stephan L. Krakower by a count of 38,734 to 29,378.

AD 106 includes parts of Columbia and Dutchess counties, including the towns of Clinton, Hyde Park, Milan, North East, Pine Plains, Pleasant Valley, Poughkeepsie, Stanford, Washington, and the villages of Millbrook and Millerton.

“I want to thank the voters of the 106th Assembly District for this solid victory,” Barrett said. “I love this beautiful district and it remains my greatest honor to fight my constituents and the values we all share - protecting our rights, ensuring a greener future, and creating a more affordable Hudson Valley!”

Krakower, an attorney in the Town of Poughkeepsie, received 25,799 (36.11 %) on the Republican ballot line and 3,579 (5.01 %) on the Conservative line.

There were also 96 write-in votes (0.13 %); 3,222 (4.51%) left this race blank.

SENATE DISTRICT 41

Incumbent Democrat Michelle Hinchey was re-elected to represent District 41, prevailing over Republican challenger Patrick Sheehan. Hinchey ran on the Democratic and Working Families lines, receiving a total of 97,732 votes (56.53%). Broken down by party, that translates to 84,713 (49%) on the Democratic line and 13,019 (7.53%) on the Working Families Line.



Sarahana Shrestha (center, seated) and supporters gathered on Election night. Courtesy photo

The district covers parts of Dutchess, Ulster, Columbia and Greene counties.

Hinchey said, “We built a campaign focused on opportunity, on the future we deserve in the Hudson Valley, on our record of fighting for what matters to our communities and our work to consistently get things done that make life better for all of us. We also built a campaign that decisively fought back against the fear-mongering and blatant hatred that tried to take hold, and we won. We got to the finish line with more love and support than I could have ever imagined for our State Senate race – a race in which Democrats, Republicans, and unaffiliated voters united to help us keep delivering for rural and upstate communities. I’m honored to continue this work in another term.”

Sheehan received a total of 69,821 (40.39%) votes, with 60,810 (35.17%) on the Republican line and 9,011 (5.21%) on the Conservative line.

There were 52 write-in votes, and 5,217 (3.02%) left this race blank.

Proposition One passed by a count of 4,478,058 (56.59%) to 2,763,919 (34.93%), with 667,957 (8.44 %) leaving it blank. The successful passage will create and amendment to the state’s constitution to protect against unequal treatment based on a number of conditions such as ethnicity, national origin, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy and pregnancy outcomes, as well as reproductive health care and autonomy.

Statement on the unofficial nature of Election Night results

From NY State Board of Elections,



State Sen. Michelle Hinchey

<https://nyenr.elections.ny.gov/>
 “The unofficial election night results displayed on [the NYS Board of Elections] web site are based on the unofficial results reported to us by each County Board of Elections and as such, are posted on the web as a convenience to the public. New York State Election Law requires a complete canvass of all votes cast on Election Day and the canvass of all valid absentee, special, and affidavit (provisional) ballots before any election results can be certified. Once all ballot counting tasks have been completed (usually within 15 days for a primary and within 25 days for a general election), each County Board certifies their respective election results pursuant to and in accordance with the applicable sections of New York State Election Law (see NYS Election Law, Sections 3-222, 9-200, 9-208). Those certifications are then sent to the State Board for aggregation, certification and publication/posting.”

See page 6 for election results for State Senate District 39

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Rolison wins NYS Senate District 39

For NYS Senate District 39, incumbent Rob Rolison was projected to win another term work in Albany for Dutchess County residents. Rolison was challenged by current Minority Leader of the Dutchess County Legislature Yvette Valdés Smith.

Rolison was on the Republican and Conservative lines. Valdés Smith ran on the Democratic and Working Families lines.

Rolison received 52.17% of the votes, 52,028 votes. Valdés Smith has 47,655 votes or 47.48% of the vote.

District 39 covers the cities of Beacon and Poughkeepsie and the towns of Beekman, East Fishkill, Fishkill, Lagrange, Pawling, Poughkeepsie, Union Vale, and Wappinger and parts of Orange and Putnam counties.

The election results are unofficial according to the Dutchess County Board of Elections.

According to reports, totals for all counties, were 72,815, or 51.4% of the vote for Rolison. Valdés Smith received 68,940 votes or 48.6% of the votes.

"I am grateful to our district's voters for the honor to serve them again in the State Senate. Despite my opponent and affiliated outside groups pouring millions of dollars into the race, our positive message of delivering local results cut through the noise and false attacks and resonated with our constituents. I am thrilled to return to Albany in January serving as their voice in our state capital once again," Rolison said last week.

Valdés Smith said, "While last night's (Nov. 5) results did not go how we had hoped, I couldn't be more proud of what we accomplished together on



State Sen. Rob Rolison

this campaign."

She continued: "Across our three counties, we fought hard for our values and for the future our children and families deserve here in the Hudson Valley. We knocked on over 130,000 doors, made more than 460,000 calls, and connected with thousands of our neighbors in the process.

"Running to represent the 39th Senate District has been the honor of a lifetime. To my family, friends, volunteers, and everyone who believed in us, thank you from the bottom of my heart."

Valdés Smith concluded: "I look forward to continuing the fight for the working families of the Hudson Valley, protecting our clean air and water, combating gun violence, and protecting reproductive freedoms. The work is far from over."

Workshop set Nov. 19 on restoration of Creek Meeting House in Clinton

The Clinton Town Board, in partnership with the Board of Trustees of the Clinton Historical Society, will hold a workshop on the restoration of the 1777 Creek Meeting House on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Creek Meeting House, 2433 Salt Point Turnpike in Clinton Corners.

All Town of Clinton residents and members of the Clinton Historical Society are invited to attend. A question-and-answer period will follow a presentation. Refreshments will be served.

The Creek Meeting House is a fieldstone house of worship built in 1777-80 by the Society of Friends (Quakers) in Clinton Corners. It is owned by the Town of Clinton Historical Society, which uses its first floor as a meeting space and exhibit hall. The building's second floor houses a local history archive. The Creek Meeting House is on the National Register of Historic Places and represents important narratives in American history.

Restoration of the Creek Meeting House will preserve and continue the

building's nearly 250-year history as a meeting hall and gathering place for the local community. It will make the building ADA accessible, incorporate necessary structural repairs, restore the historic interior of the building, update HVAC and other building systems to comply with modern building codes, and introduce improvements that will help it better withstand the effects of climate change. When restored, the building will be open regularly for tours that will enhance the public's historical understanding and increase residents' sense of place. The restoration will also adapt the building for use as a multipurpose community center open for meetings, social events, performances, and exhibits, and it will continue to function as the headquarters of the Historical Society. Workshop presenters will also discuss why it is important that the Historical Society is able to purchase a small amount of vacant property adjacent to the Creek Meeting House on land now owned by the Friends Cemetery Association.

NE Historical Society to host talk about exceptional teacher

The North East Historical Society will host a special presentation about the life of an extraordinary teacher at its annual meeting in the annex of the NorthEast-Millerton Library on Saturday, Nov. 16, at 2 p.m. The public is invited, and the event is free.

North East Town Historian Edward Downey will give a talk entitled, "Violet H. Simmons — A Remarkable Teacher." Miss Simmons grew up in Millerton and taught in its schools for 48 years. During the last half of that time she was legally blind.

There will be a brief business meeting at which Ralph Fedele will be honored for his long commitment to local history and to the Irontdale Schoolhouse preservation project.

Afterward the presentation, the historical society will host a reception and tour of its special exhibit on the "History of Schools in North East" in the North East-Millerton Library. Refreshments will be served.



Violet Simmons grew up in Millerton and taught in its schools for 48 years. During the last half of that time she was legally blind. Courtesy photo





Holiday AUCTION

Annual Holiday Auction, Saturday, November 23
 Silent Auction Bidding and Live Auction Viewing will be 5:30 to 6:45 p.m.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Float entries needed for LaGrange Festival of Lights

The Town of LaGrange Festival of Lights parade returns to town center this year and is planned for Saturday, Nov. 30. The parade begins at 6:30 p.m. Line-up takes place at Arlington High School beginning at 5:30pm. The parade will exit the high school and travel West on Route 55 to its end at Freedom Road.

Organizers are looking for parade entries with anticipation of this being the largest parade to date. Floats must be holiday themed in nature and family friendly. Walkers are not allowed and nothing can be thrown from floats. Past participants have wowed the crowds with elaborate lighting, music and fun holiday themed displays. Businesses, teams, families, fire departments, etc. are encouraged to enter a float or lighted vehicle!

The parade is organized by the town's highway and parks departments and has become the hallmark event of the year. With businesses, organizations and individuals decorating their vehicles and floats to the max, it is always fun to see the creativity of displays. Law enforcement and local fire departments also participate, with LaGrange Fire District in the lead.

For information on how you can be part of this year's parade, email Recreation@lagrangeny.gov or call the Parks & Recreation Office at 845-452-1972. All participants must register to participate and agree to all parade rules. Staff will be on hand inspecting floats at line-up.

For detailed information about the parade, including rules, parking and travel information, follow Town of LaGrange Parks and Recreation on Facebook, or visit the town website at lagrangeny.gov/parks-rec.

Clinton participating in Toys for Tots drive

The Town of Clinton is accepting donations of new, unwrapped toys for children of all ages, as

part of the annual Toys for Tots holiday toy drive. Drop toys off by Dec. 11 at the Town of Clinton Supervisor's Office, 1215 Centre Road, Rhinebeck. For questions, call Cathy Gallinger at (845) 266-5853, option 2, or email supervisorsec@townofclinton.com

Rhinecliff Soup Sales set Nov. 14, Dec. 19

It's time for Fall Rhinecliff Soup Sales, sponsored by Rhinebeck Grange #896. Mark your Calendar for the third Thursday of the month (Nov 14, Dec 19) 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sold by the Quart. \$10. quart. Take Out Only. Rhinecliff Firehouse, corner of Shatzell Ave. and Orchard, Rhinecliff. Pick up at side window on Orchard St. NEW! Pick up also available at Morton Library between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Proceeds go toward the General Fund of Rhinebeck Grange #896 to support community events. Email: JoBaer2@gmail.com to be emailed the soup choices for each month and pre-order online.

Pleasant Valley Library announces HUGE Book Sale

More than 20,000 books, CDs, and DVDs will be available for purchase at the Pleasant Valley Library, at 1584 Main St. (Route 44), Pleasant Valley during the annual HUGE Fall Book Sale.

The sale begins on Friday, Nov. 15, from noon to 6 p.m., and continues Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 16 and 17, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Kids' books are just 4 for \$1. CDs & DVDs are 2 for \$1. Adult books and puzzles are 5 for \$5.

For the best selection, be there on Friday morning for \$10 Early Bird Admission between 9 a.m. and noon.

Sunday is "Name Your Price Day" for all remaining items from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., when you can take as many books as you want, and you decide the price.

For more information, call (845) 635-8460 or visit <https://pleasantvalleylibrary.org/>.

Roast Pork Dinner

set Nov. 16 at Stanford Grange

Stanford Grange #808 will host a Roast Pork Dinner on Saturday, November 16, 2024, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville. All dinners are take out only at 5 p.m. The menu will consist of Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Carrots, Applesauce, and Homemade Apple Cake for dessert. Donation is \$17 per dinner. Drive to the back door of the Grange Hall, pay for your dinner and get your food through your car window, and take it home to enjoy! For reservations, please call Grange Secretary Ryan Orton at (845) 868-7869 and leave a message.

Thrift Shop Christmas Sale

Nov. 22-23 in Millbrook

Uncle Al's Thrift Shop will have its annual Christmas Sale on Friday and Saturday (Nov. 22 & 23) at St. Joseph School gym (lots of room to shop; ample parking), 25 St. Joseph Drive, Millbrook. The event will feature numerous Christmas and holiday items: decorations for your home (inside and outside), gift items, new and like-new toys & games, and more. Hours for the sale are Friday (Nov. 22) and Saturday (Nov. 23) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All proceeds from the Christmas Sale and from Uncle Al's Thrift Shop benefit St. Joseph-Immaculate Conception Church in Millbrook.

Holiday Book Sale

at LaGrange Library set for Nov. 22-23

A Holiday Book Sale will be held at LaGrange Library from Nov. 22-23. The hours are from 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m. on Nov. 22. The book sale hours are 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. on Nov. 23.

One may come and shop for special selection of books and media for gifts and treasures! All proceeds benefit LaGrange Library.

The library is at 1110 Route 55 in Lagrangeville.

Holiday Auction in Pleasant Valley

The First Presbyterian Church, 1576 Main Street, Pleasant Valley will present its Annual Holiday Auction on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m. with Jeff Traver calling. Silent Auction bidding and live auction viewing will be from 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. Items will include Annalee dolls, child's rocking chair, quilt, themed baskets, gifts from local businesses, homemade baked goods, and more. Free refreshments.

Regina Coeli sets Craft Fair Nov. 23

Regina Coeli Parish on Route 9, Hyde Park will host their 50th Annual Craft Fair on Saturday, November 23, from 9am to 3pm. There will be almost 60 vendors displaying their handmade craft items. The parish will sponsor several booths including the "Craft Boutique" with various handmade items; "The Bake Booth" with delicious pies, cakes and cookies; "Santa's Closet" which will sell new or nearly new merchandise; "The Promise Tree" featuring discount merchandise

gift certificates from local merchants; the "Vendor Raffle" with merchandise from vendors; "Raffle Baskets" which is an assortment of 10 themed raffle baskets and "Refreshments" which will be available throughout the day. "Santa" promises to make an appearance for photos from 10am-2pm. Admission is \$2 which will get you a ticket for entry into our door prize raffle.

Free Community & Historical Thanksgiving Dinner set at Stanford Grange

Stanford Grange #808 and Stanford: A Caring Community will sponsor a Free Community & Historical Thanksgiving Dinner at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82; Stanfordville, from 1 - 3 p.m. Enjoy traditional Thanksgiving foods as well as foods original to the first Thanksgiving including indigenous foods shared by our first peoples. A brief historical presentation about the First Thanksgiving will be given at 2 p.m. The community is cordially invited to attend. For more information, call Grange Secretary Ryan Orton at (845) 868-7869.

Red Hook Library Friends group to hold first book sale Dec. 7

The newly launched Friends of the Red Hook Public Library will host their first book sale on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Donations will be accepted on Friday, Nov. 15, from 2 to 4 p.m.

The Friends are only accepting donations of Mysteries & Thrillers, Biographies & History, and Children's Graphic Novels & Chapter Books in good condition. Limit one box of each genre/person/donation day.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Friends of the Library group may contact circulationdesk@redhooklibrary.org.

LaGrange Library annual meeting set Dec. 12

The 2024 Annual Meeting of the LaGrange Association Library Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, December 12, at the LaGrange Library at 7 p.m. All interested members of the public are welcome to attend.

ONGOING

Meals on Wheels of Hyde Park and the Village of Rhinebeck is seeking volunteer drivers during the hours of 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Drivers are needed Monday-Friday. You can drive one or more days each week or substitute as needed. All drivers work in teams so couples or friends are encouraged to volunteer together. For more information visit www.mealsonwheelsofhp.org or, contact Andrea Tkazyik at (845) 229-5896.

The New to You Thrift Shop at St. Christopher's in Red Hook has everything from shoes to coats, bags, scarves, hats...Come in and outfit yourself for the chillier times. The prices are amazing. And while the ladies are browsing clothing, we have children's clothing and toys and games. The shop is at 30 Benner Road in Red Hook by St. Christopher's School.

CCEDC Annual Meeting scheduled Nov. 20 at Arbor Ridge in Rhinebeck

The 111th Annual Meeting of Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County (CCEDC) will be held Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 6 p.m. with a family-style dinner at Arbor Ridge on Mountain Laurel Lane in Rhinebeck. This year's theme is "Growing Forward" and staff will review the services that CCEDC has provided throughout Dutchess County during the past year.

Community members, stakeholders and donors are welcome to review the success of CCEDC's pursuit of economic vitality, ecological sustainability, and social well-being throughout the service area. Cornell Cooperative Extension welcomes organizations and businesses eager to collaborate and support these efforts in any way.

Eligible Dutchess County residents will vote on the Program Advisory Committee and Board of Directors nominees and appointees, among other items. Residents will be asked to confirm your residential status as a part of the voting process. Details of this will be sent to

meeting registrants.

Residents are invited to join Board chair, Lacie M. Reilly and Executive Director, Mary Lou Carolan, in celebrating the highlights of success from the past year's CCEDC diverse community programming. This annual event will celebrate and recognize the association and individuals who continue to give their best to the mission of CCEDC.

All supporters are welcome to this annual event. For those attendees who are Dutchess County residents and wish to vote during the Annual Meeting portion of the evening, you will be asked to confirm that you are 18 years of age or older, and qualify as enrolled in accordance with Article IV, Section 1 of the Association Constitution.

The Annual Meeting and voting will take place from 6-7 p.m. Ticket purchases are for the dinner ONLY, which will take place after the meeting. Please purchase your ticket as soon as possible via the website: ccedutchess.org. Reserving your place is required prior to this event.



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Astor Services seeks donations for Adopt-A-Family program

With the holiday season approaching, Astor Services, a nonprofit organization providing mental/behavioral health and educational services to thousands of children, adolescents, adults and their families throughout the Hudson Valley and the Bronx, is seeking monetary donations to continue its successful annual Adopt-A-Family program, which helps families in need locally.

For more than 30 years, the Adopt-A-Family program has paired children enrolled in Astor programs and their families (ages 18 and under) with donors who purchase gifts for them during the holidays. Since 2020, when safety modifications were made to the program due to the pandemic, Adopt-A-Family has sought donations to purchase gift cards, a format that was well-received by all. This year, like the last three years, instead of wrapped gifts, gift cards will be sent directly to the families of the children registered.

"During the holiday season, many of the families we serve struggle to meet their children's needs and holiday

wishes," said Yvette Bairan, chief executive officer of Astor Services. "For these families, a gift card is truly more than just a gift. It empowers families to choose what is right for them and their children and strengthens a family's bond. Gift cards enable families to experience joy as their children open a gift chosen personally for them."

Last year, through the generous donations received from individuals, local businesses, and foundations, Astor's Adopt-A-Family program provided gift cards to more than 1,400 children in the Hudson Valley and the Bronx. This year, there are more than 1,600 children enrolled. Astor hopes that, with the community's generosity, it will once again be able to provide some holiday joy to families in need. For more information about the program, or to sign up to donate, visit www.astorservices.org/adopt-a-family or contact Tara Thorne at tthorne@astorservices.org. Matching corporate donations are also greatly appreciated, as they increase the impact of this program.

DCHS Online Auction of tours, antiques and more ends Nov. 17



A wide variety of local antiques, tours and travel experiences are included in the Dutchess County Historical Society online auction, which ends Nov. 17. *Courtesy photo*

Over 150 Lots of unique historical experiences, antiques, art and gift cards are currently being auctioned to the highest bidders to benefit the Dutchess County Historical Society (DCHS). The fully illustrated catalog is available online at: <https://aarauctions.com/servlet/Search.do?auctionId=7313&page=6&perPage=20&orderBy=>

All proceeds go to the 109-year-old not-for-profit organization to support its mission and program of work of preserving and sharing its rich history.

Some unique antiques include Lot 69 - An impressive statue by artist Simon Troger (1693-1768) depicting a peasant with a horn and Lot 76 - A large porcelain statue titled "Peacock on High Pedestal" signed by artist Edmund Sode. Others include a cast iron mantle clock, 400 early postcards, harness maker's vise, Barn Tour of a Private Collection of Hudson Valley Carriages & Sleighs and Lot 129 - an 1826 Book: The Life of George Washington by Mason Weems,

Early Porcelain, pottery and collectibles will be sold, including Meissen Demitasse Cups, Saucers and sugar bowl, Herend Porcelain, Richard Ginori Italy Cache Pot Planter, Miniature hand painted portraits including one of Composer Franz Schubert, Watercolor on Board of Venice at Night, 19thC Italian School Portrait of Young Man. Framed oil on canvas having Italian stamps in the manner of Giovanni Bellini.

The DCHS Auction offers many once-in-a-lifetime opportunities to go inside historic properties on private tours that are not normally available for viewing. These historic properties are fully deco-

rated with art and antiques of the period. Successful bidders will set their appointments with the donor for bringing their guests for viewing and refreshments on a mutually agreed upon date.

Examples include Lot 26: A private tour for eight people of Edgewater Mansion in Barrytown, built in 1824. Witness the opulence of the mansion's dining room, admire the beautiful elegance of the 19th Century decorations in the sitting rooms and take a peek into some of the rooms not normally allowed for viewing. Wander the grounds and you come across the estate's pool, fit for F. Scott Fitzgerald's "Jay Gatsby."

Lot 102 offers a private behind the ropes tour for four people of the 1709 "Madame Brett Homestead" in Beacon. Known as the oldest standing building in southern Dutchess County, the Madam Brett Homestead is a time capsule of colonial life. The home and museum are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and are part of the NYS Independence Trail.

In addition to many "behind the ropes" tours of individual historic properties there are a good number of walking tours in historic Hamlets, villages, campus's and museums including Vassar College Private Art Tour with The Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center Director Bart Thurber and two historic City of Poughkeepsie Walking Tours guided by experienced historians. Most of these unique experiences include refreshments.

To compliment all of the "unique experiences" there are Gift Certificates to local restaurants, and other goods and services being auctioned.

CASH Coalition, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide seeking volunteers for upcoming tax season

In an annual partnership, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide and the Hudson Valley CASH Coalition are providing free tax preparation services to eligible residents of Dutchess, Orange, and Putnam counties. This initiative primarily benefits seniors and low-to-moderate income households, offering a reliable and affordable solution for tax filing.

As the 2025 tax season approaches, both organizations are actively recruiting volunteers to join this valuable community service. Free training sessions will be held throughout the fall of 2024 and early winter of 2025. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Linda Eddy at leddy@dutchesscap.org or 845-475-7500.

Last year alone, the program assisted 6,418 residents, resulting in over \$4 million in tax refunds and credits. This not only benefited families and individuals but also saved them nearly \$1.9 million in tax preparation fees.

Volunteer opportunities are available to individuals of all skill levels. While a background in accounting or finance is helpful, it is not required. Administrative and support roles, such as tax site greeters, program marketing, and appointment support, are also available for those who prefer non-mathematical tasks.

Individuals with computer proficiency and a desire to help others are strongly encouraged to join the volunteer team. Prior experience with tax filing is advantageous but not mandatory. Tax volunteer classes will provide comprehensive training and culminate in IRS certification upon successful completion. The Hudson Valley CASH Coalition is actively seeking bilingual volunteers to better serve Spanish-speaking clients.

For more details on volunteering, please contact Linda Eddy at 845-475-7500 or leddy@dutchesscap.org or visit www.hv-cash.org.

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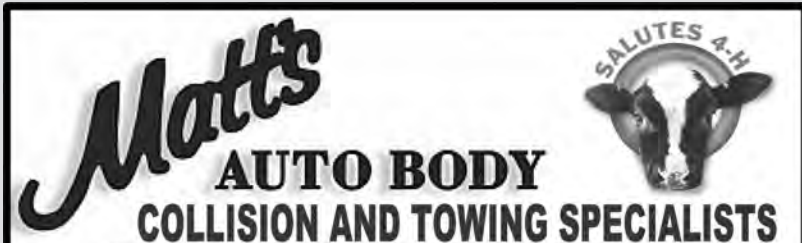
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The 4-H Sheep Program has a long history of success and we want you to be a part of it!

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A Market Lamb Project is a great place to start if you want to get involved in meat animal agriculture! Market lambs are raised with goal of becoming a quality meat product, ready for the table.

A youth competing a Market Lamb Project will purchase their lamb in the spring (April or May) and will raise it until the Dutchess County Fair at the end of August. You don't need a barn or land! Sheep have simple needs, requiring a basic shelter and run. We recommend a calf hutch as a suitable space conscious shelter.

It is important that a market lamb receives appropriate feed, grain and hay to grow, which can be purchased at your local feed store. Youth must work with their market lamb everyday to build a bond, training them to lead on a halter and set up for show. Youth in the Club Program receive guidance from their 4-H club leaders and members to help them complete a successful project. Market Lamb projects are eligible to be sold in the Youth Livestock Sale at the Dutchess County Fair, an outlet where the public can bid on your animal!

Are you interested in starting a Market Lamb Project? Let us know! Email Emma at elj57@cornell.edu to learn more or visit our website, ccedutchess.org/youth-4-h

Pumpkin Patch Winners

We would like to congratulate our 2024 4-H Pumpkin Patch Winners! 1st Place: Zora Nicholls 2nd Place: Adele McKenna 3rd Place: Angelina Gragnaniello 4th Place: Vivien Padoleski 5th Place: Madison Horboychuk

All Dutchess County Residents are invited to the Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County's Annual Meeting, held November 20th at 6pm at the Pavilion at Arbor Ridge at Brookmeade. To RSVP, head to ccedutchess.org. See you there.



A market lamb project is a great place to start if you want to get involved in meat animal agriculture! Photo courtesy of Kalie Harrison

Mill Road schools in Red Hook honor Veterans with special program



Students, teachers and staff at Mill Road Elementary and Primary Schools in Red Hook honored area Veterans on Nov. 7. Dr. Brian Boyd, Mill Road School Principal, welcomed Veterans, with their friends and families in the Mill Road cafeteria. The room was beautifully decorated with patriotic greeting cards, signs and military displays painstakingly created over the past several weeks by students in all the grades at Mill Road. The event featured grades Pre-K through 5th grades marching one after the other into the cafeteria, singing patriotic songs to recognize Veterans Day. *Photos by Richard Wambach*

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Red Hook High School experiments headed to International Space Station

A pair of experiments created at Red Hook High School are making their way to the International Space Station.

When Mission 18 of the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program launched Nov. 4, it carried both “The Effect of Microgravity on the Hatching Rate of Rotifers,” an experiment designed by four seniors for the mission, and “Examining Artemia Salina Hatching in the Presence of Microgravity,” which was originally planned as part of Mission 17.

The unique opportunity to have student-designed work executed by astronauts orbiting the planet is the product of the Red Hook Central School District taking part in the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program. The goal of the program, which the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education started in June 2010, is to give students the ability to design and propose real microgravity experiments to fly in low Earth orbit.

“It’s the application of scientific skills in a real-world situation, which gets students excited,” said Deborah Beam, the recently retired Red Hook High School science teacher who led the local application of the project since it began in June 2022.

“It’s pretty remarkable, when you think about it,” said Giacomo Buitoni, one of four seniors, along with Ava Hubner, Emmy Nelson-Madore and Lotta Pflaum, who designed the Mission 18 experiment as juniors. “In school, you’re doing science from a young age. You’re always doing random experiments here and there, but you’re never

doing real science. This is the kind of science that people actually listen to when you get the results back and conclusions are made and actions are taken around the world.”

To be included in a mission, school communities first submit an Implementation Plan that details how taking part would address a strategic need for STEM education, how its educators would engage the student population and how many students would take part. Once approved, the educators deliver a microgravity curriculum to the students, and groups work together to formulate specific experiments.

Teachers in each participating Red Hook class submitted the best experiments to a panel of teachers, who narrowed the list of candidates to three. After students used feedback from the teachers to sharpen their experiments, they were submitted to the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education’s National Step 2 Review Board, which selects the one from each school community that will take flight. Each selected group is given a flight-certified, microgravity research mini-laboratory in which to include its experiment. The astronauts then execute the experiment on the space station and, at the same time, students execute the experiment on Earth.

The experiment picked for Mission 18, “The Effect of Microgravity on the Hatching Rate of Rotifers,” will compare how the zoo plankton grow in microgravity versus the Earth’s gravity. The four students hypothesized “Rotifers will reproduce and develop more rapidly under microgravity than they will

on Earth.”

A fifth student, Rosa Hagan, is also helping with the packaging and execution of the experiments and science teacher Larra Agate has taken over for Beam as lead faculty advisor. Equal samples of freeze-dried Rotifer eggs will be rehydrated in freshwater on both the ISS and on Earth, and a fixative will be combined with the eggs after a few days. The hatching rates of both groups will then be compared.

The students, in their proposal, noted the results could have applications in waste management of freshwater, “as these organisms can be used to prevent clouds of waste in water.”

The other experiment, “Examining Artemia Salina Hatching in the Presence of Microgravity,” was created by 2023 Red Hook graduates Jessica Amato, Zola Campisi, Avis Roszko, Raphael Senterfit-Sanjuan and Tucker Sheahan and was included when Mission 17 launched on Nov. 9, 2023. However, the experiment, which measures the hatching of brine shrimp – sea monkeys – in a similar fashion as the zoo plankton, was scrapped after the test subjects were tainted in space. Subsequently, a reflight experiment was included on the list of experiments traveling in the Nov. 4 launch, which is scheduled for 9:29 p.m. EST.

The five current students prepared and packaged both experiments. Buitoni said his group had varied ideas for their experiment – making kombucha in space or letting milk sour among them – before

being inspired by pond water on Nelson-Madore’s property to incorporate zooplankton.

“We did some research on what organisms may thrive in that environment and we had some guidance from Ms. Beam,” Nelson-Madore said. Despite their similarities, the two Red Hook experiments were developed separately. Buitoni attributed it to “the osmosis of ideas.” Nelson-Madore said running both the sea monkey and zooplankton experiments at the same time will add to the value of the results. “We’ll see if there’s any difference between the two typed of organisms under relatively similar conditions.” In addition, with each mission, school communities are invited to design mission patches.

At Red Hook, more than 200 students took part in a design contest for each missions 17 and 18. Taia Mokii, then a ninth-grade student, created the winning design for Mission 17, and November Koga, then a 10th -grade student, had the favored patch for Mission 18. In all, between 35 and 40 possible projects were created in Red Hook for each of the two missions. The process of teaching the curriculum, creating project groups and finally submitting experiment ideas to the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education, spans around three months.

“It takes a long time,” Beam said, “but the process of the science, the writing of the science, those are all immense skills that, at the end of this, you can’t ask for anything better.”

County awards second round of Youth Wellness grants

Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino has announced grants totaling \$47,761 which have been awarded through the latest round of the County’s 2024 Youth Wellness Supports Microgrants program. These grants will support four local organizations that build strong well-being and deter young people from developing substance use issues and other destructive behaviors, setting them up for successful, healthy futures as adults.

Projects funded through the 2024 Youth Wellness Supports Microgrants program include:

Red Hook Public Library, Red Hook, \$5,000 – Ten librarians throughout Dutchess County will be trained on Youth Mental Health First Aid, with each developing their own action plan for youth mental health crisis intervention.

Millbrook Library, Millbrook, \$5,000 – Expand the library’s children’s collection by adding books focused on mental health and substance use prevention, as well as support a 6-month Kids Yoga Series consisting of 24 classes to teach mindfulness and stress-relief techniques and help children develop healthy coping skills, foster mental well-being and reinforce substance use prevention strategies from an early age.

Mental Health America of Dutchess County, Poughkeepsie, \$19,000 – Design a custom landscape design of the Ellen’s Place outdoor classroom to include activity stations and serve as a creative space allowing exploration of a child’s imagination, encouraging impulse control and reduced aggression.

James’s Warriors, East Fishkill, \$18,761 – Purchase items for coping kits, given to schools following the organization’s school-based presentations and awareness events regarding mental health and suicide prevention, changing the way mental health is per-

ceived with the aim of reducing the stigma surrounding it and preventing suicide.

Announced in July, the Youth Wellness Supports Microgrants program seeks proposals from nonprofit organizations, municipalities and grassroots organizations that offer specific programs benefiting youth, with evidence-based wellness activities that help reduce the risk of substance use for children and young adults under age 25.

The 2024 Youth Wellness Support Microgrant Program focuses on several key areas targeting preventing young people from developing substance use disorders and safeguarding their mental wellness, including Prevention, Public Awareness Activities and Social Media Awareness and Safe Use.

Grant proposals continue to be accepted and should reflect one or more of these focus areas. Creative ideas that have demonstrated success are encouraged. Grant applications can be submitted online via Dutchess County’s online grant portal (<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Login?urlkey=dc>) and will be accepted on a rolling basis while funds are available.

Grant awards can range from \$5,000 to \$19,000 per recipient. The Youth Wellness Support Microgrant program is funded with \$200,000 of opioid settlement funds obtained as a result of litigation against the pharmaceutical industry; to date, \$95,060 has been awarded through the program.

Youth Wellness Support Microgrant Program instructions and guidance are available online via <https://www.dutchessny.gov/>; applicants must ensure compliance with Dutchess County’s Procurement Policies and Procedures. For more information on the grant program and application process, please contact Sandi Pierson at spierson@dutchessny.gov.

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One more weekend to catch 'Nunsense'

The Two Of Us Productions presents "Nunsense," the toe-tapping musical comedy by Dan Goggin, for one more weekend at the Copake Grange Hall, 628 Empire Road in Copake. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 15, and Saturday, Nov. 16; and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 17.

The story of "Nunsense" is that five of the 19 surviving Little Sisters of Hoboken, a one-time missionary order that ran a leper colony on an island south of France, discover that their cook, Sister Julia, Child of God, accidentally killed the other fifty-two residents of the convent with her tainted vichyssoise while they were off playing bingo. Discovering the disaster, Mother Superior has a vision in which she was told to start a greeting card company to raise funds for the burials. The greeting cards were an enormous success and, thinking there was plenty of

money, the Reverend Mother bought a giant-screen LCD TV and some streaming subscriptions for the convent, leaving her without enough money to pay for the last four burials. With the unburied deceased nuns in the deep freezer, they decide to stage a variety show in the Mount Saint Helen's School auditorium to raise the money to bury the final four.

"Nunsense" features Kitt Lapaix as Reverend Mother Mary Regina, Constance Lopez as Novice Mistress Sister Mary Hubert, Karissa Payson as Sister Mary Leo the Dancing Nun, Lauren Letellier as the streetwise Sister Robert Anne, oh and I almost forgot Nicole Molinski as Sister Mary Amnesia.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students & seniors. For advance reservations, visit www.TheTwoOfUsProductions.org or call 518-329-6293.



The Two of Us Productions presents "Nunsense" for one more weekend at the Copake Grange on Nov. 15-17. *Courtesy photo*

Cappella Festiva to perform on Nov. 17 in Poughkeepsie

Cappella Festiva will perform their annual fall concert at Christ Episcopal Church, 20 Carroll St, Poughkeepsie on Sunday, Nov 17 at 4 p.m.

The music will be performed under the baton of conductor Dr. Christine Howlett and will be accompanied by James Fitzwilliam on piano.

Conductor Dr. Christine Howlett describes the concert: "Music of the Earth and Stars" is a program that weaves together themes of peace, light, resilience and transcendence exploring the celestial and earthy through sacred and contemporary works.

In the first half of the program the music takes us on a musical journey with engaging, passionate poetry by Robert Frost, Langston Hughes, Emma Lazarus, and Maya Angelou, to name a few. These texts are set to music styles ranging from classical to popular, including elements of jazz

and gospel, composed by Irving Berlin, Adolphus Hailstork, Rosephanye Powell, Randall Thompson, and others. Together the music and poetry form an arc of stories about determination and hope that represent the best of our American values.

The second half of the program features Francis Poulenc's "Gloria." This well-known choral work sets the traditional Latin Gloria text from the Catholic Mass Ordinary. It does this using a rich tapestry of musical styles, featuring soaring melodies, echoes of Gregorian Chant, and rich jazz-inspired harmonies and syncopated rhythms to create a beautiful work.

Tickets are available online at: <https://www.cappellafestiva.org/nov-2024-concert-music-of-the-earth-and-stars>.

For more information about the upcoming concert, please call 845-853-7765 or email cappellafestiva@gmail.com.

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Make holiday cards using 'marbled' paper

Be artsy and science-y by using paper marbling to create hand-made holiday cards for your friends and family this year. Paper marbling is a method in which colors floating on a liquid surface are transferred onto paper to create a marbled pattern.

The history of paper marbling

Paper marbling originated in Japan around the 12th century. It may have begun when sumi (black) ink paintings were accidentally submerged in water. The ink floated to the surface and paper was put on the floating ink, lifting it up, and preserving the image. This technique was termed Suminagashi, or "ink floating."

Another type of marbling, Ebru, Turkish for "cloud art," originated in Turkey, Persia, and India in the 15th century. The Turkish marblers used a thickened water solution to create detailed combed and flowing designs. During the 16th and 17th centuries, marbling spread to Europe, but the trade secrets were kept by only a handful of people. The patterns made were named after countries. Examples include Old Dutch, French Curl, and Italian Hair Vein. Most marbling at that time was used for decorative

bookbinding.

Finally, in 1853, the secret was revealed, and the process eventually came to the United States. But, with automation and the mass production of books, marbling became less popular. In the 1970s, crafts and handmade books emerged and helped renew marbling as an art form. Today, we can appreciate the beauty of marbling, as well as understand its scientific component.

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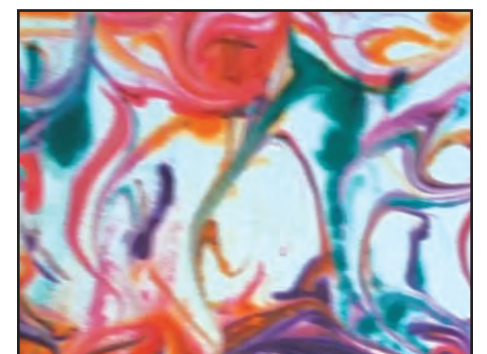
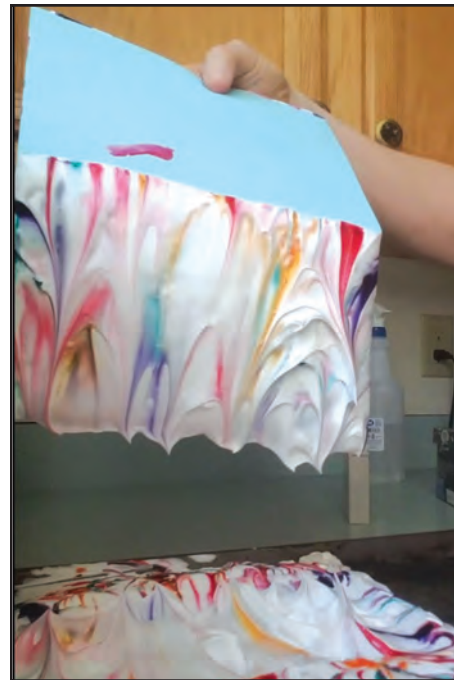
+ learn science = make marbled cards!

Save money instead of buying store-bought greeting cards. Marbled cards are easy to make and you probably have most of the necessary materials. You need baking pans or trays, shaving cream, a spoon, toothpicks, food coloring, card stock, a ruler, and separate spray bottles of water, vegetable oil, and rubbing alcohol. (The spray bottles of those liquids are optional).

A drop cloth, old sheet, etc., laid over the work area can be useful to keep it neat and stain-free.

To make marbled cards, simply spray shaving cream on the bottom of a pan or tray and add drops of food coloring. Then

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Clockwise from left: Lifting card stock off of shaving cream. Design sprayed with oil (the colors run). FW3-Design without any spray (vibrant). Photos by Francine Wizner

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THEME: FAMOUS BUILDINGS

ACROSS

- Performer's time to shine
- Selfie, e.g.
- One of five Ws
- Très _____, or very stylish
- Mandolin's cousin
- Knitter's unit
- Aren't, colloquially
- Mimicked
- *Like House with Oval Office
- *The Hunchback's home (2 words)
- Listening devices
- Flirtatious stares
- Salt, in Spanish
- *_____ State Building
- TV shows, e.g.
- Will Ferrell's "Funny or _____"
- Steve McQueen's "The Great _____" (1963)
- Toss a coin
- _____ & Young financial services company
- Kimono tie
- Sweating room
- Short skirt
- Batter (2 words)
- Lake, in French
- Anise seed (1 word)
- *_____ of Versailles or Buckingham _____
- _____ of war
- Sinbad the Sailor's home
- Not good
- *St. Basil's in Moscow or St. Paul's in London
- *The Parthenon in Athens is made of this
- Capital of Norway
- Aeneas' lover
- More slippery
- Animal protein
- Independent chieftain
- High degree
- TV program interruptions
- Retired, abbr.

DOWN

- CAT or PET, e.g.
- *Key Tower, tallest building in this Buckeye state
- Laundry room fire hazard
- Type of local tax
- Pupa, pl.
- Things
- Give up a state
- Dam-like structure
- Not misses
- Football's extra point
- Soup scoopers
- Make a solemn promise
- *Burj _____, tallest building in the world
- Wading bird
- "Monkey _____, monkey do"
- Bodily swelling
- Rice wine
- 1/100th of Finnish markka
- Rotisserie skewer
- Spurious wing
- Cancer-treating machine, acr.
- *_____ Needle, Seattle
- For boys and girls
- Lawyers' org.
- *_____ Chapel, Vatican City
- Flat replacement
- "_____, borrow or steal"
- Eventual outcome
- Leonhard _____, Swiss mathematician (1707-1783)
- Portable stairs
- Headquartered
- Road-tripping guide
- Carve in stone
- Emptiness
- Vegetative state
- Ice crystals
- Passage in a coal mine
- Voldemort's title
- Small amount of drink

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The solutions to both the Sudoku & Crossword puzzles can be found on page 23



What's my name?

Mom sets the record straight.

My wedding anniversary just passed in October, and it reminded me of when I went to get my marriage license.

I got my driver's license and Social Security card. I went to the town clerk with my soon-to-be wife in order to pick up the license. I was told that I needed my birth certificate, so I went home to pick it up.

When my mom gave it to me I noticed something funny. My middle name was not what I was told. My middle name was Steve. I always thought it was Stephano.

Me: Mom? Why is my middle name Steve?

Mom: Itsa no Steve, itsa Stevie. Luigi Stevie Coppola. Soundsa nice, no?

Me: Mom? I have written Stephano on every document, test, application for my entire life so far. Now your telling me it's something different?

Mom: Oh come on. Its noa bidda deal.

Me: Mom, it is a big deal. I now have an alias.

Mom: What is thisa word, alias?

Me: It means I have a false name.

Mom: What, like you tella the bugia (lie)?

Me: Yeah, Mom. I could go to jail

for this.

Mom: You no goa to jail. You no tell the lie. In your cuore (heart) you tell the truth.

Me: Wait, how come you put Stevie as a middle name? That makes no sense. Everyone else has an Italian middle name.

Mom: I wanted to do something different, anda my head was a little nebbioso (foggy) after I hava you.

Me: But, Mom, it's not even a real name.

Mom: Oh itsa a real name. Itsa on your birth certificate, so itsa real.

Me: What?! Is there anything else I should know about? Maybe I was adopted?

Mom: You adopted? Noboddy adopt you.

Thanks, Mom? Just another day in the life of Luigi Coppola a.k.a. Luigi Steve Coppola, a.k.a. Luigi Stevie Coppola, aka Luigi Stephano Coppola.

ITALIAN STYLE SHORT RIBS

Ingredients

4-1/2 to 5 lb. English-style beef short ribs (8 to 12 ribs)

- 3 Tbs. olive oil
- Salt
- Ground black pepper
- 1 cup medium-diced carrots
- 1 cup medium-diced onions
- 1 cup medium-diced fennel
- 1 Tbs. chopped fresh thyme
- 1 Tbs. finely chopped garlic
- 1/2 tsp. minced anchovies
- 1-1/2 cups dry red wine
- 1 jar Coppola's Marinara Sauce
- 1/2 cup Chicken broth
- 1 to 2 Tbs. chopped fresh parsley

Method

Position a rack in the center of the oven and heat the oven to 325 degrees F. In a roasting pan, heat the oil over medium heat. Season the ribs with salt and pepper. Brown the ribs in the roasting pan and transfer the ribs.

Add the carrots, onions, garlic, thyme and fennel to the pan. Season with salt. Cook, stirring and scraping up any browned bits on the bottom of the pan, until the onions are slightly translucent. Add the anchovies, and cook, stirring, for about 1 minute.

Pour 1/2 cup of the red wine into the pot and cook, stirring to scrape up any

browned bits on the bottom of the pan for about 1 minute.

Transfer all the ribs (and any juices that have accumulated) back into the pan. Pour 1-1/2 cups water, the sauce, broth, and remaining 1/2 cup red wine over the ribs and using tongs, arrange the ribs as evenly as possible and no more than two layers deep.

Cover the pan with foil. Cook until they are fork tender, about 2-3/4 hours. (The meat may fall off most of the bones about midway through cooking; this does not mean that the ribs are fully tender.)

Serve the ribs over creamy polenta with the sauce spooned over, sprinkled with chopped parsley.

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

'The Lightning Thief' at DCC from Nov. 14-17

"The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical" will be held at Dutchess Community College (DCC) from Nov. 14 to 17. This production, directed by AnnChris Warren, showcases the talents of more than 60 DCC students from various majors—including per-

forming arts, visual art, communications and engineering—demonstrating the power of collaboration across disciplines. The show is produced by DCC's Performing Arts program and DCC's Masquers' Guild Theatre Club.

Based on Rick Riordan's bestselling

novel, the musical follows the adventure of Percy Jackson, a teenager who discovers he's a demigod. As he embarks on a quest to recover Zeus' stolen lightning bolt, Percy must navigate a world filled with mythical creatures and prevent a war among the gods.

The performances will take place at DCC's James and Betty Hall Theatre in Dutchess Hall, with three evening shows

at 7 p.m. on Nov. 14-16 and a matinee on Nov. 17 at 2 p.m.

Ticket prices are as follows: general admission is \$15; students (not attending DCC) and seniors 60+ are \$10 and DCC students are \$5.

Tickets are available at www.ticketleap.events/tickets/sunydutchess/the-lightning-thief.

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use a toothpick to swirl the food coloring around. Let the foam sit for a minute and then press one side of a folded piece of card stock on the shaving cream pattern. Use a ruler to scrape the excess shaving cream off the card. Allow the card to dry and then write a message inside and present it to your honored recipient!

To increase the sciency-ness of the activity, make separate trays of shaving cream designs, but before the card stock is pressed onto the cream, spray each pattern with water, vegetable oil, or rubbing alcohol, respectively. Then, notice the differences in your creations!

The science of paper marbling

This marbling technique involves shaving cream, which is made of a mixture of soap, water, and a gas that turns liquid into foam when sprayed from the bottle. Soap is a surfactant, which means its molecule has a hydrophilic (water-loving) and hydrophobic (water-repelling) end.

Food coloring is a mixture of dye in water or alcohol. It is hydrophilic. When food coloring is dropped on shaving cream, it won't soak in. That is because it can only interact with the hydrophilic parts of the soap molecules. Food coloring is repelled by the hydrophobic ends of the soap molecules. Even when swirled

with a toothpick, there is still a distinct separation between the color and the shaving cream.

When paper is placed on top of the colors, the food dye soaks into it, transferring a vibrant pattern onto the paper's surface. This is because paper is made from wood pulp, which mainly consists of cellulose, a hydrophilic molecule.

If water or alcohol is sprayed on top of the color pattern before the paper is put on top, the food dye mixes with the water and it is carried into the deeper layers of the foam. This will make a more muted color pattern. Since oil is thicker, spraying it on the pattern before pressing the card stock on it will tend to make the colors run into each other more. Enjoy this fun way to prepare for the upcoming holidays!

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.gertrudekatzchronicles.com/> and <https://www.pleasantvalleymaplelodging.com/>

A & E CALENDAR

Nov. 14: "Sugar Skull! A Día de Muertos Musical Adventure," UPAC, 601 Broadway, Kingston. "Sugar Skull!" is a touring bilingual/bicultural musical for young audiences and families that uses traditional regional music and dance from Mexico to tell the story of 12-year-old Vita Flores, 7 p.m. Vita thinks her family has gone loco planning a celebration for deceased loved ones. Why throw a party for the dead? But when a spirited candy skeleton suddenly springs to life, Vita finds herself on a magical, musical journey to unravel the true meaning of Día de los Muertos. Tickets \$7 for children; \$11 for adults. (845) 473-5288, (845) 339-6088 or www.bardavon.org

Nov. 15: Mark Normand: Ya Don't Say Tour, Bardavon, 35 Market St., Poughkeepsie. Dubbed by Jerry Seinfeld as the "best young up and coming comic," Mark Normand has quickly become one of the most talked about touring comedians on the scene, 7 p.m. Tickets \$35, \$49.75, \$59.75. (845) 473-5288, (845) 339-6088 or www.bardavon.org

Nov. 15: Richard's Rhinecliff Acoustic Show, Morton Memorial Library & Community House, 82 Kelly St., Rhinecliff. Featuring Hudson Crossing, Ned & Lynn, R.V. Henninger, 8-10 p.m. Donations suggested. More info: (845) 876-7007

Nov. 15-17: Live Music at the Towne Crier Cafe, 379 Main St., Beacon. Nov. 15: Leo Kottke, 8 p.m. Tickets \$60 advance, \$65 door. Nov. 16: The Best of the 70s by DizzyFish & The Uptown Horns, 8 p.m. Tickets \$45 advance, \$50 door. Nov. 17: Jason Gisser Band; special guest Di Moriarity, 7 p.m. Tickets \$15 advance, \$20 door. (845) 855-1300 or www.townecrier.com

Nov. 15-17: The Two Of Us Productions present "Nonsense," Theater at the Copake Grange Hall, 628 Empire Rd., Copake. Five of the 19 surviving Little Sisters of Hoboken, a one-time missionary order that ran a leper colony on an island south of France, discover that their cook, Sister Julia, Child of God, accidentally killed the other 52 residents of the convent with her tainted vichyssoise while they were off playing bingo. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 7:30 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. Tickets \$20 adults, \$15 students & seniors. www.TheTwoOfUsProductions.org or (518) 329-6293.

Nov. 15-23: "Perfect Arrangement," County Players Falls Theatre, 2681 W. Main St., Wappingers Falls. Contemporary comedy by Tophere Payne. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., Nov. 17 & Sat., Nov. 23, 2 p.m. It's 1950, and new colors are being added to the Red Scare. Two U.S. State Department employees, Bob and Norma, have been tasked with identifying sexual deviants within their ranks. There's just one problem: both Bob and Norma are involved in a carefully constructed cover-up. Inspired by the true story of the earliest stirrings of the gay rights movement, Perfect Arrangement merges madcap sitcom-style laughs with provocative drama as two U.S. State Department employees struggle to maintain their cover – and their sanity – in mid-century America. Tickets \$26 Adult, \$24 Senior 60+, Military, Students (with ID at the door), and Children under 12. (845) 298-1491 or countyplayers.org

Nov. 15-24: "Spring Awakening," The Center for Performing Arts in Rhinebeck, 661 Rte. 308, Rhinebeck. Up In One Production presents the landmark, coming-of-age, Broadway musical based on the controversial 1891 German play of the same name. It follows Melchior Gabor, a German schoolboy, and his classmates as

they navigate puberty, academic rigidity, and the insensitivity of the adults around them. Performances: Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. Tickets \$29. www.centerforperformingarts.org or call (845) 876-3080.

Nov. 16: AM/FM, VBI Theatre of Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center, 12 Vassar St., Poughkeepsie. Elysium Furnace Works presents the power duo AM/FM, featuring guitarist Ava Mendoza and violinist gabby fluke-mogul, 8 p.m. AM/FM meet at the crossroads of tradition and extremity. Avant jazz, blues, and noise alchemize in their song forms and free improvisations. Tickets \$20 advance (via EventBrite), \$30 door.

Nov. 16: Jazz Concert, Kaatsbaan Cultural Park, Black Box Theater, 120 Broadway, Tivoli. An evening of jazz featuring two extraordinary artists: Donald Vega, piano and Rufus Reid, bass, 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$30 GA, \$15 students w/ID. www.kaatsbaan.org

Nov. 16: Saturday Morning Family Series, The Center for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck, 661 Rte. 308, Rhinebeck. Once Upon a Singalong, 11 a.m. Dive into a magical musical featuring your favorite fairytale princesses, complete with live performances of beloved songs and a special meet-and-greet to create lasting memories! Tickets \$10. (845) 876-3080 or www.centerforperformingarts.org

Nov. 16-17: The Orchestra Now Celebrates Charles Ives at 150, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson. "Charles Ives: A Life in Music," scripted playlet with songs and commentary. Featuring William Sharp, Donald Berman, Richard Aldous, J. Peter Burkholder, Kyle Gann, and Joseph Horowitz. Performances: Sat., Nov. 16, 5 p.m.; Sun., Nov. 17, noon, at Olin Hall. Free and open to the public. No RSVP necessary. "Charles Ives' America," orchestral concert including performances of songs quoted in Ives' music, followed by a discussion. Featuring The Orchestra Now, Leon Botstein, William Sharp, J. Peter Burkholder, Donald Berman, and Joseph Horowitz. Performances: Sat., Nov. 16, 7 p.m.; Sun., Nov. 17, 2 p.m., at the Fisher Center. Tickets from \$15. Livestream pay-what-you-wish. <https://ton.bard.edu/>

Nov. 17: Con Brio Concert Series, Christ Episcopal Church, 20 Carroll St., Poughkeepsie. Cappella Festiva Chamber Choir Autumn Choral Concert, 4 p.m. Suggested donation: \$25

Nov. 17: Dark Star Orchestra, MJN Convention Center, 14 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie. Performing to critical acclaim for over 20 years and over 3,000 shows, Dark Star Orchestra continues the Grateful Dead live concert experience, 7 p.m. Their shows are built off the Dead's extensive catalog and the talent of these seven fine musicians. On any given night, the band will perform a show based on a set list from the Grateful Dead's 30 years of extensive touring or use their catalog to program a unique set list for the show. www.MJNCenter.org

Nov. 17: STOMP, UPAC, 601 Broadway, Kingston. STOMP is explosive, inventive, provocative, witty, and utterly unique—an unforgettable experience for audiences of all ages, 8 p.m. The international percussion sensation has garnered armfuls of awards and rave reviews and has appeared on numerous national television shows. The eight-member troupe uses everything but conventional percussion instruments – matchboxes, wooden poles, brooms, garbage cans, Zippo lighters, hub-caps – to fill the stage with magnificent rhythms. Tickets \$44, \$59, \$69. (845) 473-5288, (845) 339-6088 or www.bardavon.org

Movies with Spirit series to screen 'One Life' Nov. 16 in Woodstock



Anthony Hopkins stars in "One Life," an inspiring true story about a man who rescues hundreds of Jewish children from Nazi-occupied Europe. The film will be screened on Nov. 16 in Woodstock, as part of the Movies with Spirit series. *Courtesy photo*

The inspiring true story "One Life," starring Anthony Hopkins, about a man who rescues hundreds of Jewish children from Nazi-occupied Europe, will be screened at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 16, at the Woodstock Jewish Congregation, 1682 Glasco Turnpike in Woodstock, as part of the Movies With Spirit community film series.

The biographical drama tells the incredible story of Winton (Johnny Flynn and later Hopkins), a young London stockbroker who rescued 669 children in Czechoslovakia, most of them Jewish, from the Nazis in the months leading up to World War II.

Winton had visited Prague in December 1938 and saw families and children living in desperate conditions, with little or no shelter or food, amid an impending Nazi invasion.

He decided he must rescue the children right away and send them to safety in Britain.

With time running out before the Nazis invaded and closed the borders, he compiled a list of as many children as he could and found homes for them in Britain. Yet for decades he was haunted by the fate of the children he was unable to save, always blaming himself for not having done more.

His humanitarian achievements went unnoticed by the world until 1988, when the BBC discovered the list and invited Winton to be in the audience of a live TV show called "That's Life!"

The 2023 film, whose awards include the 2024 Audience Award for Best Narrative Feature at California's Palm Springs International Film Festival, runs 1 hour 49 minutes and is rated PG. Its trailer can be found on YouTube at tinyurl.com/OneLife-MoviesWithSpirit.

The screening will be followed by a discussion. Refreshments will be served.

Attendees over age 12 are asked to contribute \$10 a person.

The monthly Movies With Spirit series, organized by Gerry Harrington of Kingston, seeks to stimulate joy and wonder, inspire love and compassion, and help people understand their connection with others and with life itself. It supports all cultures, faiths and beliefs while transcending them.

For more information about the "One Life" screening and the rest of the series, call Harrington at (845) 389-9201 or write to him at gerryharrington@mindspring.com. Details are also available on Movies With Spirit's new Facebook page, tinyurl.com/MoviesWithSpiritFacebookPage.

what's happening? creativeliving@sdutchessnews.com

Author to discuss book on Winston Churchill at Wallace Center

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum presents a conversation and book signing with Katherine Carter, author of "Churchill's Citadel: Chartwell and the Gatherings before the Storm," at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 19. 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 to register.

In the 1930s, amid an impending crisis in Europe, Winston Churchill found himself out of government and with little power. In these years, Chartwell, his country home in Kent, became the headquarters of his campaign against Nazi Germany. He invited trusted advisors and informants, including Albert Einstein and T. E. Lawrence, who could strengthen his hand as he worked tirelessly to sound the

alarm at the prospect of war.

"Churchill's Citadel" tells the story of the remarkable but little-known meetings that took place behind closed doors at Chartwell. From household names to political leaders, diplomats to spies, Carter reveals a fascinating cast of characters, each of whom made their mark on Churchill's thinking and political strategy. With Chartwell as his base, Churchill gathered intelligence about Germany's preparations for war – and, in doing so, put himself in a position to change the course of history.

Katherine Carter is a curator and historian who has managed the house and collections at Chartwell, Churchill's country home, for more than a decade. A widely sought after commentator and adviser on the life and legacy of Sir Winston Churchill, she lectures internationally and appears frequently in print and broadcast media.

Contact Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745 with questions about the event.

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OBITUARIES

Richard H. Bodin

Richard H. Bodin, 66, of Pleasant Valley, passed away peacefully in his home on Wednesday, November 6th. He was Born on December 26, 1957 to Walter and Catherine Bodin.

He worked many years at IBM in East Fishkill in Emergency Control. He also was a volunteer fire fighter for Pleasant Valley Fire Department, and very much a big member of the N2EYH, HAM radio club in the Hudson Valley and Mount Beacon.

Richard was raised in Pleasant Valley and made a life together with Anna Monroe. He will be missed by all.

Richard is survived by his wife, Anna; daughter, Georgia and her husband, Jeremy; grandchildren, Matthew and Angelina; his sister, Barbara Mall and her husband, Michael; nieces, Lisa and Sarah and nephew, Christopher.

He was predeceased by his father, Walter Sr; mother, Catherine (Sloat) Bodin; brother, Walter Jr and grandson, Austin.

Visitation was held on Tuesday, November 12th, 2024 at Allen Funeral Home, Pleasant Valley, NY.

Memorial donations can be made to the Pleasant Valley Fire Department, PO Box 583, Pleasant Valley NY, 12569.

To leave an online condolence, please visit www.HudsonValleyFuneralHomes

Stuart K. Burns

Stuart K. Burns, 80, of Clinton Corners, NY passed away on November 6, 2024 at Vassar Bros. Medical Center, Poughkeepsie, NY. He was born in Lythan, England on October 1, 1944, the son of Richard M. & Claudine Avery Burns. He was a graduate of Tappan Zee High School.

Stuart married Arlene P. Wallace on November 27, 1965 in St. Peter's Church, Poughkeepsie, NY. She survives at home. He was employed as a Tool Calibrator for IBM in Poughkeepsie, NY. He retired in 2019. Stuart served in the US Army during the Vietnam War.

Stuart was a Life Member of The East Clinton Fire Department. He was a Past Commissioner, a Captain with the Fire Police and a member of the Dutchess County Fire Police Association. He was a very active softball player in several leagues.

Stuart was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He was an avid fan of the Yankees, Rangers and New York Giants. Enjoyed drag racing at the Dover Dragway, Dover Plains, NY. He loved Golden Retrievers.

Survivors include: son: Richard (Allyson) Burns of Troutman, NC; daughter: Kathleen (Bill) Shanks of Verbank, NY; son: Stuart K. (Amy) Burns, Jr. of Kingston, NY; Kevin (Karen) Burns of Clinton Corners, NY and son: Christopher(Christine) Burns of Yorktown Heights, NY. Brothers include: Michael Kusmierzyk of Poughkeepsie, NY; James Harrison of Walden, NY and Michael Burns of Delaware. There is a sister: Celia Tebbutt of England. There are 21 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister: Susan Burns.

Visitation was held Monday, November 11, 2024 at the Wm. G. Miller & Son FH, Inc., Poughkeepsie, NY. Graveside services took place Tuesday, November 12, 2024 in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Millbrook, NY with Military Honors. Memorial Donations may be made to: Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Colesville Road, Suite 100, Silver Springs, MD 20910 OR Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306.

William R. 'Bill' Ciangiola

William R. "Bill" Ciangiola, 79, of Hyde Park, NY, died on November 6, 2024.

Bill was born on August 10, 1945, in Astoria, Queens, NY.

William is survived by his beloved wife of over forty-seven years, Cynthia J. Ciangiola; his daughter, Laura A. Ciangiola of FL; his sons, William T. Ciangiola of FL and Joshua R. Ciangiola; Hyde Park, his sister, Maria Yackownicz, Whitestone, NY; his brother and sister-in-law, Thomas and Rosemarie Ciangiola, Astoria, Queens, NY; and seven adored grandchildren who were the joy of his life.

Bill retired from Downstate Correctional Facility in Fishkill, NY.

Funeral services will begin at 10am on Thursday, November 14, 2024, at Sweet's

Funeral Home, 4365 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park, NY. Burial will follow at Crum Elbow Cemetery. Relatives and friends may call from 4 pm to 7pm on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at the funeral home. Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, www.stjude.org. Condolences may be made to the family at www.sweetsfuneralhome.com.

Joan Heiser

Joan S. Heiser, 91, formerly of Staatsburg, N.Y., died on Saturday, November 2, 2024, at Pine Haven Nursing Home in Philmont, N.Y.

Born January 14, 1933 in Poughkeepsie, she was the daughter of the late Edward Boon and Elsie May Boon.

Joan enjoyed spending time with people, especially those close to her, she also loved going out with her friends dancing, to restaurants and traveling with her family. She will be remembered mostly for her spunky and sassy personality.

She worked for Phoenix Cables as an assembly worker in their manufacturing department for many years before her retirement at 70 years old.

In her later years she could often be found spending time with her children and grandchildren. She loved watching crime dramas. She also enjoyed spending time at the senior center in Red Hook.

On February 26, 1950 she married Hary .L. Heiser. Mr. Heiser predeceased her on January 12, 1990.

She is survived by her daughter Tammy Primavera and husband Michael, six grandchildren, Harry Pease, Renee Pease, Douglass Pease / Jocelyn Pease, Michael Primavera Jr. / Jessica Primavera, Matthew Primavera, and Shyla Dauria / Dominic Dauria.

She is also survived by several great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Along with her husband she was predeceased by her daughter Kathy Marano and son in law Joseph Marano.

The family would like to thank the wonderful staff of the former Thompson House, The staff of Columbia Memorial Hospital and the very caring staff of Pine Haven in Philmont.

Calling hours will be from 10 AM to 12 noon on Friday, November 15, 2024, at Sweet's Funeral Home, 4365 Albany Post Rd., Hyde Park, NY 12538.

A Funeral Service will be at 12:00 noon at the funeral home.

Burial of her cremains will follow at Union Cemetery, Hyde Park, NY. Arrangements are under the direction of Sweet's Funeral Home, Inc., Rte. 9, Hyde Park.

Paula K. Leitch

RHINEBECK - Paula Katherine Leitch passed away peacefully on October 23, 2024, at the age of 70, in Rhinebeck, N.Y.

She is survived by her two children, son Eric Houskeeper, married to Shannon (DeWitt) Houskeeper, and daughter Michaela (Leitch) Tomlinson, married to Lukas Tomlinson. She is also survived by her father's second wife, Marcia (Brandt) Leitch, three younger siblings, their spouses, and numerous nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her mother, Sally (Gilbert) Leitch, father, James Leitch, and younger sister, Rebecca Leitch-Hunt.

Paula Leitch was born on March 17, 1954. She was raised at Camp Fairfield in Ligonier, PA, where her father served as the camp minister. Growing up, she was surrounded by wildlife and animals, which gave her an appreciation for nature that would carry throughout her life.

In her younger years, Paula and her sisters Helen, Ann, and Rebecca would tape paper manes to their bikes, pretending to ride horses in competition. Paula always won. She loved animals and won many ribbons and trophies in competition. She also engaged anyone willing to help. At thirteen, she had a heifer entered in 4H competition and needed its hooves painted black. Enter her younger brother, Jimmy. On the very first try, Jimmy is kicked in the head and sent cartwheeling across the yard. Paula put a ton of work into showing the animals she loved and spent years showing horses. It was a labor of love for her. She definitely had a special place in her heart for horses, particularly appaloosas.

As kids, Paula and her sisters would set the latest fashion trend, wearing long paper hair and having it blow in the wind while singing their favorite hit song. In their early teens,

Paula and her sisters were sent home from school for wearing pants, a violation of the school dress code. They persisted by recruiting friends to also wear pants, and soon the school dress code was changed. Score another victory for Paula and her sisters.

Paula also loved sports and helped create the high school girls' team, competing in volleyball, swimming, and basketball. Her love for sports carried over to recreation, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Therapeutic Recreation from Penn State University. Her siblings remember the summer she was the Sports Camp Director with a full leg cast driving around in her golf cart. She created great camp experiences for many kids that summer.

Paula was naturally attracted to jobs that involved being active outside, such as camp director, lifeguard, swim instructor, and landscaping.

In her early thirties, she met Peter Houskeeper, with whom she was briefly married. Out of this marriage, her son Eric was born. Several years later, she had her daughter Michaela. Her children became her everything.

As a mother, she always made sure the house was filled with laughter, playfulness, and creativity. Whether that was through impromptu family wrestling matches, movie night, arts and crafts, or planning the next family adventure. The trio's escapades included short hikes, long hikes (or very long hikes, depending on the "shortcut"), swimming at the county pool, camping at Assateague, taking in wildlife, and regular trips to Day Spring to spend time with grandparents.

Her most recent years were spent in Rhinebeck, NY, at a facility specific to her care and needs. She was regularly visited by her loving children, family, and friends.

Paula's wild and free spirit will continue to live on in all our hearts.

John A. Somma

John A. Somma was born on August 13, 1935 in Jamaica-Queens, NY to the late Enrico and Grace (Rogers) Somma.

John joined the United States Navy as a Seabee in 1955 and spent three years on a top-secret naval base in Clarksville, TN. On the fourth year of service, he was assigned to the ship the USS Tanner and spent time in the Mediterranean and Turkey.

He married Patricia Clarke on February 4, 1961 at the Queen of Peace Church in Flushing, NY. In 1965, they moved to Red Hook, NY and raised their two children Lisa Marie and John Michael. During his years in Red Hook, John worked for Sylvan Lake Telephone Company and spent 20 years on the Board of Directors of Wilderstein in Rhinebeck, NY.

John enjoyed ice boating on the Hudson River, woodcarving, cane making, reminiscing with his cousin Robert Rogers and spending time with his two grandsons John Angelo and Jacob Martin. Whom he so proud of and loved telling them about all his adventures. He enjoyed many meals that his daughter-in-law Angela made for him and the family. He was truly loved by his friends and family.

In addition to his loving wife of 63 years, John is survived by his children, Lisa Somma of Saugerties, NY and John (Angela) Somma of Livingston, NY; his loving grandchildren, John Angelo and Jacob Martin; his brother, Eugene (Diane) Somma of Magnolia, DE; along with extended family and friends.

Friends and family were received at the Burnett & White Funeral Homes, Red Hook on Tuesday, October 29th, 2024.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Christopher's Church in Red Hook on Wednesday, October 30th, 2024. Burial with military honors followed at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery in Red Hook, NY.

Memorials may be made in John's memory to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Funeral arrangements were trusted to Burnett & White Funeral Homes - Red Hook, 7461 South Broadway Red Hook, NY 12571.

Joseph B. Sullivan

Joseph Bernard Sullivan, 77, a longtime resident of Wingdale, NY, passed away on Sunday, November 3, 2024 at Vassar Brothers Medical Center in Poughkeepsie, NY. Mr. Sullivan was a repairman for Verizon in Carmel, NY for 33 years retiring in 2002.

Born on August 8, 1947 in Yonkers, NY, he was the son of the late Joseph B. and Elizabeth (Fariel) Sullivan. Mr. Sullivan proudly served for four years in the US Navy during Vietnam on the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt, a Midway-class aircraft carrier. On September 23, 1972 in Brewster, NY he married Janet Neils who survives at home.

Mr. Sullivan was an avid fisherman who enjoyed fishing on his boat on the Long Island Sound. He also loved mowing his lawn, relaxing in his pool and swimming with the grandkids. He was also a parishioner of St. Charles Borromeo Church in Dover Plains.

In addition to his loving wife, Mr. Sullivan is survived by a son, Brendan Sullivan and his wife, Heather, of Lagrangeville, NY and a daughter, Patricia Young and her husband, Frederik, of Waterford, NY. He is also survived by three grandchildren: Keagan, Kiley and Kerigan Sullivan and nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, Mr. Sullivan was predeceased by a daughter, Eileen C. Sullivan on April 4, 2018 and three sisters, Ellen Roth, Mary Beth Sullivan and Kathleen Egan.

Calling hours were held on Friday, November 8, 2024 at the Hufcut Funeral Home, Dover Plains, NY. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, November 9, 2024 at St. Charles Borromeo Church, Dover Plains, NY. Burial with military honors followed at St. Charles Cemetery in Dover Plains.

To send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.

Diane Louise Zimlinghaus

Diane Louise Zimlinghaus, 71, a lifelong resident of Dover Plains, NY, passed away at her home peacefully surrounded by her family on Sunday, November 3, 2024. Diane worked as a therapy aide at Wassaic Development Disabilities Service Offices and at local community group homes for several years. She also worked at Tri-Wall Container in Wassaic, NY.

Born on November 13, 1952 in Sharon, CT, she was the daughter of the late Ernest Zimlinghaus and Evelyn M. (Espitee) Zimlinghaus. Diane attended Dover High School in Dover Plains, NY.

An avid reader and devout NY Yankees fan, Diane was a cyclist and once biked from Albany to New York City. She also enjoyed camping and bowling.

Diane is survived by her son, George Crandall and his wife, Santina, of Bethesda, MD; a brother, Edward Zimlinghaus and his wife, Michele, of Dover Plains, NY; three sisters, Paula M. Roberts and her husband, Anthony, of Chatham, NY; Caroline Breitenbach and her husband, Karl, of Buchanan, NY and Georgette Wendover and her husband, Robert, of Waxhaw, NC. She is also survived by three grandchildren, Alexis Rodriguez and her husband, Vince; Laura Crandall and Dahlia Crandall and a great grandson, Noah Rodriguez, goddaughter Megan Wendover and several nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her canine friends Max and Duke. She is also survived by her constant companion, Pip.

In addition to her parents, Diane was predeceased by her sister, Laura Mae Zimlinghaus.

Calling hours will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at Hufcut Funeral Home, 3159 Route 22, Dover Plains, NY. Funeral services will take place at 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at the funeral home. Burial will follow at St. Charles Cemetery in Dover Plains, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hudson Valley Hospice, 374 Violet Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 or online at <https://www.hvhospice.org/>.

To send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.

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Legal Notices

STATE OF NEW YORK
SUPREME COURT : COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

In the Matter of the Foreclosure of Tax Liens by
Proceeding In Rem Pursuant to Article Eleven
of the Real Property Tax Law by
DUTCHESS COUNTY

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**PETITION AND NOTICE
OF FORECLOSURE**

Index No. 2022-53489

The above-captioned proceeding is hereby commenced to enforce the payment of delinquent taxes or other lawful charges which have accumulated and become liens against certain property. The parcels to which this proceeding applies are identified on Schedule "A" of this Petition, which is annexed hereto and made a part hereof. This document serves both as a Petition of Foreclosure and a Notice of Foreclosure for purposes of this proceeding.

Effect of Filing: All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the real property described in this Petition are hereby notified that the filing of this Petition constitutes the commencement by the Tax District of a proceeding in the court specified in the caption above to foreclose each of the tax liens described by a foreclosure proceeding in rem.

Nature of Proceeding: This proceeding is brought against the real property only and is to foreclose the tax liens described in this Petition. No personal judgment will be entered herein for such taxes or other legal charges or any part thereof.

Persons Affected: This Notice is directed to all persons owning or having or claiming to have an interest in the real property described in this Petition. Such persons are hereby further notified that a duplicate of this Petition has been filed in the office of the Commissioner of Finance, the Enforcing Officer of the Tax District, and will remain open for public inspection up to and including the date specified below as the last day for redemption.

Right of Redemption: Any person having or claiming to have an interest in any such real property and the legal right thereto may, on or before said date, redeem the same by paying the amount of all such unpaid tax liens thereon, including all interest and penalties and other legal charges which are included in the lien against such real property, computed to and including the date of redemption. Such payments shall be made to the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. In the event that such taxes are paid by a person other than the record owner of such real property, the person so paying shall be entitled to have the tax liens affected thereby satisfied of record.

LAST DAY FOR REDEMPTION: THE LAST DAY FOR REDEMPTION IS HEREBY FIXED AS APRIL 16, 2025.

Service of Answer: Every person having any right, title, or interest in or lien upon any parcel of real property described in this Petition may serve a duly verified answer upon the attorney for the Tax District setting forth in detail the nature and amount of his or her interest and any defense or objection to the foreclosure. Such answer must be filed in the Office of the County Clerk and served upon the attorney for the Tax District on or before the date above mentioned as the last day for redemption.

Failure to Redeem or Answer: In the event of failure to redeem or answer by any person having the right to redeem or answer, such person shall be forever barred and foreclosed of all of his or her right, title and interest and equity of redemption in and to the parcel described in this Petition and a judgment in foreclosure may be taken by default.

Dated: October 11, 2024.

Enforcing Officer:

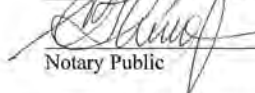

HEIDI SEELBACH, Commissioner of Finance
County of Dutchess
22 Market Street, 4th Floor
Poughkeepsie, New York 12601
Tel. No. (845) 486 - 2025

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss:
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS)

I, HEIDI SEELBACH, being duly sworn, depose and affirm under penalty of perjury: I am the Enforcing Officer for the County of Dutchess. I have read this Petition and Notice which I have signed, and I am familiar with its contents. The contents of this Petition and Notice are true to the best of my knowledge, based upon the records of the office of the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance. I do not know of any errors or omissions in this Petition and Notice.


HEIDI SEELBACH, Commissioner of Finance
County of Dutchess

Sworn to before me this
11th day of October, 2024.


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REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-74-24 Tires for Dutchess County Public Transit Vehicles Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 27th day of November 2024 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite	2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website http://www.dutchessny.gov , selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613. PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE 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: 410 North Avenue, Pleasant Valley Appeal #1074 Grid# 6464-03-187469 Applicant is seeking an interpretation regarding their alleged noise violation. SAID Meeting will take place on November 20, 2024 at the Pleasant Valley Town Hall, 1554 Main	Street, Pleasant Valley, N.Y, and begins at 7:00 p.m. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-62-24 Dutchess County Transportation Council Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan	Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 5th day of December 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.	REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-71-24 General Cleaning, Preventative Maintenance, Emergency and Non-Emergency Repair Services for Traffic Signals, Devices and Miscellaneous Electric Facilities on County Highways	Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 26th day of November 2024 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website http://www.dutchessny.gov , selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

Luciano Valdivia named President of Rhinebeck Area Chamber of Commerce

Luciano Valdivia, owner of Market ST and several other local dining establishments, has been appointed as the new President of the Rhinebeck Area Chamber of Commerce. Valdivia brings extensive experience and a passion for local business to the role, focusing on enhancing the community's economic vitality.

"I am honored to be appointed as the President of the Board for the Chamber of Commerce," said Valdivia. "I look forward to working closely with our members and the local business community to foster growth, innovation, and collaboration.

Together, we can build a stronger, more vibrant economy that benefits everyone."

The Rhinebeck Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for 2024 includes:

- Luciano Valdivia, President (Market ST. Restaurant)
- Christopher Montalto, 1st Vice President (The Montalto Law Firm)
- Maureen Gates, 2nd Vice President (Sharp Images Photographic)
- John Grady, CPA, Treasurer (Grady CPA, PC)
- Sharon Whiteley, Secretary (Rhinebeck Bank)

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Board members also include Michael Babcock (Wineracks.com), Dawn Hopper (Dutchess Tourism), David Hughes (Dave's Tree Service), Josh Kroner (Terrapin Restaurant), Lorrie Kruger (Rhinebeck Mercantile), Megan Martino-Guido (Rain Spa), Amanda N. Miller (Amanda N Miller, PLLC), Darlene Pedrosa (Pedrosa Wealth Management), Gail Saucier (Berkshire Hathaway Home Services), David Tellerday (M & T Banks), and Brian Zeidan (The Community at Brookmeade).

Nancy Sheehan serves as the Chamber's Executive Director.

"Luciano's vision for growth, combined with his deep understanding of local governance, makes him an outstanding choice to lead the Chamber Board," said Sheehan. "His commitment to ensuring that Rhinebeck continues to thrive as a vibrant, collaborative community is inspiring. We are excited to work with him as he brings fresh ideas to support our businesses and strengthen our local economy."

For more information, visit rhinebeckchamber.org.

GOLDEN LIVING

The Office for the Aging is reaching out this month to houses of worship, civic organizations, professional associations, and other local groups throughout Dutchess County, continuing to spread the word about OFA and the many ways we help our diverse older adult and caregiver communities. Our goal is to match these groups' unique local knowledge with OFA resources, enabling more of our older adults to age successfully and independently.

Dutchess County's over-60 population is estimated at 80,000, with 44,000 more between the ages of 50 and 59. That's 124,000 people before we even start to count family members and caregivers. We expect to see growing demand for OFA services for at least the next 20 years, even taking into account increased independence for older adults. You may have seen our recent "get to know us before you need us" efforts; at the same time, we'd like to establish relationships that work both ways. We'd like to get to know more of our current and future older adults, and the organizations to which they belong.

Just as older adults often consult financial advisers to ensure their savings are well taken care of, they can consult OFA to ensure the same care is taken for their time, to plan for whatever the future may bring. Nobody's plan will be perfect; still, it's essential to make one's goals and wishes known. Adapting the plan as needs change is a key to successful aging.

If you know of, or are a part of, a group that could be helped by connecting with OFA, we're all ears. Reach out to us at ofa@dutchessny.gov or 845-486-2555.

OFA 'Navigating Medicare' classes for the fall (so far)

Medicare's annual Open Enrollment period began on October 15th, as it does every year; and the Office for the Aging has added additional "Navigating Medicare" classes to the year-round schedule of classes at the Poughkeepsie Galleria Community Room (2001 South Rd., Poughkeepsie), Adriance Library in Poughkeepsie (93 Market St.) and Starr Library in Rhinebeck (68 W. Market St.).

Here's what's on the fall schedule so far, along with how to call and register for a class:

11/20/24, 10am Poughkeepsie Galleria (Community Room) Call OFA

11/25/24, 4pm Starr Library Call OFA
12/4/24, 3pm Adriance Library 845-485-3445 x3380

12/4/24, 10am Starr Library Call OFA
Medicare open enrollment closes on December 7th

12/18/24, 10am Poughkeepsie Galleria (Community Room) Call OFA

We continue to add Navigating Medicare classes during Open Enrollment. For the most up-to-date calendar listings, visit www.dutchessny.gov/calendar. Classes are held on the third Wednesday of every month at the Galleria, and on the fourth

Monday of the month at Starr Library.

2024-25 HEAP season now open

The winter heating season is fast approaching, so it's time to make sure you're taking advantage of any heating assistance for which you qualify. The most well-known heating assistance program, the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), provides eligible customers with assistance in paying home heating bills. The HEAP program for the 2024-2025 heating season is now open. New applicants can apply for assistance, either in person or online. Applications have already been sent to qualified individuals in Dutchess County, who received HEAP last year and meet the eligibility criteria.

If this is your first time learning about HEAP and you're over 60, call OFA's HEAP Hotline during business hours at 845-486-2553 to request an application, or to find out if you qualify. Those under 60 can contact the HEAP hotline at the Dutchess County Department of Community and Family Services, at 845-486-3249.

HEAP offers a one-time benefit directly applied to customers' utility bills. This federally funded program is available to households with incomes at or below 175 percent of the federal poverty guidelines.

Customers who qualify for HEAP may also qualify a Clean and Tune benefit, providing for the cleaning and maintenance of primary heating equipment.

Additionally, any household with at least one person who receives HEAP benefits and is a homeowner may qualify for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP).

Senior gardening with 'People USA'

Join People USA (102 Fulton Ave., Suite A, Poughkeepsie) on the second Thursday of each month from 3-5 pm for Senior Gardening, open to adults age 60+ for low activity gardening.

To join, email kmiller@people-usa.org or memenzenski@people-usa.org.

Next year's tax season volunteers sought

Hudson Valley CASH Coalition and AARP Tax-Aide provide free tax preparation to low-to-moderate income residents. Volunteers are needed to continue to provide this support. Tax Counselor and other volunteer roles are available. Free training is provided this fall and in the early winter of 2024-25.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Linda Eddy at 845.475.7500 or leddy@dutchesscap.org.

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

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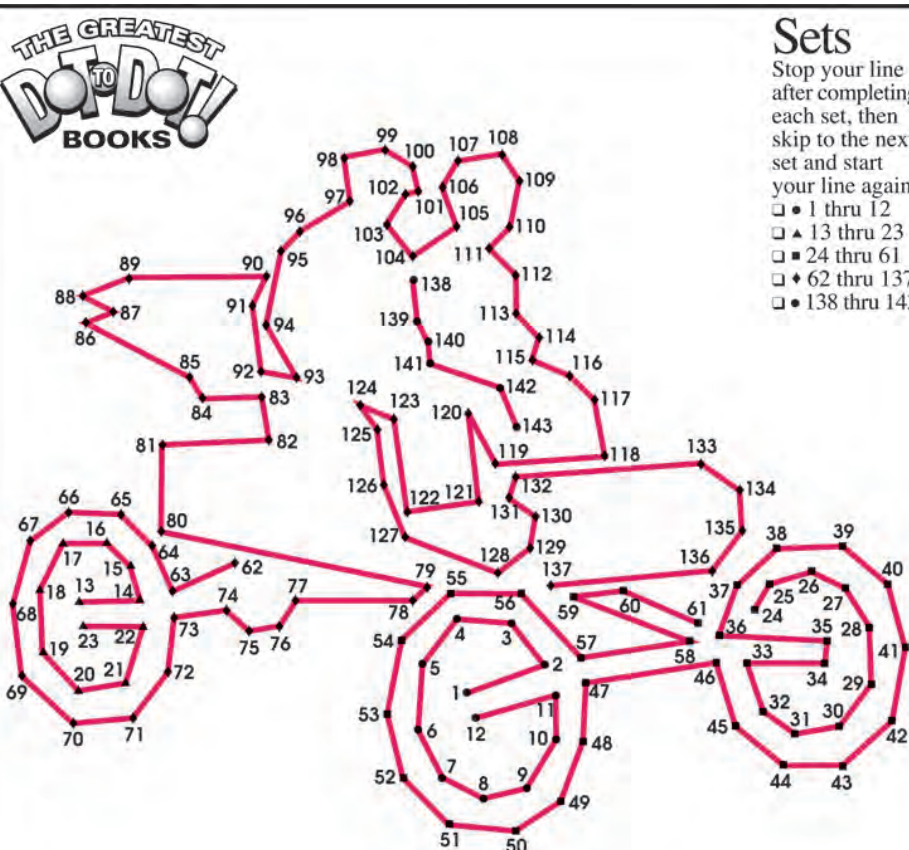
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Answer to this week's Dot to Dot (puzzle on page 10)

THE GREATEST DOT TO DOT BOOKS



Sets
Stop your line after completing each set, then skip to the next set and start your line again.
 • 1 thru 12
 • 13 thru 23
 • 24 thru 61
 • 62 thru 137
 • 138 thru 143

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SUDOKU
This week's answer

9	8	5	1	6	2	3	7	4
4	6	2	8	7	3	9	5	1
7	1	3	9	4	5	6	8	2
8	5	6	2	3	7	4	1	9
3	4	7	6	9	1	8	2	5
1	2	9	5	8	4	7	6	3
6	7	1	3	2	9	5	4	8
5	9	4	7	1	8	2	3	6
2	3	8	4	5	6	1	9	7

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

Suguru solution

1	4	1	3	5	2
3	2	5	2	4	1
4	1	4	3	5	3
2	3	5	1	2	1
5	4	2	4	5	4
3	1	5	3	1	2

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All programs are in person unless otherwise noted

ONGOING PROGRAMS:

Qi Gong with Vince (online)
Mon. 11/18, Mon. 11/25, at 9:30 AM
Wed. 11/20, Wed. 11/27, at 9:30 AM
Vince Sauter will teach you how to lower stress and keep calm with Tai Chi. Class will focus on breathing in the calm and breathing out the tension.
Audience: Adults & Seniors

Storytime on the Dot
Tue. 11/19, Tue. 11/26, at 10:30 AM
Join us every Tuesday at 10:30 for Story time! Listen to fun stories, sing songs, and have fun, all centered around a different theme every week.
Audience: Children & Caregivers

Mah Jongg
Tue. 11/19, Tue. 11/26, at 2:00-4:00 PM

If you're looking for a game to keep your mind sharp, or if you enjoy games that make you think strategically, you'll want to give Mah Jongg a try! Players of all levels are welcome. (Optimistic Aging)

Audience: Adults & Seniors

All Level Yoga (in person & online)
Wed. 11/20, Wed. 11/27, at 9:30 AM (ONLINE ONLY)
Sun. 11/17, Sun. 11/24, at 10:00 AM (IN PERSON & ONLINE)

Join Mia Tomic for All Level Yoga Online and explore classical seated, standing and supine yoga poses linked with breath in a creative way to stretch, strengthen, and rejuvenate your body, breath, and mind.

Audience: Adults

Chair Yoga, (in-person or online)
(Optimistic Aging)
Fri. 11/15, Fri. 11/22, at 11:00 AM

Join Samantha for Chair Yoga for ALL. Learn the basics of breath, meditation, and movement. This class will help you stretch and strengthen. Registration required so that you can get the link. Please register online or call the library at (845)-495-0855.

Audience: Adults & Seniors

Zumba
Sat. 11/23, Sat. 11/30 at 9:00 AM
Join Ginny Morrow for a fun fitness routine every Saturday at 9 AM. Pre-registration is not required. You may sign in at the door.

Audience: Adults

Free Tech Help
Sat. 11/16, Sat. 11/23, Sat. 11/30 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Do you need help with your Kindle, tablet, smart phone or computer? Drop-in anytime on Saturdays from 9 AM - 1 PM or call the library at (845)-495-0855 to book an appointment.

Book Club Meetings:
Tea Time Book Club
November Selection: In Five Years by Rebecca Serle

Thursday November 14th, at 2:00 PM
Join Tea Time Book Club the second Thursday of every month. Come talk about the monthly selection and enjoy tea and a snack with members of the club.
Audience: Adults & Seniors

Global Literature Book Club
November Selection: The Little Red Chairs by Edna O'Brien
Monday November 18th at 7 PM
The Global Literature Book Club

focuses on exploring the world through literature. We discuss novels from around the globe, selected by members of the club. These works provide insights into a wide variety of nations, cultures, and styles of writing.

Audience: Adults

SPECIAL PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Holiday Card Making
November 23, 10:30 AM-12:30PM
November 25, All Day
November 26, All Day

The holidays are right around the corner and Clinton Community Library is spreading community cheer. We have partnered with Brookmeade, a local senior living community and will be making holiday cards for their residents. We invite all community members to join us in this cheerful mission of making 130 cards for the Brookmeade residents. Of course while you are here, feel free to make some for yourself too!

Audience: All Ages

MORTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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Yin Yoga
with Danika Marie
Saturdays in November @ 10:00 am
Relax and rejuvenate your body *mind *spirit *through a practice of slow, gentle movement and longer held floor postures designed to ease tension, increase flexibility, and restore well being.

Please bring your own mat or thick towel suitable and comfortable for practicing yoga on the floor. Any props that may offer additional support are welcome but will not be provided (yoga blanket, block, eye pillow, etc)

\$15 - \$20 suggested donation.

Astrological insights will also be offered.

No experience to yoga necessary. 18yr +to attend.

MakerSpace
Saturdays @ 2:00 pm
MakerSpace is offering a Fall class for neurodivergent kids and their parents/caregivers. Parents are invited to be on hand to help support their children as needed. All projects and activities will take into account the individual needs of the children.

A few spaces have opened - Please contact Judy at MakerSpace@morton-rhinecliff.org to register.

Yoga with Kristin
Sundays @ 10:00 am
All levels welcome in peaceful Morton Hall. The classes are breath-based with an emphasis on thoughtful sequencing and alignment so that practitioners can move with stability, awareness, and grace.

This is a drop-in class and all are welcome. Please bring your yoga mat, a blanket, and blocks if you like.

\$12 suggested donation

You can purchase a prepaid card for 10 sessions and get a free 11th class via check or PayPal.

MakerSpace
Sundays @ 10:00 am
MakerSpace will be offering a class for 9-13 year olds.

We appreciate that Sundays are often busy and filled with birthday parties and sports etc. We will not necessarily expect kids to show up consistently but will prep more open ended projects.

A few spaces have opened - Please contact Judy at MakerSpace@morton-rhinecliff.org to register.

Rockin' Rooks Youth Chess at Morton
Mondays @ 5:30 pm

Join the award-winning Rockin' Rooks every Monday from 5:30-7:00 with D. Suris and Cathy Young!

Students in grades K - 12 are welcome to join for fun, learning, and tournament competition.

To sign your child up, for more information, or to volunteer contact:

D. Suris 845-416-3287 or email [racer-space\[at\]hotmail.com](mailto:racer-space[at]hotmail.com)

Knit 'n Knatter
First and third Wednesdays of each month, 3 pm

Come to knit, crochet or just for the confab. We will drop purls, collaborate on projects, and work on our own.

We'll meet in Morton Hall where there is plenty of room to spread out.

See you there! All are welcome.

SANDIPITY

a hands-on adult art workshop with Fedora Maier
Thursday, November 14 @ 4:00 pm
Want to...get elemental? *...flex your word-and-picture muscles?...experience the pleasures of accidental creativity? ...be part of a community project?

Join artist/writer Fedora Maier to explore a quirky way to make art and/or Visual Poetry based on a prompt (or not...). The technique and result are ephemeral, so to capture your image you'll need your phone or iPad or a camera.

"Sandipity" is a workshop where we follow that eye-brain-fingers path.

It's like the Surrealists' Exquisite Corpse drawing/writing game...played solo, then combined into a community project.

It's a very specific amalgam of chance and control.

It's a tad challenging, but mostly...It's fun!

And 'talking' to each other, no matter the medium, seems key...

Lightboxes, tools, materials provided, and it's free!

Registration requested.

Richard's Rhinecliff Acoustic Show
Friday, November 15 @ 8:00 pm
Featuring: Hudson Crossing, Ned & Lynn, R.V. Henninger
Donations to benefit Morton are suggested.

LOL and Morton Present "Threshfest"
Tuesday, November 19 @ 6:00 pm
Join the Morton Seed Library in our quest to learn more about saving seeds. We have planted, watered, thinned, and patiently waited to harvest the seeds from our Tithonia, lettuce, Butternut squash, and Malabar spinach. On Tuesday, we will be separating the seeds from the pods and will find out what happens next.

Bring seeds/plants that you have saved or just come and learn with us.

Free to the public.

Sponsored by Library of Local, Dirty Gaia, and the Morton Seed Library.

Morton Book Club
West with Giraffes
Thursday, November 21 @ 7:30 pm
Read, ponder, discuss, broaden your horizons, and have fun - all in a very casual and low key style.

West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge. Books available at the library.

We'd love to have you join! Potluck encouraged!!

Nivedita ShivRaj
"Neer Amudu-Nectar of Life" Concert
Saturday, November 23 @ 2:00 pm
Nivedita ShivRaj is a south Indian Classical musician and a recipient of a grant from Arts Mid Hudson for a music composition. Her final presentation of the project is a public concert in Rhinecliff.

The project involves music composition for poems in ancient Tamil (South Indian language) literature, on the importance of water and its conservation, so the hamlet by the river seemed like the perfect venue.

Free and open to the public.

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ADULTS

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 7-9 p.m. - Nerds at Nite

Thursday, Nov. 14, 6:30-8 p.m. - Fiction Workshop with Lilliana Kahan

Monday, Nov. 18, 2-3 p.m. - Rhinebeck @ Home at Starr presents Seventh Sense Care Collective

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 1:15-2:15 p.m. - All Abilities Story and Craft Program with the Anderson Center

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 6:30-8 p.m. - Memoir Writing Workshop with Michelle Montalbano - JOIN WAITLIST

Thursday, Nov. 21, 10:30-11:15 a.m. - Good Vibrations: Guided Sound Meditation with Anna Kaselis

Thursday, Nov. 21, 10:15-11:15 a.m. - La Leche League of Northern Dutchess County Monthly Meeting

BOOK CLUBS

Tuesday, Nov. 12, 4-5 p.m. - Mysteries Around the World Book Club: The Spies of Warsaw by Alan Furst

Tuesday, Nov. 26, 7-8 p.m. - The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray

RHINEBECK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Friday, Nov. 22, 7-8 p.m. - Rhinebeck Historical Society presents Gene Bullock on The Lane Family Legacy

From the Archives - From Ferncliff to the Galapagos Islands! On Vincent Astor

KIDS & FAMILIES

Thursday, Nov. 14, 10:30-11:15 a.m. - Music & Movement with Terry Watson

Every Tuesday at 10:15 a.m. - Storytime with Robbie

Every Tuesday at 4 p.m. - Super Lego Hour

STORYTIME WITH ROBBIE

Tuesday mornings throughout November*

?10:15-11 a.m.

(2-6 years old)

?Robbie's beloved storytime brings together an animated, fun, and engaging reading style with literacy-focused activities, including fingerplays and crafts.

SUPER LEGO HOUR

Every Tuesday, 4-5 p.m.

This amazing group of kids and their adults meets weekly to work on the Lego creations of their dreams. As one parent said recently of the shelf where their works in progress are displayed, "You can see a lot of imagination here!" Ages range widely, from 5-13.

MUSIC & MOVEMENT WITH TERRY WATSON

Thursday, Nov. 14, 10:30-11:15 a.m.

(0-4 years but up to age 6 welcome)

Licensed music therapist Terry Watson delights with songs, chants, puppetry, instruments, storytelling, movement and dance with a focus on child development and early literacy. Sessions are geared toward children 0-4 years old with their caregivers or parents. Parents with slightly older children are welcome, too.

Space and musical instruments are limited! Registration is required each week through our online calendar. *Dates have shifted from their usual rhythm this month only.*