

WISHING ALL HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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Children worldwide will receive shoeboxes filled with necessities, toys and school supplies as part of Operation Christmas Child by Samaritan's Purse. -Courtesy photo Operation Christmas Child

Union Vale Middle School musicians share holiday joy with senior citizens



Students with the Union Vale Middle School String Ensemble perform holiday songs for senior residents at the Dutchess County Office for the Aging in Poughkeepsie on Dec. 18. -Photo by Jim Donick

Shoebox donations bring joy to children

By Kristine Coulter

Children around the world will be opening shoeboxes on Christmas morning. These boxes are not ordinary shoeboxes. Gifts were donated, collected and placed into these boxes. It is part of the annual Operation Christmas Child by Samaritan's Purse.

Sarah Cossette is the church relations chair and team leader for the site at

Vineyard Community Church on Route 82 in East Fishkill.

"This is the time of year we get together," said Cossette. Vineyard Community Church was a drop-off location last month. Cossette said there were "dedicated volunteers" that assisted this year.

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By Jim Donick

At the holiday time, many people in homes for the aging, rehabilitation facilities, hospitals, and similar locations are very welcoming of Christmas cheer being brought to their clients. The Dutchess County Office of the Aging's Senior Friendship facility on Delafield Street in Poughkeepsie is no exception. One of their leading carriers of Christmas joy is Joe Torres.

This year marked Torres' fourth year as "Santa Joe." He had worked for the Office for the Aging. A few years ago he was asked if he knew anyone who could play Santa for a visit to the retirement home.

"I asked around for either a Santa or somebody who had a Santa suit," Torres said. "There were no takers on being Santa, but a lady reached out to me and said I could have the Santa suit that had belonged to her late husband."

The suit was acquired, mended in a place or two, and adjusted to fit. The result was "Santa Joe."

Torres began his visit four years ago, partly to celebrate the tenth anniversary of his healing from a non-cancerous brain tumor. He talks about how many older adults who frequent the Senior Friendship Center are among society's most vulnerable.

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Municipal leaders look back at 2024

By Kristine Coulter

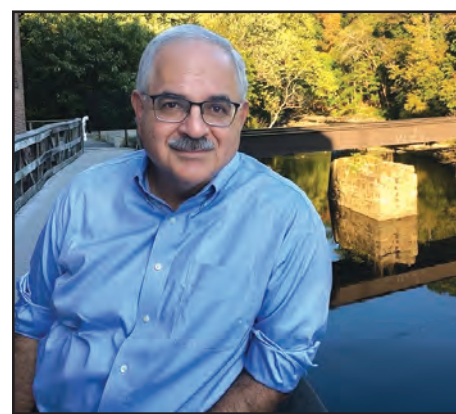
Local leaders were asked by Southern Dutchess News to look back on the accomplishments that occurred in their municipalities in 2024. Here are the highlights they offered about what was done this year, in alphabetical order of municipality.

Leaders tout accomplishments

City of Beacon Mayor Lee Kyriacou said, "The on-time on-budget completion of a new \$14.7 million central fire station after decades of studies and planning — an architectural gem at the gateway to Main Street, with state-of-the-art fire safety, all-electric with geothermal heat, and without a significant increase in property tax," was the highlight for 2024.

He mentioned as another accomplishment for 2024, "the launch of the \$10 million Fishkill and Teller Avenue Rehabilitation project after more than 20 years of planning, which is now roughly half complete and will be finished by mid-2025."

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Village of Fishkill Mayor Kathy Martin and City of Beacon Mayor Lee Kyriacou are two of the municipal leaders that look back on the accomplishments in their municipalities during 2024. -Courtesy photos

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Union Vale Middle School musicians share holiday joy with senior citizens



Union Vale Middle School students bring music - and holiday cheer - to senior citizens at the Dutchess County Office for the Aging in Poughkeepsie.

-Photos by Jim Donick

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The result two years ago was to propose to bring the music students from Union Vale Middle School to perform and to interact with the older adults at the Senior Friendship Center.

"It's amazing," he said. "The kids get to see that you never have to outgrow a dream of Santa Claus or the spirit of Christmas. The two groups share the joy. After the performance I've seen the kids sitting with some of the residents and showing them how to play their instruments. It's a great thing for everybody."

On December 18th, the Arlington Middle School String Ensemble, led enthusiastically by Ms. Kristina Rizzo, visited the Dutchess Office of the Aging's Senior Friendship Center on Delafield Street. The twenty-plus musicians arrived by school bus piloted by "Santa Joe" Torres. Torres simply exuded energy and joy for this opportunity.

They were met by 38 clients of the cen-

ter as well as Dutchess County Office of the Aging Director Todd Tancredi and by Ms. Cindy Lefebvre, the site manager.

County Executive Sue Serino had hoped join in welcoming the students, as well. Scheduling required she send her greetings via a representative.

"Our Office for the Aging staff and volunteers do an amazing job ensuring opportunities for Dutchess County's older adults year round," said Serino. "Those efforts shine even brighter during the holiday season. When 'Santa Joe' and the students from the Arlington Central School District share their gift of song with our seniors, you see the joy in their faces and voices. We thank 'Santa Joe,' these talented young musicians along with their teachers and administrators for making this unforgettable day possible."

"This is a great event," said Tancredi. "We are always happy to bring in partners from the community, especially at this time of year. The senior citizens are always looking for the same sorts of

things the rest of us are. They would like some friendship, some entertainment, and some variety in their lives. This event provides all three. They love interacting with the young people, so we try to integrate community groups into our programs as often as we can."

Ms. Lefebvre said, "We offer a variety of activities here. The senior citizens want to be entertained and even challenged. They enjoy new experiences. We've got 38 here today. The number has grown since COVID, and that makes me feel like our approach is working."

Ms. Rizzo, the students' music director, wrapped the event from the point of view of someone completely connected to her students.

"This is community service for them," she noted, "but more than that, it's a wonderful experience, and the kids have been looking forward to it for weeks."

At the end of the program, Ms. Giselle Garibello of Senator Rob Rollison's staff conveyed the Senator's wish to have been



Local resident Joe Torres as "Santa Joe."

with the kids, but he was not available. Garibello did, though, deliver certificates marking the occasion to each of the students who had taken part.

"It was a great event," she said. Throughout the session, "Santa Joe" Torres bounced from table to table exchanging hugs and wishes of the holiday season.

"The truth is," he said, "people may not believe it, but I get more out of this personally than anybody else."

And so it would appear.

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Municipal leaders look back at 2024

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Town of East Fishkill Supervisor Nick D'Alessandro said "2024 was a good year for the East Fishkill community."

He noted several accomplishments. D'Alessandro said, "[First] we began the planning for our new East Fishkill Veteran Memorial Park which will be located across the street from Town Hall. [Second], like I always say, the Town Board's most important job and mine is to be stewards of Town finances and we have adopted yet again another great budget for the residents of East Fishkill for 2025. [This] includes NOT exceeding the NYS mandated tax cap; East Fishkill has NEVER exceeded the tax cap and I don't believe we ever will. For 2025 the average home in East Fishkill will see an increase of \$28 for the year. No services have been cut and we are looking to add another police officer to our police department for 2025."

Town of Fishkill Supervisor Ozzy Albra said, "We are on the verge of getting the Brinckerhoff and Merritt water districts off the Health Department's remedial list, after being at least 10 years on it. I inherited a \$5.6 million plan, reduced it to \$1 million and will use Federal funds to pay for it with no cost to the taxpayers." He continued, "I am also proud of implementing the Comprehensive Plan that the public participated in."

Albra noted there have been major investments in infrastructure.

"We repaired the recreation building roof after 16 years of leaking. We built a new highway garage in house, saving taxpayer money. This follows up on building a new salt shed and fueling station earlier in my term," said Albra.

Park improvements were also accomplished in 2024, including the addition of pickleball courts at Maurer Geering Park, off Geering Way, he said. Restoration of tennis and basketball courts, along with, for the first time, lights for Little League were also touted by Albra.

"In addition, we did drainage and paving to all parks, except Shepherd Memorial Park (off of Route 82), which will also be done," he said.

Town of Poughkeepsie Supervisor Rebecca Edwards said her biggest focus this year was learning the job, as this was her first year as supervisor. She also highlighted her administration's "building better communications with town residents, by launching a regular e-newsletter, activating social media channels, and establishing a more transparent budget process and documents."

Edwards mentioned, "I'm also very proud of our new community policing unit, dedica-

tion of our opioid settlement funds to a contract with People USA for a mental health/substance use peer counselor to ride with the Police and bringing the Youth-Police Initiative to the Town of Poughkeepsie."

Town of Wappinger Supervisor Joseph Cavaccini was also in his first year of office in 2024. "When we took office in January, we set out on a mission to enhance and protect the quality of life of our neighbors here in the Town of Wappinger. Our promises made were promises kept as we took action to limit over-development in our Town by passing Local Law I. We continue to look to preserve open space as we create conservation easements across hundreds of acres while fostering innovative development in our vacant/abandoned properties. We are demonstrating that our Town can have both a thriving economy while protecting the character of our community," Cavaccini stated about his administration.

Cavaccini continued, "We have made significant strides when it comes to streamlining our government operations and restoring accountability to Town Hall. We have saved taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars by eliminating wasteful spending on government contractors, employing in-house resources to complete projects, and generated hundreds of thousands of dollars by diversifying Town funds into high-interest earning depositories. We successfully ended a two-year-long arbitration between the CSEA members of the Highway Department and the Town, launched "Quality-of-Life Task [F]orce" through our Code Enforcement Office with efforts focused on removing blighted abandoned buildings from our neighborhoods, and kept our families and community safe by restructuring the Wappinger Patrol by introducing new cycled targeted patrols in neighborhoods."

Cavaccini touted reinvestment and the town leaders committing millions to improve parks, infrastructure and facilities in the pars by launching the Wappinger Parkland Infrastructure Act. The Act allowed for the authorization of funding for improvements such as completing the Challenger Inspiration Field; enhancing amenities at Martz Field (such as the memorial for the late Major Daniel Martz, the first Dutchess County soldier to die in the Vietnam War); light towers at tennis/pickleball courts; activating the wellhead at Airport Park, 61 Airport Dr., to provide water for soccer for the first time in 30 years; paving Rockingham Park, Regency Dr.; funding the completion of the nearly decade-long Spook Hill Park project, Spook Hill Road; and reconstructing the Chelsea Boat Ramp,

said Cavaccini.

"We instituted cost-saving measures, such as utilizing in-house labor for finishing the Highway Garage project and allowing for the Highway Superintendent to be his own project manager. By refurbishing the exterior of the buildings, replacing 20,000 sq ft of roof, and building a safe break room. [U]nder this new model, the Town saved over \$100,000 and exemplified our commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent resource allocation. This year, the Wappinger Town Highway Department re-constructed and paved over a dozen roads in the Town, all of which are over 20 years old. All while keeping Wappinger one of the most affordable Towns in the region," said Cavaccini.

Village of Fishkill Mayor Kathy Martin said, "The two accomplishments I am most proud of are that the Board of Trustees and I were able to increase the income limits on both the Senior Citizen Exemption and the Veterans Exemption. This will allow our Village Seniors and Veterans to save more money on their real property taxes. I am so happy to offer these additional savings for our community."

She said, "This has been a wonderful year. The Village of Fishkill celebrated our 125 Anniversary. It was an amazing opportunity to offer historical, cultural, and entertaining experiences for the community. I'd like to thank our Activities Committee for all of their hard work. It truly was a great year for the Village of Fishkill."

In the Village of Wappingers Falls, Mayor Kevin Huber said, "This year, the Village successfully executed a lake treatment program with three treatments to minimize sediment buildup and control weed growth. These efforts aim to make the lake more accessible and enjoyable for residents. Additional treatments are scheduled for next year, demonstrating our ongoing commitment to restoring this valuable community resource."

He also mentioned sustainability efforts. "In partnership with the Department of Environmental Conservation, the Village installed an electric vehicle charging station at the Mill Street Municipal Lot, funded entirely through a grant. This addition offers visitors a convenient spot to charge their cars while exploring local shops and eateries, further boosting downtown activity."

Regarding parks and recreation, Huber said, "We are proud to have secured grant funding for the installation of Bain Park at no cost to the Village, an inclusive space designed to welcome children of all abilities to learn, grow, and play. Additionally, the Village prioritized park improvements at the request of Parks Commissioner Charles Ferry, requesting the board to grant \$17,000 in enhancements,

including lighting the Christmas tree at Mesier Park and installing garbage pails and benches across various parks."

"The Village secured several grants for the Fire Department to acquire essential equipment, including turnout gear washing machines, thermal cameras, and gas meters. These tools enhance safety and efficiency during emergency responses. Plans are underway to improve parks further and install a new boat dock at Spring Street next year," said Huber.

Finances in municipalities

When it comes to the financial situation of each municipality, what do the leaders say?

Regarding Beacon's finances, Kyriacou stated, "The Mayor's 2025 Budget continued to reduce the property tax rate and kept the dollar amount of tax increase to 3%, well below the State tax cap (City of Poughkeepsie and Kingston were both 9%). With smart fiscal management, we spend only for high priority items and maximize outside funding; the City has the best bond rating of any municipality in the county."

In East Fishkill, the financial situation, said D'Alessandro, is in "excellent shape."

"We just got upgraded by Moody's for our rating, which proves that we are in excellent financial shape and our strong economic development plans are starting to bear fruit and we are excited for the future here in East Fishkill. East Fishkill leads Dutchess County in economic development by far for the last 6 years."

For the Town of Fishkill, Albra remarked, "The town continues to be in great fiscal

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Due to a holiday press schedule for the Jan. 1, 2025 issue, the Southern Dutchess News has an early deadline for that paper.

For the Jan. 1 issue: Editorial submissions must be received by Monday, Dec. 23. Advertising is due by Thursday, Dec. 26.

Please contact cschmidt@sdutchessnews.com for more information.

Editor's note: The following letter was sent to federal officials from Wappingers Central School District Superintendent Dr. Dwight Bonk. He is specifically asking for federal funding to provide a School Resource Officer, assigned by local law enforcement agencies, in each of the District's 15 school buildings.

WCSD superintendent seeks federal funding for school resource officers

To Federal Officials:

As Superintendent of Schools of the Wappingers Central School District (WCSD), the ninth-largest school district in New York State with over 10,500 students and 15 school buildings, I am compelled, once again, to urge that Federal funding be made available immediately to enhance the health, welfare, and safety of our students.

In order to ensure that our schools are as safe as possible, I am asking for Federal funding to provide a School Resource Officer, assigned by our local law enforcement agencies, in each of our 15 school buildings within our District. The addition of such federally-funded positions is vital, as our country continues to grapple with the violence and mental health issues that have plagued school districts, resulting in injuries and, tragically, the loss of life. Unfortunately, I have been made aware that another violent event occurred at a school in Wisconsin earlier today. The horrific events of school violence that have transpired in many schools throughout the nation continue to cause much anxiety for the families, students, and staff in my school district.

Clearly, much discussion has occurred, and hopefully will continue to occur, at the

Federal level regarding the best ways to keep students and staff safe. An armed and trained uniformed School Resource Officer, who works at a State/County or local police department, would be one immediate step that could be taken to begin to address this major concern. These trained officers will have the opportunity to develop positive relationships with our students and proactively help to mitigate potential conflict—as well as respond to those incidents that impact the health, welfare, and safety of others. Mental health professionals will be able to serve similarly, by developing positive relationships with our students and responding immediately to student mental health issues; they can possibly resolve issues prior to escalation.

I personally have the utmost confidence in the seven municipal police departments within our school district, which include the New York State Police and the Dutchess County Sheriffs' Department, as well as the Dutchess County Department of Health as we have worked collaboratively with them in the areas of school safety, mental health and wellness, and violence prevention. The presence of these trained professionals in ALL of our schools, regardless of grade level or enrollment, will help foster a safe school culture and climate that will allow teachers and students to focus on teaching and learning.

In the absence of Federal funding, many school districts may be forced to pay for such needed safety through their own school budget. As the safety and security of our staff and students is our top priority, I am hopeful that Federal funding will be made available for these most important positions in the 2025 budget year; the ability to provide these necessary services should not be based on whether each local school district has the financial means to do so. It is my belief that we can all agree that everyone, regardless of the wealth or the ability of their school districts to fund these services, deserves the safest-possible school environment: one that promotes teaching and learning and provides students with opportunities to achieve their highest academic, social, and emotional potential. Thank you very much for taking the time to review this correspondence and I am hopeful this request will receive very strong consideration!

Dwight Bonk

Superintendent, Wappingers Central School District

Medium, author Deborah Hanlon launches NeuroEvolve workshop series

In an expansion of her offerings, and in time for the reflection and goal setting that often happens in January, locally renowned life guide, author and intuitive medium Deborah Hanlon has unveiled a new six-week program: NeuroEvolve. Held each Monday from Jan. 6 through Feb. 10, 2025, live on Zoom from 8 to 9:30 p.m. EST, the workshops will be personally led by Hanlon and use proven neuropsychology principles to guide individuals looking to unlock intuition, break patterns and rediscover their true nature.

"While I'm frequently tapped to speak before large groups and on stages, one thing that stood out to me when I'd talk with people after a show was the need for help overcoming thought and behavior barriers that hold them back," said Hanlon, who is a two-time author and the founder of The Center for Being, Knowing, Doing. "After obtaining my master's in psychology last year - a personal goal of mine - I decided it was time to combine my passion

for somatic practices with my background as an intuitive medium. I look forward to helping attendees let go of limiting patterns that no longer serve them and to seeing them renew their mindset through reconditioning thought and behavior patterns for lasting change. A new year is a perfect time to embrace this kind of shift and to seek guidance for increased success."

Early registration, by Dec. 31 is available for the entire six-session series and can be secured by visiting <http://deborahhanlon.com/event/neuroevolve-6-week-online-program/>; pricing increases thereafter. A package including a private one-on-one coaching session and one small group coaching session with Hanlon is also available at the early bird rate, to be booked by Dec. 31.

For information on other workshops and offerings, or to book a private or corporate event, head to www.deborahhanlon.com or email her office directly at [Hello@DeborahHanlon.com](mailto>Hello@DeborahHanlon.com).

Tompkins Financial Advisors promotes William Lyons to financial planner

Tompkins Financial Advisors (Tompkins) has promoted William "Will" Lyons to financial planner, serving clients in Western, Central, and the Hudson Valley New York; Wyomissing and Blue Bell, Pennsylvania and Delray Beach, Florida. Lyons supports the firm's financial planning efforts across client-facing services and expertise in this new role. His promotion reflects his dedication to delivering expert, personalized, strategic financial solutions to clients and their growth.

"Will has been an exceptional part of our financial planning efforts thus far," said Geoffrey Blyth, senior vice president, chief investment officer. "He is extremely committed to ensuring success and growth for our clients and interested in continuing to learn, enhancing his professional credentials and helping us expand services. We're

thrilled to celebrate Will and this well-deserved accomplishment and support his future growth."

Lyons brings over two years of experience in the banking and financial industry, focused on empowering clients with customized financial strategies, including cash-flow management, retirement planning, scenario-based decision-making and estate tax strategies. His approach prioritizes building long-term financial security and confidence for individuals and families.

Lyons holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Lawrence University, is a Financial Paraplanner Qualified Professional (FPQP) and has embarked on a Certified Financial Planner (CFP) program. Based in Pittsford, New York, Lyons serves clients throughout the region with the utmost dedication and professionalism.

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WFBPA puts spotlight on local businesses



The Wappingers Falls Business Professional Association held its quarterly luncheon in Wappingers Falls on Dec. 18. The WFBPA President Jackie Muller, third from left, and member Yvette Sanchez, co-owner of Your CBD Store/SUNMED in Wappingers Falls, second from left, made remarks during the luncheon program. Pictured are members of the WFBPA board.

-Courtesy photo by Markie Baylash submitted by WFBPA



WFBPA members and attendees, from left, Heather McCormick, Stanley Straub and Jack Fedigan.



Some of the items that were raffled off during the luncheon.

-Photos by Kristine Coulter

By Kristine Coulter

Members of the Wappingers Falls Business Professional Association (WFBPA) held the quarterly luncheon for the 4th quarter at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Wappingers Falls on Dec. 18. There was a lunch catered by The Jessica Experience. Attendees were able to take part in raffles. Items for the raffles were donated by local businesses.

Yvette Sanchez, a WFBPA board member and co-owner of Your CBD Store/SUNMED in Wappingers Falls, and Jackie Muller, president of the WFBPA and Founder of Dynamic Intervention Wellness Solutions, offered spotlight presentations on their businesses and plans for the WFBPA in 2025.

The WFBPA is "going to refocus on the local businesses and give them more of a chance to shine," said Sanchez.

Members will be given a chance to speak, after having signed up. There will be ribbon-cutting ceremonies and 'WFBPA Mingles.'

"Every month, whoever wants to host a mingle can open their doors to our members," said Sanchez. "It's a way of coming together."

The January Mingle will be held at Viscount Wines & Liquor, 1173 Route 9, in Wappingers Falls at 5:30 p.m. on Jan 10, 2025.

"We've been doing really well adding more programs," said Muller. The WFBPA is also serving the greater area.

Carol Torresson, CFO and co-owner of Viscount Wines and Liquor, said, "What I hope they learn about our business is that one of the things that separates us from other stores in the area, is the variety of products we offer."

Torresson said business owners forget that loyalty is very personal. "The more relevant you can be to the community, the more you deserve loyalty from the community."

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Brian McElhoney



FORMERLY OF BEACON - Brian McElhoney, born on October 8, 1951, passed away peacefully at his residence in West Palm Beach, Florida, on December 6, 2024, at the age of 73.

Brian grew up in Bronx, New York, and later became a longtime resident of Beacon, New York, before settling in West Palm Beach in 2009. A proud Navy veteran, Brian dedicated his professional life to serving others as a funeral director and retired as the Vice President of the Local Teamsters Union 813. Known for his witty sense of humor and sharp memory, Brian brought warmth and laughter to those fortunate enough to know him.

An avid sports fan, reader and movie watcher with a soft spot for animals and a love of sweets, Brian found joy in life's simple pleasures. He was a natu-

ral extrovert who formed lifelong friendships throughout his career and retirement years. Above all, he was a devoted father who cherished time spent with his three sons.

Brian is survived by his wife, Terri-Ann McElhoney; his sons Kyle McElhoney, Joseph McElhoney and his fiancée Wanna Sribunnak, and Spenser McElhoney and his fiancée Martyann Chromik. He is also survived by his sister Patricia Scibelli, her husband Chris, and his brother Michael McElhoney. Brian is also survived by multiple nieces and nephews, as well as many other close friends and extended family members.

Preceding Brian in heaven are his parents, James and Kathleen McElhoney and his sister Kathleen Wilday.

Brian's legacy is one of love, humor, and connection. His memory will live on in the hearts of his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date and time. If interested in attending, please send along contact information to the family at kjsmcelhoney@gmail.com. In lieu of flowers, Brian's sons ask that you do something with a loved one/ones and think of him.

Suzanne Hannon McElduff

BEACON - Suzanne Hannon McElduff, a lifetime resident of Beacon, passed away peacefully at home on December 7, 2024 at the age of 88. Suzanne was well known and loved most especially for her steadfast devotion to her family, her friends and her community.

Suzanne was born on November 10, 1936 in Beacon, NY; the daughter of the late Susan Hayden Hannon and Patrick J. Hannon. A graduate of St. Joachim Parochial School and Mount Saint Mary's High School, she continued her education at the Katharine Gibbs School in New York City. Upon completing her training, Suzanne held positions with various firms in New York City and used her professional skills for many years to support her family and community.

On April 19, 1958 she married her beloved husband, John F. McElduff, who predeceased her on January 1, 2023.

Suzanne committed a lifetime to the growth and development of her seven children through childhood and well into adulthood, lovingly training and tutoring each through their school and music lessons, supporting them all in their extra-curricular activities and advocating for them in ways that earned the respect and cooperation of all. The most important lessons she taught were focused on training her children and others to be the best parents they could be and stressing that there is no more important task.

Suzanne was the owner and proprietor of The Card Shop in Beacon. She shared her husband John's passion for restoring Main Street in Beacon, and together, they saw it through to reality. She never wavered in her belief that there was no better place than Beacon to raise a family and live a happy life.

Suzanne held many community volunteer positions, which included serving St. Joachim - St. John the Evangelist church and school, the Beacon City School District and the Howland Public Library. Most notably, she was a parent advocate for children with special education needs in the Beacon City School District. She also served as a Trustee on the board of the Howland Public Library, always advocating for more and better resources for the families of Beacon.

Suzanne is survived by her children, Jeanne Scoba, Judy McAndrew and husband, Bob, Ellen Versprille and husband, Hank, John McElduff and wife, Carole, Patrick McElduff and wife, Kathy, Daniel McElduff and wife, Heather, and Luke McElduff; her 19 grandchildren (and spouses), Kate, Patrick, Eliza and husband, Will, Molly, Sam, Anne, Megan and husband, Nick, Jake, Deirdre, Nora, Marta and husband, A.J., Claire, Jack, Sheila, Gracie, Colleen, Rory, Hayden and Erin; her great-granddaughter Bree Hannon; her sisters, Margaret Capozzi and Judy Keating and her husband, Bill; her many nieces and nephews; and extended family and friends.

In addition to her parents and her husband, Suzanne was predeceased by her brothers, Patrick and Michael; her sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Bill Tully; her brother-in-law, Dan Capozzi and her son-in-law, Peter Scoba.

The family is forever grateful to Hudson Valley Hospice, her caregivers, especially Millie, Charlene, Ann Marie, Angela, Wanda, Izzy, Sharol, Stephanie, Gingi, Paulette, Debbie and the clergy and eucharistic ministers of our parish, especially Rose.

Family and friends gathered on Friday, December 20 at Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, 2 Beekman Street, Beacon. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, December 21 at St. John the Evangelist Church, 35 Willow Street, Beacon. Burial followed at St. Joachim Cemetery, Beacon.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Suzanne may be made to Howland Public Library or Hudson Valley Hospice, 374 Violet Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.

To send a personal condolence, please visit www.riverviewbyhalvey.com.

Funeral arrangements are under the care of Patrick J. Halvey of Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, LLC.

Kevin Charles Donovan



WAPPINGERS FALLS - Our precious 'UK' left us on December 7, 2024 and our hearts are broken. He was the best brother, uncle and friend anyone could hope for.

Kevin Charles Donovan was born in Brooklyn, NY the 4th of 5 children, to Irish immigrants, Timothy and Mary Kate (Harte) Donovan on August 16, 1943.

In 1973, Kevin walked the Appalachian Trail from Brooklyn, NY and ended up in Wappingers Falls where he made his home for the remainder of his life. It was that journey which instilled in him his great love of the outdoors and doing what he could to protect the environment. After settling in he adopted his rescue dog, Charlie, who was his constant companion. He volunteered many hours to the Sloop Clearwater and Vanderbilt Mansion

and enjoyed catching a sunset and moon gazing. He absolutely loved animals, and they loved him just as much. He could even be found feeding wild turkeys outside his home. When indoors, he enjoyed classical music, swing, opera, and show tunes, the Turner Classic Movie Channel watching old movies, reading the Arts section of the New York Times and completing the NYT Sunday crossword every week.

In 1960 Kevin became an uncle for the first time, which he excelled at. He never missed a birthday, Christmas, Valentine's Day, St Patrick's Day or Halloween without sending a card and gift to his many nieces and nephews. He was the magical Uncle and took on the name 'UK.' He introduced his nieces and nephews to reading, theatre, music and a love of animals. He loved them to pieces, and they loved him.

In 1986 he became a great uncle, and the nickname 'GUK' suited him even better, great was an understatement! He continued his tradition of never missing an occasion for this new group of little as well. He even started sending cards to all our pets. A get well card would arrive addressed to "Betty Canine" or "Rocco Canine." That always brought smiles. Kevin would always know what book to purchase, choosing from the New York Times children's bestseller list. He made you feel special, valued, loved and opened our world up in so many ways that you could never imagine.

Kevin was a sweet and generous soul, his loss leaves a deep hole. We know that Kevin has been reunited with his canine, Charlie, and is in good hands. God Bless UK. God certainly blessed us with his presence. xoxo.

Kevin is survived by his sisters: Pat Moran of Wappingers Falls, NY and Joan Sweeney of Somers Point, NJ along with many loving nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he is pre-deceased by his sister Catherine Donovan Iannielli and Timothy Donovan.

In memory of UK please consider adopting a rescue dog or donating to a local animal shelter.

Services for Kevin were held on Saturday, December 14 at McHoul Funeral Home: Main Street, Fishkill, NY. A Celebration of Life will be held in the spring.

Joseph F. Heady



BEACON - Joseph F. Heady, a life-long Beacon resident, passed away peacefully at his home in Beacon on December 15, 2024; at the age of 63. He was born on August 2, 1961 in Beacon, NY, son of Stella (Knapp) Heady and the late Richard W. Heady Sr.. He attended Beacon City Schools.

On July 16, 1994 he married Kathy J. Grove, who survives him at home.

Joe enjoyed life; he enjoyed being outdoors and the company of his friends & family. He will be greatly missed.

Along with his mother Stella Heady and his wife of 30-years Kathy Heady, Joe is survived by his daughter Krystle (Shawn) Heady-Brady and his son James Browne. Sadly he was predeceased by his son Corey Pike on May 15, 2004. He is also survived by his 8 grandchildren:

Corey, Kaydence, Rowan, Austin, Ashton, Amber, Sierra and Ella; his brother William 'Billy' Heady, and several nieces, nephews & friends.

Along with his father and son, Joe was predeceased by his sister Stella Thomas and his brother Richard W. Heady Jr..

His Family received Friends on Saturday, December 21, 2024 at the LIBBY FUNERAL HOME, 55 Teller Avenue, Beacon, New York. Cremation followed, and a private interment will be at a later date in the Spring of 2025 at the Fairview Cemetery, 375 Washington Avenue, Beacon, New York.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of Joseph J. Schuka of the LIBBY FUNERAL HOME, 55 Teller Avenue, Beacon, New York 12508. To offer a message of condolence or share a fond memory, please visit: www.LibbyFuneralHome.com.

Board of Health meetings set for 2025

The Dutchess County Board of Health meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month except for the month of July.

Board of Health Meetings for 2025

January 16
February 20
March 20
April 17
May 15

HOLIDAY - NO JULY MEETING

August 21
September 18
October 16
November 20
December 18.

The public is welcome to attend. For more information, contact 845-486-3432.

Beacon's Grand Menorah Lighting set for Dec. 29

By Kristine Coulter

Chabad of Beacon will be hosting Beacon's Grand Menorah Lighting on Sunday, Dec. 29 at 4 p.m. at Polhill Park in Beacon.

So, what can people expect if they attend the menorah lighting?

"People can expect a night of celebration focused on light. We'll light a 9-foot menorah, share messages of unity and hope, and, of course, enjoy delicious latkes and donuts—traditional Chanukah treats!" said Rabbi Shaya Itkin, who is the executive director of Chabad of Beacon.

What do the rabbi hope people take away from the event?

"The message that light always triumphs over darkness. Even a little bit of light can dispel a lot of darkness," Itkin said.

Itkin noted, "The miracle of Chanukah

was brought about by a small army defeating a much larger and more advanced one. Sometimes we may feel outnumbered by the darkness around us, but we must remember that light will always triumph—no matter how big the darkness seems."

There's so much going on in the world right now, said Itkin, and it can feel overwhelming and even scary at times.

"But we are not powerless. Each of us has the ability to be a beacon of light. A simple smile or a good deed can brighten the world around us. If we all do our part, the world will feel a whole lot less scary," the rabbi added.

The event is open to everyone.

If one needs candles, they will have candles at the event for attendees to light.



Right: Beacon's Grand Menorah Lighting will take place at Polhill Park, off Route 9D, on December 29 in Beacon. Pictured is from last year's ceremony.

-Courtesy photo by Chabad of Beacon

Municipal leaders look back at 2024

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shape. However, we did spend a lot on improving our Highway and Parks resulting in a fund balance around 5%. We should be over 10%" He said his 2026 budget will need to pay for the new Highway and PBA labor contracts, along with the new attorneys hired to prepare for the former Downstate Correctional Facility negotiations "to protect the town's interests." Earlier this year, Gov. Kathy Hochul announced a development plan for the former Downstate Correctional Facility in the town, off Route 52 and Route 9D, on Red Schoolhouse Road.

Edwards noted that in the Town of Poughkeepsie, "We stayed below the tax cap this year and will continue to focus on fiscal health."

"After many months of crafting and careful deliberation, we are pleased to present the Final Wappinger Town Budget for fiscal year 2025, a sound and balanced financial plan for the 150th year of the Town of Wappinger, that will be under the Tax Levy Cap with a Tax Rate decrease. As announced in the 2024 State of the Town Address, this administration has strengthened this Town's commitment to fiscal responsibility, as we undertook a comprehensive review of our financials, diligently drilling down to uncover true expenses and discrepancies. I am proud to report that the Town of Wappinger is in excellent overall financial shape, now doubled with the strong new internal policies and procedures that have been implemented throughout 2024 that allowed us to develop a realistic understanding of our expenses and revenues," said Cavaccini.

Cavaccini noted that the Wappinger 2025 Budget reduces Town taxes through a tax rate decrease and staying under the NYS Tax Levy Cap at 1.86%. "Taxpayers will find that the newly forecasted Town-Outside Village Homestead rate of \$1.59 per thou-

sand of assessed value from \$1.70 per thousand of assessed value and the Village portion of the Homestead rate will be \$0.65 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Non-Homestead rates are \$2.94 per thousand of assessed value for Town-Outside and \$1.20 per thousand of assessed value for Town Inside Village. All forecasts are decreases in the tax rate. In being more realistic in Town revenues, such as sales tax, interest, State aid, etc., the 2025 Final Budget alleviates a significant potential burden on taxpayers by only levying \$9,051,946 of our total \$20,725,588 budget on property taxpayers," said Cavaccini.

"This budget not only meets all our contractual obligations and anticipated increases but also allows us to expand our Parks & Recreation Department programming to include two Summer Camps and expanded Senior Citizen enrichment services, increase our aggressive targeted traffic enforcement of the Wappinger Patrol, expanding our efforts when it comes to applying for grant funding, enhance our parks and facilities infrastructure, invest in significant capital improvements for our Town's water and sewer systems and reconstruct 8 miles of Town roadway infrastructure – the most in recent history," said Cavaccini. "This is in addition to continuing our commitment to creating a safer work environment for our Buildings and Grounds Department, among many other initiatives. Additionally, we are excited to allocate resources to celebrate our Town's sesquicentennial through the Wappinger150 initiative, that will highlight a year's worth of events and programs for families of all ages to enjoy!"

In the Village of Fishkill, Martin said, "Our finances are strong."

Regarding finances in the Village of Wappingers Falls, Huber said, "The Village Board made it a top priority to address findings from a State Comptroller's Office audit conducted from 2017-2022. We prepared a

detailed response and corrective action plan to honor the audit's recommendations, as the Treasurer has implemented new procedures and revised policies to establish a solid financial foundation. These measures have significantly improved our fiscal stability, and we are optimistic about re-establishing the Village's bond rating in 2025."

Huber added: "The Board proudly approved a comprehensive Capital Infrastructure Plan created by our Treasurer. This plan outlines short- and long-term priorities, ensuring the Village's infrastructure remains strong and reliable. Key components include paving numerous roads in 2024, with additional roads scheduled for 2025. We are also exploring options to address PFAS (per- and polyfluorinated alkyl substances) and iron regulations, ensuring clean and affordable drinking water for residents."

Officials 'thankful' for the opportunity to lead

"As always, I personally would like to highlight and thank our dedicated City workforce, who keep our community safe, provide critical services, and continue to improve our quality of life. I'm grateful that we can attract and work with such a skilled and professional group of public servants," said Kyriacou.

D'Alessandro stated, "We in East Fishkill are truly blessed to have a community made up of so many caring and thoughtful residents. Any time we [have an] issue or some resident is in need, the outpouring of support that I get is really remarkable. I am very proud to be the Town Supervisor, and we have accomplished so much since I began as Town Supervisor and I only want the best for our residents and businesses. This time of year, we should all think about all that we are thankful for, and I am thankful for our wonderful community."

Albra said, "Fishkill is on the verge of completing all of its major capital projects. We have a superior Town Hall, Highway Garage, Recreation Center, Police Department and Sewer Treatment plant. In a few years, all of the town roads will be repaved. There is no need to build anything else and going forward we will only be talking about minor upgrades to our buildings. We are looking at a solid 10 years of only dealing with budgeting for pay raises and equipment/vehicles for Highway and Police. In addition, we have around \$300 million in new taxable development coming in the next 5 years. We are in excellent shape, and I thank you for allowing me to serve as your Town Supervisor, it's a great honor and I look forward to continue working for you."

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Mill House Brewing Company continues to bring the heat, announces Embers by Mill House

On the heels of Mill House Brewing Company's recent announcement around its new restaurant venture, The Ridge by Mill House, co-owners, Daniel Crocco and Jamie Bishop, have announced the acquisition of Embers Wood-Fired Oven, a full-service mobile catering business, to be rebranded as Embers by Mill House. The elevated food truck, which will serve Dutchess County and the surrounding areas, is now accepting bookings for spring 2025 for private events.

"I've always dreamed of owning and operating a food truck, so Embers by Mill House marks a really exciting new chapter for us," said Crocco. "When we met and spoke with John and Jen, the former owners of Embers, and experienced the charm of the vintage truck, it sealed the deal. We're excited to introduce elevated catering options for every type of celebration, making each event more memorable."

The refurbished 1963 Boyertown GMC Step-Van, which boasts a custom-built Forza Forni wood-fired pizza oven, enables Mill House Brewing Company to take its pizza, pints and top-notch experi-

ence on the road, effectively bringing 'Mill House to Your House'. With a vintage charm and modern appeal, the truck will seamlessly fit into any event with new offerings that build upon the existing business's wood-fired eats, such as hand-crafted sausages, beer-steamed mussels, wood-fired paella and pasta, and more. Truly a one-stop shop, Embers will also offer a full bar with an array of Mill House beers and cocktails, eliminating the need for patrons to obtain a temporary liquor license, purchase alcohol themselves or hire an additional catering service.

"This mobile catering truck enables us to bring a new level of creativity and convenience to guests for special occasions," said Bishop. "You can expect to see Embers pop up at our new restaurant, The Ridge, when it opens next year, and anticipate that this is just the beginning of our food truck endeavors. We're excited about the possibilities and have no plans of slowing down anytime soon."

"We've worked hard to build a community around Embers for the last five seasons and have always known that we would need to pass it on to people with



Restaurant Partners Daniel Crocco and Jamie Bishop have acquired Embers Wood-Fired Oven Truck and are expanding mobile catering offerings with new packages.

-Courtesy photo from Mill House Brewing Company

the same mission and love of food," said Jen Mac Kay, the former partner of Embers, who will continue to serve as the events coordinator for Embers by Mill House. "I can't think of a better team to lead Embers into its next chapter."

To learn more about Embers by Mill House, or to reserve it for an event, visit www.millhousebrewing.com/embers. For updates on the truck's offerings and availability, follow @EmbersbyMillHouse on Facebook and Instagram.

Shoebox donations bring joy to children



From left, Vineyard Community Church Pastor Ray Weickel with Operation Christmas Child shoebox volunteers Sarah Cosette, Deborah Yerks, Daneen Weatherup and Frank Szenher at Vineyard Community Church in East Fishkill.

-Photo by Kristine Coulter

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"It's a team effort. It's a church effort. It's a volunteer effort," said Cosette. National Collection Week was Nov. 18-25. That is the week when volun-

teers collected and packed the shoeboxes. The locations in Dutchess County where the items were collected and packed were Vassar Road Baptist Church in Poughkeepsie, Living Water Church in Poughkeepsie, and Reach Out Church in Hyde Park. There were more than 4,700 drop-off locations

nationwide, according to information from Operation Christmas Child. Children will receive boxes throughout the year, it was stated.

Participants had the opportunity to donate \$10 per shoebox gift through "Follow Your Box" online. This allowed them the chance to receive a tracking label and find out where their package was delivered.

"Children need hope, and they need to know that they are not alone, and God loves them," said Franklin Graham, president of Samaritan's Purse, in a statement. "Gift-filled shoeboxes open the door for us to share the hope of the Gospel with boys and girls around the world. Please pray that these simple gifts have an eternal impact."

Cosette recalled hearing stories from individuals who had received shoeboxes and the impact they made on their lives.

She told of one child who had prayed for school supplies and in the shoebox that year were school supplies.

Oksana, who was in a Russian orphanage, received a box one year, said Cosette. "The box was the first time she had anything to call her own," said Cosette. Oksana prayed she would get adopted and a year later, she did. Cosette said the box gave Oksana hope while she was waiting to be adopted.

Each box also contains a letter. "I just really hope that they know they are loved. That they know there is someone on the other side of the box that cares for them," said Cosette about what she hopes the children who receive a shoebox know when they open the box.

Frank Szenher, a Fishkill resident, has been a volunteer with Operation Christmas Child for 10 years. He helps transport the items.

"It's a lot of fun. I get to go shopping. We shop at the thrift store and pick up items," remarked Szenher.

Daneen Weatherup, with Girl Scout Troop 10475, has a packing party with members of Girl Scout Troop. She said the girls are "always surprised at what little other kids have."

"We pray over the boxes and the children and that the children love the boxes," said Deborah Yerks. Yerks is on the prayer team with her husband, Ray.

Vineyard Community Church Pastor Ray Weickel said, "I'm amazed what they guys do here. They're so devoted."

Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has been collecting and delivering gift-filled shoeboxes to children. Operation Christmas Child's goal, according to its website, was to reach approximately 12 million children this year.

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Municipalities celebrate the season



Throughout the month of December, municipalities have been celebrating the season with numerous festive events. Clockwise from top left: Santa arrives by fire truck at the Village of Fishkill's tree lighting ceremony at Van Wyck Village Hall. Later that evening, the Village of Fishkill's Parade of Lights was held on Main St.

The Town of Fishkill community members were able to attend the annual Winter Wonderland holiday event. They also celebrated the season with Fishkill seniors and a cake.

The annual tree lighting ceremony for the Town of Wappinger took place in Brexel-Schlathaus Park. Local and County officials enjoy the festivities at Schlathaus Park.

The Arlington Holiday Fair and Town of Poughkeepsie holiday caravan were a good time for all who attended.

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by luigi coppola



Mom's Bread

A simple recipe with a message of love

Mom had a drawer next to the sink on the right-hand side of the kitchen. It was between the sink and the washing machine and it was right by the kitchen door. In that drawer she would store plastic bags from the grocery store that she would reuse, matches and hard-crust bread that she would bake every week. I know it sounds funny that bread, plastic bags, and matches were in the same drawer, but for some reason it made sense. Invariably that bread would sometimes turn a little stale, but because it was so crusty it would be fine for the week.

I can remember coming home from school, hopping off the school bus with my brother Vinny and running up the driveway and into the house through the kitchen door like a maniac, starving of course, because well, school lunches were school lunches. Mom would tell us to change out of our school clothes and put our things away. While we did that she would take out a piece of the hard crusty bread from her drawer next to the sink and washing machine. A hunk for each of us. She would then run it under hot, hot water, to soften the crust, drizzle some olive oil over the top and sprinkle a little salt and pepper. We'd come out our

room, and on the kitchen table would sit these bowls with our steaming bread in them. That would be our after-school snack.

That week-old bread was the best. Vinny and I ate it like we hadn't eaten in weeks. The memory of that flavor and the smell of warm olive oil lingers to this day. You see, Mom had a knack of taking things and making them into something awesome. She was Mom and that's what Mom did.

That's how it was with her five boys. Mom was so very proud of us boys. Especially when we would go to church. All five of us, from the oldest to the youngest, lined up in the church pew. Mom would look down the pew at us, the proud mother hen looking at her chicks; or, rather, the proud baker looking at her loaves of bread.

Mom baked a mean loaf of bread. She mixed and kneaded her dough. She would let it rise and then she would knead it again. She would bake it till it was crusty and only take it out of the oven when it was perfect. You see, Mom baked 5 loaves of bread. Even though we were a little crusty and stale, she still made us into something special. She made us into men.

Thank you, Mom.

Mom's Bread

Ingredients

- 3.25 cups all-purpose flour, plus a little bit more for dusting
- 1 tsp sea salt
- 1 1/2 cups warm water
- 2 tsp active dry yeast

Instructions

In a large mixing bowl or a counter mixer, add the flour, salt and yeast. Use a spatula or the paddle attachment and mix to combine well.

Pour in the warm water and keep mixing until everything is incorporated, and a soft dough has formed. It will still stick to the bottom of the bowl and that is OK.

Cover the bowl with some plastic wrap, loosely, and a tea towel. Allow the dough to rise at room temperature for 2 to 3 hours until doubled in size.

Sprinkle some flour on your kitchen counter and dump the bread dough on it. Flour your hands to help it out of the bowl, as it will be sticky.

With floured hands, fold the dough onto itself, forming it into a round ball. Do not knead it, do not handle it anymore than you need to. Use a sharp knife and lightly carve

an X in the top of the loaf or just make a few cuts across.

Place the bread dough on top of a lightly floured parchment paper pan and allow it to rest while your oven is heating up.

Preheat your oven to 450 degrees F. Fill an oven-proof bowl with 2 inches of water and place it on the bottom rack. This will create the steam that will cause the crust to become crispy as it bakes.

Once your oven is heated to temperature, place the bread in the oven. Bake the bread for about 30 to 45 minutes until golden brown all over and cooked through.

Turn off the oven, open the oven door slightly and allow the bread to cool. This will allow the crust to get a little thicker.

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.

Adam Ezra Group to perform at Towne Crier Dec. 27

Adam Ezra Group, led by Boston native Adam Ezra, is celebrating a groundbreaking year filled with musical achievements, philanthropic impact, and exciting collab-

orations with an end-of-year tour which comes to the Towne Crier Cafe in Beacon on Friday, Dec. 27, at 8 p.m.

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Adam Ezra Group.

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and a unique blend of music and activism, the band is carving a path as one of the most dynamic independent folk bands in the country.

At the heart of their mission is Ezra's nonprofit organization, RallySound, which empowers communities through music. This year, RallySound hosted its annual festival, The Ramble, raising over \$151,000 for homeless veterans in New England. Ezra was also recognized for his commitment to veterans, receiving the Outstanding Service to Veterans Award from the New England Center and Home for Veterans, joining a distinguished list of past honorees including Governor Charlie Baker and former U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs Bob McDonald.

Musically, the band continues to break

new ground, recently collaborating with Rock and Roll Hall of Famer John Oates. Together, they released a live acoustic duet of their co-written song, "Juna Please." This follows the release of another Ezra-Oates co-write, "Hold Each Other Now," performed by the band and produced by Oates.

As the year winds down, Adam Ezra Group is gearing up for their annual "Dysfunctional Family Gathering Holiday Tour," which includes Dec. 27 show at Towne Crier. Joined by their friends Sirsy as the opening act, the band promises an unforgettable night of music and community spirit.

For tickets and information, visit www.townecrier.com. Towne Crier Cafe is located at 379 Main St., Beacon.

Aging with Grace set for Jan. 15

Come join the Aging with Grace program at the East Fishkill Community Library on Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2025. This program meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 4PM-5PM in the Cross Room. Local resident and educator Carole Penner will lead this group; drop-in and all are welcome to attend.

In Aging with Grace, we will have the opportunity to share those feelings and concerns in a safe, friendly, and welcoming atmosphere. We will trust each other to honor those feelings and support one another in this next chapter of our lives.

Visit us at eflibrary.org or call us at 221-9943 for more information.

HUDSON VALLEY NATURALIST

by Francine Wizner



The flavor of the holidays, a mighty molecule: Vanillin

I use holiday gatherings as opportunities to try new dishes, and one thing I've found is that vanilla flavoring is used in a myriad of recipes. Certainly the spice is present in baked goods. But vanilla flavoring goes beyond confections. You might be surprised by its applications.

Vanilla is a component of drugs that treat bipolar disorder, intestinal gas, motion sickness, and vertigo; the perfume Lancôme Idôle; and savory foods in cream sauces! Due to its bouquet, it can be used as a masking agent to cover bitter or harsh notes. As one of the most universally liked scents, it is associated with positive emotions and comfort. Vanilla's aromatic compounds are long-lasting, and a hallmark of luxury perfumes.

Vanilla flavoring heightens our perception of sweetness in desserts, which makes for a warmer mouth sensation. It's easy to taste in sugary goodies. But, much like salt brings out the best of umami deliciousness, vanilla flavor can also enhance meats and balance the acidity of fruits.

Vanilla orchids

Vanillin is the molecule that gives vanilla its distinct smell and taste. However, there are hundreds of other compounds which contribute to the natural flavor of the pure extract. That complexity is unique to the origin of the Vanilla planifolia plant, the soil in which it grows, and how its pods (incorrectly called beans) are harvested.

Though a tapestry of tastes on your tongue is delish, there are many complications to obtaining pure vanilla. The flowers require a pollinator, since the male and female parts of Vanilla planifolia are separated by a membrane. There is only a 1% chance of natural pollination because the only known pollinator is endangered.

The vining orchid is commercially grown in Madagascar, Reunion Island, the Comoro Islands, Indonesia, and Mexico. But the farmed plants lack of genetic diversity due to clonal propagation. They are vulnerable to pests, disease, and climate change. Vanilla orchids are sensitive to temperature and light, and, therefore require delicate care. The flowers last but one day, requiring precise timing of human pollination to fruit.

Once the pods reach maturity, in about nine months, they require hand-picking. Then they are cured for several months, after

which, they may be ground up as vanilla powder or paste, or soaked in alcohol to form extract. To become flavorful, extracts need months to age. Those processes all contribute to the high prices of Vanilla planifolia products, as evidenced by a gallon of pure extract selling for \$258 on Amazon! As an alternative, vanillin has been synthetically produced since 1858.

All roads lead to the same Vanillin molecule

Synthetic vanillin is made using by-products of the paper industry, which are also molecules that are naturally occurring in trees and other plants. The raw materials undergo laboratory processes involving chemical reactions and changes in pH. The final product, vanillin, is a safe food additive approved by the FDA. A gallon of imitation vanilla sells for \$20 on Amazon.

Vanillin can also be derived using natural chemical reactions. Ferulic acid is a substance found in many plants, including grains. Specific microbes "eat" the ferulic acid and produce vanillin as a byproduct. Produced in this way, vanillin can be labeled "natural" because it results from a natural chemical reaction – fermentation. I have only seen this product available as an ingredient in commercial food production. It is more expensive than synthetic vanillin, but the price point is less than pure vanilla extract.

A much-beloved spice, vanilla flavor was popularized by Queen Elizabeth. Experts agree that it is among the natural flavors in Coca-Cola's trade-secreted recipe. But how we satisfy our desire for this mighty molecule needs to be countered against confounding factors like the diminishing natural habitat of Vanilla planifolia. The demand for vanillin far exceeds the supply that can be obtained from vanilla orchids. A sustainable solution will allow me to enjoy my Kris Kringle Creamy Cookies with my Hanukkah Hot Chocolate.

Chemically, there is no difference between vanillin derived from vanilla plants and vanillin prepared through synthetic or fermentation methods. It is true, however, that pure vanilla extract may possess a more complex flavor and is made up of just three ingredients. I made some, but I'll need to wait till December 2025 to try it. If you are



DIY vanilla extract.



Coke & Lancôme Idôle Eau de Parfum both have Vanilla-1.

interested in a kitchen, chemistry, or holiday deep-dive into vanilla, check out Vanillin: A Mighty Molecule at <https://www.teachers-payteachers.com/Product/Vanillin-A-Mighty-Molecule-Enrichment-Cross-Curricular-Ecology-Genetics-12631665>

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Store DIY vanilla extract in a cool, dark, dry place for 6-12 months. -Photos by Francine Wizner

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Time for Lit Lit, the popular open mic for literary works. Lit Lit is set for Friday, Jan. 3, 2025 at 7 p.m. Lit Lit is about welcoming writers from every walk of life and genre to share their writing of up to 5 minutes. Donna

Minkowitz is the host. Organizers ask for a \$5 donation. Refreshments are available. Get in by 6:30 p.m. to sign up if one wants to read.

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All Volleyball and Basketball activities are canceled this weekend - Dec. 28 and 29.
If you have any questions, call 845-226-8395 or Recreation1@eastfishkillny.gov.
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Tompkins Coaching & Consulting LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 10/05/24. Office located in Dutchess Co. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: United States Corporation Agents Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY, 11228. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Form. of ROCCO FARM, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/08/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 600 MAMARONECK AVENUE #400, HARRISON, NY, 10528. Any lawful purpose.

BEACON BBQ LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/24/24 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, 446 Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of OAKWOOD CONSTRUCTION LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/01/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Kevin Washall 116 Autumn Drive Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Purpose: Any lawful activity.

BIZARREHEARTS LLC. Filed 5/27/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Kyle Broner, 936 N Quaker Ln, Staatsburg, NY 12580. Purpose: General.

MADDYCAKES CUPCAKE BAKERY LLC. Filed 8/12/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 1225 Dutchess Tpke, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.

Notice of Form. of CHANCE OF CHOICE PROPERTIES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/12/2024. Office location: Dutchess.

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SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 62 HOOSE BLVD., FISHKILL, NY 12524. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of UWS SLAM LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/01/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 527 INDIAN LAKE RD., MILLERTON, NY 12546. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of SLAM HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/01/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 527 INDIAN LAKE RD, MILLERTON, NY 12546. Any lawful purpose.

CHERRIES & CREAM CO.- LUXURY LASHES AND SUITES, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 11/12/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 181 Schlueter Dr., Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business loc: 942 Route 376, Ste. 209, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590.

Notice of Formation of a NY Limited Liability Company. Name: R-DesignPhoto, LLC. Articles of Organization filing date with Secretary of State (SSNY) was October 25th. Office Location: Dutchess County. Rachael Curtin has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail copy of process to 9 Wickes Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY, 12590. Purpose is to engage Professional Fine Art Photography Services.

AAH Repairs, LLC filed 11/14/2024. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: PO Box 334 Dover Plains, NY 12522. Purpose: Repairs

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the LLC is: Ocampo Stallions

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Farm LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 11/07/2024. The County in which the Office is to be located: Dutchess. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 25 Bedell Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful activity.

MCPINOY LLC. Filed 10/2/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 3 Dawson Ct, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General.

SKYE BLEU FARM LLC. Filed 10/15/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 39 Overlook Dr, Pawling, NY 12564. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.

Rubio Masonry & Construction LLC. Filed 09/05/24 office: Dutchess co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to 1884 Route 82 Lagrangeville NY 12540. Purpose Any Lawfull

Seeley Creek Farm LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company, ("LLC"), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on 11/13/2024. 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 any such process served to 151 Seeley Rd, Lagrangeville NY 12540. Purpose: to engage in any act or activity for which a LLC may be organized under the NY LLC Law.

Notice of Formation of Mike's Marshals LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 08/13/2024. Office location: 12 Blueberry Hill Road, Hopewell Junction NY 12533, Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Mike's Marshals, 2501 Bear Creek Blvd. Wilkes-Barre PA 18702. Purpose: any lawful act or

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activity.

Notice of Formation of a NY Limited Liability Company. Name: Blue Zone Integrative Pediatric Medicine, PLLC. Articles of Organization filing date with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) was 10/21/24. Office location: Ulster County. SSNY has been designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail copy of process to 212 Eagles Nest Rd. Hurley, NY 12443. Purpose is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under NYS laws.

Notice of Formation of ISABELA MIA LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/15/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 245 8th Ave., STE 195, New York, NY, 10011, USA. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of 38 TOBIN DRIVE LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/14/2024. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 418 Broadway, STE R Albany, NY, 12207, USA. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of 19 DONOVAN HOLDINGS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/07/2024. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 18 BLACK WATCH DRIVE, WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY 12590. Any lawful purpose.

22 Route 22 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 10/01/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 366 Overlook Road, Millbrook, NY 12545. Purpose: any lawful.

2251 Route 44 LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/20/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 89 Tinkertown Road, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: any lawful.

Notice of Formation of Goofy Socks Games,

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LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/20/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Goofy Socks Games, LLC Timothy Smajda 1820 Route 376 Ste 5 #777 Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

FULL SPECTRUM R E N T A L P R O P E R T Y MANAGEMENT LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/24/2024. 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, 108 Brandy Lane, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LITTLE SURE SHOT CANINE TRAINING LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York on OCTOBER 17, 2024. Office location is Dutchess County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent for service of process upon the LLC. The Secretary shall mail a copy of process to the LLC at 21 Merry Hill Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose of LLC: engage in any lawful act or activity.

4 OLD BULLS HEAD FARM LLC. Filed 11/12/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: John Paul Avital, 2117 Route 82, Lagrangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: General.

AF7 CONCEPTS LLC. Filed 10/28/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Andrea Beth Freeman, 5 Kennedy Blvd, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: General.

B&BILLINGS PLAZA LLC. Filed 10/16/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Entity Protect Registered Agent Services Llc, 447 Broadway 2nd Fl. - #3000, NY, NY 10013. Purpose: General.

RWH & GL LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/25/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC

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upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 31 Mansion Dr, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of LDL cleaning services LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 09/12/24. Office location: Dutchess county. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 43 Fallkill rd #2, Hyde park, New York, 12538. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of GOLDEN RAHA PROPERTIES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/19/24. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to H A R I T H A D E V I KOONAPAREDDY, 37 HOFFMAN RD, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY, 12533, USA Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

QUARRY PINES LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/9/2024. 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, 95 Knollwood Rd, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

LOLAKAS HORSE CARE LLC. Filed 10/28/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Northwest Registered Agent Llc, 418 Broadway, Ste N, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: General.

Cake Dealer LLC. Filed 11/25/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 113 Woodlea Rd, Salt Point, NY 12578. Purpose: General.

SANTA ANA TACOS DISTRIBUTORS LLC. Filed 10/2/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Tomas Santos, 1988 Ny-9d, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of Primestone Construction LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/04/24.

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Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to LLC 18 Lynne rd, Hopewell JCT, NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

Flora Folkways LLC. Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/10/24. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designates as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 30 Fallkill Rd, Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

CLASSIC TOUCH NAIL SALON LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/4/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 1107 Violet Ave, Hyde Park NY 12538, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

GLUON LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/04/24. 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, 65 Susie Boulevard, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Marcie Nollelli Real Estate LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/06/2024. Office located in Dutchess County, NY. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail a copy of process against the LLC to 526 Stormville Mountain Road, Stormville, NY 12582. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

U.S. REALTY COMMERCIAL, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 11/3/2024. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail: 25 Market St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Mount St. Mary toy drive donates hundreds of gifts to Catholic Charities



This year, Santa Claus is getting a little help from his friends in the Hudson Valley. The Mount Saint Mary College community and generous friends of the college teamed up to make this holiday season a little brighter for families in need, to the tune of more than 700 toys.

The college's annual toy drive was spearheaded by the Dominican Sisters of Hope Campus Ministry via Fr. Gregoire Fluet, Vice President for Mission and Ministry. Also taking the lead were the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), the

Student Government Association, and Mike Lowell, assistant Athletic director and head women's Lacrosse Coach.

After students and staff loaded them up, the toys collected at the college were donated in-person and to Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster counties.

-Courtesy photo

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LEGAL NOTICE – Dutchess County Executive's Office NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the County Attorney of Dutchess County in the County Office Building, County Attorney's Conference Room, 5th Floor, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, on the **6th day of January 2025 at 10:00 am**, on the following local law:

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A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW NO. 11 OF 1983 INCREASING THE TAX ON THE OCCUPANCY OF HOTEL ROOMS FROM FOUR PERCENT TO FIVE PERCENT. Atsaidtimeandplace, all parties interested will be heard. Dated: December 20, 2024 Susan J. Serino Poughkeepsie, New York Dutchess County Executive

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The deadline for Legals is every Monday @ 12 noon for a Wednesday Publication* *When a public holiday falls on a Monday the deadline becomes Friday at noon.

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Connecting for Change, LLC, Art. of Org. Filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 8/22/24. Office in Dutchess County. SSNY desig. Agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to United States Corporation Agents, Inc., located at 7014 13th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

SALT POINT FARMHOUSE LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/09/2024. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Amanda N. Miller, 6370 Mill Street, Suite 1, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

SCOTT SEAMAN LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/06/24. 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, 5 Alperet Drive, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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11AM LEGACY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/26/24. 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, 11 Arthur Road, Holmes, NY 12531. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

2245 SOUTH RD LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/02/24. 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 Sukhmani Singh, 2245 South Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Rodec, LLC. Arts of org. filed with SSNY on 8/20/24. Office location: Dutchess county SSNY shall mail process to 7 Sherwood lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Qualification of RIVERVIEW LANDSCAPE HOLDINGS LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/09/24. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 09/13/24. SSNY

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designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Secy. of State, John G. Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Provide landscapingservices.

Cats Hill Farm LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/4/2024. 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, PO Box 151, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

HUDSON SOLAR SOLUTIONS LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/4/2024. 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, PO Box 151, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.

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a NY limited liability company Name: LIFESTYLED CARE LLC articles of organization Domestic liability company. Filer: LegalZoom. Com, Filing date with Secretary of State (SSNY) was November 23, 2024. Office location: Dutchess County. United States Corporation Agents INC. has been designated as agent of LLC upon home process against, it maybe served and SSNY shall mail copy to: 7014 13th Ave Suite 202 Brooklyn NY 11228 USA Purpose: any lawful activity

Notice of Formation: Stotz Drafting LLC. Per NY LLC Law Sec. 206. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY): 12/03/24. Office Location: 291 Route 9D Beacon, NY 12508, Dutchess County. United States Corporation Agents, Inc. is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process so served to: United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: Any Lawful Activity.

HIGHT CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/24/2024. Office

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loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corey Hight, 79 Red-tail Pass, Amenia, NY 12501. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Formation of HELIX SOLUTIONS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/26/24. Office location Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail the process to HELIX SOLUTIONS LLC, 104 ALEXANDER LANE, WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY 12590. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

JL SQUARED HOLDINGS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 10/16/24. 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 the LLC, 387 Hooker Avenue, Suite 5, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

TRANSFORM PROPERTIES, LLC. Filed 12/12/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Carlos Carrillo, 3 Westview Dr, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General.

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BUILDING SOLUTIONS EAST LLC. Filed 6/4/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Samantha Lou Jones, 64 Ward Rd, Salt Point, NY 12578. Purpose: General.

Beacon Hills Acupuncture, PLLC. Filed 11/20/24. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 13 Joy Place, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Acupuncture.

Notice of Formation of ONEILL GROUP HENSONVILLE, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/18/24. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 24 Dutchess Landing Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. 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 Radovich Training Company, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/16/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may

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reserved. SSNY shall mail process to: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Avenue Suite 202 Brooklyn NY 11228 Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

M I K A ROTTENBERG LLC filed with the SSNY on 12/05/2024. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 416 Cedar Hill Rd., Tivoli, NY 12583. Purpose: any lawful.

Notice of Formation of Prestige Dance Factory LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 10/02/24 Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 123 N Cross Rd, La-Grangeville, NY 12540. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

LINQ STRATEGIES LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 12/19/24. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 6 Hogan Dr., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Hopewell Reformed Church pastor to teach the entire Bible in 52 weeks

Have you ever wanted to read and understand the enter Bible but felt intimidated, stuck or didn't have time?

Now one can fulfill that wish by joining Pastor Doug Leonard, a Biblical scholar and author, as he preaches through the entire Bible in 2025 at

Hopewell Reformed Church. Discover how the history of salvation unfolds and see Jesus revealed on every page. Learn how it all fits together, and how you are part of the story!

This 52-week journey from Genesis to Revelation starts Sunday, January 5, 2025,

and runs all the way through the end of December 2025. Come to the church at 8:45 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. each Sunday in 2025 to hear Pastor Doug explain every section of the Bible. The church is located at 143 Beekman Road in Hopewell Junction. No pre-registration is needed, just

show up!

Additionally, Pastor Doug will host a one-hour question and answer session on the first Sunday of each month from noon-1 p.m.

For more information, please visit the church's website at hrcra.org.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE

Index No. 2024-52010 Date Filed: 12/03/2024 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.,

Plaintiff, -against- Perry L. Cuttino, if he be living or if he be dead, his spouses, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; Sustainable Neighborhoods, LLC; People of the State of New York; State of New York, and "JOHN DOE", said name being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, and any parties, corporations or entities, if any, having or claiming an interest or lien upon the mortgaged premises,

Defendants. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 51 Smith Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Thomas R. Davis, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Dutchess County, entered Nov. 22, 2024 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Dutchess County Clerk's Office. NOTICE OF NATURE

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OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$156,158.00 and interest, recorded in the Dutchess County Clerk's Office on August 17, 2003, in Document Number 01 2003 18435 covering premises k/a 51 Smith Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 a/k/a Block 79, Lot 325102. 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.

Plaintiff designates Dutchess County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated.

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 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 PLAINIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: September 23, 2024 Frank M. Cassara, Esq. Senior Associate Attorney LEGAL GROUP LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, NY 14624 (585) 247-9000

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Fax: (585) 247-7380 Our File No. 24-096370 #101981

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET MORTGAGE PRODUCTS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC3,

-against- PETERA. TACY, JR., ETAL.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Dutchess on October 18, 2024, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET MORTGAGE PRODUCTS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC3 is the Plaintiff and PETERA. TACY, JR., ETAL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the DUTCHESS COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, REAR LOBBY, 10 MARKET STREET, POUGHKEEPSIE, NY 12601, on January 13, 2025 at 2:30 PM, premises known as 7 CORNWELL STREET, POUGHQUAG, NY 12570; and the following tax map identification, 6759-03-394131.

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Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No.: 2019-53117. Jana M. Schopfer, Esq. - Referee. Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. All foreclosure sales will be conducted in accordance with Covid-19 guidelines including, but not limited to, social

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distancing and mask wearing. *LOCATION OF SALE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DAY OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH COURT/CLERK DIRECTIONS.

NEW HACKENSACK FIRE DISTRICT 217 Myers Corners Road

Wappinger Falls, New York 12590 Please take notice that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the New Hackensack Fire District will be holding their annual reorganization meeting on Tuesday January 7th, 2025 at 5:00 PM at the New Hackensack Fire District Headquarters, 217 Myers Corners Road, Wappinger Falls, New York 12590. December 25th, 2024 Lori McConologue District Secretary New Hackensack Fire District

PUBLIC NOTICE PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Milan Town Board will hold their Reorganization meeting on January 1, 2025 at 1:00 pm. Said meeting will take place at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, Milan, NY. By order of Milan Town Board Catherine Gill, Town Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE - NOTICE TO BIDDERS

TEST WELL AT HOWE PARK TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Town of Pleasant Valley until January 10, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. local time at the Office of the Town Clerk, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569, at which time and place said sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud For "Test Well at Howe Park". No bids will be received or considered after the date/time stated above.

The purpose of this Town of Pleasant Valley project is to confirm the quality and quantity of the groundwater at Howe Park by drilling a test well, which could serve as a future pro-

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duction well for the new water district. A Pre-Bid conference will not be held. Bidding contractors are strongly encouraged to visit the project site before submitting bids.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) may be procured at the Office of the Town Clerk, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 beginning on December 18, 2024 during regular business hours. Digital copies of the RFP may be obtained online as a download for a non-refundable fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) from the website: https://de.biddyhq.com/under 'public projects.' Bids may not be withdrawn within forty-five (45) days after the closing date/time for receipt of all bids.

All requests for clarifications must be submitted no later than January 7, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

All proposals must be submitted by hard copy in a sealed envelope clearly marked:

(SEALED PROPOSAL) Test Well at Howe Park

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Pleasant Valley reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, waive any informalities at its discretion, and to make such bid award that it deems is in the best interest of the Town of Pleasant Valley even if such award is to other than the lowest bidder. /s/ Mary Albrecht Mary Albrecht Town Supervisor Town of Pleasant Valley Dated: December 18, 2024

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I, Mary Beth Muir, duly elected Town Clerk of the Town of Pleasant Valley, Dutchess County, New York hereby certify that a notice regarding a PUBLIC HEARING pertaining to: "LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 98 TO CHANGE THE NUMBER OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBERS TO SEVEN" to be held on the 6TH day of JANUARY, 2025 at 7:05 PM was posted on the sign board at the en-

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trance to my office on the 19th day of DECEMBER 2024: and also at the Post Office in Pleasant Valley, the Post Office in Salt Point, and on the bulletin board in the Pleasant Valley Firehouse.

Further, due notice has been published in the Town's official newspaper, the Northern Dutchess News on the 25TH day of DECEMBER 2024 & 1ST DAY OF JANUARY 2025. Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk

TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY PROPOSED LOCAL LAW OF 2024 A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 98 TO CHANGE THE NUMBER OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBERS TO SEVEN

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

SECTION 1. This Local Law shall be entitled "A Local Law Amending Chapter 98 to Change the Number of Zoning Board of Appeals Members to Seven".

SECTION 2. PURPOSE AND INTENT.

The Town Board finds that the Town's Zoning Board of Appeals has functioned well with seven members and two alternates. After further consideration, the Town Board wishes to continue with a seven-member ZBA and not transition to a five-member ZBA as contemplated by a previous local law.

SECTION 3. AUTHORITY.

This law is enacted pursuant to Section 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT TO THE CODE.

Subsection 98-95(A)(2) is hereby repealed and replaced as follows: The Zoning Board of Appeals shall consist of seven members selected and appointed by the Town Board. Member terms shall be seven years with one term ending each year. One member shall be designated the Chairperson by the Town Board and shall serve as Chairperson at the pleasure of the Town Board. The Town

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Board shall appoint a Secretary and shall prescribe rules for the conduct of the Zoning Board of Appeals' affairs. The Board shall consist of seven members regardless of the number of members prescribed by Town Law § 267.

SECTION 5. SUPERSESSON.

It is the intent of the Town Board to supersede any provisions of the New York State Law to the extent that they may be inconsistent with the provisions of this local law, pursuant to the Town's supersession authority under Municipal Home Rule Law § 10. The Town Board acknowledges that the number of board members established herein differs from the number prescribed by § 267, and the Town Board exercises its authority to supersede that provision.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this local law is held invalid for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this local law.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall become effective immediately upon its filing in the Office of the New York State Department of State.

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-06-25

Supplemental Bid for Auto Body Repair Services for County Owned Vehicles

Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 7th day of January 2025 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.

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THEME: YEAR-IN-REVIEW

- ACROSS**

 1. Cerberus' domain
 6. Chop
 9. Mama's husband
 13. Unsuitable
 14. Adam's partner
 15. Echo sounder
 16. Sunny prefix
 17. Armed conflict
 18. In a heated manner
 19. *Highest grossing movie based on Broadway musical
 21. *Time's 100 World's Most Influential People cover model in 2024 (2 words)
 23. "____ and the City"
 24. Not exciting
 25. Accident
 28. Rani's dress
 30. Talking points
 35. Aflame
 37. Spanish sparkling wine
 39. Slang for money
 40. Velum, pl.
 41. *November 5th 2024 winner
 43. Short for "and elsewhere" (2 words)
 44. Met's offering
 46. River in Bohemia
 47. Queen of Hearts' pastry
 48. *Super Bowl winners in 2024
 50. Visi____ or Ostro____
 52. The Alan Parsons Project's "Eye in the ____"
 53. ____ of passage
 55. *Milton's center
 57. *Miley Cyrus' Grammy-winning Record of the Year in 2024
 61. *2024 Summer Olympic Games host
 64. Cat's nine
 65. Lowest or highest card
 67. Accustom
 69. E-wallet content
 70. Backstabber
 71. N in RN
 72. Whipping mark
 73. R&R spot
 74. Support person

DOWN

 1. "Say what?"
 2. All over again
 3. *MV ____, cause of 2024 Baltimore bridge collapse
 4. Long stories
 5. Tends a fire
 6. Obscene
 7. Spermatozoa counterpart
 8. Lost, in Paris
 9. *Olympic Gold winner Katie Ledecky's "court"
 10. Dead against
 11. Explore by touch
 12. Maisie Williams' "Game of Thrones" character
 15. Hello, in Haifa
 20. Dead-on
 22. Last month
 24. Disclose
 25. Wrecked state
 26. Bet's predecessor
 27. Pileus, pl.
 29. Like steak order
 31. Maya Angelou, e.g.
 32. Itsy-bitsy bits
 33. *Caitlin of college basketball
 34. Gin and grapefruit juice cocktail, a.k.a. ____ dog
 36. Scarlet O'Hara's home
 38. Speaking platform
 42. Dinklage or Townshend, e.g.
 45. Again but differently
 49. Elton John's title
 51. Shenzi of "The Lion King"
 54. Russian rulers, pre-1917
 56. Tedium
 57. "One ____ Over the Cuckoo's Nest"
 58. Classroom pests
 59. Elliptical
 60. Sunset location
 61. Sheep's milk cheese
 62. Little Miss Muffet's morsel
 63. Gaelic tongue
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Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center kicks off new art exhibition



Artwork by Jessica Licciardello.



Work by Melanie Gonzalez.

-Courtesy photos

The Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center kicks off its 2025 Art Exhibition Season in January with new art installations featuring Melanie Gonzalez in the Victorian Gallery at 9 Vassar Street in Poughkeepsie, and Jessica Licciardello in the Reception and Hancock Galleries at 12 Vassar Street. Free Public Art Opening Receptions will be held on the following dates: Friday, January 3, 2025 for Jessica Licciardello in the Reception and Hancock Galleries from 5-7 p.m. and Friday, January 10, 2025 for Melanie Gonzalez in the Victorian Gallery from 5-7 p.m.

Melanie Gonzalez is a fine photographer artist who creates multimedia films, wearable arts and textiles, photographic prints, and community art productions. Born and raised in the Bronx, her professional practice in the arts stems from an upbringing engaged in music, theater, sculpture and nature all in the heart of NYC. "As an artist photographer, I consider the medium to be my foundation, as I then have used my library of images to create video projects, jewelry, Brazilian Jiu Jitsu apparel, large format printed banners, photogravure prints, tiny books, studio pictures, and printed material," she explained. "My practice involves my visual beautification as historical archive, and the wide web of physical collaborations that take place behind every image, whether to work with others to purchase the materials to create the work, or joining with others to visit sites of interest, commerce, learning,

and transforming." Gonzalez holds a Bachelor of Arts (Studio Art/Photography) from The City College of New York and has been the recipient of the 2023 Women's Studio Workshop Summer Intensive Scholarship and the 2022 Creatives Rebuild NY Grant, and the 2015 Bronx Council on the Arts Grant, to name a few. In 2019, she founded Suzanna Productions operating in New Paltz, as a way to professionally present the multimedia creative solutions derived from her photography-making.

Jessica Licciardello has built a diverse 20-year career as an artist, designer, composer, and musician whose work has been exhibited nationally and internationally, collected in over 15 countries, and featured in Forbes magazine. Holding a BA in Studio Art and Art History from Marist College, her creative journey includes collaborations with National Geographic photographers and serving as Creative Director and Arts & Culture Journalist for BELLA Magazine. Licciardello's exhibition at the Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center entitled "8 Minutes to Freedom," made possible with funds from the New York State Legislature and administered by Arts Mid-Hudson, was inspired by her decision to leave an abusive relationship and by the courage of others who had shared their own stories. "8 Minutes to Freedom marks the moment I decided to leave an abusive relationship that I had been trapped in for far too long," she expressed. "It had taken me a while to get to the point of making that decision, and when the opportunity presented itself, I was in the basement of my

apartment building, doing laundry, with eight minutes left on the dryer's cycle, and seeing that number, I realized I had only this brief window to act...I told myself, 'That's it, this is the moment' and I gathered my clothes, and with them, I took my first steps toward freedom. That was the beginning of my healing process." Licciardello's work is driven by her passion to inspire, spread positivity, and connect communities through the transformative power of art. She currently works as a freelance Art Director and Producer for live events around the world, combining her artistic vision with organizational expertise to create impactful experiences as well as shares global art exhibitions on her robust Instagram, inspiring followers to explore diverse artistic practices worldwide.

The Hancock Gallery and Reception Gallery at 12 Vassar Street are open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. but visitors must call the

Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center Office at 845-486-4571 for access. The 12 Vassar Street Galleries are also open during events at the VBI Theatre. The Victorian Gallery at 9 Vassar Street is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visit the Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center website at cunneen-hackett.org for more information on the artists exhibiting their work in the Visual Art Galleries.

The Cunneen-Hackett Arts Center is a non-profit organization whose mission for over four decades has been to meet the artistic and cultural needs of the Hudson Valley by showcasing professional and community artists in theatre, music, dance, and the visual arts, and to provide a variety of performance, exhibition, and office spaces. It is dedicated to keeping its rich historic legacy alive and preserving the two beautiful landmarked Victorian age buildings at 9 and 12 Vassar Street in Poughkeepsie in which it operates.

Amateur and professional photogs to meet

The Photography Group will meet at the East Fishkill Community Library, 348 Route 376, on Thursday, Jan. 23, at 7 p.m. This group meets at the library on the fourth Thursday of each month. Local photographers - both professional and amateur- come together each month to share their love of the art of photography, to explore new techniques and discover new software, applications and tools to enhance their art. The group is open to all interested individuals; drop-ins welcome.

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This week's answer

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Club makes 9th annual donation to VA Women's Veterans Program



Members of the Dutchess County Chapter of the International Renegade Pigs Motorcycle Club, from left, Gary Simmonds, Mike DeRosa, Bob Simmonds, Mark Thomas and Tim Pagonas with Nicole Embry from Voluntary Service and Rebeca Delgado of the Women's Veterans Program for VA Hudson Valley Health Care System, at the Castle Point campus. The club members, along with the Lewis Tompkins Hose Fire Dept. donated thirty \$25 gift cards to be used at a local department store.

The VA Women's Veterans Program serves women of all ages, ranks and levels of authority in every branch of service who have served in the military. Women have served in the military since the Revolutionary War and have made significant contributions.

For more about how to claim benefits or learn more about the program, visit <http://www.benefits.va.gov/PERSONA/veteran-women.asp>.

-Courtesy photo International Renegade Pigs Motorcycle Club

'Fresh Start,' 'In Dialogue with Wood' at BAU Gallery in Beacon

BAU Gallery presents in Galleries 1 + 2 "Fresh Start, Member Artists Group Exhibition" and in the Beacon Room "In Dialogue With Wood: Woodcuts, Ilse Schreiber-Noll." The Opening Reception will be held on the Second Saturday, January 11, 2025 from noon-6 p.m., with an artists' reception from 6-8 p.m. The exhibitions end on Sunday, February 2, at 506 Main Street, Beacon. One can see the works on Saturdays and Sundays from noon-6 p.m. or by appointment.

In a world where change is the only constant, "Fresh Start" invites viewers to explore the transformative promise of beginnings. This exhibition brings together a diverse group of artists who grapple with themes of renewal, hope, and the cyclical nature of life. Each work reflects a unique journey—whether through personal experiences, cultural narratives, or environmental shifts — inviting us to contemplate our own paths toward reinvention.

The pieces on display echo the sentiment of starting anew, exploring identity, resilience, and the beauty that can emerge from moments of uncertainty. The artists invite us to embrace vulnerability and recognize that fresh starts, while often daunting, can lead to unexpected growth and discovery.

Current gallery artists in this exhibition are: Bob Barry, Daniel Berlin, Eileen Sackman, Ilse Schreiber-Noll, Joan Harmon, Joel Brown, Karen Allen, Kelly M O'Brien, Linda Lauro-Lazin, Nansi Lent, Nataliya Hines, Pamela Zaremba, Robin Adler, and Soli Pierce. BAU artists are all working professional artists who exhibit their work regionally, nationally, and internationally.

In the Beacon Room is "In Dialogue with Wood," by Ilse Schreiber-Noll. "Wood has always been more than just a medium to me. It is a living connection to nature, history, and craft. Each piece of wood has a story to tell written in the rings, patterns shaped by seasons, and textures formed over years. Working with wood is an intimate dialogue, where I am both artist and collaborator, guided by the natural grain and contours. As I carve, I find both resistance and softness, a dynamic push and pull that reveals the essence of each block. The process of creating a woodcut is both meditative and challenging, demanding precision,



"The Secret Life of Trees," by Ilse Schreiber-Noll.

-Courtesy image

patience, and respect for the material," the artist remarked. "This exhibition is a celebration of my love for wood and its unique ability to hold and transform human expression. My hope is that as you view these works, you feel the organic pulse of the material itself—its rawness, resilience, and beauty—and that you, too, sense the connection to the natural world that wood brings into each piece."

Schreiber-Noll was born in Germany. After coming to the United States, she received her MFA at Purchase College SUNY. She studied and taught with the late Uruguayan American visual artist, Antonio Frasconi, renowned for his politically charged woodcuts.

For more information, visit www.baugallery.org.

DC Works at East Fishkill library on January 6

The East Fishkill Community Library is pleased to announce that DC Works on Monday, January 6, 2025 for One-on-One Job Ready Sessions from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Cross Room.

DC Works (formerly Dutchess One Stop Career Center) professionals are experts in their field, although they are

not head-hunters and cannot guarantee employment. One-on-one sessions with DC Works professionals will help you develop your job search direction.

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