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AgriVenture is all about farm-to-table experience

Agriculture is 'the heart of Dutchess County Fair' set Aug. 20-25

By Samantha Gulak

AgriVenture is back for the 178th Dutchess County Fair on Aug. 20-25.

AgriVenture made its debut in a 10 x 20-foot tent at the 2016 Fair. This interactive hands-on display offers farm-to-table educational experiences and was originally geared toward children.

Organizers quickly discovered that just as many adults came through the tent and in 2018 AgriVenture moved into a 66 x 80-foot tent. New displays and experiences were added to help educate fairgoers of all ages as to where their food comes from and the importance of agriculture in our lives. Agriventure was reintroduced in its new location in Building E in 2023 where it found its permanent home.

Making its debut in this year's AgriVenture Farm is a virtual reality tractor! The tractor will offer participants the opportunity to "experience" driving a tractor and harvesting a soybean field through a VR headset.

"The primary purpose of the Fair's education mission is that the Hudson Valley is still an agricultural community, but it's changing and many people are not directly involved in agriculture," said Samantha Gulak, coordinator of AgriVenture. "Local FFA (Future Farmers of America) chapters and members of the newly formed Dutchess County Agricultural Society's Junior Fair Board have been actively involved in preparing for opening day at the Fair and will be volunteering their time the entire week of the Fair. Not only are they there to help manage AgriVenture, but they are also happy to answer any questions you may have and to provide you with information as to how agriculture is a part of our daily lives."



The AgriVenture Scavenger Hunt involves a variety of farm scenes and hands-on experiences with the mission of teaching children and adults about the benefits of agriculture.

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Upon entering AgriVenture, fair-goers will be greeted by volunteers who will engage you in a Scavenger Hunt that is fun for everyone. AgriVenture offers participants the opportunity to milk Dutchess the Cow, pick apples, grapes and vegetables, collect raw wool and eggs.

At the end of their walk and they have checked everything off of their scavenger hunt shopping list, participants will visit the market, where they will unload their basket and sort their items for the distribution center. Each participant will be given a ribbon and coloring book.

Municipalities offer free summer concerts

By Kristine Coulter

Local municipalities are hosting summer concerts. The concert series are in full swing now.

Wappingers Falls concerts honor late musician

The summer concert series in the village of Wappingers Falls is honoring one of its late residents.

"This year, the Village of Wappingers Falls summer concert series honors the memory of my father- lifelong village resident and long-time Mesier Park Commissioner John Regan," remarked his daughter, Jen Klaproth. "He touched so many lives through both his music career and his history in the village."

"Regarding the concerts this year, our first concert had to be moved indoors [to the MJN Convention Center] due to weather. Our second concert was, "attended by over 200 happy dancing people," said Charles Rizzo, Recreation co-chair.



Noise in the Basement will hold a concert in Poughkeepsie on August 13. Pictured is the band from the 2023 concert in Poughkeepsie.

The band will also play in East Fishkill this month on August 16.

-Courtesy photo

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Albra updates

Fishkill residents on proposal for former Downstate facility

By Kristine Coulter

Town of Fishkill Supervisor Ozzy Albra sent out an email updating residents about the proposed plans for the former Downstate Correctional Facility site on Red Schoolhouse Road, off Route 52 and Route 9D in the town. According to Albra, he met with the developer and state officials. Also at the meeting, which was held on July 31, were the town attorney, planning chairman and building inspector, said the supervisor. Their main argument, said Albra, "was that the site is a blight and needs remediation, which we agree with. We pushed for more senior and veteran housing and a comprehensive site plan."

"The initial proposal was to develop over 1,300 units on the site. They appear to have revised that number to between 800 and 1,300 units. During the discussion, the developer focused solely on the site itself. They indicated that water and sewer services would be provided by the City of Beacon and that Central Hudson has ample electric capacity. There was a brief mention of providing sidewalks and bike paths in the area. When the issue of school capacity arose, they stated that they were working with the Beacon City School District (BCSD) and noted that enrollment was down. However, when our primary concern - traffic - was discussed, they did not seem to be concerned. Conversely, they did express concern about the lack of fire coverage," said Albra. The BCSD did send a letter last month stating their concerns to the Governor's Office.

The current zoning permits the development of about 80 units as a "right," stated Albra.

"When I asked them what the benefit for the residents was if we "upzoned" this property, they stated tax revenue. I responded that with plenty of development already underway, this was not a sufficient answer. They then argued that the "region" needed more apartments, to which I replied that Fishkill already has affordable housing in town. Their main argument was that the site is a blight and needs remediation, which we agree with. We pushed for more senior and veteran housing and a comprehensive site plan," he said.

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Municipalities host local summer concerts

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John Tylistczak, a Village trustee and a liaison to the Parks & Recreation Committee, said, “We are hoping for good weather [every] Friday but are prepared in any event.”

He continued, “As for the concert series honoring John Regan, the village is pleased to honor the memory of John Regan, a talented musician, a lover of village parks and a good neighbor.”

“Our family thought this would be a perfect way to celebrate him in a place he loved, while giving people from near and far plenty of opportunities to gather with us in his honor,” said Klaproth.

Tylistczak noted, “We are also grateful to [John’s] wife Kathy and his many friends who helped underwrite this series and pull it all together.”

“We are grateful to the Village Board and Recreation Department for the opportunity to select bands that are meaningful to his life and career – from close personal friends, to former bands and even a reprise broadcast of the beloved Italian radio show he co-hosted, (which was held on Aug. 3)” remarked Klaproth.

Concerts are held Friday from 7-9 p.m. (exception is noted) at the Mesier Park gazebo in Wappingers Falls. The remaining concerts are on August 9, The Everything Else Band; August 16, Harvest; August 23, Stark Raven and September 7, Skin-N-Bones (Saturday, 4-6 p.m.).

Wappinger concerts are ‘in full swing’

“Our Summer events and programs are in full swing here in the Town of Wappinger! The Town Board and I truly pride ourselves in providing enriching

experiences for our families, and our ongoing efforts to enhance our parks are moving forward ahead of schedule, ensuring that our families of all ages can enjoy our beautiful outdoor spaces,” said Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini.

The concerts in Wappinger take place at Brexel-Schlathaus Park on Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. The following bands are set to perform August 8, Southern Dutchess Concert Band and August 15, Hurley Mt. Highway.

Cavaccini thanked the Parks and Recreation Department “who have carefully curated a list of musicians that will ensure that the Park is filled with good music, dancing, and community spirit—it’s sure to be a highlight of the year!”

Wednesdays are concert nights in Fishkill

The concerts in the town of Fishkill are held on Wednesday nights at Geering Park, One Geering Way, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Town of Fishkill Recreation Director Jason Maietta said, “Every concert is free, and we encourage everyone to bring a lawn chair and their dancing shoes!”

The first concert of the summer featured the Silly Little Things with Kirsten Lee and Johnny Dell.

“Since it was our first concert of the season and the day before the 4th of July, we made it a 4th of July themed Concert Series Kickoff Party. We had a bounce house for families and handed out the “bomb pop” ice pops, and glow sticks to everyone in attendance,” explained Maietta. He added, “We had about 200 people in attendance, so it was a good crowd.”

The feedback from attendees “was very

positive,” noted Maietta.

“Families and seniors enjoy being outside and listening to the various bands. Our Highway and Grounds crews resurfaced the parking lot, basketball courts, and tennis courts. The basketball and tennis courts were repainted, and we added two new pickleball courts. Those that attended the first concert were surprised to see the major changes and were excited to see the park get the much-needed facelift,” he said.

Summer basketball games are also held at Geering Park, “so the park is especially full and vibrant on Wednesday nights,” Maietta remarked.

The remaining concert lineup for the summer concerts in Fishkill includes: August 7, Tracy DeLucia Band; August 14, The Saints, and August 21, Matt Jordan Band.

“Interested concertgoers can view and print the full schedule with all the details off our website at FishkillRecreation.com or stop by the Recreation Center to pick up a hard copy,” said Maietta.

Summer Concert Series on Friday evenings in East Fishkill

The concerts held in East Fishkill so far this summer, said East Fishkill Recreation Director Bill Green, “were very well attended and very entertaining. Many people have already requested we bring [those bands] back again next year.”

Green noted, “We’ve had big crowds,

especially on Fireworks Night.” Admission is free and attendees should bring their own lawn chairs. Parking is best at the McGrath parking lot. One should enter from the Community Center, 890 Route 82, and continue to the far back of the lot toward McGrath Field, it is suggested.

“The bands love our stage area location by the Davis House [at 4 Anne Ave.] and the attendees love the variety of music being offered. Rock and roll is still here to stay,” noted Green.

Having a variety of food trucks at the concerts has been “a big plus,” he added.

The remaining concerts are: Friday, August 9, 6:30 p.m. The Chain Gang; Friday, August 16, 6 p.m., Noise in the Basement; Friday, August 23, 6 p.m., Rain Date; Friday, August 30, 6 p.m., Johnny Dell & Nite Life.

Free concerts on Tuesdays in Town of Poughkeepsie

The Town of Poughkeepsie offers free summer concerts on Tuesdays at Greenvale Park, 2260 New Hackensack Road. Bring a blanket or a lawn chair and come enjoy our free Tuesday Summer Nights Concert Series at Greenvale Park (2260 New Hackensack Rd). Attendees may purchase food from a designated food truck at the concerts.

The remaining concert will be on August 13 by Noise in the Basement at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, go to <http://www.PoughkeepsieTownRec.com>.

Hinchey and Serino announce \$1M for DPW equipment



Pictured from left: Senator Michelle Hinchey, Dutchess DPW Commissioner Robert Balkind, and Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino on Tuesday, July 30, at the DPW Garage at Dutchess Turnpike in Poughkeepsie.

-Courtesy photo

On July 30, New York State Senator Michelle Hinchey and Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino announced \$1 million in state funding for new heavy-duty road maintenance equipment for the Dutchess County Department of Public Works (DPW). This includes a caterpillar excavator, wood chipper, roadside mower, snow plows, and sanding trucks. Former Senator Serino initiated the state grant during her tenure, and Senator Hinchey advanced it to fulfillment this year.

Hinchey said, “Our local roads and infrastructure matter, and updating them directly improves the safety and quality of life in our Hudson Valley communities. I’m proud to have worked with County Executive Serino to deliver this significant investment so that our local crews can get the tools they need to keep roads safe and in good shape across Dutchess County.”

“Dutchess County is grateful to Senator Hinchey for her support in finalizing this \$1 million grant for the Department of Public Works for critical road maintenance equipment,” said Serino. “The safety of our local residents remains a top priority, and the equipment purchased will go a long way in ensuring our local roads are well-maintained and accessible.”

Robert Balkind, Commissioner of Dutchess County Department of Public Works, said, “I wish to thank both County Executive Serino and Senator Hinchey for their efforts to secure this grant. Keeping our fleet of heavy equipment in good order is essential to the Department of Public Works’ ability to deliver the vital services we provide to our community. On behalf of our DPW team and the community we serve every day, thank you both for your work to provide this funding to Dutchess County.”

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DCAS Education Program takes agriculture into area schools



Youngsters learn the art of milking cows from artificial cow cutouts as part of the Agricultural Education program of the Dutchess County Agricultural Society.

-Courtesy photos

By Jim Donick

The Dutchess County Agricultural Society (DCAS) may be best known for presenting the annual Dutchess County Fair. They do much more. Their mission is “the promotion of agriculture, horticulture, mechanical and domestic arts, fine arts, and allied sciences through education, instruction, display, and competition.” They promote every aspect of agriculture - from neighborhood backyards to family farms and commercial enterprises.

One of their most important projects is delivered by Cassie Messina, the DCAS Agriculture Educator. Messina, with help from any number of local farmers, has created a program to take agriculture and agricultural experiences from the farm into the classroom.

This amazing program was kicked off in 2018 with visits to a number of schools in the area. Then, as Messina notes, “Covid put a little wrench into our program and we had to go remote. Now, with that behind us, we have been building back.”

Now they are back in the classroom and that means regularly visiting schools in five different school districts. The variety of programs she brings to the schools are simply amazing. In the course of a year’s travels around the county (and sometimes to Westchester), she manages to cover nearly every aspect of the agricultural business.

Examples range from the creation of an in-class farmer’s market where students explore the considerations of a consumer and a producer by playing the role of each, to an exploration of the genetics of

watermelon and other crops. The lessons engage students through problem solving and real-life experiences.

In other lessons, students learned about lambs with a visit from a bottle baby lamb and then made small objects from their wool. When learning about the dairy industry, they have been visited by a calf from Stormfield Swiss, a local dairy farm. During this visit, students handled the calf, met with the farmer, learned about the milking process, and then designed their own brand of ice cream, which they used in their in-classroom activities the next month.

Jen DeForest and Jim Lawrence, from Stormfield Swiss, regularly bring out a calf to take part in the classes and are enthusiastic supporters of the program. DeForest said, “We believe this program is so important because most kids today are so removed from agriculture. It’s teaching them where their food comes from and they will remember this for years to come. The excitement they have when they can actually pet the calf and ask questions about her is so great.”

As a regular part of the dairy program, they bring wooden cows with an artificial udder of sorts to allow the kids to try their hand at milking. DeForest said, “When they milk the wooden cows, they realize how hard it would be to milk by hand. This allows us to explain how we milk the cows with a machine and even robots are used now for optimum milk quality.”

Messina shares recollections of this event with an anecdote. “The most often asked question is ‘does chocolate milk come from brown cows?’” DeForest

USB’s Hyde Park branch Community Appreciation Day set for August 10

The community is invited to Ulster Savings Bank’s Community Appreciation Day on Saturday, August 10, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Hyde Park location, 4240 Albany Post Road. Activities and entertainment include fun games and a live

broadcast remote from Q92. Enjoy free refreshments (while supplies last).

They will have local businesses from the community attending plus donation collections for the Dutchess County SPCA and the Hyde Park Food Pantry.



“Starburst” the calf is part of a program by the Dutchess County Agricultural Society that visits area schools. “Starburst” is from Stormfield Swiss Dairy Farm.

notes that “a lot of the kids have no idea that food has to come from someplace to get to the grocery store. Up until they get into one of these sessions, many have never even thought about where the food actually comes from.”

The program focuses on grades K - 12 and the older students get exposed to an even deeper understanding of some of these topics. Messina organized an opportunity for Dutchess BOCES students to take a field trip to a farm. Students met with veterinarians from Millbrook Equine and Rhinebeck Equine, as well as Kent Feeds Sales Manager, Mackenzie Chauncey.

Dr. Paul Mountan showed students a bit about imaging through X-ray, viewing a horse’s back and identifying the different bones within the lower leg. He also brought along a skull from a horse that had a tumor that ate through the sinus cavity. Millbrook’s Dr. Cyra Erwin scoped a horse, showing the students

Works from the Cellar by Michael Leo Pilon through September

Works from the Cellar, paintings and sculptures by Michael Leo Pilon will take place at The Boathouse, 105 Market St. in Wappingers Falls Fridays – Sundays, 1-5 p.m. to September 29 or by appointment. For more information, call 845-702-4590.

the start of the digestive tract through to the stomach.

The programs, in all of their variety, are provided to the schools free of charge. In-class activities follow a well developed lesson plan and can extend over multiple days or even weekly visits from time to time. Those in-class sessions encourage the students to consider the details of their topic, whether it is planting seeds and watching them grow until time to take them home and plant them in a garden, or doing actual dissections to see how the animals’ bones and sinews work together as well as other systems in the animal.

The teachers who bring this program into their class rooms offer great reviews. Here are a couple. “The only regret I have is that I didn’t have you in the classroom sooner! I think this is valuable experience for students and they would look forward to your visits.”

“The lessons and experience were fantastic. I loved the use of graphic organizers and visual supports. The hands-on experience was awesome.”

DeForest shares her own view as well. “It’s also teaching them how to interact with people. They open up and tell us about their pets and other animal experiences.”

How can you get your school involved? Messina enthusiastically offers the following: “Lessons are provided at no cost and are available for grades K-12, geared appropriately for the age and grade level. If you are an educator, parent, PTA member, or administrator interested in this free resource, please reach out as we are accepting a few additions to our schedule this year!”

Contact Messina at dcasaged@dutchessfair.com. Programming can be designed to fit within existing curriculums, or bring in something totally new and exciting.

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Ryan announces funding for area fire departments

Congressman Pat Ryan delivered \$1.4 million in federal funding to the Rifton Fire District, Tivoli Fire Department, Arlington Fire District, Kripplebush Fire District, and Beacon Fire Department in a ceremony in Poughkeepsie on Monday.

Ryan also celebrated his nominations of the City of Poughkeepsie Fire Department, the Port Jervis Fire Department, and the Arlington Fire District for federal Community Project Funding for Fiscal Year 2025. Ryan joined with leaders from the fire departments to celebrate the announcement.

“Our firefighters are heroes, working around the clock with the sole focus of protecting others – that’s why, every single day, I’m pushing to make sure they have the resources they need and deserve to keep both us and themselves safe,” said Ryan. “From fighting tooth and nail for every last dollar of Community Project Funding to overhaul the firehouses for Tivoli and Rifton to securing landmark funding for state of the art equipment for Beacon, Kripplebush, and Arlington, when our fire departments are fully equipped, we are all safer. I’ll keep fight-

ing to deliver for all of our first responders.”

“The safety of Dutchess County residents is a top priority, one that we at every level of government – local, county, state and federal – share and take very seriously,” said Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino. “Strengthening our local fire departments with this federal funding will enhance these departments’ ability to respond to emergencies, and we appreciate Rep. Ryan’s efforts to secure these grants.”

“We greatly appreciate Congressman Ryan’s efforts to secure this important funding,” said Poughkeepsie Mayor Yvonne Flowers. “Making structural repairs to the Hooker Avenue Fire Station is essential, and this money would go a long way to achieving the goal. This funding also would enable the city to bring energy efficiency to a century-old building. I thank Congressman Ryan for fighting for these funds and for understanding the importance of putting resources into helping our first responders do their jobs to protect the community.”

“The City of Poughkeepsie Fire

Department is extremely grateful for the assistance in our application to get the proposed repairs done to Station 7,” said City of Poughkeepsie Fire Chief Joseph Franco. “This is a firehouse that first opened in 1929, and it is truly the Community’s station. In particular, the City Team starting with former Acting City Administrator Ron Knapp, City Engineer Rich DuPilka, Deputy Fire Chief Vincent Parise, Finance Commissioner Dr Brian Martinez, and City Public Works Commissioner Chris Gent all got together to form a plan and submit the application to our Federal government partners. The assistance of US Senator Gillibrand and Congressman Pat Ryan cannot be understated. Congressman Ryan’s office has been in contact with us and has moved this application to where it is today. They have gone the extra mile to make this happen. These repairs, when all are completed, are expected to give us another 40-50 years of service out of this fire station.”

“We are extremely grateful for the nomination to receive this community funding,” said City of Poughkeepsie Deputy

Fire Chief Vinny Parise. “This funding will help with much needed repairs to the 96 year old Hooker Avenue firehouse. The Hooker Avenue firehouse built in 1929, is the oldest active firehouse in the city, and provides a large portion of the south side of Poughkeepsie with fire protection. When constructed, this firehouse was built like many others of its time. We are very fortunate to have had this building stand up for nearly 100 years. Over time, the infrastructure has deteriorated and though the city has made improvements to the building, the larger repairs to the main construction of the building is in critical need of repair. With limited vacant land to construct a new facility, it is crucial that we make the necessary repairs to this historic building on the Southside of Poughkeepsie. With funding allocated for this project, the residents of Poughkeepsie will continue to receive the high level of emergency service the fire department provides. After these critical repairs to the Hooker Avenue firehouse are completed, this firehouse will continue to provide fire protection to the residents of Poughkeepsie for another 30 to 40 years.”

Historic Vassar-Warner Home to close in fall – after 153 years

After a storied history of serving the needs of senior citizens in Dutchess County and the greater Hudson Valley for 153 years, Vassar-Warner Home, located at 52 S. Hamilton Street in the City of Poughkeepsie, has announced it will close its doors this fall.

Following plans filed with, and approved by, the New York State Department of Health, the county’s only nonprofit senior living home is working diligently to relocate its 35 residents on or before October 14, 2024, to available facilities that will best meet their needs.

“It is with great sadness and regret that I share this news,” said Ericka Von Salews, executive director of Vassar-Warner Home. “Vassar-Warner Home has been a beloved part of our community and a much-needed resource locally. We will remain open until every resident has been placed in their new home and we will do everything possible to make this transition smooth for our residents and

their loved ones, as well as the compassionate team who work here.”

Despite repeated efforts to recruit help privately and on the state and local levels, Vassar-Warner Home cites unsustainable Medicaid reimbursement rates, occupancy challenges, and rising costs as barriers that have made it impossible to remain operable. The facility, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, comprises 58 private rooms. Currently, it accommodates 18 individuals in independent living and 17 adults in assisted living and offers respite care services.

“Our Home Board of Trustees and Foundation Board would like to thank the 34 dedicated staff members who provide excellent, award-winning care to our residents, including Executive Director Ericka Von Salews, who has led Vassar-Warner Home successfully for the past eight years,” said Vassar-Warner Home Board of Trustees President Ellen C. Smyth.

Albra updates residents on Downstate proposal

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Supervisor Albra said he has been contacted by residents about the process. He said the following is how the proposed project “could” proceed.

1. The Planning Board most likely would require a Draft Environmental Impact Statement “DEIS” which would require a Public Hearing.

2. The Town Board, if the project was acceptable to the public would hold a Public Hearing to upzone from 80 units to about 300.

3. The Zoning Board of Appeals would then hold a Public Hearing to consider a “variance” to allow anything over 300 units.

“Residents also asked about what the town currently has in affordable housing,” noted Albra, who said there are approximately 100 units on Route 9D by the bridge, another approximately 100 units on Route 52 near the Fishkill Town Hall and around 40 standalone units throughout the town.

“We have more than most communities in the Hudson Valley. We are also currently working on accessory apartments for private homes and maybe some form of

rent stabilization for renters living in town,” said Albra.

Representatives from Governor Kathy Hochul’s Office, the developer’s company, Beacon City School District, Central Hudson did not get back with a response for comment before deadline. City of Beacon Administrator Chris White said on Aug. 5, “As of today, no party has contacted me to see if it was willing and able to provide sewer and water service to the proposed development.” Mayor Lee Kyriacou said he has not been contacted yet either.

Albra said on August 5 that representatives for the State do want to meet again. He said they are starting to begin to work with the town.

He concluded in the letter, “We are in a difficult situation with the state owning the land, and as they did when they built Downstate years ago, they can do what they please. I sense that the state does want to work with the town, but in reality, they do not have to. It is my intention to the keep lines of communication open and to turn Downstate into something that will benefit the town and that we can all be proud of.”

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Dutchess peaches - no fuzz and other early inventions



The Ward family of Pleasant Valley had active orchards and livestock, and operated this mill which was directly opposite their home.

Home of Alson Ward and family in Pleasant Valley ca 1880s. -Images courtesy of DCHS Collections.

By Meloye Moore
Editor's note: This is an incomplete, "snippet view" of an article from the 2023 DCHS Yearbook, vol. 102, "Farming in Dutchess County." You will find the whole article at www.dchsnny.org/yb-2023 or by purchasing a print copy at amazon.com (search books). If you have any questions, contact Bill Jeffway at bill.jeffway@dchsnny.org. Meloye Moore is a DCHS Trustee, Chair of Collections, and Co-Chair of Interpretation.

During the second quarter of the nineteenth century the agricultural economy of New York went through a period of profound change. The 1825 opening of the Erie Canal had made available more fertile western lands and eastern New York farmers were forced to diversify. While wheat remained the most important cash crop until after 1850, it began to be displaced by corn, oats, barley, rye, hay, dairy products, sheep and wool and fruit orchards. As farming became more and more competitive and complicated, farmers soon realized that they needed more skills and there was a concur-

rent rise in interest in improved machinery and in scientific agriculture. In her book "The Nature of the Future: Agriculture, Science and Capitalism In The Antebellum North," Emily Pawling explores the active scientific community thriving in New York in the years preceding the Civil War that was interested in agricultural improvement. One of the "improving agriculturists" she cites is the Ward family of Pleasant Valley that included Alson Ward. Pawley points to entries included in Alson Ward's diary, now part of the collections of the Dutchess County Historical Society, that describe the Wards improving their soil with plaster, ashes, and stable manure, their use of a water-powered corn -sheller, a threshing machine, and an automatic hog feeder. On October 18, 1844 Alson records "father spent his time fitting a hive of bees in my bedroom for experimenting &c." Presumably the bees remained there through the winter for on Mary 6, 1845. Alson shares "We have fed the bees for a few days in the following manner by placing honey in a flat square tin pie dish with a floating board

filled with holes that they may eat readily in the middle of which we placed a bottle of honey prepared with a stimulus sufficient for them. Today they used two bottles of honey the eleven hives which consist our stock." The Wards were also working on a design for a machine that would brush their peaches in order to remove the then characteristic fuzz on the outside of the peach. Presumably this design was a forerunner to the 1851 patent granted to Joshua O. Ward for improvement in machines for peeling and cutting peaches. The Ward family, originally from England, was among the early settlers of Pleasant Valley and owned a mill and farmlands 2 1/2 miles from the village on what is today Traver Road. Despite the success of their milling operation, the Wards saw themselves as farmers and self-identified as such in census records. The "1850 United States Selected Federal Census- Non-Population Schedule" provides an overview of the agricultural production on their 81- acre farm. Valued at \$6,000, the entirety of the farm is listed as improved and seems similar in size and worth with others in the nearby vicinity. The farm's livestock, valued at \$500 included 3 horses, 5 milch cows, 1 other cattle, and 10 swine. The field crops enumerated in the schedule included such staples as wheat, rye, Indian corn and oats. Other produce worthy of mention was 500 pounds of butter which the diary records as being marketed in Poughkeepsie, and 15 pounds of beeswax. Numerous diary entries from 1844 - 1847 describe the Wards' apple orchards and provide great detail about the labor-intensive work of necessary for the successful cultivation of peaches, so it is surprising that column 97, Value of Orchard Products in dollars is empty. Starting in the spring of 1844 Alson's diary entries reveal what was required annually in order to create and maintain the family's peach orchards as follows:

"April 9: Went to Poughkeepsie to see about getting some peach trees. April 11: Went to valley on foot in evening to get help to work in orchard. April 13: To Poughkeepsie to engage peach trees, engaged 300 of Daniel Beadle at 10 cents, bought those, inoculated last fall, the inoculating just starting. April 15: Put ashes around peach and apple trees." On April 17th Alson describes in great detail how their new peach trees were planted: "Spent most of the day planting peach trees. The method followed by us was by placing a large scoop shovel full of manure on top of the ground where the hole was intended and also a quart or two of unbleached ashes, also dug up the ground with a stubbing hoe in order to loosen it well and get the manure and ashes well mixed with the ground, then made a hole with a space or shovel for the tree. Place the tree in and partly fill the hole with the dirt and after they were all sett in this way we put half a pail of water on each tree and pulled the remaining dirt around the tree." The rest of the summer, in addition to other farm chores, there was always weeding and hoeing around the peach trees and by August it was time to inoculate the trees. Very little diary space is given to the harvesting of the peaches but on September 16th of 1844 Joshua set off to the State Fair in Poughkeepsie with some of his peaches. The remaining years of Alson's diary record the same monthly sequence of peach orchard related tasks... Please visit www.dchsnny.org/yb-2023 to read the full article.

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

WCSD board to hold public hearing on safety plan for 2024-25 on August 12

The Board of Education of the Wappingers Central School District will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 12 at approximately 7:30 p.m. at the Roy C. Ketcham High School, 99 Myers Corners Road, in Wappingers Falls. The meeting will also be live streamed at WCSD media on YouTube. A recording will also be uploaded to the video library for viewing at a later date. The purpose of this public hearing is to seek input/feedback on the 2024-2025 District-wide School Safety Plan. Information about the District-wide School Safety Plan may be obtained by visiting the website: www.wappingersschools.org. The public may continue to provide comments/feedback via email to: wcsd.comments@wcsdny.org, prior to the anticipated adoption by the Board of Education on August 26. The public hearing will be immediately followed by the Board of Education Meeting.

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|-----------------------------|---|----|-----|------|-----|--------|
| | W | L | PCT | GB | L10 | STRK |
| Greensboro PTT | * | 20 | 16 | .556 | - | 3-7 L1 |
| Hudson Valley NYY | | 19 | 16 | .543 | 0.5 | 8-2 W7 |
| Aberdeen BAL | | 19 | 17 | .528 | 1.0 | 6-4 L1 |
| Wilmington WSH | | 17 | 18 | .486 | 2.5 | 4-6 L2 |
| Jersey Shore PHI | | 16 | 20 | .444 | 4.0 | 1-9 L8 |
| Brooklyn NYM | | 15 | 21 | .417 | 5.0 | 5-5 W1 |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH | | | | | | |
| | W | L | PCT | GB | L10 | STRK |
| Bowling Green TB | | 21 | 12 | .636 | - | 7-3 W1 |
| Greenville BOS | | 22 | 14 | .611 | 0.5 | 7-3 W2 |
| Hickory TEX | | 19 | 17 | .528 | 3.5 | 5-5 L1 |
| Winston-Salem CWS | | 17 | 19 | .472 | 5.5 | 4-6 W1 |
| Asheville HOU | | 15 | 20 | .429 | 7.0 | 5-5 W1 |
| Rome ATL | * | 12 | 22 | .353 | 9.5 | 4-6 L1 |

RENEGADES RAMBLINGS

Key roster moves and upcoming games at home



Infielder Roc Riggio has been as solid as you would want. Entering this past weekend, he had a hit in 33 of his previous 39 games.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

By Rich Thomaselli

Here are some items from the notebook.

with the Houston Astros and assigned to High-A Hudson Valley. The Renegades roster now stands at the South Atlantic League maximum of 30 active, four Injured List and one Minor League rehab.

• **ROC SOLID:** Infielder Roc Riggio has been as solid as you would want. Entering this past weekend, he had a hit in 33 of his previous 39 games.

• **WALK-OFF MAGIC:** On Thursday, Hudson Valley earned its seventh walk-off victory of the season, scoring four runs in the ninth inning.

• **HOME COOKIN':** The Renegades began a stretch where they will play 19 of 25 games at Heritage Financial Park. After hosting Jersey Shore, Hudson Valley will travel to Brooklyn for the final time this season, before embarking on a two-week homestand.

• **ROSTER MOVES:** The New York Yankees have announced the following roster move affecting the Hudson Valley Renegades. Right-handed pitcher Kelly Austin was acquired in a trade

• **ROAD STRUGGLES:** Home is obviously sweet for Hudson Valley. The team has lost 10 of its last 13 games on the road.



| Players Statistics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| PLAYER | TEAM | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | BB | SO | SB | CS | AVG | OBP | SLG | OPS |
| 1 OmarMartinez C | HV | 83 | 284 | 41 | 67 | 11 | 1 | 13 | 38 | 58 | 77 | 0 | 0 | 0.236 | 0.367 | 0.419 | 0.786 |
| 1 JaredSerna SS | HV | 88 | 340 | 51 | 86 | 26 | 0 | 13 | 58 | 40 | 60 | 11 | 8 | 0.253 | 0.341 | 0.444 | 0.785 |
| 3 JaceAvina CF | HV | 84 | 320 | 43 | 80 | 22 | 0 | 9 | 44 | 32 | 96 | 4 | 1 | 0.25 | 0.329 | 0.403 | 0.732 |
| 4 RocRiggio 2B | HV | 80 | 304 | 56 | 66 | 18 | 4 | 8 | 30 | 51 | 63 | 17 | 5 | 0.217 | 0.342 | 0.382 | 0.724 |
| 5 GarrettMartin RF | HV | 59 | 193 | 31 | 37 | 11 | 3 | 7 | 26 | 20 | 66 | 10 | 1 | 0.192 | 0.293 | 0.389 | 0.682 |
| 6 RafaelFlores 1B | HV | 57 | 193 | 27 | 55 | 17 | 0 | 6 | 35 | 38 | 55 | 2 | 1 | 0.285 | 0.403 | 0.466 | 0.869 |
| 6 JoshMoylan 1B | HV | 75 | 250 | 38 | 63 | 10 | 1 | 6 | 30 | 44 | 72 | 2 | 3 | 0.252 | 0.372 | 0.372 | 0.744 |
| 6 KikoRomero 3B | HV | 59 | 183 | 25 | 41 | 10 | 1 | 6 | 20 | 31 | 70 | 9 | 1 | 0.224 | 0.352 | 0.388 | 0.74 |
| 9 JesusRodriguez C | HV | 56 | 211 | 39 | 70 | 14 | 4 | 5 | 33 | 29 | 30 | 7 | 3 | 0.332 | 0.412 | 0.507 | 0.919 |
| 10 ChristopherFamilia LF | HV | 30 | 103 | 13 | 21 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 17 | 9 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0.204 | 0.284 | 0.34 | 0.624 |
| 10 AntonioGomez C | HV | 24 | 86 | 11 | 19 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 10 | 5 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0.221 | 0.277 | 0.419 | 0.696 |
| 12 KyleBattle LF | HV | 21 | 46 | 14 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 23 | 5 | 0 | 0.174 | 0.316 | 0.304 | 0.62 |
| 12 TylerHardman DH | HV | 16 | 59 | 8 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 26 | 1 | 0 | 0.237 | 0.292 | 0.339 | 0.631 |
| 14 BeauBrewer 3B | HV | 33 | 92 | 8 | 21 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 8 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0.228 | 0.29 | 0.293 | 0.583 |
| 14 JuanCrisp P | HV | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 14 BrennyEscanio SS | HV | 29 | 88 | 7 | 22 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 8 | 27 | 5 | 2 | 0.25 | 0.309 | 0.341 | 0.65 |
| 14 ColeGabrielson RF | HV | 66 | 191 | 28 | 39 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 29 | 56 | 12 | 3 | 0.204 | 0.343 | 0.277 | 0.62 |
| 14 AnthonyHall RF | HV | 19 | 63 | 6 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 9 | 22 | 2 | 0 | 0.159 | 0.264 | 0.206 | 0.47 |
| 14 DJLeMahieu 3B | HV | 2 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.286 | 0.286 | 0.429 | 0.715 |
| 14 NelsonMedina CF | HV | 50 | 156 | 13 | 18 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 74 | 8 | 0 | 0.115 | 0.197 | 0.147 | 0.344 |
| 14 OscarSilverio X | HV | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 14 AlexanderVargas SS | HV | 5 | 15 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0.2 | 0.316 | 0.4 | 0.716 |
| 14 JorbitVivas 2B | HV | 4 | 16 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0.313 | 0.389 | 0.375 | 0.764 |

| Pitcher Statistics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------|---|---|------|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|------|-------|
| PLAYER | TEAM | W | L | ERA | G | GS | CG | SHO | SV | SVO | IP | H | R | ER | HR | HB | BB | SO | WHIP | AVG |
| 1 CamSchlitter | HV | 6 | 4 | 2.6 | 17 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 86.2 | 60 | 34 | 25 | 7 | 3 | 38 | 108 | 1.13 | 0.191 |
| 2 TrentSellers | HV | 6 | 2 | 2.4 | 26 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 63.2 | 34 | 25 | 17 | 2 | 2 | 30 | 74 | 1.01 | 0.154 |
| 3 BenShields | HV | 3 | 2 | 2.75 | 14 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 52.1 | 35 | 19 | 16 | 5 | 4 | 10 | 71 | 0.86 | 0.185 |
| 3 BaronStuart | HV | 6 | 3 | 4.02 | 16 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 80.2 | 74 | 37 | 36 | 4 | 5 | 29 | 71 | 1.28 | 0.248 |
| 5 KyleCarr | HV | 0 | 6 | 5.61 | 18 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 77 | 77 | 57 | 48 | 5 | 2 | 45 | 70 | 1.58 | 0.266 |
| 6 SebastianKeane | HV | 6 | 7 | 4.84 | 18 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 70.2 | 64 | 39 | 38 | 6 | 9 | 35 | 69 | 1.4 | 0.247 |
| 7 ColeAyers | HV | 3 | 4 | 3.09 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 55.1 | 47 | 23 | 19 | 5 | 3 | 20 | 67 | 1.21 | 0.225 |
| 8 MattKeating | HV | 3 | 3 | 4.5 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 56 | 40 | 31 | 28 | 8 | 1 | 23 | 66 | 1.13 | 0.196 |
| 9 JoelValdez | HV | 1 | 2 | 3.88 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 46.1 | 33 | 24 | 20 | 2 | 7 | 24 | 55 | 1.23 | 0.2 |
| 10 MasonVinyard | HV | 5 | 2 | 3.6 | 24 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 35 | 28 | 20 | 14 | 2 | 1 | 20 | 48 | 1.37 | 0.212 |
| 11 JacksonFristoe | HV | 1 | 3 | 3.79 | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38 | 27 | 18 | 15 | 2 | 1 | 28 | 40 | 1.45 | 0.201 |
| 12 HuestonMorrill | HV | 3 | 2 | 3.53 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 35.2 | 32 | 19 | 14 | 6 | 3 | 11 | 39 | 1.21 | 0.239 |
| 13 LuisArejula | HV | 3 | 4 | 2.9 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 40.1 | 33 | 18 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 21 | 38 | 1.34 | 0.223 |
| 14 BlaneAbeyta | HV | 1 | 2 | 2.3 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31.1 | 28 | 15 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 21 | 1.05 | 0.235 |
| 15 YorlinCalderon | HV | 0 | 0 | 3.38 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 13.1 | 13 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 17 | 1.35 | 0.241 |
| 15 EricReyzelman | HV | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9.2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 17 | 0.62 | 0.065 |
| 17 BrianHendry | HV | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 15 | 1 | 0.125 |
| 17 LeonardoPestana | HV | 1 | 0 | 1.86 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 9.2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 15 | 0.62 | 0.036 |
| 19 GeoffreyGilbert | HV | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 0.43 | 0.043 |
| 20 HarrisonCohen | HV | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4.2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0.86 | 0.235 |
| 20 StevenFulgencio | HV | 1 | 1 | 4.15 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8.2 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 1.5 | 0.219 |
| 22 SeanBoyle | HV | 1 | 0 | 1.5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 0.19 | |
| 22 McKinleyMoore | HV | 0 | 0 | 7.36 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3.2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 1.09 | 0.154 |
| 24 JuanCrisp | HV | 1 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 0.182 |
| 25 IndigoDiaz | HV | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0.167 |





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RENEGADES ROUNDUP

Series sweep over Jersey Shore moves Renegades into 2nd place

By Rich Thomaselli

What a difference a week makes. It was a great return home for the Hudson Valley Renegades, and even better to find success against division opponent Jersey Shore.

The team showed great signs of life by sweeping the six-game series at Heritage Financial Park. The six-game sweep was the second-ever for the Renegades, with the last coming July 4-10, 2022 - also against Jersey Shore.

The Renegades are now 19-16 on the season and just a half-game behind Greensboro in the league standings.

In the series opener last Tuesday, the Renegades earned a dominant win against the BlueClaws, recording nine hits in a 6-1 victory at Heritage Financial Park. Trent Sellers turned in a strong start, allowing just two hits in four scoreless innings while striking out six. He has not allowed an earned run in his last 24.1 innings across eight appearances and has retired 40 of the last 43 batters he has faced.

In the second Antonio Gomez led off with a single. He later scored in the frame on an RBI single by Christopher Familia off Casey Steward (1-1) to put Hudson Valley in front 1-0. Eight batters came to the plate for the Renegades in the fourth with two runs coming home. A Josh Moylan single and Garrett Martin double put runners at second and third with one out. After a walk to Familia loaded the bases, a Kiko Romero RBI single scored Moylan from third.

In the next at-bat, Brenny Escanio drew a bases-loaded walk to extend the Renegades lead to 3-0. In the fifth, Hudson Valley brought two more runs home. After Gomez was hit by a pitch and Moylan earned a walk, Familia ripped a



Kiko Romero ripped a solo home run on Friday night, his sixth of the season. He finished the game 2-for-3 with two runs scored, a triple, a home run and one RBI.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

two-run double to right, driving in Moylan and Martin. Familia was 2-for-3 with a double and three RBI and a walk.

In the second game of the series and on the last day of the month of July, with a four-run ninth inning the Renegades earned a remarkable 6-5 walk-off victory over the BlueClaws on Camp Day. Josh Moylan sent the crowd home happy with a walk-off single for his second walk-off knock of the season. Kyle Carr notched his third consecutive strong start. The southpaw allowed just four hits and two earned runs across five innings with six strikeouts. In his last three starts, Carr has

allowed just three runs and seven hits in 15.0 innings with 15 strikeouts.

It was much closer on Thursday, but still a 4-3 victory for Hudson Valley. The Blue Claws took the lead in the first. After reaching on an error to begin the game, Trent Farquhar scored on an Andrick Nava double to put Jersey Shore in front 1-0.

In the second Familia led off with a walk. Gabrielson drove him home with an RBI double to tie the game, his 12th two-bagger of the season. Still tied at 3-3 in the bottom of the fifth inning, Brenny Escanio doubled to lead off the frame. He advanced to third on a groundout and

came home on a sacrifice fly by Avina. There was no scoring the rest of the way, as the Hudson Valley bullpen was stellar behind Blane Abeyta. Mason Vinyard, Joel Valdez and Matt Keating combined for 4.2 scoreless innings. Keating earned his third save of the season with 1.2 scoreless frames.

On Friday night, the team weathered a rain delay that was three minutes short of two hours and posted a 7-1 victory. Cam Schlittler was stellar again for Hudson Valley, allowing just one run in five innings, while matching a season-high with nine strikeouts. He now has a team-leading 108 strikeouts in 86.2 frames this season. Hudson Valley took the lead in the top of the second when Garrett Martin reached on an error and stole second. He later scored on an RBI single by Anthony Hall to make it 1-0 Renegades. Schlittler was able to escape a bases-loaded, one-out jam in the fourth without allowing a run. Jersey Shore was just 2-for-10 with runners in scoring position and left eight on base. In the bottom of the fourth Kiko Romero ripped a solo home run to right off Mitch Neunborn, his sixth of the season. Romero finished 2-for-3 with two runs scored, a triple, a home run and one RBI.

Hudson Valley made it a season high for consecutive victories by winning 8-3 on Saturday. Hudson Valley took a 4-0 lead in the bottom of the fourth inning and, as it turned out, that was all the offense the Renegades would need.

On Sunday, Sellers continued his dominance on the mound, tossing four perfect innings while inducing six groundball outs as the Renegades won their seventh straight game by a score of 7-5.

Hudson Valley is on the road this week with six games in Brooklyn.

General Manager Q&A

Focusing on community events and gearing up for start of school



Zach Betkowski

The Hudson Valley Renegades have a first-year general manager in Zach Betkowski. He sits down with reporter Rich Thomaselli every week to express his thoughts on the Renegades in particular and on minor league baseball in general.

We've talked about this before - but with the season winding down, how does the management help new players

get acclimated?

To be honest, we try not to interfere too much out of respect for the Yankees. Most of our interaction with the players comes from community events. We're very community minded. The Yankees are very community minded. There's always a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse. It's a daily thing. But we also try to give the players and coaches their space, so they can focus on the job at hand.

We concentrate on the business side of things. But a lot of the overlap does come in those community events.

Is there a change in philosophy or a new emphasis now that school is starting up fairly soon?

(laughs). It's funny you say that. We do have to hire more people and more staff and more college interns because they go back to

school. And the dynamic of our attendance does change during the school year.

Finally, the team is red hot. I know you said you focus on entertainment and other things, and that the baseball is secondary. But do you find yourself peeking a little bit?

Sure. Of course. You always want the players to have that postseason experience.

City of Poughkeepsie Police has six new officers

Four other members of department promoted



Four members of the City of Poughkeepsie Police Department were promoted recently. From left, Interim Police Chief Richard Wilson; Detective Lieutenant John Zeltmann; Detective Lieutenant Sean McCarthy; Lieutenant Edwin Acken; Sergeant Jerel Yizar; Detective Joseph Whalen; Mayor Yvonne Flowers; and City Administrator Joe Donat.

The City of Poughkeepsie swore in six police officers and promoted four other members of the department during a ceremony Wednesday, July 31 at Poughkeepsie City Hall.

The Police Department has been working hard to recruit officers and fill vacancies. Current staffing is at 83, and the department has been capitalizing on changes in civil service law to recruit sworn police officers throughout the state. Due to a recent change in civil service law, the Police Department has more lati-

tude to hire transfer applicants who are currently employed by the New York City Police Department and various state agencies. Four of the new officers are transfers from the NYPD, one is a transfer from a local police department and one is a recent graduate of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Training Group Academy.

The new police officers are Emily Aldrich, Kristian Fernandez, Wilfredo Medina, Yesmelin Reyes, Kevin Russo and Michael Vespe.

In addition, Lt. Sean McCarthy was



Six police officers were sworn in on July 31. From left, Detective Lieutenant John Zeltmann; Interim Police Chief Richard Wilson; new police officers Emily Aldrich, Kristian Fernandez, Wilfredo Medina, Yesmelin Reyes, Kevin Russo and Michael Vespe; Mayor Yvonne Flowers; and City Administrator Joe Donat.

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promoted to Detective Lieutenant; Sgt. Edwin Acken was promoted to Lieutenant; Police Officer Jerel Yizar was promoted to Sergeant; and Police Officer Joseph Whalen was promoted to Detective.

"I applaud the Police Department's efforts to address what has become a national challenge -- the difficulty so many municipalities are having in recruiting qualified candidates for their Police Departments," said City of Poughkeepsie Mayor Yvonne Flowers. "The city is committed to hiring the best officers we can find, and we appreciate their choice to be part of our community. I also want to congratulate the members of the department who were promoted today. They have worked hard to get to this point, and the city

appreciates their dedication and service."

Interim Police Chief Richard Wilson said, "We welcome these new officers and are grateful we can find such qualified personnel to bolster our ranks. The department continues to do outreach, especially to attract transfers, and our hard work is paying dividends. It's noteworthy these officers are choosing Poughkeepsie over other places, and we look forward to working with them to serve and protect the people of this city."

City officials also noted that the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources has announced that there will be an entrance exam for Police Officer/Deputy Sheriff on Sept. 28. All interested parties must apply in person or online by Aug. 9.

Eric Taylor named President of Tompkins Financial Advisors

Tompkins Financial Corp. (Tompkins) has announced that Eric Taylor has joined the company as Executive Vice President and President of Tompkins Financial Advisors.

Taylor has spent his career in wealth management and brings extensive experience in investment and advisory services. His background includes strategic oversight and management of client-facing investment advisors, portfolio managers and financial planners. In addition, he brings in-depth knowledge of investment planning and portfolio implementation, as well as investment oversight and compliance.

In his new role, Taylor will lead

Tompkins Financial Advisors, a holistic financial services firm with over 130 years of experience, bringing customized wealth management, financial planning and trust solutions to individuals and businesses. He will report to Steve Romaine, president and CEO of Tompkins Financial.

Romaine commented, "It is my pleasure to welcome Eric to the Tompkins team. In addition to his experience in the wealth arena, he brings a vision consistent with the Tompkins model of always placing the client at the center of everything we do. Most importantly, we share a common set of values and culture. Eric started his early career

with us as a trust officer and I have enjoyed watching his growth and progression over the years. I'm pleased to welcome him back in this senior role, and as a member of my senior leadership team, contributing to strategic issues across the company."

A long-time resident of Ithaca, Taylor is a graduate of the Johnson Graduate School of Management at Cornell University and holds a Master of Business Administration. He also spent his undergraduate years at Cornell earning a Bachelor of Arts in Policy Analysis and Management.



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Dutchess County given Wheel the World's Verified Destination certification

Wheel the World, a leader in travel solutions for people with disabilities, designated New York's Dutchess County with a Verified Destination certification, giving travelers access to accurate accessibility information for county hotels, activities and restaurants. On Thursday, July 25, at an event held at Heritage Financial Park, home of the Hudson Valley Renegades baseball team, Dutchess Tourism, Inc. (DTI) recognized the 50 county hotels, restaurants, and attractions that were assessed by Wheel the World, leading to the accessibility seal of approval. DTI is one of 17 in the U.S., and the only New York State destination organization, with the Verified Destination designation. The milestone is part of their broader Accessible Dutchess initiative, which aims to evaluate, develop, and promote accessible travel experiences within the county.

"Ahead of the 34th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and during Disability Pride Month, DTI reaffirms its commitment to strive for greater accessibility for all travelers," said Melaine Rottkamp, president and CEO of Dutchess Tourism, Inc. "While we aren't claiming perfect accessibility for everyone in Dutchess, we are proud to share the progress we've made and celebrate the collective effort between tourism partners and county government in order to inspire other destinations to begin their journey. Even the smallest changes can make a big impact."

"Tourism done right happens by design, not default. Dutchess Tourism is once again setting a new best practice standard for 'tourism done right.' Their collaboration with Wheel the World and local hospitality businesses has earned them the 2024 New York State Tourism Excellence in Equity and Inclusion Award for fostering a more welcoming experience for diverse audiences including customers, visitors, employees and guests," said Bob Provost, president & CEO, New York State Tourism Industry Association.

Empire State Development Vice President and Executive Director of Tourism Ross D. Levi said, "Dutchess Tourism's efforts complement I LOVE NY's Accessible Tourism initiative, and we applaud their work to promote experiences available to all travelers."

With funding support from Dutchess County Government, as part of the ThinkDIFFERENTLY initiative, which has expanded with County Executive Sue Serino's ThinkAccessible initiative, DTI contracted Wheel the World, a travel solution for people with disabilities, to provide on-site assessments highlighting positive areas of accessibility standards as well as actionable insights

for improvement. Online training through Wheel the World Academy was also provided to teach partners how to offer the best inclusive service for guests with diverse disabilities and accessibility needs. There were no costs for businesses to participate.

Attractions and restaurants were evaluated on more than 100, and hotels on over 200 accessibility features, ranging from obstacle-free areas to bed heights to signage, in order to better accommodate guests with mobility, vision, hearing, sensory, and other needs. Travelers can build a personal profile on Wheel the World's website (<https://wheeltheworld.com/accessible-travel/usa/new-york/dutchess-county>), matching them up with the assessed accommodations and attractions that meet their needs.

Wheel the World COO & Co-Founder Camilo Navarro stated, "Dutchess is a world-class example of a Wheel the World Destination Verified Partner. Their commitment to closing the gap in accessibility is spectacular. Not only have we worked with 50 of their local partners to raise accessibility information and make it available for those with accessibility needs, but they have also provided grants for those partners to take action to improve the accessibility of their infrastructure. If every organization would do that, we would have a more accessible world."

Through a competitive process, DTI awarded eight microgrants of nearly \$19,000 to help make improvements identified in their assessments. These sites included the Bardavon 1869 Opera House, the Beatrix Farrand Garden Association, Curry Estate, the Fisher Center at Bard College, Fishkill Farms, the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, Trevor Zoo, and the Walkway Over the Hudson. From assisted-listening devices to wheelchairs and accessible picnic tables to emergency pull-cord systems and grab bars, local attractions have made strides in making accessibility and safety a priority.

Enhancing the travel experience for all visitors, including individuals with disabilities, has been a priority for DTI, aligning with the county government's ThinkDIFFERENTLY initiative, launched in 2015. "Ensuring accessibility is about more than just compliance — it's about innovation and empathy," said Serino. "We are proud that Dutchess County is the first in New York State to earn the "Wheel the World" designation verification, and we will continue to encourage local municipalities and businesses to think outside the box in making creative and meaningful improvements for those with disabilities, creating a more inclusive community where everyone can thrive."

According to MMGY Global's



Wheel the World, a leader in travel solutions for people with disabilities, designated Dutchess County with a Verified Destination certification. A presentation was held at Heritage Stadium in Fishkill on July 25.

-Courtesy photo

"Portraits of Travelers with Disabilities: Mobility and Accessibility" report, travelers with mobility disabilities spend \$58.2 billion annually on travel and take leisure trips as frequently as those without mobility issues. The study also found that 81% of respondents emphasized the importance of promoting accessibility and lodg-

ing options to attract visitors with mobility disabilities. To better reach this underserved market and provide a valuable resource, DTI created a hub and reoccurring blog series on their website (<https://dutchesstourism.com/accessible-travel>) highlighting Accessible Travel attractions and events.

Accessible Dutchess | Wheel the World Participating Sites

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| Bardavon 1869 Opera House | Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome |
| Best Western Inn at the Falls | Quality Inn & Suites Fishkill |
| Comfort Suites Fishkill | Quality Inn & Suites Hyde Park |
| Curry Estate (Inn and Restaurant Six) | Residence Inn Fishkill |
| Dassai Blue Sake Brewery | Residence Inn Poughkeepsie |
| Dia Beacon | Shadows on the Hudson |
| Dutchess County Fairgrounds | Spins Bowl Poughkeepsie |
| Dutchess County Rail Trail | Spins Bowl Wappingers |
| Eastdale Village Town Center | SpringHill Suites Fishkill |
| F.D.R. Presidential Library & Museum | Staatsburgh State Historic Site |
| Fisher Center at Bard | The Beatrix Farrand Garden |
| Fishkill Farms | The Dutchess Inn & Spa |
| Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center | The Factory at Sloop Brewing |
| Hampton Inn & Suites Poughkeepsie | The Grandview |
| Harlem Valley Rail Trail | The Inn at Bellefield |
| Heritage Financial Park | The Millbrook Inn |
| Hilton Garden Inn Fishkill | The Roundhouse (Inn and Restaurant) |
| Holiday Inn Express Poughkeepsie | Trevor Zoo at Millbrook School |
| Homewood Suites Poughkeepsie | Troutbeck |
| Hyatt House Fishkill | Val-Kill |
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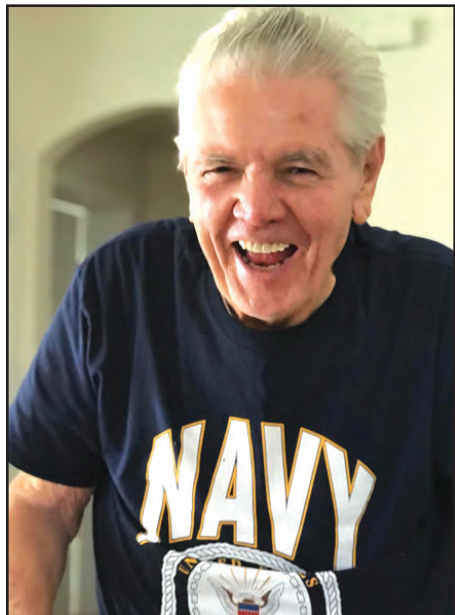
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Obituaries

Michael Laffey



PLEASANT VALLEY - Michael Laffey, 88, of Pleasant Valley, died peacefully on Tuesday, July 23, 2024 surrounded by his family.

Michael was born in Queens, son of the late Peter Joseph and Catherine (McNamara) Laffey. In 1958, he married the love of his life, Mary Joan (Lima) Laffey. August 2nd would mark their 66th wedding anniversary.

He was a United States Navy veteran, receiving the National Defense Service Medal and Navy Occupation Service Medal in his almost 4 years of service. He proudly participated in an Honor Flight to Washington DC in November of 2015.

Michael was an avid reader of historical novels and enjoyed discussing the intricacies of naval ships. He loved recreational boating and being near the ocean. He spent many wonderful summers in

Rhode Island and was looking forward to moving there to be closer to his daughter.

He was a professional welder and welding instructor, having worked in numerous places but most notably at IBM for over 30 years, before retiring.

He was a proud member of the Knights of Columbus, Hudson Valley Gun Club, and the Elks Club.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Katherine (Laffey) Ruggiero, son-in-law Thomas William Ruggiero, and their three children, Karena (Ruggiero) Mothershed, Thomas Michael Ruggiero, and Bridget Edna Ruggiero. He was also the proud and loving great-grandfather to Ethan Michael Mothershed, son of Karena and spouse Robert James Mothershed. Michael cherished every moment with his family, particularly spending time with his grandchildren and watching them grow.

Michael is predeceased by his sister Katherine "Kay" (Laffey) DeGiralamo, sister-in-law Anne (Schutta) Laffey, and brother-in-law James "Jimmy" Lima, and survived by his siblings and their spouses Angelo DeGiralamo, Peter and Chloe Laffey, Mary (Laffey) and Jimmy McInerney, and Anne (Laffey) and John McDonough.

He is survived by many nieces and nephews: Nancy and Dwayne; Peter and Angela; Jane and Leon; Ryan and Kate; Michael; Anne Marie; Joanne; John and Karen; Christine and Bob; John; Brian and Teri; Kelly; Patricia and Chris; Stephen and Jean; Kimann; and Teresa; and predeceased by nephews Joseph Lima, James "Jimmy" Lima, Cullum McDonough, and James "Jimmy" McInerney.

Michael was the proud uncle to 28 great nieces and nephews, and 5 great-great nieces and nephews.

A wake was held on Sunday July 28th, 2024 at Allen Funeral Home, 1605 Main St, Pleasant Valley NY.

His funeral service was held on Monday, July 29th, at Saint Stanislaus Catholic Church, 1590 Main St, Pleasant Valley NY.

Burial with Military Honors followed at Saint Peters Cemetery, 171 Salt Point Turnpike, Poughkeepsie NY.

Flowers are welcome, or in lieu of flowers, donations are encouraged to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

To leave an online condolence visit www.HudsonValleyFuneralHomes.com.

Richard Ohlson



EAST FISHKILL AND POUGHKEEPSIE - Richard Alan Ohlson, 71, previously of East Fishkill and Poughkeepsie, passed away on July 25, 2024 at the Renaissance Rehabilitation and Nursing Care Center in Staatsburg.

Born on June 11, 1953 in Brooklyn, Richard was the son of the late Arvid "Al" and Ann (Spinelli) Ohlson. He graduated from John Jay High School in East Fishkill. Richard was a lifelong fan of the NY Yankees, Rangers, and Giants. He enjoyed visiting Saratoga Springs, going to the movies, and cooking for his family. More than anything, he loved spending time with his daughter.

Richard is survived by his daughter, Caitlin Ohlson and her fiancée John of Albany, and his brother, Robert Ohlson and

his wife Carolyn of East Fishkill. A graveside service was held on Tuesday, July 30, 2024 at Fishkill Rural Cemetery, 801 Route 9, Fishkill. Arrangements are under the direction of the McHoul Funeral Home. Please visit Richard's Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

George P. Makris



WAPPINGERS FALLS - George P. Makris, a long-time resident of Wappingers Falls, passed away at the Hudson Valley Hospice House in Hyde Park on July 29, 2024, at the age of 70.

The son of the late Nestor and Dorvalina (Pagone) Makris, George was born in Mount Vernon, NY, on July 12, 1954. He enlisted in the Navy in 1971 and was honorably discharged in 1977.

George was an entrepreneur, most notably known for founding Eastern Contracting, and Think Green Junk Removal in Wappingers Falls. He was also a talented woodworker and dog breeder. Above all, George was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather who cherished his family.

George is survived by his wife Roseanna, who he loved dearly, along with Cristina Maltis and her husband Joe of Wappingers Falls; his grandchildren Kayleigh, Christian,

and Emma; his brother Nestor and wife Jen; his many nieces, nephews and cousins; and his beloved dog, Marley.

In addition to his parents, George was predeceased by other immediate family members, David Moccia, John Makris, Val Wilson (Makris), and his stepmother Annie Makris, along with his beloved dogs, Trouble, Sabrina, Abby, Sassy, and Bella.

Calling hours were held on August 1, 2024, at the McHoul Funeral Home Inc., 895 Rte 82, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. A service took place the following morning at the funeral home, followed by interment at Fishkill Rural Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hudson Valley Hospice, <https://www.hv.hospice.org/donate-now/> [hvhospice.org]

For directions and online tributes, please visit www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

Apply for the Dutchess County Sheriff & Police Officer Exam before August 9

Are you interested in protecting and serving your community with a law enforcement career? Our Department of Human Resources is administering the Dutchess County Deputy Sheriff and Police Officer civil service exam on September 28. The deadline to apply to take the exam is Friday, August 9.

Applications will be accepted through

August 9th from candidates who have reached or will reach their 18th birthday by September 28. Candidates must also possess a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma to be eligible to apply. Candidates who pass the civil service exam must then successfully pass a physical fitness test, background investigation, and medical exam to be added to

the eligible list* that is used to fill vacancies as they occur for Deputy Sheriff positions with the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office and for police officer positions in local municipal law enforcement agencies throughout the county. Once a candidate is appointed to the position of Deputy Sheriff or police officer, they will be required to complete 60 college credits

within five years of appointment and Crisis Intervention Training within two years of appointment. Learn more, including how to apply, at dutchessny.gov/jobs.

*Please note: If one has previously taken the exam and currently on the eligible list, one must retake the exam to qualify for the new eligibility list.

Lawler voices opposition to plan allowing boys to compete on girls teams in HS

By Rich Thomaselli

A U.S. Congressman who represents part of Dutchess County has objected to a rumored plan that the New York State Regents is considering allowing boys to participate in girls high school sports.

Congressman Mike Lawler reacted after news broke that the New York State Board of Regents is considering a sweep-

ing change to allow boys to compete in girls-only sports and compete for spots on their teams.

This has been a nationwide issue for virtually all of this decade.

"I am deeply disturbed by recent reports that indicate the New York State Board of Regents is considering a move that would effectively eliminate girls-only sports as

we know it," said Lawler (NY-17). "As a girl dad, I can definitively say this is the last thing that New York State should be doing. It's absurd. ... Allowing high school boys to compete against girls in sports will destroy fair competition, take away scholarship opportunities for girls, and put girls at a higher risk for injury. ... I condemn the NYS Board of Regents for

considering this and urge them to expeditiously reverse course – anything less is a total slap in the face to tens-of-thousands of girls competing in high school sports across the state."

Lawler represents New York's 17th Congressional District, which contains all or parts of Rockland, Putnam, Dutchess, and Westchester counties.

Creative Living

Sloop Club Corn Festival on August 11 at Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park

By Kristine Coulter

The Beacon Sloop Club's Annual Corn Festival is this Sunday, August 11, from noon-5 p.m. at Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, 1 Flynn Dr., Beacon. The family-friendly event will be held rain or shine. Admission is free and all are welcome. One can learn about the Hudson River from non-profits that will feature displays about environmental issues. There will also be a variety of food and craft vendors.

"This year we have many new food, craft vendors and different activities for children. We will have freshly made brick oven pizza and homemade ice cream," said Joyce Hanson, a volunteer for the annual event.

The highlight of the event though is the fresh-picked, sweet Hudson Valley corn, that is served with a choice of butter, according to organizers. There will also be chilled watermelon and lemonade.

"Our Corn Festival is the second of our three annual free festivals- Strawberry, Corn and Pumpkin Festivals. So, it marks the midpoint of our festival season. But, more importantly, it is a celebration of summer, a special season in our Hudson Highlands and along the Hudson River," said Robert May, who is the president of

the Sloop Club in an email for Southern Dutchess News.

May said, "I have heard nothing but praise for our sweet and tasty fresh-picked corn, expertly prepared by our dedicated chefs. The corn tastes especially good with a generous helping of our homemade chili, washed down with a few cups of cold, refreshing lemonade."

The Beacon Sloop Club festival has about a thousand come throughout the day, remarked Hanson, who continued, the festival is easily accessed through Metro-North at the Beacon train station where there is free Sunday parking at the station.

"We encourage people to bring a tarp [for] under their blanket or bring camping chairs and enjoy the day at the festival," she added.

There will be two solar-powered music stages. One of the stages will be for kids to enjoy. Among those expected to perform throughout the day are Bindlestick Bill, Lydia Adams Davis, Crosby Gibson, Spook Handy, Pat Lamanna, Last Minute Soulmates, Laurie Siegel & Patrick Jones, The Trouble Sisters, Offshoots Band, Soil & Soul Creek Band & The Seed Song Family.

"We have scheduled a number of new and



The annual Corn Fest hosted by the Beacon Sloop Club will be on Sunday, August 11 at the Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park in Beacon.

-Photo by Kristine Coulter

exciting musical performers on the main stage and on the children's stage this year. Visitors can expect to enjoy diverse and original acts as well as entertaining emerging artists, selected from our lively local music community. These artists will join our lineup of established musical favorites to round out a memorable festival music experience," said May. He continued, "Also, we have invited several excellent new vendors

and craftspeople to this year's Corn Festival. They have been carefully chosen for their expertise, delightful offerings and their friendly and courteous service. I know that our guests will be pleasantly surprised when they visit our vendors and craftspeople this year."

Want to go sail on the Hudson River? If the weather permits, the Beacon Sloop Club's boat, the Woody Guthrie, will be taking attendees on free sails from the Beacon Harbor, said organizers. One may sign up at the Beacon Sloop Club table starting at noon.

"Our corn is freshly picked [the] morning of our festival from Wallkill View farm in New Paltz. Our corn is boiled for 2 minutes and served with or without butter. People say our corn is "sweet and delicious" and sold at a very affordable price," said Hanson.

May noted, "The Beacon Sloop Club Corn Festival is a summer celebration where friends, neighbors, visitors, young and old can get together and enjoy each other's company. It is a chance to appreciate our beautiful river. It is a music venue for all types of music lovers- young and old. Come on down to the festival and see for yourself how much fun it is!"

For more information, visit <http://www.beaconsloopclub.org/>.

East Fishkill Recreation

By Bill Green
Recreation Director

Our concert this Friday night, August 10, at 6:30pm features CHAIN GANG, who return with a wide variety of great music including some Billy Joel hits. Next Friday night at 6 p.m. we have returning to Hopewell Noise In The Basement with their wide variety of entertaining music for all ages.

Reminder: This Sunday, August 11 is our ThinkDIFFERENTLY Day at the Beach. There will be plenty of activities and events and musical entertainment will be provided by Ariana and the Mix from 1-3 p.m.

Red Wing Park is open every day through September 2. We have fishing every Wednesday night from 7 p.m. to dark and Sundays from 8 to 10:30 a.m. We've scheduled another Adult Golf at Beekman Golf for August The dates are August 13, 15, 20 & 22 from 5-6:30 p.m.

The class will be limited to 12 golfers and the four-class session is \$100 for residents and \$125 for non-residents. Checks should be made out to Lisa Monaco. Give us a call if you are interested.

Mets fans! We still have openings for the NY Mets-Boston Red Sox game on September 4. The fee is \$100 and this could be a preview of this year's World Series.

Thursday, September 12 is our next visit to Resorts Catskills Casino. Residents and non-residents may attend. The fee is \$40 and includes round trip Coach Tours transportation, tip for driver, \$25 free slot play and \$15 food. You may sign up now.

If you are going on our trip next Thursday, August 15 trip to Saratoga please be at the Community Center by 8:30 a.m.

If you have any recreation questions or concerns, please call 845 226-8395 or email Recreation1@eastfishkillny.gov.

Fishkill Recreation

By Lauren McMenamin
Recreation Assistant Director

Adult Art Class: We are offering two art classes this fall: Watercolors and Watercolor Mixed Media. No art experience needed. The classes will be held on Wednesdays from 10 - 11:30 a.m. Register today to secure your seat!

Ballroom Dancing: No Dance Experience or Partner Necessary! Learn the Rumba, Tango, Samba, Bachata and more. Classes are offered on Tuesday evenings or Wednesday mornings. Visit our website for the complete schedule.

Little Explorers: Program for ages 1-5. In August, join us for Taste of Summer,

All About Emotions, Once Upon a Time, and Let's Go on a Safari! Sign up for one class or all four! Visit our website for the complete schedule.

The Artist's Corner Family Paint Night: All ages are invited to come paint together. This event will be held on August 28 from 6 - 7 p.m.

Cooking Classes for Kids: This is a new program coming this fall. Children ages 9-15 will learn kitchen safety and sanitation, cooking equipment, organization, how to read a recipe, and how to measure ingredients. Classes will be held on Wednesdays from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For more information and to register, visit www.FishkillRecreation.com.

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by luigi coppola



Deer in the headlights

Pop's remarkable power of persuasion

My father can be very persuasive. He has a certain charisma about him. I call it the deer in the headlights syndrome, whereby he is the headlights and you are the deer. One time in particular, his powers of suggestion were in full display.

My parents have three apartment buildings on the property that we lived on. The basement apartments are half underground and there were always problems with flooding and mildew. Pop decided that the foundation drains needed to be replaced and we were going to do it ourselves over our summer break. By we, I mean me and my brother Vinny.

Over the course of a week, Pop poked and prodded around the apartments. When he was done, he explained to me and Vinny what we were going to do. We were going to rent a backhoe, dig out the area next to the apartments, seal the exterior walls, lay in new perforated pipes, pour gravel on top of the pipes, spread new topsoil over the top of the gravel and plant new grass seed. Three buildings, should take us a week. As he spoke to us, he looked us in the eyes and almost hypnotically. We believed we could do exactly what he was telling us.

Piece of cake. Oh, did I mention that I was 20 and Vinny was 17?

So we started on a Monday. The backhoe arrived. I had first crack at learning

how to use it. Yup, you guessed it: I never used a backhoe in my life. I got on and started playing with the controls. It was like a yellow mechanical bull of death. After about a half-hour of playing I finally got it so I didn't quite kill myself. Yup, this was going to be great.

I approached the first building, riding the teeth of the backhoe into the ground and started to dig. Though it took me longer than it should have, I got the first trench dug out in about two hours. Meanwhile, Vinny parged the outside of the foundation wall with black tar and started laying the pipe, while I started digging the trench on the other side of the building with the yellow mechanical bull of death. Slowly, Vinny and I worked our way around the building, laying pipe, filling in with gravel, spreading topsoil and planting seed. At the end of the second day, we finished the first building.

Pop came to inspect our work and told us he was pleased.

Day three began with rain. Pop told us to try to work through the rain, but the backhoe was slipping and sliding in the mud, and we were having trouble keeping the trench from caving in. Slowly, methodically, we made our way around the building until ... I dug in too deep and found the water main. Suddenly, thousands of gallons of water

started pouring out of the hole. I don't know how I figured it out, but I managed to find the shut off and get the water turned off.

I called the restaurant and spoke to Pop, who was not too happy. He came home to see what was going on. We carefully dug out the pipe and luckily I only shifted the pipe at the joint. All we had to do was realign the pipe and screw it back together.

At this point the rain was coming down in buckets and there was thunder and lightning. Pop told me to get in the hole and get the pipe put back together because the apartments were without water. The deer looked right into the headlights and got into the hole.

Suddenly, as I was putting the pipe back together, my hair stood up, I felt a tremendous jolt, saw a flash of light, heard a loud crack and boom and felt what I thought was a giant hammer across my hands. I got blown out of the hole and was laid out flat outside of the trench and out cold. When I came to, my father was screaming at me, slapping my face, "Luigi!!! Luigi!!! Say something!!! You OK?!!!"

Again the deer looked into the headlights. I nodded my head and said I was OK. I looked at my hands and saw a burn mark in my palm and on the back of my hands. Pop said I had been blown out of the pit by a bolt of lightning.

I was in a bit of a fog. Everything was moving slowly. Pop kept asking me if I was OK. Slowly my wits came back and finally I told Pop I was good. He asked if I was sure.

Again the deer looked into the headlights. I nodded my head and said. I was OK. Pop looked me in the eyes and said OK, get back in the hole and finish the job.

As I said, Pop was very persuasive. So ... the deer looked into the headlights and ... got back into the hole and finished the job. Did I mention it was my birthday? July 26th.

That night, Mom made me and Vinny grilled chicken with lemon and mint with this pasta that was better than anything I had ever eaten. Maybe it was the hard work or

maybe it was the deer in the headlights, but that was probably the best meal I ever had.

Ditalini with lemon, tomatoes and capers

- Ingredients**
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
 - 3 cloves garlic, diced fine
 - large pinch crushed red pepper flakes
 - 10 cherry tomatoes cut in half
 - 3 teaspoons of capers
 - 1/2 cup of Kalamata olives, roughly chopped
 - 1 lb. ditalini
 - freshly ground black pepper
 - 1/2 cup diced onions
 - 1 lemon

Method

Put a 10-inch skillet over medium-high heat. When the pan is hot, add the olive oil, onions garlic and red pepper flakes and cook for about 2 minutes. Carefully add the tomatoes, capers, and olives. Reduce the heat to medium low. Simmer until the tomatoes get warm and slightly cooked.

Cook the ditalini in the boiling water until it's just tender. Drain the pasta and put it in a large bowl. Add the sauce and squeeze the lemon. Toss till mixed thoroughly. Taste and season well with salt and pepper. Serve hot, warm, or at room temperature. Great side dish with grilled chicken.

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.

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Dance Night at the Elks Lodge on August 10

Get On Down at the Elks Lounge Dance Night on Saturday, August 10 at 7 p.m., located at 900 Wolcott Avenue (Rt. 9D), Beacon. Enjoy a vibrant mix of music. Song requests are welcome. These dances are informal and even if one

comes alone, one can always find a partner on the dance floor. Admission is \$15. There will be complimentary snacks.

For more information, call 845-765-0667 or email rhodaja@optonline.net.

Auditions at County Players in Wappingers Falls

“Eleanor” by Mark St. Germain
Auditions: August 18, 1p.m.
Performances: Oct. 4-5

This one-woman show brings to life Eleanor Roosevelt, the most influential First Lady the world has ever seen. From her “Ugly Duckling” upbringing to her unorthodox marriage to Franklin, Eleanor puts her controversial life, loves and passions on the stage.

Directed by Jeffery Battersby

“Underneath the Lintel” by Glen Gerber
Auditions: August 18, 3 p.m.
Performances: Oct. 5-6

Captivated by the mystery of a 113-years overdue late return, a librarian embarks on a quest to identify the borrower. Humorous and philosophical, this one-person play is a spellbinding tour de force of dramatic storytelling.

Directed by Christine Crawfis

Visit www.countyplayers.org for more information. County Players is at 2681 West Main St. in Wappingers Falls.

HUDSON VALLEY NATURALIST

by Francine Wizner



August is Aspirin's anniversary

The ancient Egyptians and Sumerians used bark from willow trees to treat pain; Hippocrates wrote that both the willow's leaves and its bark relieved fevers. The ancients didn't know why the plant matter worked, but later researchers were able to isolate the key ingredient. By the mid-1800s salicylic acid was identified. In fact, salicylic acid can be found in the genus Spiraea, or meadowsweets, a group of about 100 species of shrubs in the family Rosaceae. These include jasmine, beans, peas, clover and certain grasses and trees.

The treatment could be worse than the cure

Before August 10, 1897, if salicylic acid was administered to patients by itself, it could cause nausea, vomiting, and coma! It wasn't until that date that German chemist Felix Hoffmann created the compound acetylsalicylic acid, which had the anti-inflammatory properties of salicylic acid, but also buffered the effects of the acid on the stomach. (Coincidentally, August may also be the month that parents take fewer aspirin and teachers take more, but that is just conjecture.)

Hoffmann's discovery helped alleviate his father's rheumatism and positioned his employer, Bayer, to compete with other growing pharmaceutical concerns of the 19th century such as Merck, GlaxoSmithKline, Pfizer, Eli Lilly, and Squibb. Bayer sold acetylsalicylic acid in tablets called aspirin, a name derived from a combination of acetyl and Spiraea.

A bitter pill keeps predators away

Interestingly, salicylic acid is used not just by people, but wildlife, as well. Viceroy caterpillars, which look like bird droppings, feed on trees which produce the herbivore-detering compound. Once the Viceroy's metamorphose into butterflies, they are mimics, once again. Their orange and black markings resemble those of Monarch butterflies.

As butterflies themselves, the Viceroy's still contain salicylic acid due to fact that they fed on willows while in the larval stage. This acid not only causes the Viceroy to taste bad but makes whatever eats it sick.

Aspirin: 'Wonder drug,' but deadly for some

Aspirin is a potent medical treatment with uses beyond the common "school-days headache." It can be used in treating cardiovascular conditions and cancer! It blocks the production of prostaglandins, which are hormone-like compounds which influence many reactions in the body. Aspirin stops mild inflammation and pain by blocking prostaglandins which cause them.

However, prostaglandins function as part of the body's way of dealing with injury and illness. Prostaglandins can both constrict and dilate blood vessels, open or close airways, contract or relax muscles, alleviate or cause pain. Aspirin does not differentiate what type of prostaglandin it is blocking. To aspirin, the only good prostaglandin is a dead prostaglandin.

While aspirin blocks prostaglandins that cause pain, clotting, narrowing of blood vessels and inflammation, it also blocks prostaglandins that protect the stomach lining. This can cause stomach bleeding. Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, or NSAIDs like ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil), naproxen (Aleve), and Aspirin all can cause stomach irritation. Aspirin is the most toxic to the stomach, but also the most versatile pain reliever.

But aspirin is not for everyone. Certain conditions make taking aspirin dangerous. There are several illnesses related to blood clotting factors and platelets, such as hemophilia, which make taking aspirin ill-advised.

Dutchess County Willow Farm

As I looked around Dutchess County for photos of willows and Viceroy butterflies for this column, I "discovered" a farm where they grow! An abundance of purple willows can be found at Willow Vale Farm in Stanfordville. It is there that you'll surely find Viceroy butterflies and caterpillars amid the rows of deciduous shrubs. In learning about the farm I found that willow has value beyond its ancient medicinal use.

Jes Clark, the owner of Willow Vale, grows willow as a windbreak, a soil-erosion-preventer, and as an agricultural product. She says willow "is one of the most versatile and useful plants around."



Aspirin.

-Photos by Francine Wizner



Jes Clark at Willow Vale Farm.

She grows Salix purpurea because it is hardy and mostly pest-resistant. She also grows other types of willow for variety in her weaving projects. (She can be found at <https://www.willowvale.farm>.)

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/>.

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Viceroy at Willow Vale Farm.

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A willow tree in Pleasant Valley.

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Although Brown began her musical career as a teenager in the Southern

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Coneyaurora LLC. Filed with SSNY on 5/22/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 340 E 1st Ave Ste 250 Broomfield Co 80020. Purpose: any lawful

Bloom Coffea LLC. Filed with SSNY on 4/9/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 272 State Route 32 N New Paltz NY 12561. Purpose: any lawful

Mommying Co. LLC Filed 05/23/24. Cty: Dutchess. SSNY desig. for process & shall mail 4 Marshall Rd Suite 262 Wappingers Falls NY 12590. Purp: any lawful.

H I L L T O P COMMONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/07/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & luele, LLP, 1136 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Peace, Love, Trails LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/24/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to

40 Main St. Poughkeepsie, NY, 12590. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Home Touch Remodeling LLC. Arts. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/2/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 29 Hapeman Hill Rd, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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40 Main St. Poughkeepsie, NY, 12590. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Home Touch Remodeling LLC. Arts. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/2/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 29 Hapeman Hill Rd, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of SILO RIDGE E38 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/01/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 51 Fox Hedge Rd., Saddle River, NJ 07458. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of JLT ACQUISITION LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/1/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: James L. Taylor Manufacturing Co., 130 Salt Point Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

C A B L E CONNECTION PROS LLC. Filed 5/15/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 4 Quince St, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.

AT HOME REHAB LLC. Filed 2/23/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Ramonchito Paulin, 3 Dawson Ct, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General.

Holy Mary, LLC. Filed 6/25/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Po Box 775, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: General.

JASKSS LLC. Filed 4/30/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for

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process & shall mail to: Po Box 207, Austerlitz, NY 12017. Purpose: General.

FULL ARMOR MOVING LLC. Filed 2/12/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 4 Lower Henry St, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.

CANTILLO & B U C K L E Y COLLECTIVE LLC. Filed 6/17/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Keith F Buckley, 188 Union St Unit 1, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 - 3557. Purpose: General.

SKI MOTORCARS LLC. Filed with SSNY on 06/28/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: C/O MICHAEL T AMORUSO, 829 FRANKLIN AVENUE, THORNWOOD, NY 10594. Purpose: Any Lawful

Notice of Formation of PBC Ventures LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/3/2023. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 3 Forrest Way, Poughkeepsie NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

146 N CLINTON ST LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/14/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & luele, LLP, 1136 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

34 MILL ROAD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/25/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, P.O. Box 777, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Qualification

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of HVCC EQUITY HOLDCO, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/12/24. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 4/8/24. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 159 Barnegat Rd, Ste 101, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St, Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of T-REX B R O K E R A G E BELLEFIELD LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/03/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Empire Freight Brokerage of the Hudson Valley LLC. Filed 5/1/24. Office: Dutchess County NY. SSNY desig as agent & shall mail to: 74 Losee Road Wappingers Falls NY 12590. Purpose: Any Lawful.

AMERICAN MADE P R O D U C T S F R A N C H I S E ZONES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/03/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 6C Janet Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Hopewell Farmers Market LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/17/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 65 Derek Dr, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful act.

Hudson Valley Tours & Events LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/17/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been

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designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 34 Mitchell Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of WILDLIFE PRODUCTIONS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 03/21/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 45 Pappas Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of LORICK DISTRIBUTIONS LLC Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/10/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 45 Pappas Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Purpose: any lawful activity.

BWP539 LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/13/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, 539 Killearn Rd, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful act.

Guided NY LLC. Filed 7/3/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 30 Thornwood Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General.

MORGANIZERS LLC. Filed 6/15/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Morgan Colehatchard, 62 Lindbergh PI, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General.

LUREA ORGANICS LLC. Filed 5/23/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Kamica Bonner-dumas, 169 Cannon St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: General.

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SEATHEMOMENTS, LLC. Filed 2/29/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Michael Statini, 10 Aldridge Pl, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: General.

CATALANO & HALVEY, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 1/25/2010. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 55 East Main St, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Any lawful purpose.

Upstate Leadership LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/16/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 8 Will Tremper Dr, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC): Spitfire Upholstery, LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 6/17/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: Kathreen Rasile c/o Spitfire Upholstery, LLC, 23 Ohandley Drive Amenia, NY 12501. Purpose: Any lawful acts or activities. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date.

Notice of Formation of SUMMER BODY FITNESS (SBF), LLC Article of Organization filed with SSNY on 7/9/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Daniel Alvarez, 7 Farrell Ct., Fishkill, NY. 12524. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose

Publication Notice of Organization of Limited Liability Company

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Lueck Contracting, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "company"). SECOND: The articles of organization of

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the company were filed with the Secretary of State on July 9, 2024.

THIRD: The county within New York in which the office of the company is to be located is Dutchess County.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is: 174 Route 199, Suite 3 Red Hook, New York 12571

FIFTH: The purpose of the company is to engage in landscaping work, and to engage in any other lawful activity or acts for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law.

DATED: July 11, 2024
John J. Greco, Esq.
Attorney for Lueck Contracting, LLC
Office & P.O. Address
Governor Clinton Building
One Albany Avenue
Kingston, New York 12401
Tel. (845) 331-6073.

Notice of Formation of Wholesome Root Neutrachemicals LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on May 10, 2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 15 Trinity Way, Lagrangeville, NY 12540 Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Busa Enterprises, LLC filed 7/2/2024. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: PO Box 697 Dover Plains, NY 12522. Purpose: General

DUTCHESS COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF ALIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Notice of Formation of R.S. PROPERTY SOLUTIONS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/15/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to R.S. PROPERTY SOLUTIONS: P.O. Box 408, Pine Plains, NY 12567. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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a Limited Liability Company ("LLC"): Name: VC Lawncare LLC; Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/20/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County, SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served, SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 3 Lang Farm Lane, Millbrook, New York 12545. Purpose: to engage in any act or activity for which an LLC may be organized under the NY LLC Law.

AJD CONSULTING, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 07/08/2024. Formed in DE on 07/02/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 61 KIRBY HILL ROAD, PAWLING, NY 12564. DE SOS: One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave Albany, NY 12231. Purpose: any lawful

RELIA NT INDUSTRIES LLC. Filed with SSNY on 07/08/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 111 CRANBERRY DRIVE, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY, 12533. Purpose: Any Lawful

STONE RESOURCE OF AMENIA, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 07/08/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: MICHAEL LYNCH, 106 UPPERMAIN ST. PO 1776, SHARON, CT 06069. Purpose: Any Lawful

RUGER ROUTES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/12/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 48 Alary Road, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of 102 OVEROCKER RD, LLC. Arts of Org. filed with New York Secy of State (SSNY) on 6/28/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2058 Bathgate Ave, Bronx, NY 10457. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Notice of Form. of 11 BAYBERRY STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/16/2006. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 11 BAYBERRY STREET, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533. Any lawful purpose.

Amata Travel LLC. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY 5/21/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC: 11 Daisy Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Form. of 11 BAYBERRY STREET LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/16/2006. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 11 BAYBERRY STREET, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533. Any lawful purpose.

THALI ALLIUM LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/05/2024. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1045 Centre Rd, Staatsburg, NY 12580. Reg Agent: Thalia Bevan Clark, 1045 Centre Rd, Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Formation of S T A A T S B U R G SHINE, LLC Articles of Organization filed with the SSNY on June 14, 2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY shall mail process to the registered agent, whom is Olga Castellanos The principal place of business of Staatsburg Shine, LLC is 68 Mulford Ave, Staatsburg, NY 12580. The purpose of Staatsburg Shine, LLC is to engage in any lawful purpose.

94 BROOKLYN HEIGHTS ROAD, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/16/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to

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the LLC, 370 10th Avenue, New York, NY 10001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of FOUR HORSEMEN UND 1953 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/15/24. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 30 Sunrise Ln., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Patina Original LLC Arts. of Org. Filed with SSNY on 07/17/2024. Office location: Dutchess County Michael DelSanto designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 314 Pumpkin Lane Clinton Corners NY 12514. Purpose of LLC: engage in any lawful act or activity.

SIMI Storage LLC Filed with SSNY on 7/17/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 4295 Albany Post Rd. Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: any lawful

YAYA CONSULTAS, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 08/02/2022. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 45 Smith St., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. General Purposes. 6553343

Notice of Formation of MLA Equipment Services, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/15/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 74 Clinton Corners Rd Salt Point, NY 12578. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

J U M P P R O PARKOUR LLC filed with the SSNY on 7/18/2024: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 29 Magnolia Dr Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

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Wheatley North, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 07/18/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 12401 Coit Road, Bratenahl, OH 44108. Purpose: any lawful.

HAMPTON HEALTH & WELLNESS, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/02/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: DUANE HAMPTON & JEAN- NIE OCASIO-HAMPTON, 2543 ROUTE 52, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533. Purpose: Any Lawful here

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: 6841 ROUTE 9 LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 16, 2024. Office location: Dutchess County, NY. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The LLC address to which SSNY shall mail process is 6847 Route 9, Rhinebeck NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. HAMPTON HEALTH & WELLNESS, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/02/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: DUANE HAMPTON & JEAN- NIE OCASIO-HAMPTON, 2543 ROUTE 52, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533. Purpose: Any Lawful

Notice of formation of Studio 143 Architecture, PLLC (the "PLLC"). Arts. of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on July 12, 2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy to: The PLLC, 141 Route 216, Stormville, NY 12582. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of House of Beauty by Yadi LLC. Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 7/12/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 187 E. Market St, Ste. 202, Rhinebeck, NY

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12572. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Tim Hoolihan, 187 E. Market St, Ste. 202, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful activity.

JOSEPH & MUKAI, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/12/2024. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Mukai Jaravaza, 1849 South Rd #1017, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

FREZLYVZ, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/12/2024. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Mukai Jaravaza, 1849 South Rd #1017, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

ACACIA TREE PRESS, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 7/23/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 75 Woods Rd., Tivoli, NY 12583, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NORTH RIDGE FINE FINISHES LLC. Filed 7/10/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Po Box 521, Dover Plains, NY 12522. Purpose: General.

K. WEBSTER ACQUISITIONS, LLC. Filed 4/23/22. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Katherine Webster, 28 Washington Ave, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: General.

J E N N I F E R ' S CONSULTING LLC. Filed 6/28/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 3102 Fox Ln, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.

United Way of Dutchess-Orange Region distributes thousands of diapers



United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region hosted its annual 100,000 Diaper Distribution event on July 26.

-Courtesy photos



United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region (UWDOR) hosted its fourth annual 100,000 Diaper Distribution on Friday, July 26. The event provides essential baby care supplies to 30 non-profit organizations, faith-based groups, and schools serving Dutchess and Orange Counties.

UWDOR surpassed its goal, and will distribute over 100,000 diapers, wipes, and other baby supplies to these organizations. The event kicked off with opening remarks by Melissa Clark, UWDOR's Vice President of Community Impact. Joining her were Vice Board Chairman Tim Eisentraut, Lenke Ganz representing Senator Rob Rolison, and Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino. John DeAngelis from Hudson Valley Credit Union also attended, with a generous check

for \$2,000.

Volunteers from Central Hudson, led by board member Chris Gilbert, played a role in assisting recipients with packing the diapers and other items into their vehicles.

"We are incredibly grateful to the generosity of our donors, including Target of Poughkeepsie, Hudson Valley Credit Union, Ulster Savings Bank, Vassar College's EngagePK Club, Central Hudson, and TD Bank," said Rebecca Lull, UWDOR Director of Community Impact. "Thanks to their support, we were able to exceed our goal and provide much-needed resources to families in our community."

UWDOR is currently running a school supply drive. For more information on how you can contribute, please visit www.uwdor.org.



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STANLEYSHILLTOP PROPERTIES LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/21/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The LLC, PO Box 271, Stanfordville, NY 12581. Purpose: any lawful act.

CHARADORA ENTERPRISES, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/25/2024. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1527 Route 292, Holmes, NY 12531. Purpose: Any Lawful

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Notice of Formation of HOTBERRY SOLUTIONS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/06/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Shantha Thangiah, 24 Taconic Street, Poughkeepsie, New York 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

GRINNEL LANDING, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 07/22/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 353 WEST 12TH ST, NEW YORK, NY, 10014. Purpose: Any Lawful

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HEATHER S. OKEEFE, N.P. IN FAMILY HEALTH, PLLC. Filed with SSNY on 06/26/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail to: P.O. BOX 402, RHINEBECK, NY 12572. Purpose: NURSE PRACTITIONER IN FAMILY HEALTH

ANJOSILVA CONSULTING LLC. Filed 3/10/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Anna Minihan, 9 Tarbert Xing, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: General.

Notice of formation of KLJC Cleaning & Services LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of New York State (SSNY) on

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July 25th 2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as Agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any process to the LLC, 768 Route 343 Dover Plains, NY 12522. Purpose: Any lawful actions

THERMAL SPECTRUM DRONE RECONAISSANCE LLC: Articles of Organization filed on 7/20/24. Dutchess SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to 24 Terbar Court, Dover Plains NY, 12522. Purpose: PET & LIVESTOCK SEARCHES.

RIVERS'S VIEW LAWNCARE SERVICES LLC Filed June 18th, 2024 In Dutchess County As agent for process

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should mail to SSNY Scott River Rollo at 40 Pleasant Ridge Drive Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 For Any Legal Purposes

NOTICE OF FORMATION of The Problematic Pen LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY on 7/11/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process & shall mail same to 6565 Spring Brook Ave Ste 8, PMB 233, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Patina Original LLC. Filed with SSNY on 7/17/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 314 Pumpkin Ln Clinton Corners NY 12514.

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Purpose: any lawful

Sarah Perl Hair LLC. Filed with SSNY on 5/23/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 63 Paggi Terrace Wappingers Falls NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful

Notice of Formation of Versatile Media Marketing LLC. Arts. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 8/4/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 21 Mitchell Lane, Milan, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Ace Pressure Washing Solutions,

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LLC. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/28/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 30 Rolling Green Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful

Notice of Formation of INTUITIVELY WILD LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/01/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS INDEX NO. 2023-51562

Plaintiff designates DUTCHESS as the place of trial situs of the real property

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS

Mortgaged Premises:

48 JULIE DRIVE, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533

Section: 6357, Block: 01, Lot: 405677

M O R T G A G E ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs. THOMAS SHAW, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET R. SHAW A/K/A MARGARET SHAW; JEFFREY SHAW, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET R. SHAW A/K/A MARGARET SHAW; JESICASHAW, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET R. SHAW A/K/A MARGARET SHAW; THEODORE SHAW AKA TEDDY SHAW, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET R. SHAW A/K/A MARGARET SHAW; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF MARGARET R. SHAW A/K/A MARGARET SHAW, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or whom may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; UNITED

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STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE - DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY; HUDSON VALLEY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to Plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint,

Defendants. To the above named Defendants

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$450,000.00 and interest, recorded on January 29, 2010, in Document Number 01 2010988, of the Public Records of DUTCHESS County, New York., covering premises known as 48 JULIE DRIVE, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

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DUTCHESS County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

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

YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: June 27th, 2024 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Matthew Rothstein, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675

SUPREME COURT STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS SUMMONS WITH NOTICE

Index No. 2023-51403 CITIZENS BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

-against- CAROLINE KIRK f/k/a MARY CAROLINE KIRK-CORDERO; CITIZENS BANK, N.A. f/k/a RBS Citizens, N.A., Defendants.

TO: CAROLINE KIRK f/k/a MARY CAROLINE KIRK-CORDERO: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon plaintiff's attorneys an answer to the complaint in this action within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if the summons is not personally served upon you within the State of New

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York. The United States, if designated a defendant on this action, may appear or answer within sixty (60) days of service. In case of your failure to answer, judgment will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. The basis of the venue designated is that the mortgaged property is located in Dutchess County.

Dated: July 19, 2024 COOPER ERVING & SAVAGE LLP Albany, New York BY: Matthew E. Minniefield Attorneys for Plaintiff 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Suite 501 Albany, New York 12211 (518) 449-3900

TO: CAROLINE KIRK f/k/a MARY CAROLINE KIRK-CORDERO:

The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Michael G. Hayes, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated the 15th day of July, 2024, and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Office of the Clerk of Dutchess County.

This is an action for foreclosure of a mortgage made by CAROLINE KIRK f/k/a MARY CAROLINE KIRK-CORDERO to Charter One Bank, N.A. in the original amount of \$180,000.00 with interest, dated October 21, 2009, recorded on October 29, 2009, in the Dutchess County Clerk's Office as Instrument No. 01 2009 11313.

The relief sought is the foreclosure of the mortgage lien and the public sale of the mortgaged premises and in case of your failure to appear, judgment may be taken against you extinguishing any interest or judgment lien you may have in the mortgaged premises.

The premises indexed in this action are described and commonly known as 14 Old Route 55, Town of Prawling, State of New York (SBL#: 6957-00-602216). A copy of the full legal description can be obtained by contacting

counsel below. Dated: July 19, 2024 COOPER ERVING & SAVAGE LLP Albany, New York BY: Matthew E. Minniefield, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Suite 501 Albany, New York 12211 (518) 449-3900

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Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action Supreme Court Of The State Of New York County Of Dutchess Action To Foreclose A Mortgage Index #: 2023-51966 Rocket Mortgage, LLC FKA Quicken Loans, LLC Plaintiff, vs Jeffrey D Vananden As Heir To The Estate Of Ellen D. Winter FKA Ellen Van Anden, James J Vananden As Heir To The Estate Of Ellen D. Winter FKA Ellen Van Anden, Ellen M Denkinger As Heir To The Estate Of Ellen D. Winter FKA Ellen Van Anden, Nathan Traver As Heir To The Estate Of Ellen D. Winter FKA Ellen Van Anden If Living, And If He/She Be Dead, Any And All Persons Unknown To Plaintiff, Claiming, Or Who May Claim To Have An Interest In, Or General Or Specific Lien Upon The Real Property Described In This Action; Such Unknown Persons Being Herein Generally Described And Intended To Be Included In Wife, Widow, Husband, Widower, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assigns, All Of Whom And Whose Names, Except As Stated, Are Unknown To Plaintiff, John Doe (Those unknown tenants, occupants, persons or corporations or their heirs, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors claiming an interest in the mortgaged premises.) Defendant(s). Mortgaged Premises: 66 Church Street Poughquag, NY 12570 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental

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Summons, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assigns, All Of Whom And Whose Names, Except As Stated, Are Unknown To Plaintiff, Unknown Heirs Of Kenneth Winter If Living, And If He/She Be Dead, Any And All Persons Unknown To Plaintiff, Claiming, Or Who May Claim To Have An Interest In, Or General Or Specific Lien Upon The Real Property Described In This Action; Such Unknown Persons Being Herein Generally Described And Intended To Be Included In Wife, Widow, Husband, Widower, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assignees Of Such Deceased, Any And All Persons Deriving Interest In Or Lien Upon, Or Title To Said Real Property By, Through Or Under Them, Or Either Of Them, And Their Respective Wives, Widows, Husbands, Widowers, Heirs At Law, Next Of Kin, Descendants, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Legatees, Creditors, Trustees, Committees, Lienors, And Assigns, All Of Whom And Whose Names, Except As Stated, Are Unknown To Plaintiff John Doe (Those unknown tenants, occupants, persons or corporations or their heirs, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors claiming an interest in the mortgaged premises.) Defendant(s). Mortgaged Premises: 66 Church Street Poughquag, NY 12570 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) within twenty days after the service of this Supplemental

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Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Dutchess. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Nathan Traver, Unknown Heirs of Ellen D. Winter FKA Ellen Van Anden, Unknown Heirs of Kenneth Winter Defendants In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Maria G. Rosa of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Ninth day of July, 2024 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Dutchess, in the City of Poughkeepsie. The object of this action is to foreclosure a mortgage upon the premises described below, dated January 20, 2015, executed by Ellen D. Winter FKA Ellen Van Anden (who died on August 8, 2020, a resident of the county of Dutchess, State of New York) to secure the sum of \$94,250.00. The Mortgage was recorded at Instrument Number 012015 1169 in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk on February 28, 2015. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed December 10, 2020 and recorded on December 15, 2020, in the Office of the Dutchess County Clerk at Instrument Number 01-2015-51655A. The property in question is described as follows: 66 Church Street, Poughquag, NY 12570 HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND

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Rolison to hold paper-shredding events for 39th Senate District residents in August

Rolison to hold free paper-shredding events for 39th Senate District residents
State Senator Rob Rolison, 39th District, announced on August 1 the return of his free paper-shredding event at two locations. In partnership with Hudson Valley Credit Union, a Legal Shred mobile shredding and disposal vehicle will accept documents and other paper products at these locations on the follow-

ing dates: John Jay High School, 2012 Route 52, Hopewell Junction on Saturday, August 17; and the Newburgh Mall parking lot, 1401 Route 300, Town of Newburgh in Orange County, on Saturday, August 24.
Both events are free and run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Items are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, or until the truck's capacity is reached.

Participants are kindly asked to bring no more than three boxes of documents with dimensions of 18" x 12" x 10" at a time; those with more than three may be asked to line up again in order to provide ample opportunity for all to dispose of their documents.
These events are limited to those residing in the 39th Senate District. Please check your eligibility, <https://www.nysenate.gov/find-my-senator>.

"This is a great opportunity to dispose and recycle the document waste we all accumulate," said Rolison. "I hope you'll join us again at these free shred events on August 17 and 24. Let's do our part to reduce landfill refuse while removing clutter in our home. See you in Newburgh and Hopewell!"

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Latin Dance Night set set for August 22

A Night of Latin Dancing will be presented by Beacon Dance Beat on Thursday, August 22 at 7 p.m. at the Towne Crier Café, 379 Main Street, in Beacon. The music includes salsa, merengue, bachata, reggaeton and much more. Song requests are welcome. There is a full menu and bar service available before and during the dance. Admission is \$10 and can be paid for at the door. For reservations, please call the Towne Crier at 845-831-5500.
For further information about the music, or for a special song request, contact Rhoda at 845-765-0667 or email rhodaja@optonline.net.

Rachael Sage to perform in Beacon on August 11

Hudson Valley based Alt-folk-pop singer-songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and artist Rachael Sage and her long-time band The Sequins will perform in Beacon at the Towne Crier, 379 Main St., on Sunday, August 11. Join Rachael and special guest musicians in a celebration of her favorite season - summer - where she will perform songs from her new record, Another Side. The show is 6:30 p.m. and is complimentary with a dinner reservation.
For more information, call 845-855-1300.

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COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF. SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE The state encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or the Foreclosure Relief Hotline 1-800-269-0990 or visit the department's website at WWW.DFS.NY.GOV. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME AT THIS TIME. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO STAY IN YOUR

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HOME DURING THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LEAVE YOUR HOME UNLESS AND UNTIL YOUR PROPERTY IS SOLD AT AUCTION PURSUANT TO A JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU CHOOSE TO REMAIN IN YOUR HOME, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR PROPERTY AND PAY PROPERTY TAXES IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND LOCAL LAW. FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful of people who approach you with offers to "save" your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner's distress. You should be extremely careful about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. State law requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all such promised services. § 1303 NOTICE YOU ARE IN

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DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: July 11, 2024 Gross Polowy LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 The law firm of Gross Polowy LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 81696
Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Board of the

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Town of East Fishkill, Dutchess County, New York on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, NY, or as soon thereafter as the matter may come on to be heard, in the matter of the application of Ryan Russo, 36 Putnam Park, Greenwich, CT 06870 for the granting of special permit for fill and amendment to the subdivision plat approval as shown on maps prepared by Day & Stokosa Engineering, PC, 3 Van Wyck Lane, Wappingers Falls, New York, 12590, as filed in the office of the Planning Department, and which site is located and described as being lot #18 Shenandoah Lake Estates subdivision near Appalachian Wand Long Hill Road, in the Town of East Fishkill, NY identified as Tax Parcel # 132800-6454-01-117808. All interested parties and citizens will be heard by the Board at the public hearing scheduled at said time.
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NY, or as soon thereafter as the matter may come on to be heard, in the matter of the application of Gabriella Rose Ltd., 1997 Route 52, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 for the granting of Amended Site Plan Approval for a proposed vacuum station, air station, cooler and an existing ice chest/propane cage as shown on maps prepared by Day & Stokosa Engineering, PC, 3 Van Wyck Lane, Wappingers Falls, New York, 12590, as filed in the office of the Planning Department, and which site is located and described as being located at the intersection of Lake Drive and NYS Route 52, in the Town of East Fishkill, NY identified as Tax Parcel # 132800-6356-04-635231. All interested parties and citizens will be heard by the Board at the public hearing scheduled at said time.
REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE
Te Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-50-24 REBID - Preventive Maintenance and As Needed Pest Control Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the

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20th day of August 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.
LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village of Fishkill, Mayor and Board of Trustees will be holding a Public Hearing at Van Wyck Hall, 1095 Main Street, Fishkill, NY 12524 on Monday August 19, 2024 at 6:00 pm. FOR THE PURPOSE OF NYS REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS
Dated: July 30, 2024
Board of Trustees
Village Clerk
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE
The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for: Bid #RFP-DCP-45-24 Advertising Content

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and Local Media Strategy for Public Awareness Campaign(s)
Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 27th day of August 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.
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Please take notice that the Town Board of the Town of East Fishkill will conduct a Public Hearing on Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 6:00 pm at 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction to Consider a Moratorium until Master Plan is completed. Any person wishing to be heard by the Town Board on this matter should be present at the above date and time.
BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK
Dated: AUGUST 7, 2024
TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL, New York

Mark the following Bannerman Castle Trust events down on your calendar



Singer Emily Beck will perform on Bannerman Island.



Irish Tenor Karl Scully will perform on Bannerman Island in August.



Movie Night on Bannerman Island will be held in August. One movie that will be shown is the classic "Jurassic Park," with Sam Neill, Laura Dern and Jeff Goldblum, on August 23.

The following events will be held in August by the Bannerman Castle Trust.

August 1 – 31: Enjoy a Hudson River Cruise and Tour Historic Bannerman Island in the Hudson Highlands. The Estuary Steward Tour Boat board at the Beacon Waterfront Dock, directly across from the Beacon Metro-North Train Station located at 2 Red Flynn Drive, Beacon. Enjoy a guided or self-guided tour of the island. Visit the historic Bannerman Castle ruins and gardens and explore the original Bannerman residence, now a museum. For schedule and tickets visit: <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/>.

Friday, August 9: Movie Night on Bannerman Island! Take a sunset cruise to Bannerman Island and join us for "Plunder Quest," a movie that was actually filmed on Bannerman Island! The film stars Katherine Flannery, Olivia Roldan and Stefanie Hubbard. After catching wind of valuable prohibition-era whiskey hidden on an island, a quest for liquid gold turns out to be the priceless adventure of a lifetime. <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/>.

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Friday, August 16: Movie Night on Bannerman Island! Enjoy a summer cruise to Bannerman's Island and join us for "Dungeons and Dragons: Honor Among Thieves," starring Chris Pine, Michelle Rodriguez and Regé-Jean Page. Based on the popular role-playing game, the film follows a band of thieves on the hunt for a valuable relic. When they target a lost artifact, the band messes with the wrong people and must play the game right to win it all. <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/>.

Saturday, August 17: Bannerman Castle Summer Concert – The Celt in the Cotton Club! A Summer evening of great music under the stars in the shadow of Bannerman's Castle. Singer, songwriter and recording artist Tara O'Grady, and acclaimed vocalist Karl Scully, of the world-renowned Irish Tenors, perform Jazz, Blues, Celtic and contemporary favorites! <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/>.

Sunday, August 18: Bannerman Castle Trust's Third Sunday Music Concert Series Presents Singer/Songwriter Emily Beck performing original and covers that everyone will enjoy! Concert is free for visitors taking the 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Bannerman Island tours – enjoy great music while visiting Bannerman Island. For tickets: <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/>.

Friday, August 23: Movie Night on Bannerman Island! Take a late summer cruise to Bannerman Island and join us for Steven Spielberg's "Jurassic Park," starring Sam Neill, Laura Dern and Jeff Goldblum. Genetically engineered dinosaurs run amok on a remote island. It's up to a paleontologist, a paleobotanist and a mathematician to outmaneuver the deadly beasts and find their way back to civilization. Based on Michael Crichton's bestseller. The film won three Oscars, including Best Visual Effects.

<https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/>.

For more information, call Executive Director Neil Caplan at 845-440-3318 or Exhibition, Events, and Program Coordinator Laurie Clark at 845-416-8342.

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August 1 – 31: Art Exhibitions at Bannerman Island Gallery, 150 Main Street, Beacon. August 10 – September 8, Main Gallery – The Photography of Alec Halstead featuring fine art photographs of the Hudson River Valley including Bannerman Island and Castle. August (Ongoing) West Wall Exhibition – Virginia Donovan (Paintings) and Mary Ann Glass (Photo Mixed Media). Ongoing show featuring Hudson Valley Paintings & Photography. (Art Sale proceeds help support preservation projects on Bannerman's Island). Gallery Hours: Saturdays & Sundays, Noon – 5 p.m., weekdays by chance & appointment. For more information, contact banner-mangallery150@aol.com.

Jazz in the Valley returns to Poughkeepsie

Jazz in the Valley (JITV), upstate New York's premiere festival, returns to Poughkeepsie's Waryas Park on Sunday, August 18, starting at Noon and ending at 6 p.m. Presented by TRANSART & Cultural Services, Inc., the 24th annual festival celebrates the legacy, history and future of jazz, with a blend of young and legendary musicians that include harpist Brandee Younger and her trio, alto saxophonist Charles McPherson, Mitch Frohman & The Bronx Horns and JITV Artistic Director Javon Jackson performs with featured guests, the esteemed poet Nikki Giovanni and vocalist Nnenna Freelon.

This year's festival kicks off on Saturday August 17, with the second annual Poughkeepsie Jazz Crawl. This celebration throughout downtown Poughkeepsie returns after last year's outstanding inaugural event. Free and open to the public, the jazz crawl will run from 4-9 p.m., featuring exciting musical performances, themed cocktails, and fine cuisine at three local eateries.

For festival founder/producer Greer Smith, recipient of the Jazz Journalist

Association's 2021 Jazz Hero Award, this year's festival is a continuation of its successful formula for presenting first class jazz to the Hudson Valley.

"Since our inception 24 years ago, we've presented this music as a living legacy - something not just to be listened to, but something to be studied, cherished and shared," Smith said. "We strive to present musicians from different eras, different genres and different styles, to show the unity-in-diversity that makes jazz the dynamic art form that it is." This year's lineup of musicians is true aural evidence of Smith's swinging success as a festival curator.

For tickets, go to www.jazzinthevalley.org. General admission is \$60, and \$70 at the gate. The cost for students with valid ID is \$20. For group ticket sales, directions and more information about Jazz in the Valley, contact TRANSART at info@transartinc.org, 845-384-6350, or log on to www.jazzinthevalley.org. Tickets can be purchased in-person at TRANSART's office, 107 Henry Street, Kingston, and at Blue Byrds Haberdashery in Kingston.

West Point Band to perform 'A Summer Night's Dream' on Aug. 10



The West Point Band will continue its Music Under the Stars concert series with "A Summer Night's Dream" on Saturday, August 10 at 7:30 p.m. at West Point's Trophy Point Amphitheater. Bring one's family and friends to Trophy Point and enjoy the evening of quintessential summer music for a night under the stars. Relax to the melodies of Mendelssohn's "Midsummer Night's Dream," the evocative "Hill-Song No. 2" by Percy Grainger and the timeless tunes from "West Side Story." This concert is free and open to all; for more information visit www.westpointband.com.

For West Point Band concert information, cancellations, and updates, visit www.westpointband.com, or follow on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and X.

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Two awarded 2024 Katherine Beale Memorial Scholarship

The Dutchess County St. Patrick's Parade Committee awarded the Annual Katherine Beale Memorial Scholarship to two deserving students, Jessica A. Murphy and Bryce E. Manning. The parade committee named it's scholarship after Katherine M. Beale who was a forerunner in establishing this scholarship 20 years ago. Katherine passed away a few years ago after a short illness. The committee unanimously voted to rename the scholarship

after her.

The Dutchess County Saint Patrick's Parade Committee offers two \$1,500 scholarships. These scholarships are open to graduating high school seniors and students currently enrolled in college. Scholarships will be awarded for community involvement and academic achievement.

For more information on how to apply for this scholarship, please visit our website at www.dcsppc.org or call John Beale at 914-475-8917.

Katherine Beale Memorial Scholarship Winners

Jessica A. Murphy, a 2024 graduate of Roy C. Ketcham High School will be attending SUNY Oneonta. Jessica was involved in many extracurricular activities such as the Interact Club, National Honor Society, French Honor Society, STEM Day at Evans Elementary School, Science Olympiad, and president of Greenworks Club. Jessica played violin in the school orchestra. Jessica is dedicated to serving others through volunteering and is pursu-

ing a career in Forensic Science.

Bryce E. Manning, a 2024 of Beacon High School, will be attending SUNY College of ESF (Environmental Science and Forestry Excellent). He was involved in many activities, including the National Honor Society, Science Club, Cross Country & Track and Field teams and president of the swim team. He volunteers at a local food pantry. He is dedicated to making a difference by offering a helping hand and a kind word. Bryce will be pursuing a career in Biotechnology.



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