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After the Great Fire in Ghent, looking west, with the Bartlett House on right, September 1923.

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Fire co. set to pass century mark

By GREGG BERNINGER

THIS YEAR MARKS the 100th year the Ghent Volunteer Fire Company has been protecting the community of which it has become an essential part. Those 100 years have seen many fires of all sorts, but thanks to those volunteers, none have been nearly as devastating as the fire from whose ashes the company arose.

The fire that broke out Wednesday morning, September 12, 1923, consumed the heart of Ghent's business district, the area across Route 66 from the Bartlett House and running south toward where the VFW now stands. To many of Ghent's inhabitants the extent of this fire came as no surprise.

The 1913 Sanborn Map of the Ghent hamlet, a detailed map produced by the Sanborn Map Company to help insurance agents assess fire risk, makes clear that Ghent was ripe for a disaster. The map reads: Prevailing Winds West, Water,

Facilities NOT GOOD, NO Steam & No Hand Engine, NO Horse Cart, NO Hook & Ladder Truck.

Questions remain about how the fire started, though it's apparent that the Ghent Hotel, two General Stores, and a building with a cobbler, woodworker, and barber were all lost. The loss totaled \$75,000, equal to \$1.3 million in today's money.

This tragedy spurred a committee of Ghent men comprised of John Berninger, Emerson Southard and F. Vincent to visit Valatie to inspect a used chemical engine which was subsequently purchased and mounted on a Dodge pick-up truck.

From this humble beginning, the company members, with strong and continued support from the people of Ghent, has grown into an organization any town would be proud to have. In 2022 the GVFC responded to 112 calls.

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Hecate submits 3rd response to ORES notice

By DIANE VALDEN

COPAKE—Will the third time be the charm for a controversial colossal-sized solar facility to move forward here?

Time will tell.

Hecate Energy has submitted its third response to the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting's (ORES) third notice that its application

for the Shepherd's Run Solar project was incomplete.

Hecate Energy, a Chicago-based developer of solar and wind facilities and energy storage projects, has applied to construct a 60 megawatt (MW) solar facility east of the Taconic Hills School District and north of Copake Lake in and around the Copake hamlet of Craryville. Nearly 200,000 solar panels

would be erected on about 228 acres of an 880-acre total project area. Much of the acreage is prime agricultural land. A school district campus and residential areas border the property.

The industrial-scale project is not permitted under Copake Zoning Law, yet it is in the midst of the application process because Hecate has bypassed

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Zonta announces local scholarship winners

HUDSON—The Zonta Club of the Upper Hudson Valley presented its Jean M. Coon Humanitarian Awards for 2023 at senior award ceremonies last month. Scholarships went to Julia Harbour, a graduate of Columbia High School in East Greenbush and to Emma Braley, a graduate of Chatham Central High School. The Zonta Club presents this scholarship annually to a high school junior or senior who performs outstanding community service.

Julia was an active member of the Class of 2023 and has received many honors and awards throughout this school year. Her school activities include serving as president of the Key Club, president of the Leaders of Tomorrow and the National Honor Society. She played a vital role competing in the Student Visionaries of the Year competition for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society by taking on the challenge of co-leading a team



Julia Harbour (l) of East Greenbush receives Zonta award. Emma Braley (l) of Chatham receives award from Deborah Otlowski of Zonta.

which raised over \$30,000 for the fight against blood cancers. Much of her community service involves volunteering at a camp for terminally ill children and at a local nursing home. Julia will be attending Clemson University in South Carolina this fall.

Emma was a member of

many clubs and organizations throughout her high school years. She was active in the Class of 2023 by being a member of both the National Honor Art Society and the National Honor Society, winning awards for excellence in art and biology. She is a charter member of the Columbia County Z Club

serving as its president for the past two years as well as mentoring new members. Her community service at both the Morris Memorial and Crellin Park has made a tremendous impact on children and family members who participate in community events. Emma will be attending the University of

Rhode Island in the fall studying Civil/Environmental Engineering and Biotechnology. Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy. With nearly 27,000 members belonging to 1,133 clubs in 62 countries, Zontians volunteer their time, talents and support to local and international service projects focusing on achieving gender equality and empowering women and girls. Zonta clubs also sponsor Z clubs for high school students to develop leadership skills, promote career exploration and encourage members to participate in school, community and international service projects.

The Zonta Club of Upper Hudson Valley meets the second Tuesday of every month and welcomes new members. For more information, contact Jill Potter at zontauhv@gmail.com

County Libraries Association receives grant awards

COPAKE—The Columbia County Libraries Association has announced that, through the generosity of the Hudson River Bank and Trust Foundation, all Columbia County libraries have again received grant awards that will assist in meeting the important needs of our communities.

These unrestricted grants will allow libraries to continue to provide services and programs that strengthen our communities by providing innovative, educational, and exciting programming; purchasing books and e-content; providing technology training and assistance; supporting staff development, and so much more.

The Hudson River Bank and Trust Foundation has histori-

cally recognized and supported libraries as invaluable assets to all communities they serve.

The Columbia County Libraries Association is a non-profit corporation that supports the 11 public, association, and school district libraries in Columbia County by facilitating cooperation between libraries to better serve all the residents of Columbia County. By working together, they are able to leverage resources and exper-

tise to allow individual libraries to provide more materials and services than we would be able to provide on their own, as small, independent libraries.

County libraries are:

The Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Avenue, 518-392-3666, <http://chatham.lib.ny.us/>; The Claverack Free Library, 9 Route 9H, 518-851-7120, <https://claveracklibrary.org/>; The Germantown Library, 31 Palatine Park Road,

518-537-5800, <https://germantownlibrary.org/>; The Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 518-828-1792, <https://hudsonarealibrary.org/>; The Kinderhook Memorial Library, 18 Hudson Street, 518-758-6192, <http://kinderhooklibrary.org/>; The Livingston Free Library, 90 Old Post Rd, 518-851-2270, <http://livingston.lib.ny.us/>; The New Lebanon Library, 550 State Route 20, Columbia Pike, 518-794-8844, [\[library.org/\]\(http://library.org/\); The North Chatham Free Library, 518-766-3211, <https://northchathamlibrary.org/>; The Philmont Public Library, 101 Main Street, 518-672-5010, <https://philmontlibrary.com/>; The Roeliff Jansen Community Library, 9091 Route 22, Hillsdale, 518-325-4101, <http://www.roejanlibrary.org/>; and The Valatie Free Library, 1036 Kinderhook Street, 518-758-9321, <https://valatielibrary.net/>](http://newlebanon-</p>
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Cahill wins New Leb's Baldwin Award

NEW LEBANON—The Lebanon Valley Historical Society has announced that Zoey Cahill is the 2023 winner of the Bruce Baldwin Memorial Award. Established in 2016 to remember a man who valued the study of history and the lessons it teaches us and believed passionately in serving his community, this award of \$500 is given each year to an outstanding member of the New Lebanon Central School senior class who has demonstrated these qualities.

Zoey will continue her education next year at Albany University, where she plans to major in physics.

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Richard Koskey shows little sign of slowing down

By JEANETTE WOLFBERG

CLAVERRACK—“Helping business and individuals succeed by offering advice has been the most rewarding part of my 60 years of serving as an accountant in this community,” said Richard Koskey in conversations June 16 and July 10. “I’m happy to see the success of others. It is especially gratifying when I have played a part in assisting them. I’m looking forward to another 60 years,” he said with a playful smile.

Now, active and involved at 84, Mr. Koskey shares his life with his wife, Susan, of 59 years; enjoys time with their 3 daughters and 8 grandchildren; does financial consulting; runs a beef cattle farm; and is involved with three charitable foundations. “I look forward to working every morning,” he said. “Whatever comes along, I’ll take care of.”

On top of all this, Mr. Koskey is looking forward to playing golf and tennis again, once he completes recommended therapy after back surgery. While not expecting to win championships, as he did in the past, he is hoping to get back out swinging.

Though he occasionally still goes to his main office in Hudson, he most often works in the roomy office on his farm in Claverack. Everything in it, from family pictures to mementos, comes from his past and on-going life.

Mr. Koskey has worked in accounting since 1963, when he



Photo contributed

joined the Hudson firm of R. H. Pattison & Co. In 1968, he earned his CPA and became a partner in the firm. The firm changed its name many times over the decades, as other partners came and went. It always had an office in Hudson and opened offices in Chatham, Valatie, Albany, Catskill, Kingston and Rhinebeck. In 2017 the firm—then called Pattison, Koskey, Howe, and Bucci—moved to Hudson’s City Centre building. In 2020 the firm merged with UHY. It still maintains an office in City Centre.

This lengthy experience enables Mr. Koskey to guide

“his family of clients” through sales, acquisitions, tax strategies, and management and human resource decisions.

Over the 60 years, the accounting profession has changed, but “financial statements still have assets and liabilities. Any changes that have happened have improved the clarity of these statements,” Mr. Koskey said. The accounting profession basically has two parts: auditing and taxation. “Auditing still includes a financial report that, taken as a whole, reflects the financial position of the organization. Taxation rules and regulations change to reflect economic and

social changes in the country. But the advent of computerized tax returns has assisted us in keeping up with these changes.”

Meanwhile, in 1966, Mr. Koskey and his wife made their home in Claverack. In 1984, they bought 150 acres of land adjoining it. This land included a dairy farm, which they converted to the Five Iron Farm to raise beef cattle. Over the years, they added buildings to the land, including Mr. Koskey’s office and a house for their daughter Nancy Patzwahl and her family. “The farm adds a beautiful bucolic atmosphere to the acreage,” he said.

‘I’m happy to see the success of others. It is especially gratifying when I have played a part in assisting them.’

Richard Koskey

Along the way, Mr. Koskey started additional companies, served on bank boards, and joined the leadership of several community and charitable organizations: business, medical, cultural, and educational.

In 1985, while Mr. Koskey was a trustee of Columbia-Greene Medical Center, New York State began discussing merging the hospitals of Columbia and Greene counties. With modern healthcare’s expensive sophisticated, and specialized equipment, “you can’t have a small hospital,” Mr. Koskey said. By 1990, when he became chairman of the Board of Trustees, the merger had just taken place, and Columbia County’s hospital was the lone survivor. “We had to make the merger effective and continue with healthcare, which we did,” Mr. Koskey said. The merger “was one of the hardest decisions of my entire career.”

Now, years later, though Columbia Memorial Health has affiliated with Albany Medical Center, Mr. Koskey has hopes for its survival. “Some services might consolidate, but I don’t think the state will allow” there not to be “a hospital between Albany, Poughkeepsie and Kingston.”

Mr. Koskey grew up in Greenport’s Lorenz Park, graduated from Hudson High School in 1956, and got a BA from Duke University. He intends to remain a vital part of the community.

Storage shed issues re-visited in New Lebanon

By DOUG LA ROCQUE

NEW LEBANON—To store or not to store, that is the question in front of the New Lebanon Town Board. There is currently a moratorium on any new or expansion of storage facilities in the town which

expires in October. The town board members had before them at their July 11 meeting, a comprehensive local law that encompassed all the changes to zoning and codes the Zoning Re-write Committee (ZRC) has been working on for the past year and a half. There really was

no opposition to any of the proposed changes except when it comes to self-storage facilities. The new statute as written would have banned any new sites or expansion to existing storage businesses. It only permitted facilities already constructed and in use to continue.

Public comment saw opinions expressed for and against the change. There are those who feel such facilities are unsightly and not needed in the town. One person mentioned there are several storage units available in neighboring towns. One of those who was opposed to a complete ban was Supervisor Tistrya Houghtling, who had the support of board members John Trainor and Norm Rasmussen. All three felt there is a need for self-storage, Supervisor Houghtling saying she herself rents just such a facility, but where they could be appropriately located, how large the building(s) should be and how to appropriately screen them needs to be spelled out in detail. Supervisor Houghtling suggested they go ahead with

the introduction of the local law updating the zoning, only remove the paragraph that deals with self-storage and send it back to the ZRC for more work. The supervisor’s argument was persuasive enough that the entire board went along with the motion.

Two months ago, the owner/operators of Coon Self Storage, located on U.S. Route 20, appeared before the Town Board to request they be allowed to construct three more storage units on their site. At the July meeting, the council formally received their request for a waiver of the moratorium. It was previously sent to the planning board for a recommendation. The planners suggested it be denied, but if the council was inclined to approve it, a lengthy list of conditions be attached. One member of the Planning Board indicated he felt Mr. Coon did not comply with the spirit of their original site plan application, as far as using trees or shrubbery to help screen the structures from site. And while this meeting was

not intended to be a discussion about the waiver, several members of the public did say they were in opposition.

Supervisor Houghtling reminded all that under New York State law, waivers to such moratoriums must be accepted for consideration. This consideration requires the issuing body, in this case the Town Board, to hold a public hearing before making any decision. That public hearing is set for 5 p.m. on August 8, the date of the board’s next regular monthly gathering. Ms. Houghtling repeatedly explained this waiver request was separate from the proposed zoning change and as such, had to be considered on its own merits.

There were three other local laws introduced that evening for consideration in August. They dealt with a minor zoning map change, providing rules and standards concerning mobile home parks and commercial event venues, in particular, the annual Memorial Day Parade.

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Former Chamber CEO pleads guilty to grand larceny

By DIANE VALDEN

HUDSON—Former President and CEO of the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce, Jeffrey Hunt was convicted by guilty plea in Columbia County Court July 12 for stealing funds from the Chamber.

Mr. Hunt, 54, of South Carolina, pleaded guilty to third degree grand larceny, a class D felony, before County Judge Jonathan D. Nichols, according to a press release from District Attorney Paul Czajka.

Investigators with the State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigation arrested Mr. Hunt September 16, 2021 for stealing \$46,686 from November 11, 2016 to November 10, 2020 from the Chamber of Commerce's credit and debit accounts. Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney Ryan Carty is prosecuting the case.

A person is guilty of grand larceny in New York State when he or she knowingly and intentionally steals property in excess of \$3,000.

Mr. Hunt waived a possible indictment by a grand jury October 31, 2022. He is scheduled to be sentenced September 25. In New York State, third degree grand larceny is punishable by up to seven years in prison.

The Public Defender represents Mr. Hunt.

In another court case:

Columbia County Judge Jonathan Nichols sentenced defendant Hernandez Hayes



Hernandez Hayes

June 26 to 17 years with the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision and 3 years post-

release supervision upon his conviction after his guilty plea, according to a press release from the DA's office.

Mr. Hayes, 49, of New York City, pleaded guilty in County Court on May 15 to:

- First degree criminal possession of a controlled substance (CPCS), a class A-1 felony—cocaine in excess of 8 ounces (defendant possessed about 600 grams, which is equivalent to 1,200 individual doses)

- Third degree CPCS, a class B felony—intent to sell cocaine

- Third degree CPCS, a class B felony—fentanyl in excess of a half ounce (defendant possessed about 40 grams, which is equivalent to approximately 400 individual doses)

- Third degree CPCS, a class B felony—possession of fentanyl with intent to sell it.

Judge Nichols sentenced Mr. Hayes as a predicate felon, meaning he was guaranteed a sentence because he was previously convicted of multiple felonies in the past 10 years. Mr. Hayes has six prior felony convictions for narcotic-related

offenses.

Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney Ryan Carty prosecuted the case.

“Narcotic drugs in such large quantities poses serious risks to our communities, especially fentanyl which is the leading cause of overdose-related deaths. Fentanyl is extremely potent and dangerous, especially to those suffering from addiction. Sixty-four percent of overdose deaths in Columbia County in 2021 involved stimulants in combination with Fentanyl. I commend the members of the New York State Police for their diligence and hard work to get these dangerous drugs off of our streets,” DCADA Carty said in the release.

While out on bail for his charges in Columbia County, Mr. Hayes was also one of three people arrested for drug trafficking in Warren, Washington and Saratoga counties, March 12, 2023. Mr. Hayes' charges in Columbia County would not have qualified for bail prior to the change in the state's bail laws in 2020.

The joint investigation by the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Unit, Warren County Sheriff's Office and Washington County Sheriff's Office accused the trio of possessing large quantities of cocaine with the intent to sell. Mr. Hayes was additionally charged with possession of fentanyl pills. In total, police said they seized 465 grams (more than 16 ounces) of cocaine, 16 grams of fentanyl pills and U.S. currency during a traffic stop on Interstate 87 in Halfmoon, Saratoga County.

Mr. Hayes was charged with first-degree, third-degree and fourth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, all felonies. Those charges are still pending.

“The agencies involved in this investigation hope these arrests offer a relief to their communities who have been plagued by these illegal activities,” the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office wrote in a news release, March 13.

Attorney Eric Schillinger represents the defendant.

FASNY sounds alarm as NY's fire death lead continues

ALBANY—Last weekend's tragic house fire in New Scotland sadly added four more individuals to the state's mounting residential fire death toll for 2023, according to a July 14 press release from the Firefighters Association of the State of New York (FASNY).

In 2017, 2018, and 2019 New York unfortunately led the nation in fire deaths. Once again, the state is currently on track for the same dishonorable mention in 2023. Earlier this year, FASNY cautioned that New York was again poised to lead the nation in fire fatalities, with 45 residential fire deaths reported as of March 14. This week that number has climbed to 98—almost double the number of home fire deaths in the next leading states of Texas and Ohio (59), Pennsylvania (57) and California (55).

These fatal fires do not discriminate in locale. Destructive and deadly house fires have occurred not only in the dense neighborhoods of New York City but also on Long Island, Buffalo, the Hudson Valley, the Adirondacks, the North Country and other communities around the state where volunteer firefighters provide the vast majority of response, the release said.

The latest tragedy in New Scotland occurred early in the morning Saturday, July 8. According to a 911 distress call, two individuals were unable to escape due to an air conditioning unit in the window. It was unclear if there were smoke alarms in the home. Thankfully, no firefighters were injured after more than a dozen volunteer fire departments responded to the scene.

Whether it be a fire caused by exploding lithium-ion batteries or something as simple as home cooking, ensuring all homes have working smoke detectors will save lives. Nationally, two-thirds of residential fire deaths occur in homes where there were either no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms. According to the United States Fire Administration, 48 of the 98 fire deaths in New York this year occurred in residences with no working smoke alarm. Families facing today's economic challenges may not have the resources to purchase these devices, putting them at greater risk of injury or death in the event of a fire.

Change is long overdue and the answer to this problem is twofold. FASNY is a staunch supporter of fire safety public

education and is working steadfastly to bring awareness to this issue and create change. Preventing fires is a key step in reducing fire deaths and injuries. FASNY also supports economic incentives to make fire safety equipment more readily available, including putting forth legislation to create a tax exemption for smoke detectors and other home fire safety items, restoring fire and building code funding for localities and increasing code enforcement and penalties for code violations.

Even with the best fire safety education, prevention and code enforcement efforts, fires will sadly still happen. Retaining and building up the contingent of

volunteer firefighters statewide is critical to maintaining an environment of readiness and response. In addition to hosting the annual statewide RecruitNY volunteer recruitment effort, FASNY continually advocates in Albany for policies that would support the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters. This includes the efforts to recognize the service of our state's 80,000 dedicated volunteers via tax incentives and other policies and programs. (FASNY reported earlier this year that New York's volunteer firefighters save New York taxpayers \$4.7 billion annually through their service.)

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Consortium coordinator speaks, walking group starts

HILLSDALE—Rachel Cole, the Consumer Assistance Programs coordinator for the Healthcare Consortium, Inc., will be the guest speaker at the next Hillsdale Safe at Home Committee monthly coffee hour at Hillsdale House, 2634 State Route 23, July 25 from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

The coffee hour is for seniors, near seniors and neighbors, who can enjoy free coffee, muffins and conversation. Carmen Barbato, Jr., opens his restaurant the last Tuesday of every month to serve the community.

The Healthcare Consortium Inc. is a non-profit organiza-

tion that serves residents of Columbia and Greene counties. Its mission is to facilitate access to healthcare services, and generally supports the health and welfare of the rural community.

Ms. Cole has spent her career working with seniors and people with disabilities. She began as a recreation specialist at Ferncliff Nursing Home and then worked with seniors and adults at Dutchess ARC for 11 years. After moving to Columbia County she served for 10 years as director of Residential Programs for Special Needs before joining the Healthcare Consortium in 2016. At the consortium she

has been involved with many resource programs including: how to access affordable insurance and prescription drugs. In addition she does Medicare counseling, and assists those experiencing financial hardship due to illness. At the consortium, she interacts with many community partners to facilitate and to connect individuals with the resources they need.

The Safe at Home Committee is committed to ensuring that all seniors have as much knowledge as possible about the resources and services within the community in order to remain safely at home.

For a ride or further infor-

mation contact Natalie at 518-265-6789.

The Safe at Home Committee has started a weekly Wednesday Walking Group that walks on the Harlem Valley Rail Trail this summer and fall. Walkers meet at 9:30 a.m. at the kiosk by Rail Trail parking between Herrington's and Roe Jan Brewing.

"Safe at Home is committed to aging in place and recognizes the importance of including physical activity to remain healthy. How wonderful that the Harlem Valley Rail Trail is right in our backyard and we can walk together with neighbors and friends. We know we'll

all have different paces but we also know that we're all in this together," Committee Chair Joyce Lapenn said in a press release.

The Rail Trail was chosen because it is paved, flat and shady, and has benches along the way. Safe at Home will provide water bottles at the parking lot, as well as tick/bug repellent wipes.

Walks will continue every Wednesday until it gets too cold and are always weather dependent.

Price Chopper gets new COO overseeing markets

GHENT—Northeast Grocery, Inc. (NGI), the parent company of Price Chopper/Market 32 and Tops Friendly Markets, has named John Persons as Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Persons will oversee both the Price Chopper/Market 32 and Tops Markets operating companies, as well as the Northeast Shared Services (a subsidiary of NGI providing services to both operating companies) merchandising and marketing functions. He will report directly to Frank Curci, CEO of Northeast Grocery, Inc. Ron Ferri, a 34-year Tops veteran, will succeed Mr. Persons as Tops president.

Mr. Persons joins NGI after 39 years with Tops, most recently as the president of the

grocery chain based in Williamsville. During his tenure at Tops, he has had oversight for various functions, including operations, merchandising, sales & marketing, real estate, information technology, and organizational strategy, all leading to his appointment as president in 2015. A Western New York native, Mr. Persons holds a B.A. and an M.B.A. from the University at Buffalo.

In addition to his role at Tops, he has served on the board of numerous Western New York not-for-profits, including his recent role as board chair of The Children's Hospital of Buffalo Foundation and current role on the board of directors of Kaleida Health. He and his wife, Amy, are the

parents of four children and live in Clarence.

In addition to Mr. Persons' promotion, Mike Miller has been named Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). Mr. Miller was previously senior vice president, human resources and executive vice president, human resources and administration at Northeast Shared Services. In his new role, Mr. Miller will lead the human resources, legal, government affairs, corporate communications, public relations, and risk management functions, as well as oversee merger integration.

"Promoting John to COO and Mike to CAO fills out our executive leadership team and bolsters our experience and expertise in many of the func-

tional areas that continue to contribute to our combined company's growth," said Mr. Curci in a press release. "I'm confident that our executive team, which also includes Dave Langless (CFO), Scott Kessler (CIO), Blaine Bringhurst (Price Chopper/Market 32 President), and Ron Ferri (Tops' newly promoted president), is equipped to provide us with cutting-edge leadership."

Mr. Ferri, previously executive vice president, operations & distribution at Tops, has been promoted to president of Tops and will also report to Mr. Persons. Mr. Ferri began his career at Tops as a produce clerk in 1989 and has held many store-level and executive management positions over the

ensuing 34 years. He has held his current role since 2016. He, too, is a Western New York native and holds a B.A. from Houghton University and an M.B.A. from the University at Buffalo.

Mike Patti has been promoted to succeed Mr. Ferri as senior vice president, operations for Tops Markets. He has a 50-year history with Tops where he currently serves as regional vice president for Tops' West Region stores. Jim Gibson will succeed Mr. Patti as regional vice president for Tops' West Region. He and John McCaffrey, the regional vice president for Tops' East Region, will report to Mr. Patti.

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CHS releases names of honor students

CHATHAM—The Chatham Central School District has released the names of the Chatham High School students on the Honor Roll for the 4th quarter of the 2022-23 school year.

Students on the Honors list must have an unweighted grade point average (GPA) for the marking period of 85 or above with all passing grades. To be on the High Honors list, students must have an unweighted GPA for the marking period of 90 or above with no grade below 80.

High Honor Roll

Grade 12:
Gabriel Bennett, Ellie Blass, Bridget Brackett, Emma Braley, Eudora Brennan, Nathan Brown, Meghan Distin, Jake Dwileski,

Christian Edwards, Claire Fairall, Jane Fischer, Jordan Fisher, Ian Freiermuth, Lylah Gray, Samantha Hoffman, Cameron Horton, Jonah Howard, Timothy Jeralds, Tyler Kneller, Kylie Lagerwall, Grady Loftus, Moriah Martino, Emily Mesick, Nicole Meyers, John Miles, Olive Mountain, Jillian Perry, Michael Pierro, Hannah Pinto, Matthew Radley, Hailey Ruff, Amelia Scheriff, Jillian Silver, Kyle Smalley, Jr., Wil Spencer, Isabella Tarbox, Matthew Thorsen, Tessa Wallace, Jayden Williams

Grade 11:

Jahnyah Armstrong, Emilee Booy, Destiny Dejesus, Ewan Ferrier, Tom Gibson, Alaina Graziano, Kamryn Hanson, Sarah Harrison, Patricia Hoover, Mateo Medina, Julia Metrande, Alexis Meyers, Maya Narofsky, Jenna Palubeckis, Zoe Palubeckis, Seema Patel, Alexis Reichardt, Lily Stratman, Helen Tassinari, Tate

Van Alstyne, Isabella Wiseman, Nole Zaik, Owen Zaik

Grade 10:

Jennifer Albrecht, Addison Andrews, Alexis Berry, Aidan Brennan, Grace Brennan, Vytas Budris, Jacob Carroll, Joselin Castellanos, Amaiah Coons, Oliana DeLuca, Anna Friedman, Eion Henchey, Joshua Herbest, Jr., Makenna Hubert, Hunter Kelly, Sasha Langley, James Marotta, Mason Levy, Olivia MacDonald, James Marotta, Addison Perry, Cheyanne Perry, Jordin Radley, Nicholas Reutenauer, Brianna Reyome, Luca Spencer, Taylor Van Wie, Emmy Velez

Grade 9:

Rylie Barden, Jaidan Blair, Daimiyn Bonhotel, Eliza Braley, Paxton Brownell, Ariana Costa, Frank Davis III, Madisyn Domkoski, Josiah Eugenio, Reed Fisch, Tyler Gebel, Tula Haley, Lily Hall, Bronson Haner, Andrew Horton,

Michaela Johnson, Benjamin Levine, Karina Lezama, Meta Mae Mountain, Ellery Pierce, Mira Pierce, Thomas Pierro, Dominic Sauca, Samantha Silver, Brayden Steltz, Copper Steltz, Phila Visconti, Owen Wilber, Finn Williams

Honor Roll

Grade 12:

Zachary Casivant, Diana Castellanos, Alexander Chudy, Travis Costa, Gracelyn Gebel, Julia Gosselink, Ethan Halpin, Kaitlyn Holley, Anna Miles, Anthony O'Dell, Hailey Perry, Anthony Reyome, Aiden Shea, Ryley Smith, Harlee Thibeault, Aidan Wall, John Wisseman

Grade 11:

Sasha Backer, Alex Bevens, Isaiah Brown, Jeremy Deane, Leander Hesse, Ryley Josefsberg, Givanni Martino, Nathan Opshanski, Boden Paladino, Lauren Sakvesvold-Uhlar, Ciara Sherman, Jacob Taylor, Katelyn Thomas,

Hope Traulsen, Morgan Van Wie

Grade 10:

Jason Baneni, Patrick Brown, Brendan DeLyser, Jocelyn Dikeman, Maxwell Friedman, Aurora Jones, Thomas Kubisek III, Austin Laurange, Gianni Macagnome, Logan Smalley, Anna Sorros, Akara Townsend, Hudson Trienens, Ruby Velasquez Felipe, Winni Wilzig

Grade 9:

Laila Backer, Suzy Bonesteel, Breannah Clark, Jacob D'Alessio, Lauren Elcox, Zachary Ellis, Ava Ford, Elexis Keller, Joann Kristen, Jose Linares Galicia, Amber Laspada, Connor Madsen, Abisai Melchor Agueda, Madeleine Metrande, Alexis Nehmens, Hunter Palmer, Tyler Palmer, Nora Sotherden, Jayden Valdez, Annabelle Wright.

Hudson JHS announces 4th quarter honor rolls

HUDSON—The Hudson City School District has announced its Junior High School High Honor Roll and Honor Roll members for Quarter 4 of the 2022-23 school year.

To earn honor roll recognition at Hudson Junior High School, students must meet the following academic qualifications:

High Honor: No grades below 85 for the quarter.

Honor: No grades below 80 for the quarter.

In order to qualify for any honor roll, a student taking a course that has a Pass/Fail grade must receive a Pass in that course. Any student with a mark of F (Fail) or I (Incomplete) is disqualified from all honor rolls for that quarter.

High Honor

Grade 8:

Kaleigh Brodowski, Kianjah Chan, Vanessa Drabick, Amelia Edwards, Jordan Francis, Joie Hall, Matthew Higgins, Sumaiya Islam, Sadia Jahan, Kadeem Johnson, Viki Li, Laiba Liton, Duray Maddox Jr., Schuyler Phillips, Mason Tamburro and Aiden Visagie

Grade 7:

Marilyn Ajpacaja-Chavaloc, Nashat Albin, Adelaide Alvarez, Nevaeh Benschop, McKenna Boushie, Aniya Cottle, Gavin Frederick, Jorge Gonzalez, Isabel Haigh, Logan Hoffman, Elham

Kavi, Trenten Keller, Alexandra Larsen, Ramon Luciany III, Kayden Morrison, A'Yana Mosby, Sinane Najat, William Polito, Bailiegh Rivenburgh, Lilliana Rustick, Savanna Rustick, Natalie Sherman, Alexandra Shores, Maysie Skoda, Juliana Troy, Enzo Turner and Kashawn Wilson

Grade 6:

Gavin Abitabile, Anahi Ashraf, Jah-Majesty Chan, Jordan-Matthew Cobbins, Evan Conte, Sabiel Fernandez-Pena, Grant Maresco, Arieonna Muniz, Emma Schmitt, Guy Scoffier and Jonathan Williams.

Honor Roll

Grade 8:

Gavin Boushie, Edwin Gomez, Abdullah Hossain, Lamia Hotbani, Sydney Keeler, Sergio Rodriguez-Romero, Robert Seaton, Nazia Sultana and Angel Williams.

Grade 7:

Mason Briscoe, Aveliz Cortijo, Elizabeth Finkle, Lirabella Johnson, Abigail Konow, Olivia Meister, Farjan Mim, Amarion Perry, Naraya Prayogg, Caitlin Pullen, Molly Quinde, Nahidur Rahman, Joseph Simmons, Alayvah Ware, Madelyn Wheeler and Khaleah Wilson.

Grade 6:

Adam Alamri, Jordan Credle, MD Sakin Hasan, Mohammed Hotbani, Raymond Madison, Jonathan Marsh, Flor Membreno-Romero, Shujath Miah, Cody Michael, Kendrick Ordonez, Francisco Reyes, Mackenzie Steuhl, Santiago Vargas Garcia, Luke Visagie and Amaria Williams.

WNEU welcomes newest alumni

SPRINGFIELD, MA—Western New England University held its undergraduate commencement ceremony on May 20 in the Anthony S. Caprio Alumni Healthful Living Center, celebrating the Class of 2023. The keynote speaker Jon Clifton, CEO of Gallup the global analytics and advice firm, talked about the power of being unique. “

Local graduates include:

Luke Pierre Moisan, Valatie,

graduated summa cum laude with a BSE in Electrical Engineering; Ethan S. Allen, Stuyvesant, graduated magna cum laude with a BSE in Electrical Engineering; Trevor M. New, Hillsdale, graduated summa cum laude with a BSE in Mechanical Engineering; and Charles Matthew Goodermote, Hudson, graduated cum laude with a BSE in Mechanical Engineering/Mechatronics.

Academic Honors

Dean's List:

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

TROY—The following students have made the dean's honor list for the spring 2023 semester at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute:

Delana Bonci, Craryville, studying Biomedical Engineering; Benjamin Chaput, Old Chatham, studying Aeronautical Engineering; Benjamin Halpin, Ghent, studying Undeclared Engineering; Gaetano Hamilton, Germantown, studying Design, Innovation and Society; Julian Matthews, Germantown, studying Mechanical Engineering; Benjamin Seaman, Kinderhook, studying Aeronautical Engineering; and Ryan Thorsen, Ghent, studying Mechanical Engineering

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute's dean's honor list is compiled at the end of each semester to recognize undergraduate students who have completed 12 or more credit hours with a 3.5 grade point average or better for that term.

Russell Sage

TROY—More than 400 students were named to the spring 2023 dean's list at Russell Sage College.

“On behalf of the Russell Sage College community, it is my great pleasure to congratulate the spring 2023 dean's list students,” said Andrea Rehn, undergraduate dean and dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, in a press release. “We are very proud of their accomplishments.”

The following local students made the list:

Bryan Bathrick, Germantown; Kathryn Bathrick, Germantown; Marissa Carinci, Chatham; Monalissa Carius, Hudson; Zakhariah Chowdhury, Hudson; Sarah Dugan, Valatie; Angela Grandinetti, Hudson; Emma Hanley, Ghent; Emma Heartquist, Stuyvesant; Cendy Ordonez, Hudson; Adeline Potter, Chatham; Skylar Rowe, Ghent; and Hethar Scutt, Ancramdale.

To be placed on the Dean's List for the semester, a student must earn a grade point average of 3.50 or higher while carrying a minimum of 12 credits in courses graded A-F, with no grades of Incomplete.

Hamilton College

CLINTON—Olivia Chandler, Valatie, has been named to the dean's list at Hamilton College for the spring 2023 semester.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must have carried a course load of four or more graded credits throughout the semester and earned an average GPA of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.

Ms. Chandler, a May graduate, majored in Government at Hamilton.

Le Moyne College

SYRACUSE—Erin Curry, a junior History major from Valatie, has been named to the Le Moyne College spring 2023 dean's list.

To make the list, students must achieve a GPA of 3.5 or above.

SUNY Oneonta Dean's List

ONEONTA—More than 1,100 SUNY Oneonta students earned dean's list honors for the spring 2023 semester. To qualify for the dean's list, a student must earn a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher while carrying a course load of 12 hours or more.

Local students who earned this honor include:

Sage Douglass, Elizaville; Sophia Martino, Ghent; Areli Meza, Niverville; Cheyenne Reed, Valatie; Morgan Simmons, Ghent; Deja Squire, Hudson; and Rachel Walsh, Valatie.



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County awarded \$5.4M for Rossman Bridge, Route 13 culvert

HUDSON—The Rossman Bridge, part of Rossman Road in the Town of Stockport that connects U.S. Route 9 and County Route 22, has been awarded \$4,364,000 in federal and state grant funding through the Bridge New York program, Columbia County Board of Supervisors Chairman Matt Murell said on July 10 in a press release.

An additional \$1,055,000 has been awarded for the rehabilitation of a Route 13, Old Chatham, culvert, Chairman Murell said.

Rossman Road collects much local traffic via connecting town highways and subdivisions while functioning as an important connector for local emergency services, school bus routes, local residents, and sea-

sonal tourism. In addition, the road links the on-road section along county Route 22 to the trail head on Rossman Road, on which a section of the Albany-Hudson Rail Trail travels (part of the Empire State Rail Trail system).

The Rossman Bridge had previously been designated with yellow flag status by the New York State Department of Transportation. The county has made significant repairs to the bridge in recent times and it currently operates with a standard 20-ton weight limit.

“The Rossman Bridge and Rossman Road represent important links in the county transportation system and we are extremely pleased to have had the Rossman Bridge selected for this funding,” Chairman

Murell said in the release.

“The Rossman Bridge is an open grate steel deck bridge and when it comes to bicycles, during inclement weather that type of structure becomes slick,” explained county Department of Public Works Commissioner Ray Jurkowski, also in the release. “We’d like to make that a safer passage for bicyclists and pedestrians as well as, obviously, dealing with the structure as a whole in terms of its capacity and ability to carry vehicular traffic.”

Commissioner Jurkowski added that along the same route, to the north of the Rossman Bridge, the Stuyvesant Falls Bridge currently carries a weight limit that restricts any heavy traffic including emergency vehicles and school buses

from its use. Federal funding dedicated to the replacement of the Stuyvesant Falls bridge is on the way, but replacement will not take place until 2027. The concern is that if the Stuyvesant Falls Bridge continues to deteriorate to the point of that state DOT issuing a red flag, signifying imminent danger and requiring immediate closure, a lengthy detour would result.

“To replace the Rossman Bridge before the Stuyvesant Falls Bridge is replaced ensures that we have a good structure without any weight limits, which would take the potential for that detour out of the equation,” said Commissioner Jurkowski.

Chairman Murell noted that project costs for the Rossman

bridge superstructure replacement are estimated at \$4.6 million. The county plans to solicit and hire a design consultant by this fall, in hopes that state DOT okays the plan by summer 2024. Ultimately, construction would be complete by January 2026.

On County Route 13 in Old Chatham, the culvert work will take place under “an old railroad bridge – it’s an old masonry structure that sits about 70 feet under the roadway surface. This is a proactive rehabilitation,” said Commissioner Jurkowski, who explained that if the work were forced to be performed under an emergency basis, it would involve extensive and lengthy detours.

FIRE CO.

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For decades one of the highlights of the Ghent social scene was the firemen’s carnival. Thanks to Ghent being the home of the Fecteau acrobats and Adele Nelson’s trained elephants, both truly world class acts, the carnival proved a success year after year. In 1954 it raised \$5,700; \$64,000 in today’s money.

Many dances, shows, clam bakes and auctions over the years kept the fire company operating without any taxpayer dollars for much of its history. One of their first fund raising successes led to the construction of their first firehouse on the same grounds they occupy today.

Inside the first firehouse was

the truck that remains the pride of Ghent, the 1928 American Lafrance, purchased for \$5,600 (\$98,000 in today’s money) every penny of which was donated.

Among many families that have produced generations of firefighters, the Wilbers have done their part. Fred Wilber was a founding member and his son Charles, grandson Ken, great grandson Kyle, and great-great-grandson Matt Radley have been a part of the family tradition. Charles and Ken both served as presidents of the Columbia County Volunteer Firefighter’s Association, and Kyle is the current president.

As is the custom, the



Collection of Barbara and Charles Wilber

Ghent Fire Co. all dressed up.

CCVFA president’s company hosts the annual parade. This year’s parade will be on Main

Street and Church Street in Ghent on July 29 at 2pm.

This will be a fitting kickoff

to another 100 hundred years of firefighting in Ghent.

HECATE SUBMITS

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yet it is in the midst of the application process because Hecate has bypassed local law and is seeking site approval from ORES under the state’s new streamlined siting process for renewable energy projects, known as 94-c.

In his monthly July 13 update on the Shepherd’s Run project, Copake Deputy Supervisor Richard Wolf, who serves as the town’s solar project point man, told the Town Board that Hecate filed its latest round of materials June 27.

Now ORES once again has 60 days to determine whether the application is “complete.”

If ORES finds that the latest submission is still inadequate, it could issue a fourth Notice of Incomplete Application (NOIA) and send Hecate back to the drawing board.

Mr. Wolf said the town should know by the end of August where things stand. “If ORES determines that the application is complete, it then would have one year to determine whether to issue a siting permit for Shepherd’s Run,” he said.

ORES issued its first Notice of Incomplete Application May 9, 2022, after Hecate initially submitted its application for the controversial project March 8, 2022.

A second Notice of Incomplete Application was issued by ORES September 27, 2022, after the office reviewed the supplemented Hecate application July 28, 2022.

The third Notice of Incomplete Application came from ORES March 28 this year in response to Hecate’s January

27, supplemented application submission.

Along with its response to the third NOIA, Foley Hoag, LLP, attorneys for Hecate submitted a June 26 letter to ORES requesting an amendment to its application to increase the project’s Limit of Disturbance (LOD) by two acres “to accommodate additional plantings to enable visual screening or other small adjustments made in response to the Office’s prior Notices of Incomplete Application...” The attorneys also asked ORES not to “suspend” the time it takes to make its completeness of application decision while the office reviews whether such a revision to the application constitutes a minor amendment. The attorneys want ORES to consider the two-acre revision at the same time it does its completeness review.

A recent decision issued by ORES staff agreed to do that.

Also in his report, Deputy

Supervisor Wolf said State Senator Michelle Hinchey (D-41st) came to the Town Hall and met with him and Town Supervisor Jeanne Mettler.

“We discussed our concerns about the proposed size and location of Shepherd’s Run, and then toured the site with Senator Hinchey and her staff. Altogether, we met for more than an hour. When we finished, Senator Hinchey expressed her view that the location was all wrong, noting in particular her concern for the loss of prime farmland. I have forwarded to her information from Hecate’s most recent submission: more than 81% of the ‘to-be-disturbed’ land is designated as prime farmland,” he said.

Another Hecate-related development occurred in late May when an appellate court denied an appeal by Copake, five other upstate, rural towns, and seven not-for-profits in a lawsuit challenging the ORES

regulations. No town funds were used in the effort to get the regulations, which were written by Hecate’s consultant, tossed out, Mr. Wolf said in June.

In another recent turn of events, Alex Campbell has been removed/replaced as Hecate’s Shepherd’s Run project developer, according to Mr. Wolf.

Mr. Wolf said the town has not been contacted by whoever the new project manager is. “It’s another indication of Hecate’s unwillingness to engage with the town... Hecate is not the community partner it claimed it would be,” he said.

The Columbia Paper received no response to emails to Mr. Campbell or the Shepherd’s Run project team to find out who to contact for comment on this story. The project team’s phone number was also not in service.

To contact Diane Valden email dvalden@columbiapaper.com



Local cast members in "The Sound of Music" at the Mac-Haydn

Photo contributed

The hills are alive with 'The Sound of Music'

CHATHAM—The Rodgers and Hammerstein classic "The Sound of Music" returns to the Mac-Haydn Stage for the first time in over a decade next week, running July 20 to 30.

The legendary story is a timeless tribute to the transformative power of love and music. After proving too high-spirited for her life as a postulant, Maria, an exuberant young governess brings music, laughter and joy back to a broken family—capturing the hearts of seven rambunctious children and lightening the demeanor of their militaristic father. Set in 1938 Austria before World War II, The Von Trapps face insurmountable odds as their beloved homeland confronts the impending arrival of the dangerous Nazi regime.

Producing Artistic Director

John Saunders directs for the second time this season, following his fan-favorite "42nd Street" earlier this summer. Choreographer Elizabeth McGuire returns to the Mac-Haydn following her work on "Urinetown" and "The Full Monty" in 2022. They are joined by Music Director Eric Shorey and Assistant Music Director Alessandra Alcalá.

The production will feature scenic design by Alivia Cross, making her Mac-Haydn design debut, along with lighting design by Andrew Gmoser, costume design by Angela Carstensen, sound design by Sean McGinley, hair and makeup design by Emily Allen, and props design by Adriana Ayala.

Leading the production as Maria is Sarah Naughton, making her Mac-Haydn debut.

Naughton has previously worked with companies including Second Stage, Lincoln Center, and A.R.T., in addition to her solo comedy and cabaret acts she has brought to venues including 54 Below. After his critically-acclaimed performance as Dan in last season's "Next to Normal," Eric Van Tielen joins the cast as Captain Georg von Trapp.

Ten local child actors join the company as the von Trapp children, split up into two alternating casts which the children have named themselves. In the "Maria's Mischievous Misfits" cast are Molly Engelhardt (Louisa), Jack Holick (Kurt), Remy Orth (Brigitta), Adelaide Black (Marta), and Tegan Waters (Gretl). In the "G.O.A.T.s (Greatest of All Time)" cast are Riley O'Kane

(Louisa), Emmett Mazurowski (Kurt), Quinn McCarthy (Brigitta), Makayla Shores (Marta), and Charlotte Miller (Gretl). Aidan Brennan and 2023 Company Member Rachel Revellese will perform with both casts as Friedrich and Liesl, respectively. A schedule of performances for both casts is available at www.machaydntheatre.org.

Rounding out the cast are Liz Gurland ("Cabaret," "Pippin," "Urinetown") as Elsa, Arthur Beutel ("42nd Street," "Footloose") as Max, and Alex Haines (Mac-Haydn debut) as Mother Abbess.

Based on a true story, this epic classic is both thrilling and inspirational to audiences throughout the world. Featuring a trove of cherished songs, including "Climb Ev'ry

Mountain," "My Favorite Things," "Do Re Mi," "Sixteen Going on Seventeen" and the legendary title tune, "The Sound of Music" promises to bring classic charm and provide a delightful musical experience for the entire family.

"The Sound of Music" features music by Richard Rodgers, lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, and a book by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse. The story is suggested by "The Trapp Family Singers" by Maria Augusta Trapp.

For more information, visit www.machaydntheatre.org or call 518 392-9292.

'The Lucky Few' presented by AOH at 1799 Barn

ANCRAM—It's New Year's Eve, 1959, an explosive moment in American history. The U.S. has entered the space race; Lenny Bruce appeared on NBC for the first time; Miles Davis began recording "Kind of Blue"; and somewhere in South Dakota, a woman named Jane is making music nobody has ever heard before.

"The Lucky Few," a new musical by songwriters and performers Todd Almond and Kate Douglas, takes off from this premise in a concert version presented by Ancram Opera House (AOH) on an outdoor stage at the 1799 Barn, 105 Simons Road, Ancramdale, on July 22 at 7:30 p.m. General admission tickets are \$40; Student tickets are \$15 with a valid school ID.

"This season at Ancram Opera House is all about incubating and growing new work, and 'The Lucky Few' is one of the best new musicals we've seen in years," said Jeffrey Mousseau, co-director, AOH. "As a theater piece, it's an electrifying work with a lively American Rockabilly score that captures the country in transition with parallels to radical cultural changes underway



Photo contributed

Kate Douglas (l) and Todd Almond

today. We feel very lucky, no pun intended, to present a show of this caliber, and artists like Todd and Kate, to our audience."

"The Lucky Few" was last seen in a developmental concert at Joe's Pub, The Public Theater, NYC, in February 2023. The show was a 2019 Semi-Finalist at the O'Neill National Musical Theatre Conference.

The creators of "The Lucky Few" are two of the busiest artists in theater. Todd Almond is an acclaimed actor, songwriter, and a "brash, funny, heart-stirring" playwright (The New York Times). He has previously

collaborated with Sarah Ruhl ("Melancholy Play: A Chamber Musical"), Jenny Schwartz ("Towa"), Laura Benanti ("In Constant Search for the Right Kind of Attention"), Sherie Rene Scott and Norbert Leo Butz ("Twohander"), Kelli O'Hara ("Live at Carnegie Hall"), and Andrew Rannells ("Live from Lincoln Center"). As a composer and orchestrator, Almond has written and arranged music for Broadway, Off-Broadway, Lincoln Center Theater, and film. He can also be seen in the 2021 reboot of "Gossip Girl" on HBO Max.

Kate Douglas is a writer, composer, and performer who

has worked with AOH previously as part of the performance ensemble Emergence Collective, and as a 2021 Summer Play Lab resident. She has been a finalist for the Jonathan Larson Grant, the Princess Grace Award in Playwriting, and the Jane Chambers Excellence in Feminist Playwriting Award. Her recent work includes "The Apiary" (2023 Second Stage New Voices Series, 2022 O'Neill Playwrights Conference), "Against Women & Music!" with Grace McLean (The Civilians), and "The Ninth Hour" with Shayfer James (The Met Cloisters). She is currently a Colt Coeur Resident Artist and is on faculty at Rutgers University Mason Gross School of the Arts.

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2023 Columbia County Fair announces musical acts

CHATHAM—The Columbia County Fair announces this year's headliner musical acts on the Main Stage at the County Fairgrounds.

Fans of Tom Petty can once again experience the legendary singer's music through The BrokenHearted, a tribute band that captures the essence of the late musician's sound and style.

Comprised of seasoned musicians who share a passion for Tom Petty's music, The BrokenHearted pays homage to the iconic artist by delivering a powerful and authentic performance that leaves audiences feeling like they've been trans-

ported back in time to the peak of Tom Petty's career.

The band's lead singer Johnny Clifford channels Petty's distinctive voice with precision, while the other members of the group provide the driving rhythms and harmonies that make up the signature sound of Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers.

The BrokenHearted has quickly built a dedicated following, thanks to their attention to detail and their commitment to recreating the classic songs that fans have come to know and love. From "American Girl" to "Free Fallin'," the band delivers

hit after hit in a high-energy, crowd-pleasing performance.

The BrokenHearted will appear at the Grandstand Sunday, September 3, at 4 p.m.

2023 COLUMBIA COUNTY FAIR

If you are a fan of Bon Jovi, you will love Raise Your Hands, a tribute band that captures the spirit and energy of the legendary rockers. Raise Your Hands performs all the classic hits and deep cuts from Bon Jovi's extensive catalog, with authentic vocals, guitars, keyboards, and drums.

Whether you want to rock out to "Livin' on a Prayer," sing along to "Always," or sway to "Bed of Roses," Raise Your Hands will make you feel like you are at a Bon Jovi concert.

Raise Your Hands will appear at the Grandstand Sunday, September 3 at 7 p.m.

The 182nd Columbia County Fair is located off Route 66 in Chatham. Opening day is Wednesday, August 30, at noon. The fair concludes on Monday, September 4. General Admission is \$13 and includes parking and all entertainment.

Daily hours are Wednesday: noon to 11 p.m., Thursday to

Monday: 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Seniors Day and Veterans Day is Wednesday with special pricing at \$5 for all patrons. Youth under 18 and active military with ID or in uniform are admitted free that day. Children 12 and under are always free.

Advance tickets are \$10 per single day admission and are available online and at the Fair Administration Office until August 29. Advance tickets will also be available for purchase at all Bank of Greene County branch offices August 1 to 29.

Visit www.columbiafair.com

EVENTS *Calendar*

To have an event listed here, send the information (including date, time, street address and cost if any) via email to news@columbiapaper.com or mail to The Columbia Paper, PO Box 482, Ghent, NY 12075-0482, at least two weeks before the event.

Because of the high volume of workshop listing requests, we can list only workshops that are free, free-will donations or where all proceeds support a nonprofit community organization.

AREA ATTRACTIONS

AUSTERLITZ HISTORY CENTER, 812 Rt 203, Spencertown. History of Austerlitz area from 1750s to date. Exhibit: Education in Austerlitz from 1800s to 1970s. Open Sat, 9-11 am, or by appointments: 518 392-7207.

CLERMONT STATE HISTORIC SITE, 1 Clermont Ave. 500 acres on Hudson River. Grounds, hiking trails open daily, 8:30 am-sunset, free. Tours Thurs-Sun, 11 am-4 pm, \$7 adults, \$6 students/seniors, under 12 free. Visitor Center open Fri-Sun, 10:30 am-4 pm. 518 537-4240, nysparks.com/historic-sites/16/details.aspx.

COLUMBIA COUNTY MUSEUM & LIBRARY, 5 Albany Ave, Kinderhook. Research library, galleries featuring rotating exhibits. Galleries open Sat & Sun, 11 am-4 pm, admission \$5. Research appointments 7 days a week by advance request. cchsny.org. 518 758-9265.

COPAKE IRON WORKS, 35 Valley View Rd, Copake Falls. 15-min self-guided tour available on website, podcast providers. Trails open. info@friendsoftsp.org, 518 329-3251.

FASNY MUSEUM OF FIREFIGHTING, 117 Harry Howard Ave, Hudson. Wed-Sun 10 am-4:30 pm, closed major holidays. Adults \$12, children 2-17 \$8, under 2 free, family rate (2 adults & their 2 children) \$25. 518 822-1875 fasnyfiremuseum.com.

ICHABOD CRANE SCHOOLHOUSE & 1737 Luykas Van Alen House, 2589 Rt 9H, Kinderhook. Open select weekends, 11 am-4 pm. Grounds & trails, including free outdoor exhibit, Early Heritage of Columbia County, open daily dawn to dusk. cchsny.org. 518 758-9265.

JAMES VANDERPOEL HOUSE, 16 Broad St, Kinderhook. Circa-1820 Federal home featuring exhibition galleries, museum shop. Sat & Sun, 11 am-4 pm, admission \$5 (no entry fee for shop). cchsny.org, 518 758-9265.

LIVINGSTON HISTORY BARN, behind Town Hall, 119 CR 19, Weds. & Sat. 10 am-1 pm, or by appt. Collection of items from colonial times through present: personal items, military uniforms, farm implements, more. 518 851-7637.

MARTIN VAN BUREN National Historic Site, 1013 Old Post Rd, Kinderhook. Grounds & trails open year-round, 7 am-sunset. Daily tours at 10 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm. Half hour tours 11 am & noon. Visitors Center 9 am-4:30 pm. 518-758-9689. nps.gov/mava. MAVA_info@nps.gov.

MUD CREEK Environmental Learning Ctr, 1024 Rte 66, Ghent. Trails open daily, dawn to dusk. Trailhead next to pavilion, half-mile inner loop and one-mile outer loop returns to parking lot. Leashed dogs permitted. Free.

OLANA STATE HISTORIC SITE, 5720 Rt. 9G, Greenport, home & estate of Hudson River School painter Frederic Church. Tours of house & landscape, guided Fri-Sun, 11 am-3:30 pm. Visitors Center & Museum Store Tue-Sun 9:30 am-5 pm. 250-acre grounds daily, 8 am-sunset, free. olana.org. 518 828-0135.

OLD AUSTERLITZ, 11550 Rt 22. oldausterlitz.org.

RIDERS MILLS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, 112 Riders Mills Rd, Chatham. Original 1795 one-room school house, tour by graduate. Available by appointment Sat-Sun, 9 am-5 pm. 518 794-7264 or 518 794-7146.

ROBERT JENKINS HOUSE, 113 Warren St. Hudson. Open for library research, tours on scheduled days, by appointment. 518 828-9764, hudson-dar.org.

ROELIFF JANSEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM, 8 Miles Rd, Copake Fall. The First 40: A Celebration of Local History Preserved. Sat & Sun 2-4 pm. WWII exhibit on view on website: roeliffjansenhs.org. 518 329-0652.

SHAKER MUSEUM Mount Lebanon, 202 Shaker Rd, New Lebanon. Self-guided tours, pasture, hiking trails open. 518 794-9100. shakerml.org.

THOMAS COLE NAT'L HISTORIC SITE, 218 Spring St, Catskill. Home, studios of Hudson River School painter. Audio tours. Guided tours Fri-Sun, 10 am-4 pm. Tickets thomascole.org.

CONTINUING EVENTS

Mondays
HATHA YOGA, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 8:30-10 am. Roberta Roll leads all levels. Proceeds benefit library. Info: 518 329-0684. roejanlibrary.org/adult-programs.

Second Mondays
HEALTH CARE NAVIGATOR, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 11 am-4 pm. Get assistance shopping for, comparing, enrolling in health insurance, applying for financial assistance for health care coverage. Appointments 518 822-9600.

Last Mondays
NONFICTION BOOK GROUP, Hudson Area Library, virtual event, 6-7 pm. Registration, morton@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518-828-1792 X 101.

Mondays, Wednesdays
CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD PANTRY, 431 E Allen St, Hudson, open to those in need, Mon 9 am-noon, Wed noon-5 pm. Drop off monetary donations, non-perishable food, hygiene products at agency. 518 828-8660 X 125. Catholiccharitiescg.org.

MAH-JONG CLUB, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, Chatham, 10:30 am Mon, 2 pm Wed. For experienced players. Chathampubliclibrary.org, 518 392-3666.

GENTLE YOGA, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, noon, free. Courtney Aison leads gentle stretching, breathing exercises, individual poses. Bring yoga mat. chathampubliclibrary.org.

FIBER ARTS CIRCLE, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 1-3 pm, free. All levels, experiences welcome. claveracklibrary.org, 518 851-7120.

Mondays, Saturdays
COMMUNITY STRENGTH TRAINING, PS21, 2890 Rt 66, Chatham, 10 am, \$10. Led by Jennifer Lawrence of The Firm Exercise Studio. Pre-registration required: ps21chatham.org.

Tuesdays
TAI CHI, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 10 am, free. David Haines leads. claveracklibrary.org, 518 851-7120.

TAI CHI/QIGONG, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 10-11 am, free. Learn various Qigong sets, work on traditional Tai Chi Form with instructor Curt Anthon. Hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC, Col. Cty Dept of Health, 325 Columbia St, Hudson, 1-4 pm, free. Third Tuesday of month 4-6 pm. Many types of vaccines offered. By appointment only, 518 828-3358 (option #4). sites.google.com/a/columbia-countyny.com/health/health-clinics.

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COMMUNITY OUTPOST, Our Community Cares, 25 Hudson Ave, Chatham, 2-4 pm, free. Walk-ins encouraged, learn more about services offered, receive training on Narcan, be given Narcan kit. twincountyrecovery.org.

CHAIR YOGA, Chatham Public Library, virtual event, 4 pm, free. Kathy Schneider leads, all welcome. Registration: merka@chatham.k12.ny.us.

BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT CLASSES, Women's Health Center at CMH Campus, 71 Prospect Ave, Hudson, 4:30 pm, free. For pregnant women, breastfeeding moms & their families. 518 828-1400 to sign up or learn more.

First Tuesdays

BOOTS ON THE GROUND, High-N-Mighty, 71 CR 21C, Ghent, 6-7:30 pm. Veterans welcome for evening of equine activities full of hands-on experiences with the herd. Registration recommended, walk-ins welcome. Rachel@high-n-mighty.org, 518 965-3027, danaerin1222@gmail.com.

First & Third Tuesdays

CHATHAM WRITING GROUP, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 10:30 am. All writers welcome. chathampubliclibrary@chatham.k12.ny.us.

Second Tuesdays

TRI-VILLAGE SENIORS, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 1010 Kinderhook St, Valatie, 1 pm. Upcoming trip: July 25, Brownstone in Patterson, NJ, for Frank Sinatra tribute, \$70-\$80. clmatheke@nycap.rr.com.

Third Tuesdays

TECH HELP, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave or virtual, 2:45-5 pm. One-on-one session with tech expert Lloyd the Geek for help with laptops, tablets, smart phones. Appointments 518 392-3666. chathampubliclibrary.org.

BOARD MEETING, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 6 pm. Public welcome. For more information, email director@roejanlibrary.org.

Last Tuesdays

SENIOR COFFEE HOUR, Hillside House, 1 Anthony St, 10-11:30 am. Coffee, donuts, conversation. July: Rachel Cole from Healthcare Consortium shares tips for aging in place. jslapenn@gmail.com.

Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday

COLUMBIA COUNTY DWYER PROGRAM FOOD PANTRY, 389 Fairview Ave, Hudson, 9 am-noon. Supports local veterans. Hours flexible if needed. 518 828-3610.

Tuesdays, Thursdays

COVID VACCINATION CLINIC, Columbia County Department of Health, 325 Columbia St, Hudson, 1-3:30 pm. columbia-countynyhealth.com.

Wednesdays

COFFEE & CONNECTION, Chamber of Commerce, 1 N Front St, Hudson, 8:30-9:30 am. Bring beverage for informal conversation, networking. columbiachamber-ny.com.

STD CLINIC, Columbia County Dept of Health, 1st Floor, 325 Columbia St, Hudson, 9-10 am, free, no appointment needed. STD testing, treatment, counseling; HIV testing, counseling; all services private, confidential. 518 828-3358. sites.google.com/a/columbiacounty-ny.com/health/health-clinics.

COMMUNITY OUTPOST, Our Community Cares, New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Rt 22, noon-3 pm, free. Walk-ins encouraged, learn more about services offered, receive training on Narcan, be given Narcan kit. twincountyrecovery-services.org.

CHATHAM/GHENT SENIORS, West Ghent Reformed Church, 1039 CR 22, 1 pm. Refreshments, guest speaker. Oct: Mark Clarke speaks about County veterans who served in several wars. ghentny@hotmail.com.

ENGLISH CLASS, Hudson Area Library, virtual event, 6-8 pm, free. For adults who want to improve reading, writing, English speaking skills. Free childcare available. Class

COMMUNITY SERVICE & FELLOWSHIP, Kinderhook Tri-Village Rotary, virtual event, 6:30 pm, free. Zoom link, KTVRotary@gmail.com.

Second & Fourth Wednesdays

SOUP SALE, Philmont Public Library, 101 Main St, 3:30-5:30 pm. Premade soups available for pick up. Soups announced a week in advance. Orders 518 672-5010. philmontlibrary.com.

NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP, Kinderhook Memorial Library, 18 Hudson St, 6-7:30 pm. Peer-led support group for family members, caregivers, loved ones of individuals living with mental illness. Virtual link available. Registration: namiccny.org/event/virtual-family-support-group/2023-02-01. Info: 518 336-0246, namiccny@gmail.com.

Fourth Wednesdays

BOOK GROUP, Hudson Area Library, virtual event, 5-6 pm. Registration, programs@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518-828-1792 X101.

COOKBOOK CLUB, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 6 pm. Take on recipes, meet at library for potluck. Copies of month's book available at circulation desk. RSVP: bit.ly/Jan_CPLCookbookClub. chathampubliclibrary.org.

Thursdays

HATHA YOGA, Roe Jan Community Library, virtual event, 9-10:30 am, donation. Gentle yoga with Roberta Roll. Info: 518 329-0384.

YOGA, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 10 am, free. Brooke Murray leads combination chair & mat yoga. claveracklibrary.org, 518 851-7120.

PILATES, PS21, 2890 Rt 66, Chatham, 10:30 am, \$20. Led by Peggy Wallin-Hart. Through Oct 5. Registration: ps21chatham.org.

QIGONG & TAI CHI, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 10:30-11:30 am, free. Drop in class, open to all. Wear comfortable clothing. Will be outside weather permitting or in library. roejanlibrary.org, 518 325-4101.

QIGONG, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, noon, free. Led by Curt Anthon. Suitable for all ages, abilities. merka@chatham.k12.ny.us.

COMMUNITY OUTPOST, Our Community Cares, Philmont Community Center, 14 Lake Dr, 2-4 pm, free. Walk-ins encouraged, learn more about services offered, receive training on Narcan, be given Narcan kit. twincountyrecovery-services.org.

CHESS CLUB, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 3:30-5 pm. Open to all ages, skill levels. roejanlibrary.org.

CONTEMPLATIVE DANCE PRACTICE, TSL, 434 Columbia St, Hudson, 5-6 pm, \$5-\$15. Barbara Dilley leads movement/meditation class. All welcome, no previous experience with dance or meditation needed. Registration timeand-space.org/dance-yoga.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TUTORING, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 6-7:30 pm, by appointment. One-on-one or group sessions for adults. Childcare provided for ages 3 & up. Appointments: director@roejanlibrary.org, 518 325-4101.

JUPITER NIGHTS, Basilica Hudson, 110 S Front St, 7 pm, \$12 advanced, \$15 at door, \$10 advanced for Hudson residents with discount code. Regional musicians and creatives present concerts, poetry readings, conversational gatherings, art exhibits, DJ nights, more. basilicahudson.org/programs/jupiter-nights.

WEEKLY IMPROV, Lightforms Art Center, 743 Columbia St, Hudson, 7-9 pm, free. Safe, non-competitive space to explore art of theatre improvisation together. lightformsart-center.com.

First Thursdays

CHATHAM ROOTS GENEALOGY, Chatham Public Library, virtual event, 3-4 pm, free. Michelle LeClair leads beginners & experts in search for family. Space limited, registration michelle@leclairdesign.com.

MEMOIR WRITING GROUP, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 5-7 pm. Share stories in supportive environment. 518 325-4101, roejanlibrary.org.

Second Thursdays

HEALTH CARE NAVIGATOR, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 1-3 pm, free. Assistance shopping for, comparing, enrolling in health insurance, applying for financial assistance for health care coverage. Appointments 518 822-9600.

BOARD MEETING, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 6 pm. Public welcome. Agenda & materials on website week ahead of time. 518 794-8844. newlebanonlibrary.org.

Third Thursdays

BOOK MARKS CLUB, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 1-2 pm, free. Nonfiction book group. Led by Robin Gottlieb. circulation@roejanlibrary.org, 518 325-4101.

NY CONNECT PROGRAM, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 1-4 pm, free. Get information, help connecting with services including home care, respite care, care coordination, caregiver supports, transportation, home-delivered meals. 518 828-2273, 800 342-9871.

BOARD MEETING, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 6 pm. Public welcome. claveracklibrary.org.



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Elizaville Methodist Church hosts free outdoor concert

The Elizaville Methodist Church will present a "Show Tunes and Movie Themes Musical Concert" on Saturday, July 29 beginning at 6:15 p.m. The concert will be held on the church grounds, located on County Route 2 & 19. Stuart Dods, the church organist, and his daughter, Kathryn Graff, have a rich history of playing music and giving performances. There will be refreshments available to purchase and free-will offerings are accepted. Bring a comfortable chair and enjoy some musical entertainment with family and friends on a summer evening under the stars. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be held inside the church building. For more information, call 516 978-8597.

WALKING GROUP, Harlem Valley Rail Trail Parking lot between Herrington's & Roe Jan Brewing, Hillside, 9:30 am. Organized by Hillside Safe at Home. Water, bug spray provided. Weather permitting. 518 265-6789.

YOGA, PS21, 2980 Rt 66, Chatham, 10:30 am, \$20. Led by Sondra Loring. Registration: ps21chatham.org.

SENIORS ROCK, Canaan Town Hall, 1647 Rt 5, 10:30 am-1:30 pm, \$3 donation. Lunch, speakers, entertainment, games. Information, volunteer to help 518 781-0028, sguelpa@gmail.com.

meets virtually when Library closed. Registration 518 828-1792, colgreene@literacyconnections.org.

GRANGE SPEAKER SERIES, Copake Grange, virtual event, 7 pm, free. Speakers, topics focused on agriculture & food, environment, history, education. To present: copakegrange@gmail.com.

First & Third Wednesdays TACONIC TOASTMASTERS, CC Chamber of Commerce, 1 N Front St, Hudson, 5:30-6:30 pm, free. Participants improve speaking & leadership skills. Guests welcome. 518 929-5866, taconic.toastmaster-sclubs.org.

Fourth Thursdays

TEA TIME AT THE LIBRARY, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 2:30 pm, free. Tea, coffee, socialize. Roejanlibrary.org, 518 325-4101.

Fridays

ROE JAN FOOD PANTRY, 2684 Rt 23 (basement of the Sheriff's Substation), Hillsdale, 10 am-noon with appointments as needed. Call ahead if possible: Betty White 518 325-3977 or Vernetta Moore 413 446-9431. Questions roejanfoodpantry@gmail.com.

CHAIR YOGA, Roe Jan Community Library, virtual event, 10-11:15 am, free. Gentle movement, balancing, stretching, breath-work, guided visualization. Sturdy, armless chair needed. Login code roejanlibrary.org/adult-programs.

FUTURE FRIDAYS CLIMATE VIGIL, Chatham Village Green, 3-4 pm. All invited to raise awareness of current climate emergency. Information climatebart@gmail.com.

TECH TALKS, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, by appt. Use library laptop or bring your own. Call 518 794-8844 to make an appt.

OPEN MIC WITH LOKI, Lightforms Art Center, 743 Columbia St, Hudson, 8-10 pm. Refreshments provided, donations appreciated. lightformsart-center.com.

First & Third Fridays

LEBANON VALLEY SENIORS, New Lebanon Firehouse, 523 Rt 20, 1 pm. For ages 55 & up. New members welcome. 518 733-0009, lebanonseniorcitizens@gmail.com.

Second Fridays

CLAVERACK SENIORS, Reformed Dutch Church, 88 Rt 9H, Claverack, 1 pm. Upcoming trip: July 26, Erie Canal \$35-\$45, food on own. New members welcome. Sign up: 518 610-1766.

CLASSIC MOVIES & COFFEE, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 2 pm, free. claveracklibrary.org.

STAR PARTY, Lake Taghkanic State Park, West Beach Parking Lot, 1528 Rt 82, Gallatin, time changes, free. Mid-Hudson Astronomical Association. Bring telescopes, binoculars, use those provided. RSVP required one day before, meetup.com/mhastro/events/275468188.

Saturdays

PARENT-TO-PARENT Support Group, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 9:30 am, free. For parents, guardians at any stage of parenting. claveracklibrary.org, 518 851-7120.

CLOTHING BARN, North Chatham United Methodist Church, 4274 Rt 203, 9:30 am-12:30 pm. Bring clothing, shoe donations. 518 766-3535, northchathammethodistchurch.org.

ROE JAN FRIENDS BOOKSHOP, basement of Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 10 am-2 pm. Used books, CDs and DVDs at low prices. Masks required. @roejanfriendsbookshop.

BARGAIN SHOP, Copake United Methodist Church, 1668 CR 7A, 10 am-2 pm. Clothes, household goods. Shop accepts donations of clothes, serviceable household goods, drop items off in outer vestibule any time.

UKULELE JAMS, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 10:30 am, free. Carmen Borgia leads all ages. Ukuleles available from library. chatham.lib.ny.us.

First Saturdays

PROSE WRITERS GROUP, Roe Jan Community Library, virtual event. Safe environment offers support, feedback to writers of all levels working on fiction, non-fiction, memoir, essay, Haiku. To join: 914 954-3494.

COMMUNITY GIVING, Copake Grange, 628 Empire Rd, 10 am-noon. Healthy nonperishable foods; personal hygiene products; nutritional snacks (individual packets); winter hats, gloves, sox, boots. Limited supply NK95 masks to pick up, limit 2 per person. copakegrange.org

FIRST WEEKEND WANDERINGS, Olana State Historic Site, 5720 Rt 9G, Greenport, noon-1 pm, free. Guided walking tour covering 1 mile of artist-designed landscape; wear weather-appropriate clothes, footwear. Tickets olana.org/programs-events.

Second Saturdays

2ECOND SATURDAY Hudson Gallery Crawl, locations vary, 5-8 pm. Galleries, restaurants, shops open late. Pop-up galleries, markets, buskers, concerts, food trucks, community activated art programming. hudsongallerycrawl.com, IG: @hudsongallerycrawl.

Third Saturdays

COOKBOOK CLUB, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 2-3:30 pm, free. Choose cookbook, recipe to prepare & share at next meeting; bring recipes to share with fellow foodies. Sign up: outreach@roejanlibrary.org, 518 325-4101.

Fourth Saturdays

MOUNT LEBANON WORK CREW, Historic Mount Lebanon Site, 202 Shaker Rd, New Lebanon, 9:30 am-noon. Maintain seasonal growth, contain spread of invasive species around Great Stone Barn & North Family Site. No minimum commitment needed. Registration shakermuseum.us/events.

ANIME MONTHLY MOVIE, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 1 Pm, free. Check website for details: claveracklibrary.org.

First Sundays

BOOK GROUP, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 11 am. Newlebanonlibrary.org.

FUN ON FIRST SUNDAY, Clark Institute, 225 South St, Williamstown, noon-5 pm. Free admission, activities between 1-4 pm. www.clarkart.edu.

First & Third Sundays

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS, Kinderhook Memorial Library, 18 Hudson Ave, 2 pm, free. For adults. Learn basics, explore new formats, meet new people, develop your characters. kinderhooklibrary.org.

ROE JAN BLUEGRASS BAND, Roe Jan Brewing Co, 32 Anthony St, Hillsdale, 5:30-8 pm, free, tips for musicians encouraged.

Second & Fourth Sundays

LUKE FRANCO, Roe Jan Brewing Co, 32 Anthony St, Hillsdale, 6-8:30 pm, free, tips for musicians encouraged.

Third Sunday

CROCHET CLUB, Germantown Library, 31 Palatine Park Rd, 10 am-noon. Bring your projects, meet other people. Social distanced seating. germantownlibrary.org.

FARMERS MARKETS

Fridays

CHATHAM, 248 Rt 295, 3-7 pm. Vendors, entertainment, special events. Rain or shine. Schedule, more: visitchathamny.com/chatham-farms-market. Through Oct 6.

Saturdays

COPAKE HILLSDALE, Roe Jan Park, Rt 22, Copake, 9 am-1 pm. Vendors, music, children's activities, more. Through Nov 18. copakehilldalefarmermarket.com.

KINDERHOOK, intersection of Rt 9 & Hudson St, 8:30 am-12:30 pm. Over 25 vendors, live music, food, special events. kinderhookfarmersmarket.com.

HUDSON, corner of 6th St & Columbia St, 9 am-1 pm. Over 30 vendors, food, live music. Through Nov 18. hudsonnyfarmersmarket@gmail.com, 518 300-3496.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Through August 13

BARD SUMMERSCAPE, Bard Fisher Center, 60 Manor Rd, Annandale, admission. Full schedule, tickets: fishercenter.bard.edu/whats-on/programs/summerscape.

Through September 15

CALLING ALL PERFORMING ARTISTS for works-in-progress for 2024 Mark DeGarmo Virtual Salon Performance Series for Social Change. Details: markdegarmodance.org/performance. Applications: forms.gle/VEswdbTg6ivbnF1QA.

July 20

FUNFEST 2023, Copake Memorial Park, 230 Mountain View Rd, 6-9 pm, \$65, under 5 free. Food by The Nosh food truck, music by The Wild Weeds, silent auction. Tickets at the Church Street Deli & Copake General Store. Questions: ellenlangton@gmail.com.

MAKE IT & TAKE IT, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 6:30 pm, free. Craft meetup for adults. Shibori tie-dye scarf. Materials provided. Newlebanonlibrary.org, 518 794-8844.

July 21

BLOOD DRIVE, Canaan Fire Co, 2126 Rt 295, 1-6 pm. Appointments: redcrossblood.org, 800 733-2767, Red Cross Blood Donor App.

July 21-24

UPSTATE ART WEEKEND, locations vary in Hudson Valley. Map & participants: upstateartweekend.org.

July 22

COMMUNITY SING-A-LONG, Canaan Congregational Church, corner of Rt 295 & CR 5, Canaan, 4 pm, free. Songs of the 1960s & 1970s with Catharine Schane-Lydon. 518 781-4775, redchurch@canaanucc.org.



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July 24
HONOR A VETERAN, Supervisors Chambers, 401 State St, Hudson, 9 am. Committee honors Tech 5 Peter Mixa of Hudson. Public welcome. joann.concra@columbiacounty.com.

July 28
FLOATING FRIDAY, Hand Hollow Conservation Area, 451 Gale Hill Rd, New Lebanon, 9 am-noon, free. Volunteers help pull invasive water chestnuts out of Meizinger Lake. Some kayaks available, can bring your own. Registration: clctrust.org/events.

WHAT'S COOKING

Wednesdays
FOOD TRUCK WEDNESDAY, Claverack Free Library, 9 Rt 9H, 5-7:30 pm. Rotation of local food trucks. claveracklibrary.org.

July 29
ANNUAL MEETING & BBQ, Copake Iron Works, 35 Valley View Rd, Copake Falls, 6 pm, \$35. Supper follows Friends of Taconic State Park meeting. Public welcome. BYOB. Tickets: FTSPBB2023.eventbrite.com, 518 329-3251.

FOR KIDS Continuing

Mondays
SHAKE & SHOUT TODDLER STORYTIME, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 10:30 am, free. For ages 1-3. Sing, dance, listen to story. Chathampubliclibrary.org.

FAMILY MUSIC & MOVEMENT STORY TIME, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 4 pm, free. Led by Abbey Lappen. Claveracklibrary.org.

First & Third Mondays
LEGO CLUB, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 4 pm, free. Registration kleinr@chatham.k12.ny.us.

Mondays & Wednesdays
THE MENTOR IS IN, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 3-6 pm, free. One-on-one appointments for writing & career help for teens with Wally Rubin. Chathampubliclibrary.org.

Tuesdays
PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 10 am, free. Led by Deb Wiede. Claveracklibrary.org.

ELEMENTARY ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 1 pm, free. For grades 1-5. Claveracklibrary.org.

YOUTH DJ WORKSHOP, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 3-5 pm, free. Series of studio days, vinyl record shopping field trips, final performance. Through Aug 15. Registration: programs@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792 x101.

Second Tuesdays
BYO BOOK CLUB, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 3:30 pm, free. For ages 8-12. Come talk about latest favorite read. Registration: kleinr@chatham.k12.ny.us, 518 392-3666.

Wednesdays
LIBRARY PLAYGROUP, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 10:15 am-12:15 pm, free. For caregivers & children ages 0-5. No registration required. chathampubliclibrary.org.

STORY TIME, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 10 am, free. For toddlers-kindergarten with Debbie Wiede. claveracklibrary.org, 518 851-7120.

PLAYGROUP FOR CAREGIVERS & CHILDREN, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 10:15 am-12:15 pm, free. Play, socialize with other families. For children ages 0-5. chathampubliclibrary.org.

SMALL WONDERS STORY TIME, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 10:30 am, free. Younger patrons up to 35 months join Miss Ann for songs, movement, stories. Newlebanonlibrary.org, 518 794-8844.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 11 am, free. Ages 3-6 join Miss Ann for songs, movement, stories. newlebanonlibrary.org, 518 794-8844.

CRAFTING KINDNESS, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 11 am-noon. Make fun summer crafts to send Ghent Rehabilitation & Nursing Center to decorate facility. Option to make one for yourself too. Through Aug 16. Registration: programs@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792 x101.

HOMESCHOOL WEDNESDAYS, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 1-2 pm, free. Reading, activity, for home-schoolers & their families. Through end of school year. Roejanlibrary.org.

STORY TIME, Canaan Library, 1647 CR 5, 2 pm. Join Ms Becky for stories, songs, crafts, games. For ages 3-8. chathampubliclibrary.org.

CRAFTING FOR MONEY, Hudson Area Library, 5 N 51 St, 3-5 pm, free. Craft entrepreneurship for grades 6-12. Learn how to start business, develop craft & design skills. Through Aug 9. Space limited: registration: youth@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792.

LEGO CLUB, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 4 pm. For grades 2-5. claveracklibrary.org.

HOMEWORK HELP, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 5-7 pm. Tutors available for grades 3-8. Small group study spaces also available. 518 851-7120, info@claveracklibrary.org

Wednesdays, Saturdays
PLAYTIME WITH TIA, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 10:30 am, free. Open to preschoolers & families. Socialize, play, craft. roejanlibrary.org.

Thursdays
BABY & ME, Claverack Free Library, 9 Rt 9H, 11 am, free. Interactive baby & caregiver storytime. Runs through Aug 17. Registration suggested: info@claveracklibrary.org, 518 851-7120.

LEGO THURSDAYS, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, noon-8 pm. Roejanlibrary.org, 518 325-4101.

MOVEMENT & MUSIC, Hudson Area Library, 5 N 5th St, 4-5 pm, free. With Abbey Lappen. Celebrate spring with songs, stories, fun motions. Through Aug 24. programs@hudsonarealibrary.org.

HOMEWORK HELP, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Copake, 5-7 pm. K-12 homework assistance available in English & Spanish. Se habla Espanol. Roejanlibrary.org, 518 325-4101.

DIVERSIFY TEEN GROUP, Taconic Hills High School, virtual event, 7 pm, free. Social justice groups. Collaboration with Pine Plains High School. Email for link, diversifypineplains@gmail.com.

Third Thursdays
GRAB 'N GO SCIENCE KIT, New Lebanon Library, virtual event. Pick up supplies from library (550 Rt 20), tune into blog for instructions. newlebanonlibrary.org.

Fridays
PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 10:30 am, free. Ms. Becky leads stories, songs, take-home craft. For ages 3-5. chathampubliclibrary.org

PLAY GROUP, Kinderhook Memorial Library, 18 Hudson St, 10:30 am-12:30 pm, free. For ages 0-5. Unstructured play time, craft, socializing. kinderhooklibrary.org.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON AT THE LIBRARY, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 3 pm, free. Various activities. Rain or shine. For ages 5 & up Through Aug 11. Chathampubliclibrary.org, 518 392-3666.

Saturdays
ART WORKSHOPS, Art Omi, 1405 CR 22, Ghent, 10 am-noon, \$18/child or \$30/two siblings. For ages 5-12. Developmentally-appropriate projects encouraging curiosity, experimentation, creative thinking. Registration: artomi.org/education/saturday-childrens-workshops.

First Saturdays
DUNGEONS & DRAGONS, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, noon, free. For beginners. Children led by adult dungeon master through complicated role playing game. Space limited for each adventure, reservations: claveracklibrary.org.

Fourth Saturdays
ANIME CLUB, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, noon, free. Teens, tweens welcome for anime film screening. Details: claveracklibrary.org.

July 20
FAMILY UKULELE PROGRAM, N Chatham Free Library, 4287 Rt 203, 4 pm, free. Learn fundamentals of playing; no experience needed, ukuleles provided. Registration: registernorthchathamlibrary@gmail.com. Northchathamlibrary.org.

July 21
TEEN LIBRARY TAKEOVER, Kinderhook Memorial Library, 18 Hudson St, 4-10 pm, free. For grades 6-12. Movies, gaming, pizza, art, buttons, more. Registration required: teens@kinderhooklibrary.org, kinderhooklibrary.org, 518 758-6192.

July 21, 28 August 4, 11
DROP IN HUDSON FISHING PROGRAM, Nutton Hook, Ice House Rd, Stuyvesant, 9 am-noon, free. Equipment, fishing instruction provided. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult to fish. ccsacd.org/mud-creek-elc.html.

July 22
WATER WARS, FASNYS Museum of Firefighting, 117 Harry Howard Ave, Hudson, 10:30 am-noon, free. Learn how to operate fire hose with Greenport Fire Company. Rain or shine. fasnysfiremuseum.com.

CRAFTY KIDS SUMMER VACATION CRAFT DAY, Clermont State Historic Site, 1 Clermont Ave, 11 am-1 pm, \$5. Make colorful sea turtles, paint birdhouse, make mask, let imagination run wild. Light instruction offered. Space limited, registration: friendsoclermont.org/events.

July 22-23, August 5-6
UNPLUGGED VICTORIAN STYLE, Martin Van Buren Nat'l Historic Site, 1013 Old Post Rd, Kinderhook, 10 am-3 pm, free. 19th century games, crafts for whole family. 518 758-9689, nps.gov/mava.

July 25
TEEN PIZZA PORTRAITS, Stuyvesant Town Hall, 5 Sunset Dr, 1-2 pm, free. Create your image on pizza bagel. No registration required, let library know of food allergies. kinderhooklibrary.org, 518 758-6192.

DOMINO RUN, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 1:30 pm, free. For all ages. Work together to design & build domino runs. Newlebanonlibrary.org, 518 794-8844.

ENERGY BURSTS, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 3:30 pm, free. For ages 7-11. Mad Science of the Capital District leads exploration of kinetic energy. Registration: kleinr@chatham.k12.ny.us. chathampubliclibrary.org, 518 392-3666.

July 27
LOVE BUG CLIPS, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 1:30 pm, free. Hear story, make clips to give out. Newlebanonlibrary.org, 518 794-8844.

PAPER HEART PUPPETS, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 3:30 pm, free. For ages 5 & up. Cardboard Kingdom Workshop & Show. Make puppet to be in show with original story. Space limited, registration: kleinr@chatham.k12.ny.us, 518 392-3666.

ANIMAL MENAGERIE PROGRAM, N Chatham Free Library, 4287 Rt 203, 4 pm, free. Presented by the Audubon Society; learn how to nurture wildlife where birds & people thrive. Northchathamlibrary.org.

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July 27, 28

HACK THE LIBRARY 3D MAPPING, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 10 am-3 pm, free. Rebecca Borrer & Kole Kovacs lead workshop creating art using Photogrammetry. Space limited, registration: programs@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792 x101.

July 28

FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 6:30 pm, free. Friends-themed trivia. Snacks provided. Newlebanonlibrary.org, 518 794-8844.

AT THE MOVIES

Through July 29

MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE - DEAD RECKONING PART I, Crandell Theatre, 48 Main St, Chatham, times vary, \$11. Tickets: crandelltheatre.org.

July 21

COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 6:30 pm, free. Visit website for title: Newlebanonlibrary.org, 518 794-8844.

July 26

PHILIP GLASS'S AKHNATEN, TSL, 434 Columbia St, Hudson, 6 pm, \$25. Met Opera Live in HD. Tickets: timeand-space.org.

July 28

AILEY II, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 5:30 pm, free. Includes panel discussion. Space limited, registration required: youth@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792 x101.

July 28-August 3

BARBIE, Crandell Theatre, 48 Main St, Chatham, times vary, \$11. Tickets: crandelltheatre.org.

MAKING MUSIC

First Friday

LINDA WORSTER, New Lebanon Library, 6:30 pm, singer/songwriter gives virtual concert. Visit newlebanonlibrary.org day of concert for login details.

OPEN MIC NIGHT, Copake Grange, 628 Empire Rd, 7-9 pm, free, all ages. All welcome to perform music, stories, skits, readings, poetry, dance, songs or come to be entertained. Donations accepted. Copakegrange.org.

July 20

MUSIC IN THE PARK, Claverack Town Park, 91 Church St, grounds open 6 pm, music 7-9 pm, free. Music by DJ Jack Bogarski; promotion for Everlasting Hope Animal Rescue; bring donations of pet food, blankets, etc, for homeless pets. Refreshments to purchase. 518 851-7570.

July 21

ASTON MAGNA, Hudson Hall, 327 Warren St, 7 pm, \$40 advanced/\$50 at door, \$15 for under 30 with ID. Baroque Celebration II. Tickets: hudson-hall.org.

July 22

ARMEN DONELIAN TRIO, Isaan Thai Star, 41 N 7th St, Hudson, 6 pm. With David Clark & George Schuller. armendonelian.com.

MUSIC IN THE PARK, Copake Memorial Park, 305 Mountain View Rd, 6-8 pm, free. Lucky Bucket. Food & refreshments available for purchase. townof-copake.org.

TODD ALMOND & KATE DOUGLAS: THE LUCKY FEW, Circa 1799 Barn, Ancramdale, 7:30 pm, \$40, students \$15. Songwriters & performers celebrate new musical. Tickets: ancramoperahouse.org.

July 23

SUNDAY CONCERT, Stuyvesant Town Hall, 5 Sunset Dr, 3 pm, free. Featuring Sonny & Perley with guest Lou Pappas. Kinderhooklibrary.org, 518 758-6192.

July 29

BLUES FEST 2023, TSL, 434 Columbia St, Hudson, 4 pm, \$12.50. Parking Lot Live featuring The Blues Marshals and friends. Rain or shine. BYOB. Tickets: timeand-space.org.

MUSIC IN THE PARK, Copake Memorial Park, 305 Mountain View Rd, 6-8 pm, free. Dusk Til Dawn. Food & refreshments available for purchase. Townofcopake.org.

SHOW TUNES & MOVIE THEMES, Elizaville Methodist Church, CR 2 & CR 19, 6:15 pm, freewill offering. Outdoor concert, bring chair. In case of inclement weather, concert will be in church. 516 978-8597.

LISTEN & LEARN

Ongoing

DIGITAL NAVIGATOR COMPUTER & Internet Help, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave. Help find low-cost options for broadband internet & devices; find resources to learn computer skills and internet basics. In-person or virtual appointments, 518 392-3666, chathampubliclibrary@chatham.k12.ny.us.

DRIVE THROUGH HISTORY Road Trips, Columbia County Historical Society, free. Explore Columbia County with themed self-guided road trips. Itineraries: cchsny.org/drive-through-history.html.

ONE-ON-ONE JOB SEARCH HELP, Hudson Area Library, virtual event. Beth Gordon helps with resume, brushing up interview skills. Appointments programs@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792 X 101.

July 20

VOLUNTEER WORKDAY, Hand Hollow Conservation Area, 451 Gale Hill Rd, New Lebanon, 4:30-6:30 pm, free. Learn how to use tools, identify plants, maintain trails. Expect to hike while carrying tools. All experience levels welcome. Registration: clctrust.org.

WHAT'S THE BUZZ: From the Hive to the Honey, Greenport Community Center, 500 Town Hall Dr, 6 pm, free. Beekeeper talks about biodiversity of bees & beekeeping with live hive demonstration. Refreshments served. Guy.apicella@outlook.com, 518 567-5105.

FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING, Gallatin Town Hall, 667 CR 7, 6:30 pm. Public welcome. gallatinfiredistrict@yahoo.com.

July 21 HUDSON VALLEY INTERTRIBAL NOISE SYMPOSIUM, Art Omi, 1405 CR 21, Ghent, doors open 5:30 pm, performances 6-8 pm, free. Performances by experimental sound artists. Open to all ages. artomi.org.

July 22 MANDALA WORKSHOP for Creativity & Relaxation, Claverack Free Library, 9 Rt 9H, 11 am-1 pm, free. Led by Alison Fox. For ages 12 & up. Materials provided, no experience needed. Registration: info@claveracklibrary.org, 518 851-7120.

CAPOEIRA WORKSHOP, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 3 pm, free. Taganyahu Swaby shares teachings through movement, accompanied with traditional music. Hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792 x101.

July 22, August 19 SELLER SEMINAR, Beach & Bartolo Realtors, 34 Main St, Chatham, 10 am, free. Receive information including: listing prep checklist, free home evaluation & local market report, staging referrals, other resources, more. Space limited, RSVP: 518 392-2700 X 118.

July 23 JESSE TORREY, JR, New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Rt 22, 2 pm, free. Glenn Fischer leads presentation on local resident who started first free public library. Light refreshments served. 518 894-8762, lvhs.secretary@gmail.com.

July 25 RACHEL COLE, Hillsdale's Safe at Home Committee Coffee Hour, Hillsdale House, 2634 State Rte 23, 10-11:30 am Consumer Assistance Programs Coordinator for Healthcare Consortium, Inc. is guest speaker. For a ride or more info call 518-265-6789

SO YOU WANT TO BE A CITIZEN SCIENTIST? Kinderhook Memorial Library, 18 Hudson St, 4 pm, free. Learn about how you can get involved in gathering scientific data with real-world results. Kinderhooklibrary.org, 518 758-6192.

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EVENTS Calendar

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July 26

TREES: CHOOSING, PLANTING & MAINTAINING, Roe Jan Community Library, 4101 Rt 22, Copake, 5:15-6:15 pm, free. Discussion, chance to get unbiased, expert opinion from Rob Covino on what kinds of plants do best, how, under what conditions. Roejanlibrary.org, 518 325-4101.

July 27

GREENPORT SENIORS, Greenport Community Center, Town Hall Rd, 1 pm, free. Speaker: Scott Mathias from Habitat for Humanity. Farmers Market coupons also available. Inhannett@gmail.com. **DANCE**

Through July 23

DORRANCE DANCE, Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Rd, Becket, times vary, \$60. Tickets: jacobspillow.org, 413 243-0745.

July 21

MYTHILI PRAKASH, Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Rd, Becket, 6 pm, chose what you pay. Tickets: jacobspillow.org, 413 243-0745.

July 22

THE SCHOOL AT JACOB'S PILLOW: CONTEMPORARY PERFORMANCE ENSEMBLE, Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Rd, Becket, 6 pm, chose what you pay. Tickets: jacobspillow.org, 413 243-0745.

RUNNERS, PS21, 2890 Rt 66, Chatham, 8:30 pm, \$10-\$45. North American Premiere by Cirk La Putyka (Czech Republic). Tickets: ps21chatham.org.

July 26-30

OONA DOHERTY/OD WORKS, Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Rd, Becket, times vary, \$60 & up. Tickets: jacobspillow.org, 413 243-0745.

July 26

RESIDENT ISLAND DANCE THEATER, Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Rd, Becket, 6 pm, chose what you pay. Tickets: jacobspillow.org, 413 243-0745.

July 27

ALMANAC DANCE CIRCUS THEATER, Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Rd, Becket, 6 pm, chose what you pay. Tickets: jacobspillow.org, 413 243-0745.

July 28

OYU ORO AFRO CUBAN EXPERIMENTAL DANCE ENSEMBLE, Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Rd, Becket, 6 pm, chose what you pay. Tickets: jacobspillow.org, 413 243-0745.

July 29

AILEY II DANCE PERFORMANCE, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 2 pm, free. Space limited, registration required: youth@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792 x101.

DUNHAM LEGACY PROJECT, Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Rd, Becket, 6 pm, \$15-\$35. Tickets: jacobspillow.org, 413 243-0745.

SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME, PS21, 2890 Rt 66, Chatham, 7 pm, \$10-\$35. Polka chinata choreographed by Alessandro Sciarroni (Italy). Tickets: ps21chatham.org.

ON STAGE

July 20

A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE, The Moviehouse, 48 Main St, Millerton, 6:30 pm, \$60. Live theatre event. Tickets: bit.ly/TMH-Streetcar.

July 20, 21

THE SKY IS FALLING, Chatham High School Auditorium, 50 Woodbridge Ave, 7 pm, \$8. Presented by Columbia County Youth Theatre. Tickets: ccyt.org or at door.

July 20-30

SOUND OF MUSIC, Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 Rt 203, Chatham, times vary, \$45. Musical. Tickets: machaydntheatre.org.

July 21-30

HENRY VIII, Sosnoff Theater, Bard Fisher Center, 60 Manor Rd, Annandale, times vary, \$25 & up. Saint-Saëns's opera. Tickets: fishercenter.bard.edu, 845 758-7900.

July 27-28

SEUSSICAL KIDS, Chatham High School Auditorium, 50 Woodbridge Ave, 7 pm, \$8. Presented by Columbia County Youth Theatre. Tickets: ccyt.org or at door.

ON VIEW

ART OMI, 1405 CR 22, Ghent. AD - WO: Groundwork, Jon Lott / Para Project: Bivouac for Models. Pippa Garner: \$ELL YOUR \$ELF, up through Oct 28. Benenson Center open daily 9 am-4 pm. artomi.org, 518 392-4747.

ART SCHOOL of Columbia County, 1198 Rt 21C, Ghent. Two Lives: Decadent Dreams and Extravagant Visions, up through Aug 1. Mon, Tue, Thurs, Sun noon-3 pm. 518 672-7140. Artschoolofcolumbiacounty.org.

ARTSEE GALLERY, 529 Warren St, Hudson. Scott Kilgour: Trash Vision, up through mid-summer. Thurs-Mon, noon-5 pm. Artsee hudson.com, 212-227-2400.

AUSTERLITZ HISTORY CENTER, 812 Route 203, Spencertown. Education in Austerlitz: schools from first one-room schools opened in early 1800s to closing in 1970. Up through end of 2023.

BASILICA HUDSON Back Gallery, 110 S Front St. Erika DeVries: Seven Sisters. basilicahudson.com.

BCB ART, 116 Warren St, Hudson. Spirit Family Unit. Thurs-Sun 12-6 pm & by appt. 518 828-4539, bcbart.com.

BLUE HILL Gallery, C-GCC, 4400 Rt 23, Greenport. 518 828-4181.

CALDWELL GALLERY Hudson, 355 Warren St. Slice of Summer: Online Exhibition, up through Sept 8. Fri-Sun 11 am-5 pm. 518 828-7087, jay@caldwellgalleryhudson.com.

CARRIE CHEN Gallery, 16 Railroad St, Gt Barrington. Thurs-Sun 11-5 pm. Carriechengallery.com.

CARRIE HADDAD Gallery, 622 Warren St, Hudson. The Summer Show, up through August 6. 11 am-5 pm, Tue by appt. 518 828-1915. Carrie haddadgallery.com.

CCS BARD Galleries, Hessel Museum of Art, 33 Garden Rd, Annandale. Erika Verzutti: Oil Moon, up through Oct 15. Timed entry only, tickets ccs.bard.edu/visit/reservations. Sun noon-5 pm.

CHATHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY, 11 Woodbridge Ave. Open library hours. chathampubliclibrary.org.

CLARK ART INSTITUTE, 225 South St, Williamstown. Promenades on Paper: Eighteenth-Century French Drawings from the Bibliothèque nationale de France. Tue-Sun, 10 am to 5 pm. clarkart.edu.

CLAVERACK Library, 629 Rt 23B. Birds, opens July 28, 5-7 pm; up through Sept 8. Open during library hours. claveracklibrary.org.

CLERMONT STATE HISTORIC SITE, 1 Clermont Ave. Visitor's Center: Spero Meliora: Life In The Land Of Livingston. Fri-Sun 10:30 am-4 pm. friendsofclermont.org.

COMET TIME STUDIO, 49 Summit St, Philmont. Sun, 1-5 pm, by appointment. 518 965-8665.

DAVIS ORTON Gallery, 114 Warren St, Hudson. Sat-Sun 11 am-5:30 pm, by appointment. davisortongallery.com. 518 567-4056.

D'ARCY SIMPSON ART WORKS, 409 Warren St, Hudson. Fri-Sun noon-5 pm.

ELIZABETH MOORE FINE ART, 105 Warren St, Hudson. Fri-Sun noon-6 pm. elizabethmoorefineart.com.

FASNY Museum of Firefighting, 117 Harry Howard Ave, Hudson, admission. Then, Now & Always: Firefighting from the Cradle of Rome through the 1900s. Wed-Sun 10 am-4:30 pm. 518 822-1875 fasnyfiremuseum.com.

510 WARREN STREET Gallery, 510 Warren St, Hudson. Anna Cypra Oliver: Margin & Verge, up through July 30. Fri & Sat, noon-6 pm, Sun noon-5 pm. 518 822-0510. 510warrenstreetgallery.com.

FLOW CHART SPACE, 348 Warren St, Hudson. Second & fourths Sats, 11 am-5 pm. flowchartfoundation.org/exhibitions.

FOUNDATION Gallery, Arts Ctr, C-GCC, 4400 Rt. 23, Greenport. Mon-Fri 9 am-5 pm. 518 828-4181 x 3241.

FRG OBJECTS & Design / Art, 217 Warren St, Hudson. Spectrum Observed, work by John Donovan. Thurs-Mon, 12-6 pm or by appt. 646 483-9109. Frgdesignart.com.

FRONT ROOM GALLERY, 727 Warren St, Hudson. 718 782-2556, frontroomles.com.

GALLERY @ 46, 46 Green St, Hudson. Sat 1-5 pm, Sun 1:30-4 pm & by appt. 518 303-6446. gallery.at46@gmail.com.

GALLERY@CREATE, 398 Main St, Catskill. Fri 4-7 pm, Sat & Sun 11 am-6 pm. createcouncil.org.

HENRY, 348 Warren St, Hudson. Fri-Sat noon-6 pm, Sun 11 am-4 pm. 518 828-2354.

HUDSON AMTRAK STATION, 69 S Front St. Richard Sandler: Subway Ontology. createcouncil.org.

HUDSON AREA LIBRARY, 51 N 5th St. Open library hours. hudsonarealibrary.org.

HUDSON HALL, 327 Warren St. Peter Superti & David Konigsberg, up through July 23. Tue-Fri, 9 am-5 pm, Sat & Sun, noon-5 pm. 518 822-1438. hudsonhall.org.

IZZY'S ROOM, 80 Green St, Hudson. On Friendship: Barry Bartlett, Elana Herzog, Arnie Zimmerman, up through Aug 20. arniezimmerman.com/izzys-room.

J. DAMIANI Gallery. 8 Anthony St, Hillsdale. Barns of Columbia County. By appt, jdamianigallery@gmail.com. Sat 11 am-4 pm.

JOYCE GOLDSTEIN Gallery, 19 Central Square, Chatham. Thurs-Sat 1-5 pm, Sunday 1-3 pm. 518 764-8989. joysgall@fairpoint.net.

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LOCAL MUSIC REVIEW

By Lorna Cherot Littleway

Emily Duff Band



Emily Duff

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By LORNA CHEROT LITTLEWAY

THE EMILY DUFF BAND closed out the spring/summer portion of the Roots and Shoots concerts series at the Spencertown Academy of Arts, Saturday, July 8.

The rockabilly quintet consists of Ms. Duff, lead guitar and vocals; Danny Ray, saxophone; Benny Landa, electric guitar; John Hamilton, bass guitar/background vocals; and Kenny Soule, drums/background vocals.

The group is a tight band. Ms. Duff describes their performance as a “musical conversation.”

A Queens, New York, native, Ms. Duff is a handsome woman – lean and long: arms, legs and neck. She sported a cowgirl look in shades of black and grey with rose-colored glasses. A twang completes the image of “urban cowgirl.”

The singing songwriter told an enthusiastic audience that she writes “at least one song a day.”

The 19-song set consisted of uptempo works and ballads mainly from two of her albums “Razor Blade Smile” and “Born on the Ground.” The Duff Band music runs the gamut of soul, blues, funk, punk and rock influences. Ms. Duff said that she occasionally includes a rendition of another songwriter’s work and offered up a very funky version of Carole King’s “Too Late Baby.”

Some favorites from the evening include: “Nicotine and Waiting,” “Done and Done,” “Don’t Hang the Moon on Me,” “We Aint Going Nowhere,” “Give Me Back My Love,” “Daddy’s Drunk Again,” “Another Goodbye” and “Misery.” The music was punctuated with amazing electric guitar and saxophone riffs.

Ms. Duff lamented that in the age of Spotify, a Swedish digital audio streaming service, “we [musicians] don’t make any money” recording. But “I’m going to do what I love to do.” She thanked the audience for coming out and “supporting original live music.”

The Spencertown Academy press release noted that the Emily Duff Band is not well known in the Hudson Valley. Here’s to hopin’ that Duff and company keep comin’ around.

KAATERSKILL Gallery, C-GCC, 4400 Rt 23, Greenport. Mon-Thurs 8 am-9 pm, Fri 8 am-4:30 pm, Sat noon-4 pm. 518 828-4181.

KINDERHOOK KNITTING MILL, 8 Hudson St. Fri & Sat 10 am-6 pm, Sun 11 am-4 pm. Shakermuseum.us, kinderhookknittingmill.com.

LABspace, 2642 Rt 23, Hillsdale. The Hills Have Eyes: Artists of Hillsdale & Neighbors, up through July 30. Sat & Sun 1-5 pm, no appt necessary. julielabspace@gmail.com. 917 749-2857. **LIGHTFORMS Art Center,** 743 Columbia St, Hudson. Brian Dickerson: Constructed Paintings & Drawings, up through Aug 20. Fri 3-7, Sat-Sun 11:30 am-5 pm. By appointment 917 330-6262. lightformsartcenter.com

LIMNER Gallery, 123 Warren St, Hudson. Global Crisis & Meltdown. By appt. 518 828-2343.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS & Creative Arts Gallery, 717 Columbia St, Hudson. Art/recovery books display. For information on artists & associated activities, stigmafree.art Donations for

operating costs accepted: facebook.com/Mental-Health-Awareness-and-Creative-Arts-Gallery-280179699521974.

NORMAN ROCKWELL Museum, 9 Glendale Rd / Rt 183, Stockbridge, MA. Tony Sarg: Genius at Play, through Nov 5. Mon-Tues/Thurs-Fri 10 am-4 pm, Sat-Sun 10 am-5 pm. Private tours available Wed. Admission. nrm.org.

OLANA State Historic Site, 5720 Rt 9G, Greenport. Terraforming: Olana’s Historic Photography Collection Unearthed, up through Oct 29. 518 828-0135. Olana.org.

PAMELA SALISBURY Gallery, 362½ Warren St, Hudson. Thurs-Mon 11 am-6 pm, or by appt. 518 828-5907. Pamelasalisburygallery.com.

PHILMONT LIBRARY, 101 Main St. philmontlibrary.com.

PRIVATE PUBLIC GALLERY, 530 Warren St, Hudson. Sight Unseen, up through July 23. 212 286-0075, privatepublicgallery@gmail.com.

PS21, 2980 Rt 66, Chatham. James Casebere: Solo Pavilion for Two or Three. 518 392-6121. PS21chatham.org.

ROE JAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY, 9091 Rt 22, Copake. Landscapes & Escapes: Collages, opens July 22, 2-3:30 pm; up through Aug 31. Open library hours. roejanlibrary.org.

ROSE Gallery, 238 Warren St, Hudson. 518 828-5825. Rosegalleryfineart.com.

SEPTEMBER Gallery, 4 Hudson St #3, Kinderhook. Ashley Garrett: Ambrosia, up through July 30. Kristen@septembergallery.com.

SHAKESPEARE’S FULCRUM, 612 Warren St, Hudson. Terry Fulgate-Wilcox. shakespearefulcrum.com

SPENCERTOWN Academy Arts Ctr, 790 Rt 203. Curator as Artist III, up through Aug 6. Sat & Sun 1-5 pm. Spencertownacademy.org. 518 392-3693.

SUSAN ELEY FINE ART, 433 Warren St, Hudson. Bountiful: Eunju Kang & Fumiko Toda, up July 20-Sept 3; opening reception July 22, 5-7 pm. Thurs-Mon, 11 am-5 pm. susaneleyfineart.com. **TANJA GRUNERT SALON,** Princess Beatrix House, 21 Prospect Ave, Hudson. On

Friendship: Barry Bartlett, Elana Herzog, Arnie Zimmerman, up through Aug 20. Fri-Mon noon-6 pm, or by appointment. 646 944-6197, tanjagrunert.com.

THE FIRST GALLERY, 369 Warren St, Hudson. firstpre-shudson.org.

THEGALLERY@CHATHAM, 34A Main St. Thurs 1-7 pm, Fri & Sat 1-9 pm, Sun 11 am-6 pm. 518 392-2560. Gallerychatham.org.

THE GARAGE AT CHATHAM, 27 Kinderhook St, Chatham. A Closer Look: Outside Sculpture. thegarageatchatham.com.

THE SCHOOL: Jack Shainman Gallery, 25 Broad St (Rt 9), Kinderhook. Michael Snow: A Life Survey (1955-2020), up through Dec 16. Sat, 11 am-6 pm, Jackshainman.com.

THOMAS COLE NAT’L HISTORIC SITE, 218 Spring St, Catskill. Women Reframe American Landscape: Susie Barstow & Her Circle / Contemporary Practices, up through Oct 29. Virtual gallery, explorethomascole.org/gallery. Grounds open daily. thomascole.org.

THOMPSON GIROUX Gallery, 57 Main St, Chatham. Thurs-Mon 11 am-5 pm, by appointment. 518 392-3336. thompsongiroouxgallery.com.

TSL Gallery, 434 Columbia St, Hudson. Roberto Juarez: Made Up Mythologies. Artist’s discussion July 22, 4 pm. Fri-Sun, tours by advanced registration. 518 822-8448. Timeandspace.org.

TURLEY GALLERY, 98 Green St, Ste 2, Hudson. Martine Kaczynski – Threshold. Fri-Sun noon-5 pm, by appointment. turley.gallery.

WINDHAM FINE ARTS, 5380 Main St. Winter Snowscapes. 518 734-6850. Windhamfinearts.com

WINDOW ON HUDSON, 43 S 3rd St, Hudson. David L. Bullis: Looking Up. windowonhudson.org.

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Community briefs

Meet an early New Leb world influencer

NEW LEBANON—Join the Lebanon Valley Historical Society (LVHS) as former LVHS board member, Glenn Fisher, presents the story of Jesse Torrey, Jr.: New Lebanon's Forgotten Visionary Genius at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 State Route 22, Sunday, July 23 at 2 p.m.

In 1803, at 15 years of age, Jesse Torrey, Jr., founded the first free public library in the country in his hometown of Lebanon Springs. He spent the rest of his life crusading for public libraries, the first of his many ideas and philosophies.

Much of his crusading had a quiet but profound influence on such areas as public education, prohibition of alcohol, scientific study of medicine, abolition of slavery, equality for women, fair treatment of native Americans, questioning dogmatic principles of organized religion, Transcendentalism and more. In spite of, or perhaps because of his widespread and influential crusading, Jesse Torrey, Jr., has not been given credit for his many contributions to history and has largely been forgotten. This presentation will take an in-depth look at the heretofore untold story of this remarkable and interesting man. Light refreshments will be served.

Get an update on Habitat activities

GREENPORT—Greenport Seniors hear from guest speaker, Scott Mathias, who is with the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity, at their next meeting at the Greenport Senior Community Center, 500 Town Hall Road, July 27 at 1 p.m.

Mr. Mathias presents an update of Habitat's activities and an overview of the Helping Hands program. Also coupons for Farmers' Market will be handed out courtesy of the Office of the Aging.

Good deed doers sought

NEW LEBANON—Do a good deed and remove weeds! Returning and prospective volunteers encouraged to attend.

The Columbia Land Conservancy, a conservation organization dedicated to bringing people together to conserve the land announces another "Floating Friday" at Hand Hollow Conservation Area, parking lots at 4079 County Route 9 and 387 Gale Hill Road, July 28 from 9 a.m. to noon.

This event aims to bring together nature enthusiasts of all ages for a morning of volunteering and promises to be an unforgettable experience, offering a unique opportunity for attendees to immerse themselves in the beauty of nature while conserving habitats by removing invasive water chestnut from Meizinger Lake.

"We are incredibly excited to host 'Floating Friday' and invite the community to join us for a day filled with fun, exploration, and appreciation for the natural world. Through this event, we hope to inspire a sense of wonder and instill a deeper understanding of the importance of conserving our environment," Luke Burt, Public Lands & Community engagement coordinator, said in a press release.

"Floating Friday" is open to individuals of all ages and backgrounds who share a passion for nature and conservation. Participants are encouraged to bring their own kayaks and equipment, but a limited amount of lightweight origami kayaks will also be available on-site for those who need them.

To ensure the safety and enjoyment of all attendees, CLC will implement necessary health and safety measures in accordance with local guidelines, and asks all volunteers to sign a waiver. For more information and to register for "Floating Friday," visit clctrust.org/events

It takes a village to have a tag sale

VALATIE—The Valatie Economic Redevelopment Association (VERA) sponsors its official annual Valatie Village-Wide Tag Sale, Saturday, August 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sign up by July 25 to get on the map.

Download sign-up forms at veravalatie.com

VERA is a nonpartisan collective of individuals, businesses and organizations working together to enhance the community of Valatie, with the goal of creating a vibrant and attrac-

tive downtown that supports existing merchants while attracting new business to the Village of Valatie.

For more information or to become a member of or volunteer for VERA contact: info@VERAvalatie.com

This tag sale is village-wide, August 5.

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Free Capoeira workshop offered



HUDSON—Join Taganyahu Swaby for a Capoeira Workshop in which he will share teachings through movement, accompanied with traditional music at the Hudson Area Library, 51 North 5th Street July 22. The workshop begins at 3 p.m., doors open at 2:45 p.m.

Mr. Swaby has studied Capoeira Angola, a dance form that has origins in Central and Western African and was developed in Brazil by captured African and indigenous Brazilians as a means of liberation from oppression.

Photo contributed
Taganyahu Swaby

Wear comfortable clothing and bring your chilled water bottle. This workshop welcomes ages 14 years to adults. Mr. Swaby is part of a series focusing on the Capoeira movement and history presented by Elena Mosley, Operation Unite NY and the NYS DanceForce. He will present part II, Aa Capoeira Rodo for the opening of the Hudson Sankofa Black Arts and Cultural Festival on Friday, August 11 at 5 p.m. at the Hudson Riverfront Park, and another series will occur in the fall in Catskill.

For more information call Operation Unite NY at 518 828-3612.



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THROUGH THE WOODS

By Nancy Jane Kern

Jack in the pulpit

WHAT A UNIQUE PLANT that entertained children and intrigued adults for years. My mother loved taking us small children for walks through the fields and woods on our family farm. She loved plants and would point out the ones she recognized along the way. Jack was a particular favorite of us all, and we would stop, look at the green and maroon striped flap (spathe) above him, and peer in.

Their location was always in shaded wet areas of our woods and were pleasant places for a walk. My mother may have been looking for a bit of relief from work and a good learning opportunity for us. Walks also kept us out of boredom and mischief at home and used up our restless energy.

The Jack in the pulpit plant, *Arisaema triphyllum*, is found in Eastern North America, occurring in moist woodlands and thickets from Nova Scotia west to Minnesota, and south to southern Florida and Texas. Jack grows about 6-12" tall in spring to midsummer varying with moisture and temperature conditions. Three green leaves grow from corms buried in the acidic soil. The flowering portion is Jack (possibly should be called Jackelyn?) under the spathe hood, which has flowers on the club-like spadix. This plant is pollinated by insects and dies back to eventually form a stalk with a cluster of bright red berries in the fall. This plant



Photo contributed
Jack in the pulpit is a beauty but beware, they're poison to people.

contains calcium oxalate and is poisonous and should be handled with gloves. Fortunately, I had no problem with my mother's walks.

Native Americans had many uses for the in-ground corms, covering everything from cooked food to contraceptives. The early English referred to it as Indian turnip, bog onion, wild turnip, Indian onion, marsh turnip, swamp turnip, meadow turnip, pepper turnip, and wild pepper, and the corms were thoroughly cooked. Deer and other animals avoid Jack and poisoned persons should contact poison control and go to an emergency room.

My personal belief is we should avoid using plants like this. In fall birds eat the red berries. It is a native plant that some add to their gardens. This is fine if you understand Jack and pets and children will be protected from it. We probably won't find it at this time of year, but we can look forward to seeing the green then red berries on our fall walks. Leave them for the birds and enjoy this bright accent in the moist fall woods.

Historic preservation wizard speaks at Friends BBQ

COPAKE FALLS—Matthew White, proprietor of the Hillsdale General Store and HGS Home Kitchen in Hillsdale, headlines Friends of Taconic State Park's 15th Annual Meeting and Barbecue Supper, Saturday, July 29 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Copake Iron Works National Heritage Area Site, 35 Valley View Road.

At the Friends' annual meeting, Mr. White will talk about "New Life for Old Places—Building Community Through Preservation." He is renowned locally for his success in bringing new life to Hillsdale's commercial district using historic preservation to save old buildings in the downtown area.

Interior designer and author, Mr. White was selected as one of the "AD 100" (Architectural Digest's list of the 100 best designers in the world). Today, a better description might be preservationist and general

store proprietor. He has had a lifelong passion for historic buildings and has restored many, both for clients and for himself. In Hillsdale, he served on the Hamlet Committee and the Hillsdale Historic Committee making it possible for the hamlet of Hillsdale to be designated a National Historic District. He has since restored two buildings in the hamlet center and rebuilt another not viable for restoration, replicating precisely what existed before.

He served on the Save Venice Inc. board for 21 years, five of which he was chairman. Save Venice is an American non-profit that restores art and architecture of historic and artistic merit in Venice, Italy. He believes that Hillsdale and Venice, Italy, are the two most beautiful places on earth.

Tickets for the event, including a barbecue supper are \$35



Photo contributed
Matthew White is the guest speaker at the Friends of Taconic State Park's 15th Annual Meeting and Barbecue Supper.

and available until sold out at FTSPBBQ2023.eventbrite.com. All are welcome.

Friends of Taconic State

Park was established in 2008 to support cultural, recreational and educational activities within the park with the preservation

of the Copake Iron Works National Heritage Area Site its priority. The group is implementing a 20-year plan to create a pre-eminent site of historic iron-making and a national destination for tourists in Copake Falls. Most recently, the group completed the construction of the Pomeroy Family Railroad which replicates that narrow-gauge railroad that circumnavigated the Copake Iron Works in its operating heyday. The Copake Iron Works Visitor Center features a video documentary chronicling the history of the site and an extensively interpreted trail from the Copake Iron Works to Bash Bish Falls, for which trail maps are available.

For more information call 518-966-2730. To learn more about Friends of Taconic State Park visit www.FriendsofTSP.org

Lose those devices at Lindenwald

KINDERHOOK—No electricity is needed for these 19th century games and crafts for the whole family during: "Unplugged" at the Martin Van Buren National Historic Site/Lindenwald, 1013 Old Post Road off Route 9H.

Take a break from electronic devices and enjoy a weekend Victorian-style. Visit Martin Van Buren NHS, July 22 and 23 and August 5 and 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for some



Photo contributed
Kids test out Victorian-style games.

Victorian-style fun.

There will be crafts for all ages, including supplies to make friendship bracelets, thau-matropes, an optical toy popular in the 19th century, and more.

Additionally, there will be 19th century games available

for visitors to try to see if they can master the graces, cup and ball or Jacob's Ladder.

Youngsters can try their hand at historic lawn games from the 19th century that Van Buren's grandchildren would have played during the warm summer months.

For more information call the Martin Van Buren National Historic Site at 518-758-9689 or check the website at www.nps.gov/mava

Obituaries

Peter A.M. Auld, MD (1928 - 2023)

ANCRAMDAL—Peter A.M. Auld, MD, 95, a 60-year resident of Ancramdale, formerly of Hastings-on-Hudson, died peacefully at his home in Ancramdale, Friday, July 14, 2023 surrounded by his loving family.

Dr. Auld was the director of nurseries at New York—Presbyterian Hospital/ Cornell University Medical Center in New York City from 1962 until his retirement in 2003.

Born February 5, 1928 in Ontario, Canada, he was the son of the late Archibald S. and Edith M. (McFaul) Auld. He received his medical degree from McGill University in Montreal. On September 15, 2001 in Poughkeepsie, he married Faye Robinson. Mrs. Auld survives at home in Ancramdale. In his spare time, he enjoyed playing golf and tennis, listening to opera music, traveling, watching shows on Broadway, horseback riding and he was an avid reader. He was also a long-time member of Grace Assembly Apostolic Church in Hudson.

Dr. Auld did a general internship at Montreal General Hospital and then completed residency training in pediatrics at Montreal Children's Hospital and Children's Hospital in Boston. He also served as chief resident in pediatrics at Children's Hospital in Boston. He joined the faculty at Cornell in 1962 and achieved the rank of professor of pediatrics in 1970 and that of professor of obstetrics in 1974. He became the director of the Premature Nursery at New York Hospital in 1962, director of Nurseries in 1965 and director of the Perinatology Center in 1975.

Dr. Auld's career was highlighted by many important contributions to the understanding of neonatal disease that involved both basic and clinical research. Three main themes emerge from his body of work.

Dr. Auld led the way in method of delivery of neonatal health care in the State of New York. In the 1970s, he started



Peter Auld

the first neonatal practitioner program in the state, which included a training component. He also initiated a hospital-based neonatal transport service with a distinct neonatal paramedic module.

For the 40 years that Dr. Auld served as chief of service, he did so with vision and strong leadership that helped shape the field of neonatology, and in part, contributed to the improved well-being of sick newborn infants. He built a neonatal program of excellence that stood the test of time.

In addition to his wife, Faye, he is survived by: his children, Andrew Auld of Connecticut, Mo-Young Schnizler and her husband Matthias of Ancramdale, and a stepson, Dwayne Bent of Westchester County; two grandchildren, Jennifer Glickman and her husband Joseph and Shannon Williams and her husband Derick; four great-grandchildren, Dylan, Lucas, Zayne and Jayce; his daughter-in-law, Emily Auld; a brother, John Auld and a sister, Wendy and her husband Gordy of Canada; several nieces and nephews and many friends. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his son, David Auld.

Calling hours will be held Friday, July 21, 2023 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton. A funeral service will take place Saturday, July 22, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Rev. Williamson and Bishop Thomas will officiate. Memorial contributions may be made to the Dr. Peter A.M. Auld Memorial Scholarship Fund, 238 Crest Lane, Ancramdale 12503. To read Dr. Auld's complete obituary or send an online condolence visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com

Judith A. Shapiro (1946 - 2023)

LIVINGSTON—Judith A. Shapiro, 76, of Livingston passed away Saturday, July 8, 2023. Born September 20, 1946 in Pittsfield, MA, she was the daughter of Ralph and Rita (Book) Bauer.

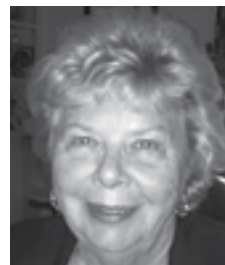
She was an accomplished artist in many mediums, mostly oil on canvas. She created all of the art works for the Town of Livingston Bicentennial and produced portraits of the

entire Livingston family. She loved to entertain, travel and tend to her gardens.

Mrs. Shapiro is survived by: her husband, Robert J. Shapiro, and her sisters, Jamie Kenyon and Jacqueline Bauer Hamilton.

Funeral services will be private. Memorial contributions in her name may be made to a charity of one's choice. Visit www.batesanderson.com to leave condolences.

Louise J.J. Marcy (1939 - 2023)



Louise Marcy

CHATHAM—Louise Joyce (Jackson) Marcy, 83, passed away peacefully in the early morning hours July 16, 2023 at the Layton Compound, where she resided with her daughter and son-in-law. "With heavy hearts, we bid farewell to a woman whose radiant spirit and unconditional love touched the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her." Born in Brooklyn, December 26, 1939 to Florence Helen (Kaht) Jackson and William Wynne Jackson, Sr., the family later relocated to Old Chatham to start a new life including the establishment of Jackson's Old Chatham House. She grew up in Old Chatham and learned the importance of nurturing relationships and a deep appreciation for family values. Her role as a devoted wife, a loving and caring mother and grandmother were her greatest joy.

She attended Chatham School, where she met the love of her life, Lee Marcy, and eventually married him.

She was known for her "green thumb" and her love of plants. She knew her way around a kitchen starting at Jackson's Old Chatham House when she was young. After she married Lee, they hosted many large Thanksgiving family dinners. She leaves behind a legacy

of love, laughter, compassion and memories etched in the hearts of her loved ones.

She loved to travel and made trips to Italy, Germany, Alaska, Aruba, South Carolina, Florida, Hawaii and other places.

She was predeceased by: her parents; her loving husband of 37 years, Lee Randall Marcy; her brother, Arthur Jackson; a nephew, Jasson Jackson and great-nephew, Alan Keefner; her fur babies, Crystal, Lizzie, Fonzie, Max and Reggie.

She leaves behind: her daughter, Debi Marcy-Layton (J.P.); her brother, William Jackson; sister-in-law, Linda; her sister, Linda Harlow; her brother, Lee Jackson; sister-in-law, Sandra Jackson (Arthur); her precious pride and joys, her grandchildren, Michael James Layton (Sacha Newkirk); a great-granddaughter, Savannah Schermerhorn; her granddaughter, Leah Marcy Layton (Travis Nussbickel). She showered her grandchildren with adoration and delighted in every moment spent with them.

Whether it was reading bedtime stories, baking cookies or attending their school events, she relished seeing their growth and accomplishments. She was proud that her grandchildren followed in their "Papa's" footsteps and were a part of IBEW. Her grandchildren will forever carry her love in their hearts and find solace in the precious memories they shared with her.

She also had many nieces and nephews. She also leaves behind her blue bird, Robin, and Racquel who helped provide care, love and much laughter to her during her last month when she was able to come home again.

She drove a school bus for Chatham School District for 30 years. Everyday was not just about going to work, she loved her bus routes, the kids and the parents. She especially loved the crew she worked with and many of them became good friends outside of work.

Family received friends July 19 at the French, Gifford, Preiter & Blasl Funeral Home, Chatham. A Mass of Christian Burial followed at Saint James Church.

Donations may be made to Columbia County Hospice or the Columbia-Greene Humane Society. Condolences may be conveyed at frenchblasl.com

Arlene R. Cummings (1936 - 2023)



Arlene Cummings

CRANFORD, NJ—Arlene Rose Cummings (nee Mackey), 86, passed away July 7, 2023 in Cranford, New Jersey. She was born December 14, 1936 in Cranston, Rhode Island.

She was a beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She is survived by: her daughters, Suzanne Cummings, Diane Cummings and Kathleen Cummings; her granddaughters, Keating Bartlett, Kendal Anne Neal, Alexandra Armstrong and Emory Wilson; her great-granddaughters, Hailey and Allison Bartlett and Adalynn Neal. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Mulhern Cummings.

She received her BA from Brown University and her mas-

ter's degree from the University of Rhode Island School of Education. She had a passion for education and dedicated her career to teaching. After marrying "Tom" and moving to Hudson in 1961, she taught elementary school students in Claverack and evening classes in English as a second language to recent immigrants. At the end of her career, she shared her lifelong love for reading by teaching incarcerated individuals at the Hudson Correctional

Facility.

Outside of her professional life, she had a deep interest in genealogy and spent decades researching the Mackey family history, tracing her American ancestors back to the 17th century in New York State. Her extensive research led to her admission to the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution in 2015.

Family and friends paid their respects at Bates and Anderson Funeral Home, 110 Green Street in Hudson, July 17. Burial followed visiting hours.

Contributions may be made to Scholarship America, an organization that supports educational opportunities for students.

Martin A. Schultheis (1951 - 2023)

HUDSON—Martin A. Schultheis of Livingston passed away following a long illness Monday, July 17, 2023 at Columbia Memorial Hospital.

Born in Hudson, August 28, 1951, he was the son of John Edward Schultheis and Martha (Schultz).

He is survived by: his sister, Jackie Caragine and husband Richard, niece Richelle and nephew Richard John; sister, Albine Stoddard and husband Melvin, nephew Jackson Pearce and wife Christy, great-nephew Liam; friend and caregiver, Kay Dalton (Bejerski) and family. A

memorial service at the Catholic Church of Germantown will take place at a later date and time. "Our brother is on a beach somewhere and trucking for the Lord." Leave condolences at www.saccofuneralhome.com

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Obituaries

Michael P. Boseman (1954 - 2023)

LIVINGSTON—Michael P. Boseman, 68, of Livingston passed away Wednesday, July 12, 2023.

Born December 27, 1954 in Brooklyn, he was the son of Ira Booker T. and Mary Lee (Samuel) Boseman. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and brother. His family, especially his grandchildren, were his number one priority. He retired from Taconic Farms in Germantown as a distribution



Michael Boseman

manager.

Left to cherish his memory are: his children, Scott and William Shook, Becky (Tom) Sturgess, Amanda (Vincent) Oppedisano, Mark (Sandra) Pimentel, Jessica (Mark) Laurange, and Michael

Boseman (Ines Abrantes); his brother, Ronnie Boseman; 20 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews, and his beloved companion, Milo. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his wife, Deborah Boseman and a sister, Lizzie Mae Boseman

A funeral service at Bates & Anderson-Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home was held July 18. Interment was in Cedar Park Cemetery.

Corrie H. Shattenkirk (1983 - 2023)

VALATIE—Corrie Honora Shattenkirk, 39, of Sleepy Hollow, Westchester County, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, June 10. Her full obit-

uary can be found at raymond-bondfh.com.

Friends and family are invited to gather for a Celebration of Life picnic in her memory,

Saturday, July 22 at 4 p.m. at 35 Shadow Church Lane, Valatie. RSVP on Eventbrite by Thursday, July 20. <http://bit.ly/44MejwL>

Louis P. DeCrosta (1953 - 2023)

LIVINGSTON—Louis Paul DeCrosta, 70 years old, of Livingston passed away peacefully at his home, July 3, 2023 after a long illness.

He was born March 9, 1953 in Hudson, the third child of Louis A. DeCrosta and Phyllis Smith DeCrosta. He grew up in Livingston. He graduated from Hudson High School and attended Siena and Hartwick colleges. He was a member of the Boy Scouts of America. He advanced to Eagle Scout, and was inducted into the Order-of-the-Arrow.

Mr. DeCrosta was a successful real estate broker and served



Paul DeCrosta

as past president of Columbia County Board of Realtors. He just recently retired. He was a kind, caring, generous and loving son, brother, uncle and friend to many.

He was predeceased by his parents and his brother, Anthony E. DeCrosta. He is survived by: his siblings, Andrea M. Tranchita (Paul), Ellen R.

Morrison (Gary), Sheryl A. DeCrosta, Edward F. DeCrosta, III, Martiel Crepeau (Bob), Louis A. DeCrosta, II, (Maureen), Carolanne DeCrosta Madsen; his nieces and nephews, Kinda L. DeCrosta, Olivia R. DeCrosta, Elijah X. Olarinde, Brandon M. Morrison, Timothy J. Morrison, Sabrina Tranchita (Robert), and Meagan Tranchita Guerriero (John) and extended family.

A memorial service will be held at Bates & Anderson Saturday, July 22, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Condolences may be conveyed at batesanderson.com

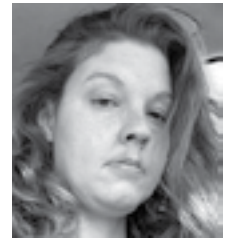
Stephanie M.P. DeForest (1981 - 2023)

ALBANY—Stephanie Marie Parent DeForest, 41, of Hudson passed away July 4, 2023. She was born October 26, 1981 in Hudson.

After the rough times and many challenges of life, “we have to say good bye to our beloved mother, sister, aunt, niece, grandmother and friend.”

She was the daughter of the late Pamela and Peter McKay.

She is survived by: her eight beautiful children, Kyle of Germantown, Breanna of Naples, FL, Alexander of Springfield, MA, Destiny Leigh, Caitlin Elizabeth of Ravena, Amira Ann of Kingston, Allison Maria of Nassau, Paighton Violet Brook Snyder of Hudson; her granddaughter, Ainsley Brooke. She is also survived by: her broth-



Stephanie DeForest

ers and sisters, nieces and nephews, Dale Parent, Jr., nephew, Dale Parent, III, David, Charles McKay, Kimberlie McKay; her nieces, Arabella Brooks and Star Spence, Tanya Parent and children, Monique Dimond and children, Nicole Parent and Dean Morse.

A memorial celebration of life will be held Friday, July 21, 2023 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Roe Jan Boat Club, 63 Station Road, Germantown. Condolences may be conveyed at frenchblas.com

Katherine A. Hoefler (1953 - 2023)

ALBANY—Katherine Ann Hoefler, 69, of Craryville passed away Friday, July 14, 2023 in Albany. Born December 18, 1953 in Hudson, she was the daughter of Homer Wentzel and the late Augusta (Tomlin) Wentzel.

She loved gardening and tending to her flowers. She was an extremely hard worker who was always side by side with her husband, John, doing carpentry work for the family renovation business.

Mrs. Hoefler is survived by:

her husband, John; father, Homer Wentzel and sister, Julie Tompkins (Terry). In addition to her mother, she was predeceased by her sisters, Margaret Burch, Mildred Bink and Shirley Kipp.

Funeral services were held July 19 from the Bates & Anderson-Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home in Hudson. Interment was in St. Thomas Lutheran Church Cemetery, Churchtown. Contributions in her memory may be made to a charity of choice.

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THANK YOU to all who have donated! You are helping to keep independent journalism alive in the county. - Parry Teasdale, publishing consultant

Obituaries

Rebecca J. Monterosso (1983 - 2023)

EAST NASSAU—Rebecca Jean “Becky” Monterosso, 40, died in the arms of the angels Saturday, July 8, 2023 in New Scotland. She was born in Pittsfield, MA, April 20, 1983, the beloved daughter of Mark A. (Cindy) Monterosso, Sr. of Nassau and the late Diane Carpenter Monterosso.

She was raised in New Lebanon and was a 2001 graduate of New Lebanon High School. She later graduated from SUNY Delhi with an associate’s degree in mechanical engineering, though her passion was helping other people who might have been struggling.

She was a teaching assistant at Berkshire Farm in Canaan for more than eight years and also worked in various group homes in New York and



Becky Monterosso

Massachusetts. At the time of her death she was a vulnerable persons protection specialist for the NYS Justice Center in Delmar for five years.

She was always inspiring other people to help themselves and recently lost more than 100 pounds. She set a goal that she achieved and was going to reward herself by going sky diving.

She enjoyed building Legos, riding motorcycles, blogging about mental health, spending time talking with friends and playing with her many nieces and nephews.

Kathleen Germann (1940 - 2023)

PHILMONT—Kathleen “Kay” Germann died June 30 at Pine Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. She was a loving wife, mother, aunt and grandmother.

She was born January 2, 1940 in Mineola. She married her husband, Carl (who predeceased her in 2008) in 1962. They moved to the Hudson Valley in 1970 and opened a flower shop in Poughkeepsie in 1977. They continued to own the shop until Mr. Germann’s retirement in 2006. Mrs. Germann worked with special needs children at BOCES in Dutchess County for over a decade, until she retired in 2018.



Kay Germann

She moved to Copake in 2010 and quickly became an active member of the Knit Club of Hudson Valley and a volunteer at the Roeliff Jansen Community Library in Copake. Throughout her life she enjoyed bowling, knitting and gardening. She never forgot a birthday—family and friends could always expect a card or a phone call.

She is survived by: her three

In addition to her father and step-mother, she was the dear sister of Mark A. (Mandi) Monterosso, Jr., of Schodack and “sister” of Amber Ingoldsby, Andy Slattery, Ricardo DeGroff and Joey Rogacki; cherished aunt of Dominic and Aria Monterosso; like a daughter to Donna Ingoldsby; girlfriend of the late Arthur Neander, Jr., and friends with his family.

Calling hours and a Remembrance Service took place at the Hall & Higgins Funeral Home, 457 State Route 43, Stephentown, July 15.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to any mental health organization that assists vulnerable people who need help. Sign the condolence book and get directions at ParkerBrosMemorial.com

children, Kathleen Germann of Manhattan, Carl Germann (Fred Nachbaur) also of Manhattan, and Suzanne Germann (Nik Prachand) of Chicago; three granddaughters, Vivian Nachbaur, Opal Prachand and Annika Prachand; extended family including, William and Jane Germann of East Meadow, and Ray and Susan Germann of Rhinebeck; many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and -nephews.

A time for offering condolences, sharing memories and a prayer service was held July 14 at Peck & Peck Funeral Homes, 8063 Route 22, Copake. Interment took place July 15 in Holy Rood Cemetery, Westbury.

Derick E. Ransford (1968 - 2023)

NEW LEBANON—Derick Edwin Ransford, age 54, passed away peacefully with his wife of 30 years by his side, July 11, 2023, after a long battle with brain cancer.

He was born September 12, 1968 in Albany. He attended New Lebanon School, Chatham Central School and graduated from Columbia High School. He began house painting upon graduation and started his own company, Peaceful Valley Painting, where he worked until his passing.

He was an avid hunter, fisherman and enjoyed ice fishing and vacationing with his wife and friends. He also volunteered his time with the Spencertown Drum Line in his younger years.

He leaves behind: his wife, Christy (Grover) Ransford; his mother, Matilda Ransford; brother, Earl (predeceased by



Derick Ransford

Sue) Ransford; niece, Nicole (Ransford) Roberts; sisters-in-law, Joanie and Debby Grover, and father-in-law, Charles D. (predeceased by Joan) Grover. He was also predeceased by; his father, Howard Ransford, Sr., and brother, Howard Ransford, Jr.

A Celebration of Life took place at his home, July 14, and 15.

In lieu of flowers, consider donations to the Berkshire Humane Society, 214 Barker Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201, 413-447-7878 For online condolences, visit wenkfuneral.com

Bradley F. Simon (1971 - 2023)

ALBANY—Bradley F. Simon, 51, of New Lebanon passed away peacefully at St. Peter’s Hospital with his family and friends at his side, Friday, July 14, 2023.

He was born December 10, 1971 in Dallas, Texas. For many years, he worked in construction, including welding, as an additional trade. “Brad” was also an IT guy and lovingly was referred to as “Dr. Brad.” He was an avid drummer and loved spending time with his family and friends, cooking and taking trips.

He is survived by: his soulmate, Tina Krupa; his children,



Brad Simon

Vince Simon of Arizona and Elizabeth and Benjamin Krupa, both of New Lebanon; his sister, Renee Stevens of Nevada; his aunt, Laura Bruno; several nieces, nephews and cousins and his Troy Core family. A Celebration of Life will be held at a time to be announced in the future. Arrangements are with the Raymond E. Bond Funeral Home, Valatie.

Public Notices

NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF FORMATION
OF A LIMITED LIABILITY
COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is 15PMJ, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 17, 2023. New York office location: 5384 Route 9H/23, Town of Livingston, County of Columbia and the State of New York. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her is: 15PMJ, LLC; 5384 Route 9H/23, Hudson, New York 12534. Purpose/Character of business: Any lawful business purpose permitted under the New York Limited Liability Company Law. This notification is made pursuant to Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law.
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Notice

Allied Medical, LLC, App of Auth. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 7/12/2023. Cty: Columbia. SSNY design. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 42 New St.,

Stuyvesant, NY 12173. General Purpose.
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NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN OF COPAKE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town of Copake, Columbia County, New York hereby advertises for bids for the Construction of Band Shell at the Copake Memorial Park.

Full specifications for the Construction of Band Shell at the Copake Memorial Park can be obtained from the Construction of Band Shell at the Copake Memorial Park. Questions can be answered by Town of Copake Highway Superintendent William Gregory at 518-325-4222.

Bids shall be sealed and delivered to the Copake Town Clerk on or before Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 11:00 a.m., at which time the bids will be opened and read aloud. The bids will then be submitted to the Copake Town Board for review. The Copake Town Board shall have complete discretion to reject any bid that does not meet the required specifications.

By order of the Town Board of the Town of Copake, Dated: July 17, 2023

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Please Take Notice that the Town of Copake Zoning Board of Appeals, pursuant to Town Law, will hold a Public Hearing, on the following matters:

Public Hearings

1) Riley – 117 Cove Road [Hillsdale] (2023-13) (165.9-1-18) Relief from 232 Table 1, right and rear variance needed. An addition to include family room, 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom.

2) Guzman – 309 Lakeshore Drive [Copake] (2023-15) (176.03-03-29) Relief from 232-11D and 232Table 1; construction within 100ft of water and a rear yard variance for a house addition

3) Connolly – 80 SW Colony Rd [Hillsdale] (2023-12) (165.14-2-5) Relief from 232-11D2, within 100 ft of water. Replacement of an existing timber bulkhead.

4) Linda Assande – 461 Lakeview Road [Copake] (2022-22) (165.11-1-45) Relief from 232-11D2 within 100ft of water and 232-1 side yard setbacks; stairs, deck and dock to lake

Said hearing will be on Thursday, July 27, 2023

Topic: Copake ZBA Meeting

Time: July 27, 2023 07:00 PM

Location: Copake Town Hall

The ZBA Meeting is scheduled to start at 7:00 PM. The Public Hearing will start according to how the agenda is set for that evening. All Persons present, for or against the application, will be given the opportunity to be heard.

1T#29

Notice

Kristie L. Wade Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, PLLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect’y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/14/2023. Office: Columbia County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: The PLLC, 378 New Concord Rd, East Chatham, NY 12060. Purpose: Registered Professional Nursing.
6T#s 29,30,31,32,33,34

Notice

Publication Notice: Santoro Super Food LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 07/13/2023. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Santoro Super Food LLC, 2424 NY-203, Valatie, NY 12184. Purpose: General

business purposes.

6T#s 29,30,31,32,33,34

Notice

ASHKENOSH LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 6/8/23. Office in Columbia Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 57 Banks Ln., Apt. 1, Germantown, NY 12526, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
6T#s 24,25,26,27,28,29

Notice

Cups Coffee Germantown LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect’y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/18/2023. Office: Columbia 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, 33 Wynkoop Ln, Rhinebeck, NY 12572. Purpose: any lawful act.
6T#s 24,25,26,27,28,29

NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Curb Appeal Hudson LLC, Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on May 31, 2023. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall

mail process to The LLC at c/o 252 State Street, Hudson, NY 12534. Purpose: any lawful activity.

6T#s 24,25,26,27,28,29

Notice

MBR REALTY SERVICES LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 6/9/23. Office in Columbia Co. SSNY design. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 89 Rockview Rd., Hillsdale, NY 12529. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.
6T#s 24,25,26,27,28,29

Notice

Pink Dragon LLC. Filed 1/13/23. Office: Columbia Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Aliz Swenson, 177 Chair Factory Rd, New Lebanon, NY 12125. Purpose: General.
6T#s 24,25,26,27,28,29

NOTICE

Rooted N Massage LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 5/17/23, Columbia Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to Zenbusiness Inc. 41 State St #112 Albany, NY 12207 General Purpose
6T#s 24,25,26,27,28,29

NOTICE

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NOTICE OF FORMATION

OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is 204 Harry Howard Ave, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on June 16, 2023. New York office location: 353 White Mills Road, Town of Chatham, County of Columbia and the State of New York. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her is: 204 Harry Howard Ave, LLC; 353 White Mills Road, Valatie, New York 12184. Purpose/Character of business: Any lawful business purpose permitted under the New York Limited Liability Company Law. This notification is made pursuant to Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law.
6T#s 25,26,27,28,29,30

Notice

Body Rewilding Somatic Arts LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 6/2/23, Columbia Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to Zenbusiness Inc. 41 State St #112 Albany, NY 12207 General Purpose
6T#s 25,26,27,28,29,30

Editorial

Parry Teasdale is on jury duty
this week.

ANOTHER VOICE

By Michael Richardson

We can transition off fossil fuels

IF YOU CHOSE to read this op-ed, you likely know that climate scientists have issued a clarion call to fast-track climate action on all fronts if we are to avert critical tipping points in the climate system. Nevertheless, both the governor and leaders in the NYS Assembly have failed to act with such urgency. Since passing the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act in 2019, the state has yet to fully fund or implement our landmark climate act.

An excuse often given for slowing down implementation of the Climate Act is that transitioning from fossil fuels to renewable energy will impose unacceptable costs to consumers.

At long last, the state has a feasible plan to reduce climate-warming emissions, make large companies pay for their emissions, and then use those funds to drive the economy-wide transition to renewable energy - all while averting shifting the cost of doing so on to consumers. That is, if the system is well designed.

If done right, the state sets a limit, or cap, on total statewide climate-warming emissions under which utilities and industries are required to purchase permits for a limited amount of emissions they each may then produce.

If done right, the state then invests proceeds from the permits to fund climate mitigation projects (infrastructure replacement, clean transportation). The state also uses the proceeds for direct payments and subsidies to consumers to offset increases in energy bills and other potential consumer costs associated with the transition to renewable energy.

If done right, New Yorkers achieve energy independence by developing our domestic power grids with hydro, solar and wind and correspondingly reducing imported oil and gas.

If done right, well-paying jobs are created in our communities installing solar panels and heat pumps and expanding our electric grid as we transition to renewable energy.

If done right, urgently needed funds are directed to communities living at the frontlines of toxic pollution and climate disruption to ensure that they benefit from the transition to renewable energy - including cleaner air and economic opportunities.

If done right, billions of dollars in medical bills are saved in that reducing emissions and pollution would lower the rates of asthma, heart disease, and stroke.

But, if done wrong, some of the worst fossil-fuel polluters could be exempted from paying for their emissions or allowed to profit from selling their permits to pollute without resulting in a net reduction in emissions.

And, if done wrong, emissions could be concentrated - or reduced more slowly - in and near communities that are already over-polluted, underpaid, and disrespected.

To be done right, emissions caps must decline every year in every sector (transportation, buildings, utilities, industry, agriculture) and include facility-specific emissions caps - and there must be aggressive penalties for exceeding caps.

To be done right, permits must have an escalating price every year - with a price floor to ensure adequate revenue and a price ceiling to limit consumer impacts - and there must be a higher permit price in and near disadvantaged communities.

To be done right, trading schemes for buying and selling emissions permits for profit must be prohibited. Companies reducing emissions below their permitted cap must not be allowed to sell their allowances to companies producing emissions above their permitted cap. Simply put, companies must not profit from polluting.

All said, if done right, an emissions cap system in which polluters pay for emissions when paired with subsidies and rebates to households and small businesses will not only offset increases in consumer utility and heating bills but also greatly reduce the cost of converting expensive fossil-fueled heating systems and appliances over to clean, inexpensive renewable energy.

Michael Richardson resides in Chatham and is a member of the NY Renew's steering committee

Letters

He wishes best for community

To the Editor:

After over 38 years, it is with great sadness I have to announce that I am no longer affiliated with Peck and Peck Funeral Homes, Inc. This is not the way I envisioned my career to end, nor was it by choice.

I would like to thank everyone in the community as it truly has been my honor and privilege to have been of service to all of you. I would also like to

thank assistant staff, clergy and vendors that I have worked with for so long.

I have had laughs with you and cried with you all. I will miss being there to help you during your difficult times.

My sincere hope is that the new ownership will show you the compassion and care that you all have been accustomed to in the past by the Peck, Chestney, Chwalek and Proper

families.

I will continue to be available to my local community families and friends with any advice, questions or concerns that anyone may have.

Thank you for the privilege to have been able to assist you all in the past

Scott Chwalek
Copake

This is climate change; this might slow it

To the Editor:

The new crop of lawn signs around Copake, attacking the Shepherd's Run solar farm, demand a response.

Let's take them point by point:

•Shepherd's Run will provide no jobs? Fair enough. The great majority of jobs will be temporary.

•Shepherd's Run will be given tax breaks? Farmers and oil companies get tax breaks too. (Think of the "ag exemption.") When it comes to taxes, here's what you need to know: over the life of the project, Copake will receive \$5 million to \$7 million. That could be turned into a tax benefit for all of us Copake citizens.

•Does Shepherd's Run "violate" town law? New York state law says it does not. State law overrules town law. Why? Because our legislators decided that if each town could make

its own decisions on large-scale renewables, we'd never reach the state's ambitious — and necessary — goal of a carbon-free grid by 2040.

•The project "removes" agricultural land? Compared to the soil-depleting, fertilizer-and-pesticide-demanding crops that have been grown on site for years, grazing and apiaries could be a net benefit to the land. And why not press Hecate to deliver its stated commitment to "explore the feasibility of sheep grazing and apiary farming"?

•Shepherd's Run will "endanger" the Taconic Creek headwaters? Precisely how do glass-covered panels on steel poles sunk a few feet into the earth affect water quality? In any case, Hecate is not permitted to use the wetlands areas, and has already adjusted the project footprint to minimize impacts. Solar panels in fact

represent a net gain in water quality, and are surely preferable to pesticides and fertilizers getting into our waters.

For more background on these issues, please go to friendsofcolumbiasolar.org

And please consider two points that no one debates: the need to preserve Copake's natural resources, and the need for urgent action on climate change. The record ongoing heat waves and dangerous pall of wildfire smoke we all recently experienced are telling us that the climate clock is running down.

What does climate action look like? Large scale renewables, that's what. Let's start right here, right now. Support Shepherd's Run.

Dan Haas
Friends of Columbia Solar
Copake

Working families need help not rhetoric

To the Editor:

At a recent local 2023 Farm Bill listening session hosted by Congressman Molinaro attended by farmers, elected officials, agricultural state and county agencies, non-profit organizations, and ordinary citizens, the congressman again shared his own family story of receiving food stamps during difficult times that gave his family a leg up not a hand out. Fast forward to today, when the congressman is adopting some of the same type of belittling rhetoric as some of his colleagues who refer to SNAP recipients as "couch potatoes" inferring that

people are "gaming the system" and unwilling to work.

In his June 21 newsletter he wrote, "SNAP has shifted from a program that prioritized helping participants find employment to a program focused on processing checks. It's time we change SNAP's mission statement to force states to use SNAP as a tool for empowerment again. I'm proud to have gotten that started."

SNAP's mission has been and should continue to be as a supplemental nutrition assistance program for seniors, the disabled and for working families struggling to put food on

the table because of low wages and the high costs of food, housing and child care.

Rather than engage in rhetoric, Congressman Molinaro should recognize reality—three-quarters of SNAP recipient families have at least 1 working family member and more than one-third have at least 2 working family members. They need the same leg up as his family received, not more bureaucratic hoops to jump through.

Stephanie Sussman
Claverack

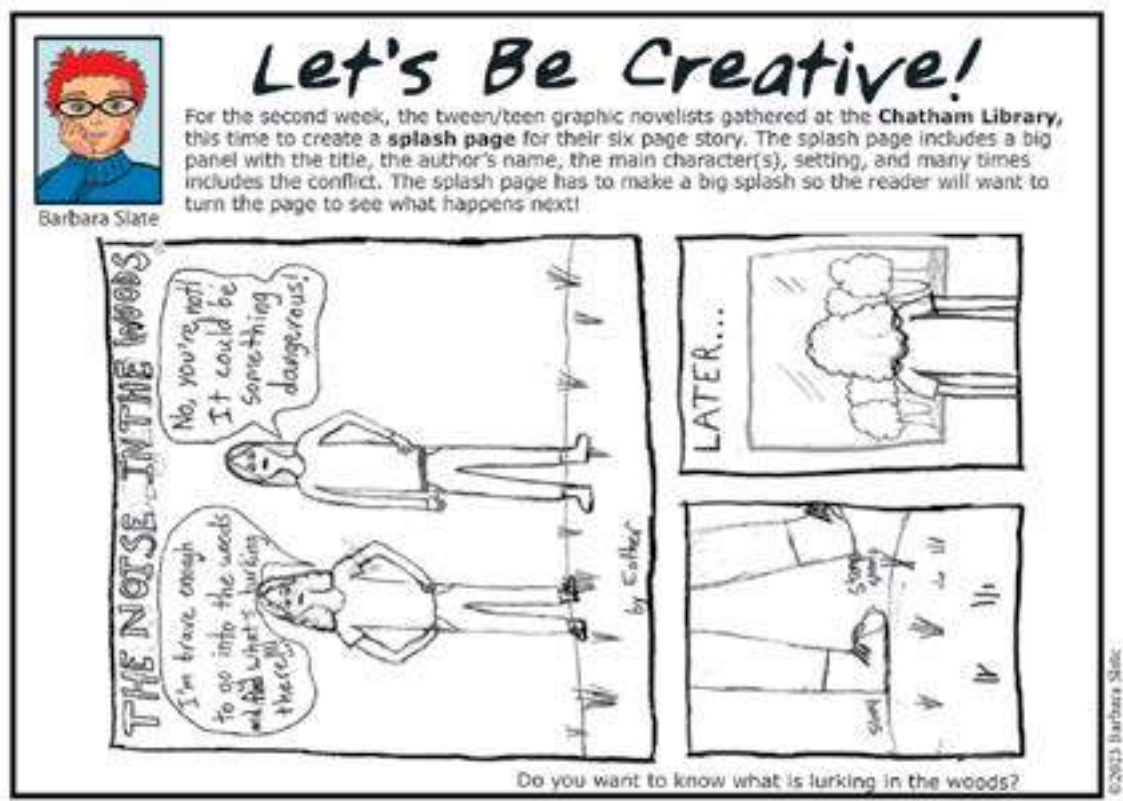


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Roeliff Jansen Library hosts discussion on trees July 26

COPAKE—The Roeliff Jansen Community Library presents a discussion with Rob Covino, CEO of Hardscrabble Farms and Copake's Shagbark Nursery, on Wednesday, July 26 from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m.

Hardscrabble is a family-owned business that is one of the largest wholesale suppliers of trees and shrubs in the Northeast.

With his sons running the business side, Mr. Covino has been farming trees for more than forty years.

Patrons are invited to the library for a good discussion

and a chance to receive unbiased, expert opinions on what kinds of plants do best, how, and under what conditions.

This event is free and open to the public. Co-sponsored by the Copake Climate Smart Committee.

Roeliff Jansen Community Library, which is chartered to serve Ancram, Copake and Hillsdale, is located at 9091 Route 22, approximately one mile south of the traffic light at the intersection of Routes 22 and 23.

For information on hours and events, call 518-325-4101 or visit <http://www.roejanlibrary.org>

• RECYCLE •

Who can fill up a barrel the fastest?

HUDSON—Join staff at the FASNY Museum of Firefighting, 117 Harry Howard Avenue, July 22 from 10:30 a.m. to noon for a free in-person event: Water Wars!

Spend the morning with Greenport firefighters and learn to operate a real fire hose. Kids can find out who can fill a big barrel with water the fastest. Younger children get a chance to use packs that squirt water: firefighters use these packs to fight brush fires. Get ready to work with brave firefighters to take on this challenge, and see who will "rain" supreme during Water Wars.

After the public portion of the event, junior firefighters and Explorers can compete during their own Water Wars. Explorer or junior groups interested in participating or

those who want more information should contact the museum: kathy@fasnyfiremuseum.com

All activities are free and will be outdoors (rain or shine). Free admission to the museum will also be offered to all who attend this special event. Reservations are not required.

The museum thanks Greenport Pumper #1 and Valley Energy for the support of this event.

This event is made possible by a grant from the museum's Super Saturdays sponsor: Hudson River Bank and Trust Co. Foundation.

General support for the museum is provided by: the Firefighters Association of the State of New York (FASNY) and the FASNY Foundation.



Little squirts test out big fire hose.

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