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Paul Czajka, 70, former DA, judge dies

By DIANE VALDEN

NEW YORK CITY — Retired long-time Columbia County public servant Paul Czajka died Tuesday evening, September 3 at Columbia Presbyterian in New York City, where he had been hospitalized for several weeks while undergoing cancer treatment, according to his friend since childhood, retired Hudson Police Chief L. Edward Moore. Family and friends were by his side.

Mr. Czajka was 70 years old. He resided in Livingston on the family farm where he grew up.

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David Lee

They bid a brass farewell to this year's County Fair

The 183rd Columbia County Fair, at the county fairgrounds in Chatham, came to a close on Monday, September 2, after six days of performances, rides, animal showcases, the Demolition Derby and lots of food. Members of the Ghent Band had an impromptu jam session at the fair's beer pavilion. Pictured (l) are Gary Strevell and Joe Veronese (center). The band performed at the fair and marched in the annual Firefighters' Parade through the Village of Chatham on Saturday, August 31. For more photos from the fair, see Page 24 of this issue.

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Climate news update: Youth grants, county projects and the Climate Carnival

By DEBORAH E. LANS

CHATHAM — It is a truism that the effects of climate change will fall most heavily on the youth of today and tomorrow. Recognizing that there are young leaders “at the forefront of climate action in the Hudson Valley,” Chatham-based Partners for Climate Action (PCA) has just awarded nine grants to youth-led initiatives — four of them in Columbia County — to implement projects that address aspects of climate change.

At the Hawthorne Valley Association (HVA) School in Harlemville, the Ecology Club has been turning over the idea of a Biodiversity Trail for a year or more. The \$5,000 grant that PCA has made will allow the group to design and plan a trail on a “retired cow path.” With guidance from HVA farmers and the Farmscape Ecology Program, the students will decide what to clear, where to locate signage and how often to move and change the signage (which is meant to be dynamic). The project will enrich the students’ own ecological

knowledge, broadcast key learnings within the larger HVA community and propagate climate change messages more broadly.

At the Oakdale public recreation area and urban forest within the Hudson city limits, the not-for-profit Friends of Hudson Youth will assemble teams of local high school students to work together with the non-profit Greenagers on a four-day project designed to regenerate areas of the Oakdale Forest. PCA’s

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Rev. Beilke transitions from pulpit to advocacy in new role

HUDSON — Beyond Plastics, a nationwide nonprofit project based at Bennington College, announced that Rev. Kathryn Beilke joined the organization as its first-ever interfaith partnerships coordinator. Rev. Beilke, an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA), will be using her organizing, advocacy, communication, and development experience to connect Beyond Plastics with worshipping communities and faith-based organizations.



Photo contributed
Rev. Kathryn Beilke

“We are excited to welcome Kathryn to our team of dedicated experts, and we look forward to collaborating with religious institutions of all faiths in the fight against plastic pollution,” said Beyond Plastics president and former EPA regional administrator Judith Enck in a press release. “There is a robust landscape of faith-based organizations working on environmental solutions. Faith institutions make up over 35% of the global fossil fuel divestment movement, which has mobilized more than \$40 trillion in commitments. It’s time we worked together to combat plastic’s growing threats to people and the planet.”

Rev. Beilke served for a decade as a pastor at Hudson’s First Presbyterian Church before the climate crisis prompted her to leave the pulpit and pursue environmental solutions. Believing that state and local action can spark meaningful change, Rev. Beilke worked with municipalities navigating New York state’s Climate Smart Communities initiative before joining the staff of Beyond Plastics. While she is ordained in the Presbyterian Church (USA), she believes in centering a diversity of religious traditions and Indigenous perspectives in her work.

“I’m grateful for the opportunity to fight plastic pollution and climate change with Beyond Plastics,” Rev. Beilke said also in the release. “Plastic, a material derived from fossil fuels, emits four

times more greenhouse gases than the entire aviation industry and is a primary contributor to climate change. Climate change is humanity’s greatest collective moral challenge, but — as Pope Francis noted in his encyclical *Laudato si* — it is also an opportunity for profound inner reflection. Protecting our Earth and the health of living beings is spiritual work. It is not only my calling but also that of all people of faith and conscience. I want to provide hope to faith communities that real change is within our grasp. Ending plastic pollution is possible. We have the knowledge and the tools; we just need the political and spiritual will to do what is necessary and right.”

Originally from St. Louis, Rev. Beilke attended Princeton Theological Seminary and lives with her husband and two young children in the Hudson Valley region.

Launched in 2019, Beyond Plastics is a nationwide project that pairs the wisdom and experience of environmental policy experts with the energy and creativity of grassroots advocates to build a vibrant and effective movement to end plastic pollution and promote alternatives to plastics. Using deep policy and advocacy expertise, Beyond Plastics is building a well-informed, effective movement seeking to achieve the institutional, economic, and societal changes needed to save our planet and ourselves, from the negative health, climate, and environmental impacts for the production, usage, and disposal of plastics.

Hamilton and Frishkoff receive 2024 Henriette Reiss Award

GHENT — Massimo Hamilton, Germantown, class of 2020 and Elizabeth Frishkoff, Ghent, class of 1986, each received this year’s Henriette Reiss Award for Artistic Endeavor for their illustrations of books on fishing and food and the Abenaki language, respectively. This award is given annually to current or former Hawthorne Valley Waldorf School (HVS) graduates to support artistic practice. The 30th annual Henriette Reiss Awards were presented at HVS’s 2024 graduation ceremony on June 15.

Mr. Hamilton graduated from College of the Atlantic (COA) in 2024 with a bachelor of arts in Human Ecology. His studies in Visual Arts permeated his transdisciplinary academic experience in Fisheries and Marine Science, Spanish Language Studies, and Climate Justice. He participated in COA’s language and cultural immersion program in Mexico’s Yucatan Peninsula (Programas de Inmersión Cultural en Yucatán), as well as Boston University’s Sea Education Association Program in French Polynesia. He interned at Acadia Aqua Farms in Bar Harbor, ME, and for four years worked as a deckhand on COA’s research vessel, M/V Osprey. He is a 2023 Maine Sea Grant



Photos contributed
Elizabeth Frishkoff

Undergraduate Scholar. He is proud to have joined the ranks of Henriette Reiss Award recipients for the work in his book, “Blue Foods of Bar Harbor, ME: An Illustrated Guide to Fishing and Feasting.”

Ms. Frishkoff received a BA in Performing and Visual Arts from Wells College, and a masters of science in Social Work from Columbia University. Her post graduate studies and certificates include: Early Childhood Education; Waldorf Pedagogical Studies; Spatial Dynamics; Reflex Integration; and Holistic Approach to NeuroDevelopment and Learning Efficiency.

Ms. Frishkoff is primarily of Euro-American descent, and a life-time student of Anthroposophy and human



Photos contributed
Massimo Hamilton

development. She joined an Abenaki online language class in 2020 as part of her efforts to understand the history of Columbia County and the parts of the story that have been neglected in the traditional narrative. She has come to deeply appreciate the gifts of insight into awareness, consciousness, and relationships intrinsic in the Abenaki language and culture, and began her illustrated Abenaki language book.

The Henriette Reiss Award was established in 1993 by Elizabeth Papas, Philmont, a long-time friend of the Reiss family. Ms. Reiss (1889–1992), a resident of Columbia County, was an internationally respected artist and designer. For further information on Henriette Reiss, see winoldreiss.org/studiocircle/henriettereiss.

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County Board honors sports teams, approves STR management company

By JEANETTE WOLFBERG

HUDSON — The Columbia County Board of Supervisors acted regarding high school sports achievements, short term rentals, 11 Warren Street, firefighting education, Columbia-Greene Community College (CGCC), and student loan payment support at their meeting August 14, where they also heard a presentation on housing needs.

The county recognized Neil Howard III, who graduated this year from Taconic Hills High School, for outstanding track and field accomplishments. It also recognized the Chatham Central School District baseball team, and its coach Scott Seltz, for its dedicated hard work leading to its achieving the 2024 NY State Class C championship.

The board also authorized a contract with Granicus, a company whose website says it “connects people and government,” to identify short term rentals (STRs), collect local taxes on them, and oversee their compliance with regulations. STRs, like Airbnb, “can have positive impacts” like “increasing tourism” and “providing an additional revenue stream for residents,” as well as “negative impacts” like “decreasing the availability of long term rentals [and] affordable housing,” the authorization said. In May, the supervisors asked the state to allow them to impose occupancy taxes of up to 4%, while a Granicus executive presented how Granicus could help enforce their regulations (Article May 16).

On another matter, the county accepted a grant of \$5.2 million, to be paid over three years, from the NY State Office of Indigent Legal Services, and it plans to use some of it to help relocate the Public Defender’s office to Hudson’s 11 Warren Street. Other uses can include “insuring adequate legal representation from the Public Defender’s Office” and “funding the Conflict Defender’s Office.” The county bought 11 Warren Street last year, and local residents have expressed concern about its plans for it. One problem is that the county also plans to move the District Attorney’s (DA) office there, and some people objected to the DA and the Public Defender located in close proximity. They worried it



Chatham High School's baseball team at the August county Board of Supervisors' meeting.



Neil Howard III (center) also at the meeting.

would be harder for the Public Defender to establish their clients’ trust.

The supervisors authorized Fire Coordinator George Keeler to let Questar III BOCES conduct firefighting classes in the county Emergency Services and Response Training Facility in Ghent for free. Normally only county agencies can use the facility without paying a fee. But, Mr. Keeler said later, Questar is “training our volunteers. High School kids who are going to belong to our fire department.”

The board also approved CGCC’s operating budget for 2024–25.

The board authorized the Department of Human Services (DHS) to help pay the student loans of five specific DHS employees. The money comes from the state, and the employees are to receive it over a three-year period, during which time they must stay employed. The total amounts the five individuals receive is to range from \$10,000 to \$26,250.

At the Health and Human Services Committee meeting July 16, Supervisor Ron Knott (Stuyvesant) opposed this

arrangement: “I don’t support taxpayers paying anybody’s loan. If you take out a loan, you’re responsible for it.”

Supervisor Robert Lagonia (Austerlitz) told of a business helping an employee pay a student loan with no taxpayer money.

But Daniel Almasi, county Director of Community Services, pointed out that the DHS arrangement “is intended to incentivize people to stay. It’s unfortunate that only five people will benefit.”

“We need to use every tool in the box to help keep them in their jobs,” said Supervisor Brenda Adams (Canaan). “Housing is so expensive.”

Student loan debt reduces the amount of money a household can comfortably spend on housing, the Columbia Economic Development Corporation’s (CEDC’s) Housing Development Coordinator Chris Brown pointed out during his presentation at the July 14 meeting on the county’s housing situation. The guideline that a household can afford to spend up to 30% of its gross monthly income on housing was made before student debt was recognized as a factor.

Meanwhile, Mr. Brown contin-

ued, in the five years from 2018 to 2023 the median home sale price in Columbia County rose 88% from \$239,000 to \$450,000. In the same period, the number of homes available for sale dropped 57% from 648 to 276. As for the renting households for which pertinent data is available, 31% are paying at least 50% of their gross income on rent. An additional 20% are paying 30 to 50% of their income on rent. And although the county’s median income has gone up “slightly” its renters’ median income has gone down.

In response the county has established a Housing Task Force, the CEDC has sponsored a community land trust which can be used for new housing, and applications are being made for grants to survey and improve housing conditions.

Also at the meeting:

•Board Chairman Matt Murell appointed Helen Kozel to the Columbia County Industrial Development Association and Supervisor Ryan Skoda (Taghkanic) as the board’s representative to the CEDC Board. Mr. Skoda replaces Richard Scalera (Hudson, 5th Ward)

•Supervisor Knott read

Chairman Murell’s recognition of August 31 as National Overdose Awareness Day, and Supervisor Adams read his proclamation of September as National Recovery Month in Columbia County.

The board authorized:

- Accepting funds for the Health Department from a NY State settlement with Juul Labs, to be used to discourage vaping
 - Purchasing a Ricoh large format printer/scanner/copier, for up to \$11,137.37, for the County Clerk’s office
 - Consultant agreements regarding the replacement of a culvert in Gallatin and the bridge carrying Rossman Road over Kinderhook Creek in Stockport
 - Providing Astor Services for Children & Families with office space in the DHS Building (325 Columbia Street, Hudson) twice a week. Astor tries to keep children with mental health issues in their homes through aggressive “intervention” services
 - An agreement with the Manhattan-based Greenburger Center for Social and Criminal Justice for establishing and coordinating a Wellness Hub.
- In all, the board passed 30 resolutions.

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Deputies rescue man from burning structure

By DIANE VALDEN

COPAKE — A sleeping man likely owes his life to the actions of two Sheriff's deputies, who woke him up and got him out of a burning building.

According to a press release from Columbia County Sheriff Donald J. Krapf, Deputies Timothy Gladwin and Cody Falkner were on routine patrol in the Town of Hillsdale, August 18 at 2:10 a.m., when they monitored Columbia County 911 dispatching the Copake Fire Department and the Community Rescue Squad to a reported working structure fire at 1662 County Route 7A (Church Street), next door to the post office in the Town of

Copake. The deputies immediately responded to the fire location and notified County 911 that they were en route.

Upon arrival at the residence, the deputies found a two-story apartment building with one of the bottom-floor apartments engulfed in flames and smoke throughout the structure visible on footage captured by the deputies' body cam. They quickly started helping to evacuate the occupants, even assisting people out of a window.

Deputies asked the residents if anyone else was in the building, and one tenant from an upstairs apartment mentioned that they had knocked on the door of the other upstairs

apartment when leaving but didn't receive a response. The tenant believed that someone might still be in that apartment.

The deputies entered the building and went upstairs to the apartment, where the subject was believed to still be inside. They knocked on the door, didn't receive a response, and immediately forced entry into the apartment. They located a lone occupant asleep in his bedroom and helped him out of the apartment and down the stairs to safety. Once it was confirmed that no one else was in the building, deputies ensured that EMS personnel on the scene treated any occupants needing medical assistance. They also assisted one

of the elderly occupants with contacting family members to come and assist her.

The building, which once served as the office of Dr. Robert Bowerhan and later the law office of Bertram Siegeltuch, remains standing but is boarded up. Sheriff's Office Captain Kevin Skype told The Columbia Paper that the fire was deemed accidental in nature.

Deputy Gladwin and Deputy Falkner acted selflessly and without hesitation to assist all occupants of the apartment building to safety. Their quick action and bravery undoubtedly prevented a tragedy, as they were able to rescue an individual who the smoke detectors or

previous rescue attempts had not awakened, the release said.

"We hear about these types of incidents every day and the loss of life due to house fires. If it were not for the quick action of our two deputies, this could have been another one of those tragic events. The courageous actions of Deputy Gladwin and Deputy Falkner prevented the loss of life and injury at this structure fire. This was outstanding police work, and without a doubt, these men are heroes. They exemplify what it is to be a deputy sheriff. I am exceptionally proud to have them as members of the Columbia County Sheriff's Office," Sheriff Krapf said in the release.

Kreutzer found guilty of attempted murder

HUDSON — A Livingston woman who went to a Town of Gallatin home and opened fire upon a State trooper in November 2020 was found guilty of three felonies including attempted murder and one misdemeanor following a week-and-a-half jury trial in Columbia County Court before Judge E. Danielle Jose-Decker, according to a press release from the Columbia County District Attorney's Office.

Madison Kreutzer, 38, was found guilty August 29, of second degree attempted murder, a class B felony; first degree reckless endangerment, a D felony; first degree criminal trespass, a D felony, and prohibitions on the use and possession of a firearm, a misdemeanor. She is scheduled to be sentenced

December 5 and faces a sentence of 5 to 25 years.

"We are gratified by the jury's verdict and pleased to achieve justice for retired Zone Sgt. Paul Strobel. The jury sent a clear message that you do not shoot at police. I commend Chief Assistant Cheryl Botts for her work on this case," said District Attorney Chris Liberati-Conant in the release. The DA led the prosecution along with Ms. Botts.

"We want to thank the State Police for all of their support during the preparation for, and prosecution of this case. We could not have achieved this result without them," Ms. Botts said in the release.

Ms. Kreutzer was remanded to the Columbia County Jail to await sentencing.

Driver pinned in tractor trailer rollover

Ghent firefighters, Chatham firefighters were dispatched with Greenport Rescue for a tractor trailer rollover with the driver trapped at 1209 Route 217 between Schnackenberg Road and the town line, August 28 at 1:13 p.m. The driver's arm was pinned under the cab and was lightly pinned between the seat and steering wheel, according to the Ghent Fire Company's Facebook page. Fire and rescue crews were aided by a wrecker from Speed's Garage to help lift the cab from the driver. A landing zone was set up just west of the scene for a Life Net helicopter, which took the driver to Albany Med. Philmont Fire was requested to close the roadway to the west. Also on scene were State Police, NYSEG, Columbia County Fire Coordinators office, County Highway, NYS DOT, and Hillsdale Repair handled the vehicle recovery operations. Firefighters were back in service at 4:06 p.m.



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Red Cross offers back to school safety tips

GHENT — The American Red Cross offers this checklist to follow to help make sure your student is safe as they go back to the classroom.

If your student is younger or going to school for the first time, teach them:

- Their phone number, address, how to get in touch with their parents at work, how to get in touch with another trusted adult and how to dial 911

- Not to talk to strangers or accept rides from someone they don't know.

If your child walks to school, teach them to:

- Walk on the sidewalk. If no sidewalk is available, walk facing traffic
- Stop and look left, right and left again to see if cars are coming
- Cross the street at the corner, obey traffic signals and stay in the crosswalk
- Never run out into the street or cross between parked cars.

If your student takes the bus to school, teach them to:

- Get to their bus stop early and stand away from the curb while waiting for the bus to arrive
- Board the bus only after it has come to a complete stop and the driver or attendant has instructed them to get on. And only board their bus, never an alternate one
- Stay in clear view of the bus driver and never walk behind the bus.

If your student rides their bike to school, teach them to:

- Always wear a helmet
- Ride on the right in the same direction as the traffic is going.

If you drive your child to school, teach them to:

- Always wear a seat belt. Younger children should use car seats or booster seats until the lap-shoulder belt fits properly (typically for children ages 8 to 12 and over 4'9"), and ride in the back seat until they are at least 13 years old.

If you have a teenager driving to school, make sure they:

- Use seat belts
- Don't use their cell phone to text or make calls and avoid eating or drinking while driving.

If you are considering get-

ting your student a cell phone:

- Download the free Red Cross First Aid and Emergency apps to give them access to first aid tips for common emergencies and real-time weather alerts. Find the apps in smart-phone app stores by searching for the American Red Cross or going to redcross.org/apps.

If your student is joining a sports team, make sure they:

- Wear protective gear, such as helmets, protective pads, etc
- Warm up and cool down
- Watch out for others
- Know the location of the closest first aid kit and AED.

Back to school checklist for drivers:

- Slow down
- Yellow flashing lights indicate the bus is getting ready to stop — slow down and be prepared to stop. Red flashing lights and an extended stop sign indicate the bus is stopped and children are getting on or off

- Motorists must stop when they are behind a bus, meeting the bus or approaching an intersection where a bus is stopped

- Motorists following or traveling alongside a school bus must also stop until the red lights have stopped flashing, the stop arm is withdrawn, and all children have reached safety. This includes two and four-lane highways

- If physical barriers such as grassy medians, guide rails or concrete median barriers separate oncoming traffic from the bus, motorists in the opposing lanes may proceed without stopping. Do not proceed until all the children have reached a place of safety.

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Photo contributed

Christine Jones and Paul Barrett

Houlihan Lawrence announces Jones/Barrett join firm's Hudson office

HUDSON — Houlihan Lawrence has announced that Christine Jones and Paul Barrett have joined the firm's Hudson brokerage.

Ms. Jones is an accomplished business professional, with more than 25 years experience focused on building and maintaining strategic partnerships, sales, marketing, and advertising. She is the president of the Hudson Development Corporation focused on growing economic and employment opportunities. She is co-founder and president emerita of The Hudson Literacy Fund in its eleventh year which provides books and scholarships for Hudson Public School Students. Ms. Jones participated in the Hudson Farmers Market for ten years and is co-founder of the Hudson Indoor Farmers Market. She serves as a trustee of The Olana Partnership. She and her husband Bert Goldfinger

owned the Red Barn restaurant in Ghent for 14 years, one of the first farm-to-table restaurants in Columbia County. She has owned a farm in Ghent for 24 years and she and her husband have made it their full-time residence since 2012.

Mr. Barrett has 25 years corporate brand building and marketing communications experience with such companies as American Home Foods, Georgia Pacific and Unilever. Within his role as Corporate Communications Manager with Bertolli, he served as chairman of the Culinary Trust, a global, not-for-profit foundation providing scholarships and food writer travel grants to a worldwide organization of food professionals. Being a Tourism Ambassador of the county for 13 years as a B&B owner in Hudson only honed his knowledge and familiarity he already had of the area. He currently serves as president

of the board of Hudson Hall at the Historic Hudson Opera House, secretary for The Hudson Development Corporation and as historian on the Historic Preservation Commission for the City of Hudson. He is a recognized writer and researcher of lost architecture of the Hudson Valley. He has published articles and is often invited to do speaking engagements on the subject. He entered the real estate world in 2014 and is a resident of Hudson.

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Ribbon cutting held at yoga studio in K'hook

KINDERHOOK — The Columbia County Chamber of Commerce announced a ribbon-cutting event celebrating the one-year anniversary of Village Yoga, 6 Hudson Street.

Members of the chamber attended and Bill Gerlach, the president of the chamber, presented the chamber's congratulatory certificate to Catherine Zach.

Ms. Zach and Sam Breschi, who have been teaching together



Photo contributed

Catherine Zach, co-owner and co-founder of Village Yoga, used the giant scissors to cut the ribbon celebrating the one-year anniversary of the studio. Behind her is Sam Breschi, co-owner and co-founder along with the members of a popular class, Everyday Practice.

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C-GCC raises \$59,000 in successful tiny house auction

GREENPORT — Columbia-Greene Community College (C-GCC) has announced the successful conclusion of its second annual Bid and Build Tiny House Auction, where two handcrafted tiny homes were sold for a combined total of \$59,000. The auction, which took place online July 31, drew significant interest from a wide range of bidders and culminated in a thrilling bidding war.

This year's auction featured two tiny houses constructed by students in C-GCC's Construction Technology Program, a one-year comprehensive training certificate that prepares students for in-demand careers in the con-

struction industry. Under the guidance of faculty, students spent the academic year mastering all aspects of home construction, from framing to finishing, resulting in two fully functional tiny homes that exemplify eco-conscious construction practices and innovative, space-maximizing designs.

Each tiny house, mounted on a towable chassis, measures 20 feet in length, 8 feet in width, and 13.5 feet in height. The homes include a fully outfitted kitchen, bathroom with shower, mini-split heating unit, and a sleeping loft, making them perfect for a variety of uses, from off-grid living to

additional guest suites or home offices.

"The enthusiasm and dedication our students have shown in building these tiny homes is truly inspiring," said Carlee Drummer, president of C-GCC, in a press release. "This auction not only showcases their skills but also supports future learning opportunities. The funds raised will be reinvested into the Building Construction Technology program, allowing us to purchase materials for upcoming projects and provide scholarships to incoming students."

In addition to funding the program, C-GCC has partnered with The Spark of

Hudson to offer full-tuition scholarships for students enrolling in the Construction Technology program for fall 2024. This initiative, launched in 2023, has significantly increased interest in the program, making it more accessible to students and addressing both housing and workforce challenges in Columbia and Greene counties.

The auction, which was open to the general public, attracted a diverse group of potential buyers, from snowbirds and off-grid enthusiasts to business owners and those looking to add unique spaces to their properties. The starting bid was set at \$26,500, below

the market value for homes of this quality.

"We are thrilled with the outcome of this year's auction," said Construction Technology Program Instructor Andrew Soltano, also in the release. "The excitement and interest generated by the tiny houses reflect the quality and craftsmanship our students have put into these projects. We're already looking forward to next year's auction and the opportunities it will bring."

For more information about the Construction Technology program or to learn more about next year's Tiny House Auction, visit columbiagreene.edu.

Elmira College recognizes annual Key Award recipients

ELMIRA — Elmira College recently announced this year's recipients of its annual Key Award. This year's award was given to 831 students in 17 states. A tradition that goes back to 1935, the Key Award is presented to outstanding students in their junior year of high school or preparatory school. Students included:

Lynn Carr, Stottville; Cheyenne Poucher, Copake; Logan Smalley, East Chatham; Gianna Mullane-Hernandez, Germantown; Matthew Long, Hudson; Joshua Naraine, Elizaville; Olivia Mann, Hudson; Aidan Brennan, Valatie; and Jennifer Albrecht, Chatham.

Recipients receive an \$88,000 scholarship over a four-year period, \$22,000 per year, upon enrolling at Elmira College.

"This award is given to students with the potential to excel academically, serve as leaders, and go on to enjoy success in life," said Charles Lindsay, president of Elmira College, in a press release. "We hope they will choose to make Elmira College their place."

Sponsored by the EC Alumni Association, the Key Award recognizes students for high scholastic achievement, leadership, citizenship, and participation in extracurricular activities.

Local students graduate from University at Buffalo

BUFFALO — The following local students graduated from the University at Buffalo (UB):

Lia Sotiri, Stuyvesant, graduated with a bachelor's degree in international trade from the College of Arts and Sciences, in February 2024; Bill Hamm, Valatie, graduated with a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, in June 2024; Elizabeth Desmonie, Valatie, graduated with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineer-

ing from the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, in August 2023; Antje Nijboer, Valatie, graduated with a bachelor's degree in business administration from the School of Management, in August 2023; Lizbeth Gomez Loyola, Hudson, graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in communication from the College of Arts and Sciences, in June 2024; and Marta Varga, Hudson, graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in business

administration from the School of Management, in February 2024.

UB celebrated over 9,400 students across 23 school-based or university-wide recognition and certificate ceremonies held April 26 through May 19.

The commencement ceremonies recognized students whose bachelor's, master's or doctoral degrees were conferred by the university in August 2023, February 2024 or June 2024.

Oshea graduates from Hamilton

CLINTON — Anna Oshea, Kinderhook, received a bachelor of arts degree from Hamilton College on Sunday, May 19, in a Commencement ceremony concluding the college's 212th year.

Ms. Oshea, a women's and gender studies major, graduated magna cum laude with departmental honors in women's and gender studies.

CANTON — Genna Ihlenburg, a SUNY Canton Legal Studies major from Hudson, earned part-time honors at SUNY Canton during the spring 2024 semester.

"Your commitment to balancing multiple responsibilities while pursuing your education is truly admirable," said SUNY Canton

President Zvi Szafran, in a press release. "By earning part-time honors, you have demonstrated exceptional determination and a relentless pursuit of excellence. Keep up the remarkable work, and may your academic journey continue to inspire others."

The college created this award to recognize students

who earned at least a 3.25 GPA in 6 to 11 credit hours of coursework. It stands alongside the college's dean's list and president's list as one of the top awards given for academic success during a single semester.

A complete list of all honor students also runs on www.canton.edu.

Ihlenburg earns academic honors as a part-time SUNY Canton student

Academic Honors

Dean's List: Hartwick College

ONEONTA — Anthony Reyome, Ghent, was named to Hartwick College's spring 2024 dean's list. Mr. Reyome, who is pursuing a major in Music Education, was among the approximately 350 students who were named to the spring 2024 dean's list.

Making the dean's list is an indication of excellence in academic work. To qualify, students must complete at least 12 academic credits during a term with a grade point average of at least 3.50 and no incompletes.

SUNY Oswego

OSWEGO — SUNY Oswego recently recognized two Columbia County residents as high academic achievers on its deans' list for the spring 2024 semester.

Deans' list students are those attaining semester grade-point averages between 3.3 and 3.79 while carrying required academic credits.

Students on the deans' list include: Bishwokrit J. Rayamajhi, Hudson, biology, and Avery M. Williams, Chatham, American studies, anthropology.

Western New England University

SPRINGFIELD, MA — Western New England University (WNE) has announced that Caleigh Parmentier of Hudson has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2024 semester.

Students are named to the dean's list for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher.

Ms. Parmentier is working toward a BSE in Mechanical Engineering.

Simon's Rock

GREAT BARRINGTON, MA — Bard College at Simon's Rock congratulates the students named to the spring 2024 dean's list for their outstanding academic achievement.

Local students include:

Finley Baack, Hudson; Olivia Delgado, East Chatham; Samuel Hautzig, East Chatham; Grace Ocallahan, Ghent, and Anastasiia Protsenko, Germantown.

Honors:

University of Dallas

IRVING, TX — Isaac Shipman, Claverack, was named to the University of Dallas spring 2024 honor roll for earning a semester GPA of 3.0–3.49. Mr. Shipman is a sophomore, undeclared major.

Undergraduate students at the University of Dallas must complete two years of fundamental coursework in the humanities, sciences, politics, mathematics and fine arts. Students must also complete coursework in Ancient Greek, French, German, Italian, Latin or Spanish.

PAUL CZAJKA

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He had retired from his long held position as Columbia County District Attorney on December 31 of last year.

During his nearly 40 years of public service, Mr. Czajka, a dairy farmer turned lawyer, was a public defender, county judge and county district attorney. He held that office from January 1988 to December 1994 and again from January 1995 until May 2011, he was elected county judge and served for 10 years. He was a registered Republican.

Of the 46 DAs to have served Columbia County since 1796, Mr. Czajka was the longest serving and the first to serve full-time.

A graduate of Germantown High School, Mr. Czajka attended Hamilton College, earned his bachelor's degree at the State University at Albany and his law degree at the Western New England School of Law in Springfield, MA. He served in the U.S. Peace Corps in the Philippines. He leaves

three grown sons and grandchildren.

In the 1980s, he notably prosecuted corrupt Hudson Police officers and James J. Dolan, Jr., the suspended Hudson police chief, who was sentenced in April 1991 to probation and fined for obstructing justice by interfering with drug investigations by other law-enforcement agencies.

In a January 2023 letter announcing he would not seek re-election that November, Mr. Czajka credited former sheriffs Paul Proper, James Bertram and "four courageously honest Hudson police officers" for the cleanup of the Hudson Police Department, saying, together, "We transformed that city by rooting out official corruption, making it possible for it to become a magnet for tourists and new residents."

In that letter, Mr. Czajka said that the people of Columbia County had "entrusted" him with protecting family, fellow citizens and



David Lee

Former DA Paul Czajka is pictured smiling during his retirement ceremony on December 8 in Hudson at the county courthouse, where more than 200 people came to thank him for his service and bid him farewell.

the entire community by electing him as district attorney, county judge and again as district attorney.

"...You have bestowed upon me the greatest honor of my professional life. I cannot overstate my gratitude," he said.

Chief Moore told The Columbia Paper Wednesday

that "Paul, who was seven years older, was best friends with my brother. He was like a big brother to me.

"He was the most ethical man I ever met. He chose a hard way to make a living" and was always a great "supporter of victims," the chief said.

Asked back in 2023 why he would not run again, Mr.

Czajka said, "It's time." While he would not commit to what he would do in retirement, one thing is sure, he said, "I won't milk cows again."

Funeral arrangements for Mr. Czajka are incomplete at this time and will be announced.

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\$5,000 grant will enable the teams to clear out invasive species and plant native ones, provided by the O Zone Nursery in Germantown, itself a sustainability and education center. The project will not only improve the diversity and health of the forest but also grow the knowledge base of the participants. The Oakdale Forest abuts Oakdale Lake.

Even in the relatively wet climate of the Northeast, water conservation is an issue. The City of Hudson charges a flat fee for water usage, rather than basing its charges on metered usage — a practice that does not encourage conservation. In addition, the city's old sewers often overflow during heavy rains, bringing debris into the system. PCA's \$5,000 grant to the Spark of Hudson for its "Rain Reclaim" project will help the group model a system for rainwater harvesting.

Fifteen to twenty high school students will work with an instructor to design a prototype collection device which

will have gutters for rain collection, a body to hold the water, a filter to remove debris and a faucet to allow easy connection to a hose. The system will most likely be used to supply water for the many backyard gardens that are sprinkled throughout the city. Tools will be provided by the Toolshed Exchange, a "lending library" of tools located at Basilica in Hudson, and Toolshed will also provide educational support. Fathema Rahman of the Spark hopes the project will spread the use of devices throughout Hudson as a means to reclaim and reuse rainwater.

Finally, Hudson's Kite's Nest was awarded \$5,000 to expand its site-wide soil remediation and composting program.

The county's Climate Smart Task Force has also been hard at work addressing the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Over the past several years, more than \$1 million in grant funds have been awarded to the county, that in turn have been used for a series of projects that not only reduce

the emission of harmful gases but also save money for the county. These include:

- Installation of a 74-kilowatt rooftop solar system on the Department of Social Services building in Hudson. Since the system went live in April 2024 it has generated enough clean electricity (44 megawatts) to replace 25% of the building's electric use
- The purchase of 5 electric vehicles, resulting in the saving of nearly 2,000 gallons of fuel annually
- The installation of 16 electric vehicle charging stations for use by the county and the public
- The purchase of clean, electric landscaping equipment to replace gas-powered equipment
- The installation of electric heat pumps in the courthouse.

In the near future, moreover, the county plans to install solar panels at the solid waste facility and to conduct an energy audit and implement upgrades at 401 State Street.

Perhaps of greatest significance, the Board of Supervisors has made a commitment to create a county-wide climate action plan and is applying for grants to offset the costs of the

project. Such a plan will look at the sources of GHG emissions and also GHG absorption (such as through forests) throughout the county. After extensive input from an array of stakeholders, the Task Force expects to propose a plan that addresses mitigation of GHG emissions not only through equipment installation and upgrades but also land use measures.

And, on the fun and educational side, Saturday, September 14, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Columbia County Fairgrounds will bring the second ever Climate Carnival. There will be two live bands, food trucks, a wild bird exhibit and electric vehicles (cars and bicycles) to check out, renewable energy vendors to provide education about solar arrays, heat pumps and other "clean" energy sources, green growers to talk with about sustainable gardening, landscaping and farming, and a composting area. The Department of Environmental Conservation and non-profits such as the Columbia Land Conservancy (CLC) will have booths and host activities.

In addition, there will be a

Repair Café, so that attendees can bring in items needing repair, a Free Store, providing items without charge that neighbors have donated, and a bicycle recycling stand to receive donated bikes and give them back out to attendees.

PS21 is hosting an artistic solar display and numerous town Climate Smart committees will be on hand to talk about the projects they have implemented and that are on the boards at the local level. Columbia-Greene Community College and the county library association will also be there.

As a result of support from the Columbia Economic Development Corporation, Community Advocates for a Sustainable Environment, CLC and Arthur's Point Farm, admission to the carnival will be free for all.

For more information about the carnival or the work of the county Climate Smart Task Force, visit climatesmart.columbiacountyny.com. For more about PCA and the programs its supports, visit climateactionhv.org.

To contact reporter Deborah Lans, email deborahlans@icloud.com.



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Art School hosts opening of 'Only The Mountain Remains'

GHENT — Art exhibit and opening reception for "Only The Mountain Remains" at Art School of Columbia County (ASCC) is Saturday, September 7. This group show of 20 artists is curated by painter and teacher Mary Flinn. Participating artists in this show include: Peter Acheson, Katherine Bradford, Farrell Brickhouse, Jill Bullitt, Claude Carone, Cathy Diamond, Mary Flinn, Marianne Gagnier, Kylie Heidenheimer, Mark LaRiviere, Ben LaRocco, Ro Lohin, Chris Martin, Linnea Paskow, David Paulson, Thaddeus Radell, Kim Sloane, Lawre Stone, Kevin Wixted and Alice Zinnis.

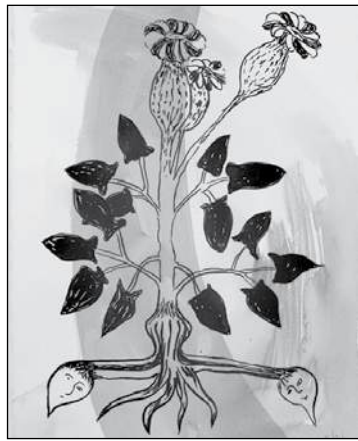


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Lawre Stone "Cipher #21,"
Ink on Arches 15x11

There will be a free opening reception on September 7 from 4 to 6 p. m. with a Panel of Artists Talk led by Flinn, along with other participating artists in the exhibit.

Flinn says about the exhibit, in a press release, "It relates to the dropping away of thoughts, opinions and judgments into a moment of giving and receiving in relation to the artwork in front of you. What kind of images come into being when we let go of our preconceived idea and open up to the unfolding of the muse. Each of these seasoned painters have their own unique experience in their

relationship with painting, and in turn have created unique works of art to share. Enjoy the unfolding with the muse in each artwork."

The exhibit will be on display until October 18. The gallery space is open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays with some weekend hours added. Email artschoolofcolumbia-county@gmail.com for more hours, go to <https://artschoolofcolumbia-county.org/gallery>, or call 5186727140.

ASCC is located half mile from The Taconic Parkway at 1198 Route 21C in the Harlemville area of Ghent/Hillsdale.

Crandell names Brian Edward Leach executive director

CHATHAM — After an extensive search process, Brian Edward Leach has been named executive director of the Crandell Theatre. On Thursday, September 12, from 5 to 7 p. m., Leach will be welcomed by the community at the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce's monthly Business After Hours reception hosted by the Crandell. The event is free and open to the public. Attendees will enjoy light refreshments and learn more about the Crandell's upcoming renovation. Reservations are recommended and can be made by visiting <https://crandelltheatre.org/film/crandell-open-house-reception/> or calling 518392-3445.



Photo contributed

Leach has extensive background in arts administration, programming, fundraising, and marketing for arts organizations. He was previously managing director of the Colonial Theatre in Westerly, RI, and marketing director of PICT Classic Theatre and Pittsburgh Festival Opera. Earlier, he served as curator of the art collection housed at Nemaquin

Resort in the Laurel Highlands of Pennsylvania.

"My first priority is to guide the completion of the fundraising campaign for the renovation of the Crandell Theatre and to oversee the year-long construction," said Leach in a press release. "Working with tremendous support from the board of directors, I look forward to building on the creative programming already taking place to stimulate and entertain Chatham's moviegoing public while the theater is closed and after it reopens."

According to Crandell Board President Lydia Kukoff, "The Crandell Theatre is a great Chatham treasure. Through the Covid closing and dramatic changes in the viewing habits

of the public, the board has maintained its commitment to providing a full range of movies for a wide audience at reasonable prices. The theater has emerged more vital than ever. We are thrilled that Brian, with his great energy and ability, has joined us at this very important time in the life of our beloved theater. We hope that people will take the opportunity on September 12 to welcome Brian to the community."

The Crandell Theatre, 48 Main Street, is one of a few community-based, nonprofit theaters in the United States devoted to film and one of fewer than one hundred single-screen movie theaters nationally. Since 2010, Crandell Theatre, Inc. has raised more than \$1 million to purchase the historic theater and make needed repairs. The current Crandell board is engaged in a multimillion-dollar campaign to renovate and restore the area's oldest, largest, single-screen theater and enhance the moviegoing experience for generations to come.

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 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.

CONTINUING EVENTS

Monday thru Thursday
COLUMBIA COUNTY DWYER PROGRAM FOOD PANTRY, 389 Fairview Ave, Hudson, 9:30 am-1:30 pm (weather permitting). Supports local veterans. Hours flexible if needed. 518 828-3610.

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.

MEDITATION WITH ANNIE, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 1 pm, free. Feel free to bring journal and a stone, crystal, or other small item that's meaningful to you. 518 392-3666, chathampubliclibrary.org.

First Mondays
EXERCISE FOR SENIORS: Live a physically safe, vibrant and functional life, Malden Bridge Community Center, 1087 Albany Turnpike, 10 to 11 am with Ihor Evanick. Get more info at nnc-c1info@gmail.com.

CHATHAM LETTER WRITING SOCIETY, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave., 6 pm. Letter writing socials to practice the art of handwriting letters and cards for loved ones. The library will supply stationery and cards. Bring your favorite pens and some of your own stationery and cards to share with the group. Refreshments will be provided. All ages welcome.

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.

BOOK CLUB, Valatie Free Library, 1036 Kinderhook St, 6 pm. All adult readers are welcome to join the book club. 518 758-9321, valatielibrary.net

HUDSON AMERICAN LEGION POST #184, 104 Cty Rte 25, Stockport, monthly meetings, 7 pm. To become a member, bring DD214 to a meeting. 518-828-4707.

Fourth Mondays
ZOOM AROUND THE WORLD, on Zoom, 6:30 pm. The Columbia County Libraries Association's online book club to read books by international authors. First book discussion on September 23, Canadian writer Heather O'Neill's "Lullabies for Little Criminals." To obtain the Zoom link email merka@chatham.k12.ny.us.

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

Mondays, Tuesdays
OPEN ACCESS HOURS, Columbia County Mental Health Center, 325 Columbia St, Hudson, 8:30-10:30 am. columbia-county-mh.com.

MAH JONGG, The Valatie Free Library, 1036 Kinderhook Street, noon. 518 758-9321, [https://valatielibrary.net](http://valatielibrary.net)

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.

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

OPEN SWIM, New Lebanon Junior/Senior High School, 14665 Rt 20, 5:30-7 pm, \$10 one time fee, \$25 for family of 4 & \$5 each for additional children. bbuckenroth@newlebanoncsd.org.

Mondays, Thursdays
EXERCISE: BALANCE, CARDIO AND SOCIAL TIME 9-10 am, Hall of Church of Immaculate Conception, 732 Rt 20, New Lebanon. Silver Seniors Program. Free, all are welcome. 518-794-7617.

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

QUIGONG/TAI CHI, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 10-11 am, free. Learn various Qigong sets, work on traditional Tai Chi Form. No registration required for in-person sessions. Through September 24. To access Zoom stream: programs@hudsonarealibrary.org.

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-county-ny.com/health/health-clinics.

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

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/ Rte 9, Valatie, 1 pm. \$5 dues 2024, \$10 2025. New members welcome. Info, trip reservations Joyce Meservey 518-610-9095

Second & Third Tuesdays

SENIOR SCENE, New Lebanon Library, 550 State Rt 20, 2 pm. Join other seniors for friendly conversation. Different activity each time, such as painting, games, puzzles, and crafts. 518-794-8844 or www.newlebanonlibrary.org

Third Tuesdays

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, Hillsdale House, 1 Anthony St, 10-11:30 am. Coffee, donuts, conversation. Presented by Hillsdale Safe at Home Committee. Hillsdalesafeathome@gmail.com

Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays

NEW LEBANON FREE STORE, New Lebanon Community Center, 523 Rt 20, Tue 6-8 pm, Thur 5-8 pm, Sat 11 am-3 pm. Clothing, footwear, children's items, more to help reduce, reuse, recycle. Donations accepted at Town Hall. 518 794-8888, townclerk@townof-newlebanon.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/columbiacountyny.com/health/health-clinics.

WALKING GROUP, Harlem Valley Rail Trail Parking lot between Herrington's & Roe Jan Brewing, Hillsdale, 9:30 am. Begins April 24 through end of October. Organized by Hillsdale Safe at Home. Weather permitting.

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.

GENTLE YOGA WITH AMANDA, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, noon, free. Introductory mat/chair class suitable for all ages, abilities. Bring mat, props if possible. Chathampubliclibrary.org.

CLAVERRACK BRIDGE CLUB, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, noon. claveracklibrary.org.

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.org.

CHATHAM/GHENT SENIORS, West Ghent Reformed Church, 1039 CR 22, 1 pm. Refreshments, guest speaker. ghentny@hotmail.com.

DIGITAL NAVIGATOR OFFICE HOURS, Roe Jan Community Library, 9091 Rt 22, Hillsdale, 1-4 pm. Digital Navigators of the Hudson Valley can help you get online at the library or help you use your personal device to get things done. Walk-ins are welcome, appointments are appreciated. Email communications@roejanlibrary.org or call 518-325-4101.

BEAUTIFUL RACKET, First Presbyterian Church of Hudson, 369 Warren St, 5-6:30 pm, free. Beginner master class series of sound healing in collaboration with master sound medicine practitioner Sister Redhawk. beautifulrackethudson@gmail.com.

READ BIPOC BOOK CLUB, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave., 5:30 pm. A collaboration between the Chatham Bookstore and the Chatham Public Library. Discussions will be led by Amy Zimmerman of the Chatham Bookstore. Email: merka@chatham.k12.ny.us.

ENGLISH CLASS, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 6-8 pm, free. For adults who want to improve reading, writing, English speaking skills. Free childcare available. Registration 518 828-1792, colgreene@literacyconnections.org.

ROE JAN FOOD PANTRY, Hillsdale/Copake. Submit orders by Wednesday for Friday pickup. Call Betty White 518 441-2789 or Jackie Dextraze 518 965-5770. Questions to roejanfoodpantry@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.toastmastersclubs.org.

MOVING WITH MUSIC, Kinderhook Memorial Library, 18 Hudson St, 6-7 pm, free. Led by Sandra Tolosa; for those who like upbeat tunes with their workouts. kinderhooklibrary.org.

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

Second & Fourth Wednesdays
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 Register for login credentials namiccny.org/event/hybrid-family-support-group-2nd-wednesday/2024-05-08/ to join our virtual support group Info: 518 336-0246, namiccny@gmail.com.

Fourth Wednesdays

BOOK GROUP, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 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.

Wednesdays, Saturdays

YOGA WITH REGINA, Germantown Library, 31 Palatine Park Rd, Wed 5:15 pm, Sat 9 am, \$10/class. Bring mat & towel. Germantownlibrary.org, 518 537-5800.

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.

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.

KNIT CLUB OF THE HUDSON VALLEY, Copake Memorial Park Building, 305 Mountain View Rd, 1-3 pm, \$2 donation. For all generations & crafters; bring current project to work on in company. Questions: 518 929-7682.

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.org.

RECOVERY CAFE, The Mental Health Awareness and Creative Arts Gallery, 717 Columbia St, Hudson, 3-4 pm, free. Weekly art/recovery classes based on the eight dimensions of wellness. Art supplies & coffee provided. stigmafree.art.

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 timeandspace.org/dance-yoga.

WATER AEROBICS, New Lebanon Junior/Senior High School, 14665 Rt 20, 5:45-6:45 pm, \$40/8 week session plus one \$10 pool facilities fee. Led by Joe Ogilvie. newlebanoncsd.org/nlcommunityeducation/home.

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.

First Thursdays

CHATHAM ROOTS GENEALOGY, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 2 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. No February meeting. 518 794-8844. Newlebanonlibrary.org.

Third Thursdays

COMMUNITY DAY, Olana State Historic Site, 5720 Rt 9G, Greenport, 11 am-3:15 pm, free. Monthly tours & programs; Dos visitas guiadas en español se ofrecen durante este día. olana.org.

HEALTHCARE CONSORTIUM REPRESENTATIVE AVAILABLE, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 1 pm. Meet with a Healthcare Navigator for help signing up for affordable health coverage, including Medicaid and Child Health Plus. Newlebanonlibrary.org.

MAKE IT & TAKE IT: CRAFTS MEETUP FOR ADULTS, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 6:30 pm. All materials provided. Registration is appreciated, call 518-794-8844 or email info@newlebaonlibrary.org.

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.

Fourth Thursdays

GREENPORT SENIORS, Greenport Community Center, 500 Town Hall Drive, 1 pm. Any senior who resides in Columbia County is welcome to attend meeting.

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

WALKING CLUB, locations vary, 10 am, free. Join Chatham Public Library staff for walks on local trails. Register to receive walk locations: merka@chatham.k12.ny.us. chathampubliclibrary.org.

ROE JAN FOOD PANTRY, 2684 Rt 23 (basement of the Sheriff's Substation), Hillsdale, Pick up orders 10 am-noon. Appointments as needed. Call ahead if possible: Betty White 518 441-2789 or Jackie Dextraze 518 965-5770. 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 TUTOR, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 3-4 pm, free. High School student teaches adults basic computer skills or how to better use device. Sign up at library or: chathampubliclibrary@chatham.k12.ny.us.

TECH HELP, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, by appt. Use library laptop or bring your own. Appointments: 518 794-8844.

First Fridays

BOOK CLUB, Livingston Free Library, 90 CR 19, 11:30 am, free. New members welcome. 518 851-2270, livingstonlibrary105@gmail.com.

First & Third Fridays
LEBANON VALLEY SENIORS, Community Center, 523 Rt 20, New Lebanon, 1 pm. New members welcome. Ages 55+ \$15/year; free for 80 years+. Contact lebanonseniorcitizens@gmail.com or call William Shannon at 518-938-1039. Senior page with full calendar, trip information at TownofNewLebanon.com

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Second Fridays

CLAVERRACK SENIORS, Reformed Dutch Church, 88 Rt 9H, Claverack, 1 pm. 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

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. @roejan-friendsbookshop.

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. chathampubliclibrary.org

MAHJONG, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 11 am-1 pm, free. For all skill levels. RSVP librarydirector@newlebanonlibrary.org.

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. 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.

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. For July meeting, Cookbook Club is cooking from Christopher Kimball's "Milk Street: 365." 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.

First Sundays

BOOK GROUP, New Lebanon Library, 550 Rt 20, 11 am. Copies of the book are available by request at local libraries. Newlebanonlibrary.org.

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

COPAKE HILLSDALE FARMERS MARKET, 9140 State Route 22, Copake (across from Roeliff Jansen Community Library). Open Saturdays from 9 am-1 pm, May 18-November 23, 2024.

GERMANTOWN FARMERS MARKET, Palatine Park Pavilion, 50 Palatine Park Road, Open Saturdays 10am-1pm, May 25-October 12. Locally grown food, flowers, handmade items for the home, much more. To become a vendor email germantownfarmersmarket@gmail.com. german-townfarmersmarket.com

HUDSON FARMERS MARKET, N 6th & Columbia streets. Open Saturdays 9 am-1 pm. 30+ vendors & producers, weekly rotation of guest vendors & musicians, rain or shine. April 20- November 23. www.hudsonfarmersmarket.com

KINDERHOOK FARMERS MARKET, Kinderhook Village Square, Route 9 (Broad/Chatham St) and Albany Avenue. Open Saturdays from 8:30 am-12:30 pm, May 4 - October 12. Farmers, bakers, makers, music and more. Sponsored by Kinderhook Business and Professional Association. www.kinderhookfarmersmarket.com

SPECIAL EVENTS

September 6,7

THE ICHABOD CRANE CLASS OF 1974 REUNION, times and locations vary. September 6, 9 am, golf outing. Tour of ICC high school followed by a Memorial Service in the high school library, 5 pm. September 7, chicken BBQ at the Kinderhook Elks, 2-6 pm. Info on Facebook at ICC'74 Reunion.

Harmonies on the Hudson presents Girl Blue

Girl Blue performs at the Clermont State Historic Site, 1 Clermont Avenue, on Thursday, September 12 at 6 p.m. on the Arryl North Lawn, near the main parking lot. Writing deeply emotional songs with strong singable hooks, singer-songwriter Arielle O'Keefe is absolutely one to watch. Based outside of Saratoga Springs, she records all her own music at home with her partner/producer Jimi W and is funded entirely by her community of fans on Patreon and across social media. Harmonies on the Hudson concert series is presented free of charge by the Friends of Clermont. All Harmonies on the Hudson concerts are weather permitting. Check out the season's concert calendar at friendsofclermont.org/events



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September 7

BIRD WATCHING, TRAIL WALKING, Hand Hollow Public Conservation Area, 4079 County Road 9, East Chatham, 8-10 am. Search trails for songs & signs of migrant songbirds & year-round feathered residents. Walk for about 2 hours, stopping often to look for birds along the Beaver Byway trail. No dogs allowed. \$5 donation. Sign up at https://columbialand.org/event/birding-walk/

COMMUNITY YARD SALE, St. John the Baptist Church, 1025 Kinderhook Street (Route 9), Valatie. 9 am-2 pm. Do holiday shopping, find bargains, eat burgers & dogs. Rent tables \$15 each, \$10 each additional table. Contact Richard Draper 518-567-2019 or redraper75@gmail.com.

FIRST COLUMBIANS, back lawn of James Vanderpoel House, 16 Broad St., Kinderhook, 5-7 pm. Columbia County Historical Society annual fundraiser. Tickets at cchsny.org. More info Kristy King kristy@cchsny.org, 518-758-9265

SQUARE DANCE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL, Copake Grange #935, 628 Empire Road, 5-8 pm. Food from Aloha Tacos food truck, ice cream with toppings, music & dancing under the guidance of square dance caller Lance Olds. Get tickets online or at door, \$25; kids 12 & under \$10. Reservations encouraged. Go to copakegrange.org/events.

September 7, 8

GERMANTOWN GARDEN CLUB STANDARD FLOWER SHOW "The Four Seasons," American Legion Hall, Post 346, 1154 Woods Rd, Germantown, Sat 1-4 pm, Sun 1-3 pm. Flower arrangements, educational displays, horticultural specimens. Open to public, Free. More info call Maureen Lockwood at 914-837-0283.

September 13-15

BOOK & BAKE SALE, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, Community Room (rain or shine), Friday and Saturday 10 am-3 pm, Sunday 1-3:30 pm. Books, DVDs, CDs, patterns, and puzzles-most items \$2 or less. Newly sorted, gently used or better, no library discards, no limits. Plus home-baked goods from the Friends of Library. Cash/checks/credit cards all accepted. Masks appreciated and encouraged. 518 828-1792.

WHAT'S COOKING

First Tuesdays

COMMUNITY DINNER, Solaris, 360 Warren St, Hudson, 5:30 pm, free. Details: camphillhudson.org.

September 21

(Reserve by Sept 16)

ROAST PORK DINNER, St. John's Lutheran Church, 1273 County Route 7 Ancram, 4:30-5:30 pm, take-out only drive-through pickup. \$18 donation. Open pit roast pork served with baked potato, green beans, applesauce, cornbread, dessert. Reserve tickets by September 16, call 518-789-4769, 518-329-0038, 518-755-8978, 518-329-7594

FOR KIDS

Continuing

Mondays

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.

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

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.

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

LEGO CLUB, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 4 pm, free. For ages 5 & up. 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.

FAMILY STORYTIME, Valatie Free Library, 1036 Kinderhook St, 10-11 am. Read, dance, snack, craft and play together. Open to caregivers with children ages 0-5. No registration required. 518 758-9321, https://valatielibrary.net

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

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.

CHESS CLUB FOR KIDS, Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 3-4 pm, free. Designed to give students an opportunity to practice the game of chess, improve their skills, and to enjoy challenging their peers. For ages 5 & up. chathampubliclibrary.org

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.

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.

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

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

LEGO CLUB, Valatie Free Library, 1036 Kinderhook Street, 3-5 pm. This is open to children in grades 1-8. No registration required. 518 758-9321, valatielibrary.net.

BINDLESTIFF'S HUDSON JUGGLING CLUB, Henry Hudson Riverton Park, Hudson, 5-7 pm. No prior experience necessary. Equipment to share and mentorship for beginners of all ages and abilities. Youth under age 8 must be accompanied by a family member over 14. <https://bindlestiff.org/bindlestiff-kids/>

Thursdays
BABY & ME STORY TIME, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 11 am, free. claveracklibrary.org.

HORA DE CUENTOS (Spanish Story Hour), Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave, 3 pm. With Senora Sonia. Bilingual stories, songs, rhymes in Spanish and English. For ages 3-5. chathampubliclibrary.org.

MOVEMENT & MUSIC STORYTIME, Hudson Area Library, 51 N 5th St, 4 pm, free. Songs, stories, fun moves led by Abby Lappen. July 11- August 22. Registration appreciated: youth@hudsonarealibrary.org, 518 828-1792 x101.

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.

Fridays
MUSICAL STORY TIME, Claverack Library, 9 Rt 9H, 10 am, free. With Abby Lappen. Suggested for ages up to 5. Claveracklibrary.org.

STORY HOUR, Germantown Library, 31 Palatine Park Rd, 10-11 am, free. germantownlibrary.org.

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.

Saturdays
ART WORKSHOPS, Art Omi, 1405 CR 22, Ghent, 10 am-noon, \$20/child or \$36/two siblings. For ages 5-11. 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.

First & Third Sundays
MAKERS SPACE OPEN HOUSE, Germantown Library, 31 Palatine Park Rd, 2-4 pm, free. Follow theme for day or do your own thing. germantownlibrary.org, 518 537-5800.

September 15
KID'S PRE-RAMBLE BICYCLE EVENT, Kneller Insurance parking lot behind Bank of Greene County, Main Street, Copake, 3-5 pm. For 5-11 year olds. Learn biking tips & tricks, rules of the road, how to ride safely with control. Bring your bike, trike, or scooter, & helmet. Parent or guardian must attend. Park in Municipal Parking lot on Church St. next to Key Bank, follow crossing guard to event. More info contact roejanramble@gmail.com.

AT THE MOVIES
September 5
RUSHMORE, The Crandell Theatre, 48 Main St, Chatham, times vary, \$11 adults, \$7 children, \$8 members. crandelltheatre.org

September 6
LAST SUMMER, The Moviehouse, 48 Main Street, Millerton, noon, \$18, superstar members \$16. First Fridays Film Club with discussion after the film led by Neil LaBute. 518-789-0022, <https://bit.ly/TMHFilmClub-Last-Summer>

September 6,7,8
MY PENGUIN FRIEND, The Crandell Theatre, 48 Main St, Chatham, times vary, \$11 adults, \$7 children, \$8 members. crandelltheatre.org

September 7
DESPICABLE ME 4, The Crandell Theatre, 48 Main St, Chatham, 1 pm, \$11 adults, \$7 children, \$8 members. crandelltheatre.org

CRESCENDO CHORUS, The Moviehouse, 48 Main Street, Millerton, 3 pm, \$18, superstar members \$16. Carissimi's JEPHTE & Missa L'Homme D'Armé. A Q&A with Crescendo Artistic Director Christine Gevert will follow the screening. 518-789-0022, <https://bit.ly/TMH-Crescendo-Chorus-Jephte>

BETWEEN THE TEMPLES + Q&A, The Moviehouse, 48 Main Street, Millerton, 6:30 pm, \$18, superstar members \$16. After the movie: Madeline Weinstein, who plays Gabby in the film, will talk with Neil Labute about her experience on the movie and take questions from the audience. 518-789-0022, <https://bit.ly/TMH-Between-the-Temples-QandA>

September 7,8
TWISTERS, The Crandell Theatre, 48 Main St, Chatham, times vary, \$11 adults, \$7 children, \$8 members. crandelltheatre.org

September 12
PICASSO: A REBEL IN PARIS, The Crandell Theatre, 48 Main St, Chatham, 7 pm, \$11 adults, \$7 children, \$8 members. crandelltheatre.org

September 12, 15
NTLIVE: PRIMA FACIE, The Moviehouse, 48 Main Street, Millerton, times vary, \$25, superstar members \$20. Jodie Comer's Olivier and Tony Award-winning performance in Suzie Miller's gripping one-woman play returns to cinemas. 518-789-0022, <https://bit.ly/TMH-NTLive-Prima-Facie>

MAKING MUSIC
September 5,6,7,8
OLDTONE MUSIC FESTIVAL, Cool Whisper Farm, County Route 21, North Hillsdale, gates open 4 pm Thurs, 50 musical artists, day passes or weekend camping. Traditional music styles: bluegrass, hot jazz, Cajun dance music, Western swing, old-time music. Dancing, wide array of foods, workshops. Family-friendly event dedicated to preservation of folkways & roots music. www.oldtone.org

September 7
TONY KIERALDO, First Presbyterian Church of Hudson, 369 Warren St. Hudson, 6 pm, pay-as-you-wish. Kieraldo is an international recording artist, pianist, musical director, and composer. https://www.viewcy.com/e/the_melting_pot_fea_5

September 8
THE HEAVENLY ECHOES GOSPEL BAND, Malden Bridge Community Center, 1087 Albany Turnpike, 3 pm. Hosted by North Chatham Free Library. <https://northchathamlibrary.org/>

LISTEN & LEARN
September 5
BIRDING 101, Roeliff Jansen Community Library, Copake, 9091 Route 22, 6:30-7:30 pm, free. Whether you're a complete beginner or looking to sharpen your skills, Birding 101 is the perfect introduction. 518-325-4101, <http://www.roejanlibrary.org>

September 5, 7
BOOK TALK AND HABITAT EXPLORATION WALK, Germantown Library, 31 Palatine Park Road, Germantown (Thur., 6 pm) and Palatine Park, 50 Palatine Park Road, Germantown (Sat., 1 pm), both free. Hawthorne Valley Farmscape Ecology Program. For more info and to RSVP for walk: hvfarmscape.org/fieldguide or 518-672-7994.

September 6
FRAUDWATCH, Canaan Congregational Church, 1670 County Route 5, 10:30 am, free. Learn to spot, avoid scams; program provides support, guidance to victims when fraud happens. Co-presented by Alexandria Douglas-Bartolone, a volunteer for AARP-NY's Advocacy team & Bud (Eli Monroe) Newell, a member of AARP-NY's Capital Region Speakers Bureau. www.canaa-nucc.org.

September 7
MAKERS MARKET, Hawthorne Valley Farm Store, 327 County Route 21C, Ghent, 11 am-3pm. hawthornevalley.org

September 8
BIRDING WALK, Rheinstrom Hill Audubon Center, 225 Cambridge Rd, Crayville, 8 am, free. With Roe Jan Library after Birding 101. Meet at the second parking lot. Registration: <https://tickets.audubon.org/hudsonvalley/events/9026ac89-f4bd-79d5-027e-a0aefa21707f>.

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LOVE A FOREST? Schor Public Conservation Area, 58 Shore View Drive, September 8, 3-6:30 pm. \$5. Author/forester Ethan Tapper will explore this question and discuss actions individuals can take to protect important forest ecosystem. After a guided walk participants can join the author for a book signing and reading. Register at <https://columbialand.org/event/how-to-love-a-forest/>

COMMEMORATIVE BOOK LAUNCH, Roeliff Jansen Historical Society, 8 Miles Road, Copake Falls, 5-7 pm. Launch of **MILESTONES**, a "Commemorative Scrapbook" published by RJHS in celebration of Copake's bicentennial year & the historical society's half century mark. Three speakers. www.roeliff-jansens.org

September 9
ZOOM AROUND THE WORLD!, on Zoom & the Chatham Public Library, 11 Woodbridge Ave., 6:30 pm. A new once-a-month book club reading books by international authors. The first book comes from Canada: "Lullabies for Little Criminals," by Heather O'Neil. For more information contact Amanda Merk, merka@chatham.k12.ny.us

September 10
COLUMBIA COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION MONTHLY MEETING, Hudson American Legion Post 184, 107 Cty. Rte. 25, Stockport, 7 pm. For directions or to become a member contact Eric at 518-755-4225

September 11, 18
FREE WORKSHOP, The Stissing Center for Arts & Culture, 2981 Church Street, Pine Plains, 4-6 pm, free. Downtown Upstate offers two-part Solo Performance Workshop for local residents, led by Lenora Champagne. Participants must register for both sessions. To register contact rl-yons@sohothinktank.org.

DANCE
Through September 30
MARK DEGARMO DANCE'S 15TH ANNUAL VIRTUAL SALON PERFORMANCE SERIES, Zoom. Calling all performing artists developing original works-in-progress. Broadcast via Zoom on February 6, March 6 & April 3 at 7 pm ET. Apply by September 30, via Google Form: <https://forms.gle/Fv47coJZrsSHyvcv5>

First Sundays
DANCES OF UNIVERSAL PEACE, 25 Main St., Chatham, 2-4 pm, at Roots Holistic Wellness. Circle dances and songs from diverse spiritual traditions. Each dance taught, no experience needed, all ages and abilities welcome. By donation for space rental. malikaliz13@gmail.com, 802-999-8142; or farid@taconic.net; 518-860-3108.

ON STAGE

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

Thru October 13
THREE TALL PERSIAN WOMEN, Elayne P. Bernstein Theatre, Shakespeare & Company, 70 Kemble Street, Lenox, MA. Tickets: shakespeare.org, or by calling the Box Office at 413 637-3353.

September 5 -15
THE FANTASTICKS, Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 Rt 203, Chatham, times vary, \$45. Musical. Tickets: machaydntheatre.org.

September 7,8
LA MUSICA DEUXIÈME, Ancram Center for the Arts, 1330 County Rte 7, times vary. Part of the Downtown Upstate Festival. Tickets: ancramcenter.org

September 11
THE BEGINNING AFTER THE END OF HUMANITY CIRCUS, Churchtown Dairy, 357 County Rte 12, Hudson, TSL members & students \$20, non-members \$22.50, children 12 and under \$10. TSL and Churchtown Dairy presents Bread & Puppet Theater. 518 822-8100, timeandspace.org

ON VIEW

ART ON MAIN GALLERY, 38 Main Street, West Stockbridge, MA. Head Space, Earth Space featuring Celia Kahn, Hillsdale, and Christian Dewailly, Ghent. August 29-September 8. Thursday-Sunday 11-4 pm; www.berkshireartists.org/art-on-main-gallery

ART SCHOOL of Columbia County, 1198 Rt 21C, Ghent. "Only The Mountain Remains," through October 18. Opening reception: September 7, 4-6 p.m. with a Panel of Artists Talk. Mon, Tue, Thurs, Sun noon-3 pm. 518 672-7140. Artschoolofcolumbiacounty.org, 518 672 7140

CLAVERACK LIBRARY, 9 Rt 9H. Columbia County Plein Air Artists. Opening September 11, 5-7 pm in the Marilyn and Bob Laurie Gallery. Open library hours. claveracklibrary.org.

CREATE GALLERY, 398 Main St, Catskill. Collective Visions: Art of Schoharie County, September 6-22. Opening Reception: September 6, 4-7 pm. Artist Talk: September 15, 2 pm. Fridays 4-7 pm; Saturdays and Sundays 11 am-6pm. www.createcouncil.org

D'ARCY SIMPSON ART WORKS, 409 Warren St, Hudson. Mother Should I Run for President, until October 13. Opening reception and live painting, September 14, 2-6 pm. Fri-Sun noon-5 pm.

510 WARREN STREET Gallery, 510 Warren St, Hudson. Doris Simon: "Multilayered," September 6-29. Opening Reception: September 7, 2-6 pm. Fri & Sat, noon-6 pm, Sun noon-5 pm. 518 822-0510. 510warrenstreetgallery.com.

PRIVATE PUBLIC GALLERY, 530 Warren St, Hudson. Summer Disaster 2, through September 8. 212 286-0075, privatepublicgallery@gmail.com.

ROE JAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY, 9091 Rt 22, Hillsdale. Threads of History: Suffragette Portraits and Quilts in Mixed Media, September 7-October 31. Artist Reception: September 7, 1-3 pm. Open library hours. roejanlibrary.org.

THE SPARK OF HUDSON, 502 Union St, Hudson. Our Town On The River: Showcase of Hudson Artists, September 13 to December 7. Opening Reception: September 13, 6-8 pm. www.sparkofhudson.org

SUSAN ELEY FINE ART, 433 Warren St, Hudson. Eighteen, August 22-October 13. Artist Reception, Saturday, September 7, 5-7 pm. Thursday-Monday, 11 am-5 pm. Thurs-Mon, 11 am-5 pm. susaneleyfineart.com.



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Susanna Grannis's "Bales in Ghent"

Claverack Library hosts opening of CCPAA work

CLAVERACK — The Claverack Free Library has announced the opening of an exhibition of work by the Columbia County Plein Air Artists on Wednesday, September 11 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Marilyn and Bob Laurie Gallery.

Columbia County Plein Air Artists (CCPAA) return to the Claverack Library to unveil their latest works in oil, acrylic, watercolor and pastel. For close to a decade, this multidisciplinary group of artists have converged in the great outdoors to capture the ever-changing light, color and beauty of their iconic environment. Working outdoors (en plein air) gives their work a bold, fresh immediacy, be it in an intimate

view of a small historic village or an expansive rural landscape. Both locals and visitors alike will be captivated by the unique, fresh perspective of the CCPAA.

Works by Arlene Boehm, Susanna Grannis, Helen Hamel, David Lesako, Myra Lobel, Abe Madey, Tom Madey, Kathie Mock, Martha Morano, Lori Rothstein, Debbie Shaw, and Audrey Wyman will be on display from September 5th through October 18th during library hours.

The Claverack Free Library is located at the junction of NY Route 23 and NY Route 9H. Library parking is located at 629 Route 23B. For information contact www.claveracklibrary.org or 518851-7120.

'The Fantasticks' to close out Mac-Haydn summer season

CHATHAM — The Mac-Haydn Theatre, 1925 Route 203, presents the return of "The Fantasticks" to cap off the 2024 summer season, running for a two-week engagement from September 5 to September 15.

This classic promises to enchant audiences with its charming tale of young love and whimsical storytelling under the direction of John Saunders, with Bella DePaola making her choreography debut and musical direction by Eric Shorey, "The Fantasticks"

brings to life the endearing tale of two young lovers Luisa (played by Belle Babcock) and Matt (played by Conor Fallon) find their budding relationship tested time and time again by their meddling fathers, the challenges of distance, and the unexpected highs and lows of companionship.

The cast brings together an energetic combination of new and familiar talent. Jeffrey Konowitch makes his Mac-Haydn debut as Bellomy. Tristan Caldwell stars as El Gallo. Returning cast members

include Gabe Belyeu as Huckabee, Kevin Weldon as Henry, and Emily Allen and Anthony Michael Velez as the Mutes.

The production features scenic design and lighting design by Andrew Gmoser, costume design by Daniel Hewson, sound design by Sean McGinley, hair and makeup by Emily Allen, and props design by Paul Colarusso.

For tickets and information, visit www.machaydntheatre.org or call the box office at 518392-9292.

The Spark of Hudson to feature local artist showcase

HUDSON — Local arts incubator The Spark of Hudson is marking the launch of their new location and gallery space at 502 Union Street with a group exhibit co-curated by legacy regional arts nonprofit organization CREATE Council On The Arts. The exhibition *Our Town On The River: Showcase of Hudson Artists* represents a diverse cross-section of Hudson artists whose work reflects the burgeoning creative spirit and identity of the community at this place and time.

"Our Town On The River" features eight Hudson artists: Chiarra Hughes Mba, David

McIntyre, Gretchen Kelly, Ifetayo Cobbins, Jonathan Simons (Hudson Athens Lighthouse Preservation Society), Kim Bach, Michelle Fox Smith and Pauline Decarmo.

The Spark of Hudson Executive Director Caitie Hilverman said, in a press release, "We're so excited to have 'Our Town On The River' bring creative energy into The Spark Building, laying the groundwork for what we hope will be a vibrant, community-driven space. This exhibition marks the first of many partnerships that will celebrate local art and culture."

"To celebrate the opening of The Spark, we wanted to curate a group of local artists to highlight the variety of works created by artists living and working in Hudson," said Stella Yoon, executive director of CREATE, also in the release.

Our Town On The River: Showcase of Hudson Artists will be on view and open to the public from September 13 to December 7. An opening reception will be held on Friday, September 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. The reception will include a special showcase presentation of The Hudson Mural Project's "Hudson Is Home."

Hear about mosquito and tick-borne diseases

CLAVERACK — Samantha Black from the Columbia County Health Department discusses Lyme disease and mosquito-related illnesses at the next meeting of the Claverack Seniors, Reformed Dutch Church, 88 Route 9H, Friday, September 13 at 1 p.m.

Patti Bender and Ellie Esselsstyn are on the refreshment committee.

All are welcome to attend the following scheduled trips:

- September 18, Big E, Springfield, MA, \$25, leave Claverack at 8 a.m.

- October 28–29, overnight at Atlantic City, \$75 per person, \$20 comp, leave Claverack at 7 a.m.

Sign up one month prior by calling Debbie Grau at 518–610–1766. Non-members pay \$10 extra.

Make checks out and send to Claverack Seniors, P.O. Box 614, Philmont 12565.

Firefighters compete at water polo event

STEPHENTOWN — The Stephentown Fire Department welcomes three-person teams from area fire departments for an evening of friendly competition at a Water Polo event, Saturday, September 14, 6 p.m. at the Stephentown Fire Hall,

35 Grange Hall Road.

No advanced registration needed — sign up at 5 p.m. Full gear required to participate. Trophies awarded for first and second place winners. Burgers, hot dogs, sausages and beverages available to purchase.

‘Rise Against Hunger’ pack food in Valatie

VALATIE — The Kinderhook Reformed Church sponsors a Rise Against Hunger food packing event at Martin H. Glynn, 3211 Church Street, September 14, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (packers 1 to 3 p.m.) To volunteer or donate call 518–758–6401 or kinder-

hookreformedchurch.com for details. Rise Against Hunger’s meal packaging program is a volunteer-based initiative that coordinates the assembly line packaging of highly nutritious dehydrated meals to support feeding programs in developing countries.



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Oldtone presents a wide variety of musical styles from bluegrass, hot jazz, Cajun dance music, Western swing, and old-time music in a beautiful setting.

Oldtone Music Festival returns to North Hillsdale

NORTH HILLSDALE — The much-anticipated Oldtone Music Festival is back, bringing an impressive lineup of some 50 musical artists to Cool Whisper Farm on County Route 21 from Thursday, September 5 through Sunday, September 8. The festival promises a unique celebration of traditional music and community spirit.

Gates open at 4 p.m. Thursday, September 5, with music and festivities continuing through late Sunday afternoon, September 8. Visitors can purchase day passes or enjoy the entire festival. Oldtone is not just another music festival; it’s a family-friendly event dedicated to the preservation of folkways and roots music. With the motto “Participation is Preservation,” the festival emphasizes the importance of audience and artist engagement in keeping these rich traditions alive.

Held on a working family farm since 2015, Oldtone offers a variety of traditional musical styles, including bluegrass, hot jazz, Cajun dance music, Western swing, and old-time music. The festival experience is enhanced by camping, dancing and a wide array of food offerings, all set in the scenic and rural backdrop.

Joining previously announced artists like the Grammy Award-winning conjunto band Los Texmaniacs, The Deslondes, JP Harris, and more are Sweet Megg, Down Hill Strugglers, Kiki Cavazos, Ranse Chase, Krissie & the Kranks, The Alum Ridge Boys & Ashlee, Beg, Steal or Borrow, and Slinky Armadillo.

“The festival is designed to be intimate and rural, standing out from larger summer festivals. It has an organic feel that has come together over the

years with input from both the community and artists from all over the country,” Jim Wright, one of the festival’s founders, said in a press release.

After a one-year hiatus, the Oldtone Music Festival has reformed as a nonprofit organization. Thanks to generous support from the New York Foundation for the Arts and local donors, the festival continues its mission to preserve and celebrate traditional music in a way that’s accessible to all. Bring your chairs and picnic blankets!

For tickets and more information, including event details, camping options, directions, and workshop schedules, oldtone.org.



Book talks, exploration walks here for fall

HARLEMVILLE — The Hawthorne Valley Farmscape Ecology Program’s (FEP) Book Talks and Habitat Exploration Walks are back for the fall.

These free offerings can be enjoyed as a single event or together. To keep up with FEP’s event schedule and learn more visit the events calendar (<https://hawthornevalley.org/calendar/>).

Events are as follows:

- Field Guide Book Talk Habitats in the Germantown Area: Thursday, September 5, 6 to 8 p.m. at Germantown Library, 31 Palatine Park Road, Germantown



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Pearl Crescent butterfly on Black-eyed Susan.

- Habitat Walk at Palatine Park: Saturday, September 7, 1 to 3 p.m. at Palatine Park, 50 Palatine Park Road, Germantown

- Book Talk and Habitat Walk at Austerlitz Historical Society: Sunday, September 15, 2 to 5 p.m. at the Austerlitz

Historical Society, 11550 Route 22

- Book Talk and Botany Walk at New Leaf Ecological Landscapes Open House, Saturday, September 21, 10 a.m. to noon at New Leaf Ecological Landscapes, 652 NY-9H, Hudson

- Book Talk in the Claverack Area, Wednesday, September 25, 6 to 8 p.m. at Claverack Free Library, 629 NY-23B, Claverack

- Habitat Walk at High Falls, Saturday, September 28, 1 to 3 p.m. at High Falls Conservation Area, 540 Roxbury Road, Philmont.

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Roe Jan Library shows Perrella's mixed media work

COPAKE — The Roeliff Jansen Community Library presents *Threads of History: Suffragette Portraits and Quilts in Mixed Media*, an art exhibit by internationally recognized collage artist Lynne Perrella. The exhibit will be on display from September 7 through October 31, with an artist reception on Saturday, September 7, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Ms. Perrella, a resident of Ancram, is an acclaimed artist and author with five books on collage to her name. Her work, which has been featured in numerous publications and included in the comprehensive collection "Collage Masters" published by Lark, is known for its rich textures and profound storytelling. She also presents workshops across the United States and abroad, sharing her expertise and passion for collage and mixed media art.

The *Threads of History* exhibit features 15 new works



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Threads of History: Suffragette Portraits and Quilts in Mixed Media

that delve into the legacies and contributions of women involved in the historic Votes For Women movement. While the exhibit includes portraits of notable leaders, it also highlights the stories of lesser-known activists from diverse backgrounds. These pieces, often presented as mixed media paper "quilts," incorporate tex-

tiles, stitching, and tactile elements, evoking the tradition of quilting as a form of "women's work" and its historical significance in movements like the Underground Railroad.

In Ms. Perrella's words, "Within the open unguarded moments of childhood we discover what we truly resonate to. As long as I can remember I have enjoyed working with paper, glue, paint, and found objects. My goal is to maintain the same excitement and uncluttered instincts about making art that I felt in childhood." Her art in this exhibit reflects these values, bringing history to life through a vibrant and tactile lens.

Roeliff Jansen Community Library 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>

Heavenly Echoes performs at community center

NORTH CHATHAM — North Chatham Free Library (NCFL) announces The Heavenly Echoes Gospel Band concert on September 8 at 3 p.m. at the Malden Bridge Community Center, 1087 Albany Turnpike.

Prepare to be captivated and charmed by this gospel band's quartet style that is fun for all ages and family friendly. The core group includes several singers, guitar, bass, drums, and keyboard. Their extensive repertoire includes well-known traditional works such as, "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"; covers of songs that crossed over into pop music such as the Staple Singers' "I'll Take You There"; contemporary songs that are gospel standards in the church community; and a mix of some original pieces.

The Heavenly Echoes, founded by James Edmonds in 1965, has a long history of performing at fundraisers, neighborhood association festivals, First Nights in Albany and Saratoga Springs, Martin Luther King, Jr. events, summer arts concerts, and, of course, accepting

invitations to perform at numerous churches and community organizations throughout the Capital Region and beyond.

Present-day members include Earl Kornegay, guitarist, a member for about 27 years. Hayes Coleman, singer, a member for over 26 years. Joe Abbey, bass guitarist, a member for over 19 years who has written songs for the group. James Carr, singer, an original member of the Heavenly Echoes and a member for over 7 years since he rejoined the group. Decky Lawson, singer and drummer, a member for about 4 years. Louis Lawson, drummer and singer, is the group's newest member, who joined in 2023.

This project is made possible with funds from the Statewide Community Regrant Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of The Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and administered in Columbia County by CREATE Council on the Arts.

More information at <https://northchathamlibrary.org/>

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Historians schedule talks, book launch

COPAKE FALLS — Throughout September, the Roeliff Jansen Historical Society (RJHS), 8 Miles Road, presents a series of free gallery talks and the September 8 launch of MILESTONES, a “Commemorative Scrapbook” published by RJHS in celebration of Copake’s bicentennial year and the historical society’s half century mark.

Events are as follows:

- Sunday, September 8, Commemorative Book Launch from 5 to 7 p.m. features three special speakers: Donna Platt and Nancy Thorson speak about growing up in the area and about Copake Falls post office signage and the antique fire truck bell they recently donated to RJHS. Then, Catherine Mikic speaks about Copake’s Heritage Guide and offers reflections on featured historic buildings, landscapes and civic spaces. Copies of the Heritage Guide will be available.
- Saturday, September 14, Judy Ackley Whitbeck, a native of Copake and member of the Mount Washington Historical Commission, speaks about growing up in Copake, her family, Empire Farm, and the Copake Telephone Company from 2 to 3 p.m.
- Saturday, September 21, 2 p.m., Ross Mauri shows artifacts found on his property, the site of the former Pure Water

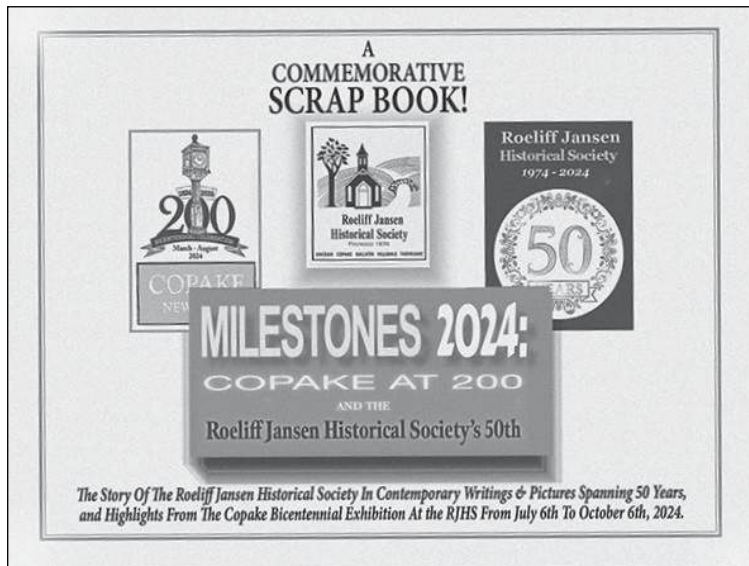


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& Ice Company’s icehouse, followed by Mike Fallon of the Copake Auction, speaking about “collecting Copake” and many objects he’s put on loan for the bicentennial exhibition.

• Sunday, September 22 and Sunday, October 6, Janet Mackin, Copake Grange Historian will be on hand to provide special insight into the history of the Copake Grange.

Books about local history and special merchandise will be on sale, including reproductions of iconic movie posters from the Copake Theatre.

The society’s current exhibit, Mementos, Maps & Milestones: Copake at 200 is ongoing Saturdays and Sundays 2 to 4 p.m. through October 6. Admission is free.

The exhibit offers visitors

the opportunity to experience the ebb and flow of the area’s past through a plethora of tangibles, in the form of documents, maps, objects and images, which together tell both the large and small history of the town’s hamlets: Copake, Copake Falls, Craryville, West Copake, and the community of Copake Lake — each with its own distinct story and individual character.

In addition to remnants of the area’s once flourishing railroads, iron industry and agricultural tradition, visitors will find ephemera from many of the hotels, camps, eateries and service stations, as well as movie posters, signage and souvenirs from once familiar places.

Visit the website at www.roeliffjansenhhs.org.



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People admire a forest.

Reimagine what forests are and care for them

EAST CHATHAM — The Columbia Land Conservancy asks “What does it mean to love a forest?”

Author and forester Ethan Tapper will explore this question and discuss actions individuals can take to protect important forest ecosystems at the Schor Public Conservation Area, 58 Shore View Drive, September 8, 3 to 6:30 p.m.

Following a guided walk from 3 to 5 p.m., participants will have the opportunity to join the author for a book signing and reading.

Ethan Tapper is a forester and the author of the recently published book, “How to Love a Forest.” Inspired by his career as a Chittenden County forester and care for his 175-acre conserved homestead, the book walks readers through the frag-

ile and resilient community that is a forest and helps us reimagine what forests are and what it means to care for them.

Interested in purchasing a copy of your own? Learn more about the book and purchase it at ethantapper.com/book.

Participants will walk about three-quarters of a mile over mostly flat terrain with exposed roots, stopping often to experience the forest around them.

Bring water, sunscreen, weather-appropriate clothing and footwear, and a way to take notes (i.e. camera, smartphone, or a journal). Friendly, leashed dogs are welcome to attend; bring a bag for waste.

Admission is a suggested \$5 donation. Register at <https://columbialand.org/event/how-to-love-a-forest/>

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Obituaries

John M. Demarest, Jr. (1967 - 2024)

STUYVESANT — John “Jack” Michael Demarest, 57, of Stuyvesant passed away August 26, 2024 at his home.

Born June 23, 1967 in Hudson, he was a graduate of the class of 1985 at Ichabod Crane Central Schools. For more than 35 years, he was a valued union laborer with Local 190. He enjoyed hunting, being on the Hudson River, riding his motorcycle and loved spending time with his family. Being a “Pa” was his favorite thing in the world.



Jack Demarest, Jr.

He is survived by: his wife, Kelley Demarest; two sons, Rocco (Brooke) and Gunnar (Ashlee); grandchildren, Carmine, Jameson and Johnathan; his mother, Sandra;

his brother, Jason (Julie) Demarest; his sister, Jaclyn (Jake) Demarest; mother-in-law, Paula Stone; sister-in-law, Libby (Rick) Briggs; brother-in-law, Lucas Briggs; many aunts, uncles, cousins, family members and friends. He was predeceased by his father, John Demarest, Sr. “Big Jack”; his brother, Craig and many uncles and cousins.

Friends called at the Raymond E. Bond Funeral Home, Route 9, Valatie, August 29.

Charlotte M. Van Allen (1922 - 2024)

RUTLAND, VT — Charlotte Marion Van Allen (née Gregory) of Lake Luzerne passed away at the age of 102, Wednesday, August 28, 2024 in Rutland, VT, surrounded by her family.

She was born February 17, 1922 in East Greenbush to Frank and Cora (Kingman) Gregory and graduated from Castleton High School, where she was an active member of the girls basketball team. While growing up she helped her parents run Gregory’s Florist in East Greenbush.

She was the beloved wife of the late Charles W. Van Allen for 63 years. After their marriage they settled in the Castleton area where they raised their family. They also loved to spend time at their house on the Hudson River in Corinth, where they loved to entertain — there was always plenty of food, love and laughter. After they retired, they took to the open road with their RV, visiting all the lower 48 states and Alaska (twice). They also traveled to Hawaii. For many years they enjoyed their winters in their Frostproof, FL, home.

Her greatest joy was her family, and she cherished her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was their #1 fan and loved to cheer them on while they played sports. She was the Skip-Bo champion in the family and many happy hours were spent playing cards.

Her community spirit was evident in her longstanding membership with the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter #826, where she reached the rank of matron. She was also a charter member of the South Schodack Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.

She had a passion for knitting and crocheting and was working on a project in the days before she passed. She crafted hundreds of items through the years for loved ones, as gifts and donations to those in need. Her hats and mittens were sought after by her grands. One of her projects was making tiny baby hats for premature babies in the neonatal unit at a local hospital.

She enjoyed cooking and



Charlotte Van Allen

baking. Many wonderful meals were shared with family and friends and there were always homemade cookies on the counter. She found joy in gardening, caring for her flowers, swimming and was an avid reader. She was a devoted fan of UCONN Girls Basketball.

She leaves behind a loving family: her son, Wayne C. Van Allen (Janet) of Kinderhook; her daughter, Susan L. Wilk (Frank) of Rutland, VT; her grandchildren, Kelly (Sy) Van Allen-Braswell, Jillian (Brent) Cady, Cassandra Wilk (fiancé Corey Ouellette), Cameron Wilk (partner Courtney Kondi), and Christopher Wilk (partner Emily Hathaway); her great-grandchildren, Colin Braswell and Maeve Braswell, Harper and Payton Cady; cousin, Phyllis Paulsen; godson, Michael Cristiano; and several Van Allen nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by their son, Bruce M. Van Allen and her parents.

Her life was a testament to her wonderful personality and her enduring influence on everyone she met. She was an amazing woman, mother, wife, grandmother and friend. Her beautiful smile and contagious laugh will be missed by all who knew her.

Her family extends sincere thanks to the staff of Bayada Vermont Rutland Hospice for the support they provided during her time in their care.

A celebration of her life will be held Saturday, September 21, 2024, at Raymond E. Bond Funeral Home, 1015 Kinderhook St. Route 9, Valatie. Visitation will occur from 10 a. m. to noon, immediately followed by a funeral service. She will be laid to rest at East Greenbush Reformed Church Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of one’s choice.

Marjorie Butler (1934 - 2024)

PHILMONT — Marjorie Butler, 89, of Copake passed away August 27, 2024 at Pine Haven Nursing Home in Philmont. She was born in Ancram, September 8, 1934. She was the daughter of Wilmer and Inez (Boyles) McCauley. She graduated from the Roe Jan School and was a lifelong area resident. She worked at Novapac in Philmont for a number of years before

retiring. She loved spending time with her family and always wanted the best for them. She also enjoyed listening to country music and will be fondly remembered for her sense of humor.

She is survived by: her daughter, Gail Butler of Florida; her grandchildren, Michelle (Jody) Kohler and Matthew Kohler; nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by her husband, Irving Butler in 1976, and by six sisters and five brothers.

A time for sharing memories and offering condolences was held September 4, 2024 at Peck & Peck Funeral Homes, 8063 Route 22, Copake, where a funeral service was conducted at by Rev. Karin Squires. Interment followed in Copake Cemetery.

Donald W. Nyfeler (1963 - 2024)

GHENT — Donald W. Nyfeler, 60, of Ghent passed away suddenly on his family farm, Thursday, August 22, 2024. Born in Albany, November 7, 1963, “Don” was the son of Jean C. Nyfeler (Hoefer) and the late Walter E. Nyfeler. He was a graduate of Chatham High School and was employed by the Columbia County Highway Department for two years as a machine operator. He had a CDL license, of which he was very proud.

He is survived by: his mother, Jean (Hoefer) Nyfeler; sisters, Christine Opshanski (George) and Holly Tanner (Ron); two nephews; one niece; many, many friends. He was known for his ability to make people smile and laugh, always with a joke or funny story. He will be missed by his family, friends and co-workers alike. Calling hours will be held Thursday, September 5 from 4 to 6 p. m. at the French, Gifford, Preiter & Blasl Funeral Home in

Chatham with a short service at 6 p. m. A proud veteran of the U.S. Army, he served from 1983 until he was honorably discharged in 1985. He will be interred at a later date at Saratoga National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Columbia County Dwyer Program, which is a veteran’s organization that he supported, c/o 389 Fairview Avenue, Hudson 12534. Condolences may be conveyed at frenchblasl.com.

Venencia R. Rubino (1935 - 2024)

CATSKILL — Venencia R. Rubino “Vinnie,” 88, of Hudson entered eternal life surrounded by her loved ones Thursday, August 29, 2024 at The Pines in Catskill.

Born in Hudson, December 18, 1935, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Alice Nawrocki. She was a loving wife, mother, sister and grandmother. She was a devoted member of Holy Trinity Parish in Hudson as well as a member of the Columbia County Sons and Daughters of Italy in Hudson. She was predeceased by her beloved husband, Lewis R. Rubino in 2017.



Vinnie Rubino

She will be greatly missed by her loving family including: daughter, Ann (John) Delaney; sons, Lewis (Leslie) Rubino, Rick (Rebecca) Rubino; her grandchildren, Christina Rubino (fiance Jeff Bult), Meghan (Matthew) Beltrone, Hayden (Bridget) Rubino; step-grandchildren, Catherine

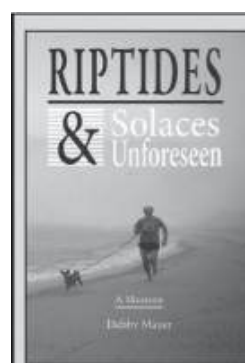
Marsh and Carter Ferraro; brother-in-law, Ralph Grand, John Bryans and sister-in-law, June Bryans. She was predeceased by: brothers and sisters, Joseph and Irvin Nawrocki, Dorothy Brown, Janice Clow and Mary Grand.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at Holy Trinity Parish, 429 East Allen Street, Hudson. Fr. Winston Bath officiated. Committal prayers and burial followed at Nativity Church Cemetery in Livingston. To leave online condolences visit www.sac-cofuneralhome.com

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Obituaries

Sylvia M. Dobrowski (1937 - 2024)

CLIFTON PARK — Sylvia M. (Bonitz) (Knapp) Dobrowski, 87, of Watervliet died August 25, 2024 at Schuyler Ridge Nursing Facility. Born March 8, 1937 in Albany, she was the daughter of Arthur and Sylvia (Fresina) Bonitz. Her careers included working at Key Bank in Albany, Barnwell Nursing Home in Valatie, and Green Manor Adult Home in Ghent. She was a member of the Taghkanic Senior Citizens Club and the Columbia County Golden Agers. Traveling,



Sylvia Dobrowski

cooking and gardening were among her favorite activities. She is survived by: her two sons, Peter A. and Kevin A. Knapp; one granddaughter, Clare Knapp; two stepgrandsons, Jacob and

Callan Smith; two sisters, Patricia Farrell and Lorraine (John) Nicosia; one brother, Arthur (Wendy) Bonitz; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Graveside services in Cedar Park Cemetery will be held Thursday, September 5, 11 a. m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital at stjude.org or mail to 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN38105. Visit www.batesanderson.com to leave condolences.

Susan M. Koehler (1946 - 2024)

ALBANY — Susan M. Koehler, 78, of Ghent passed away July 31, 2024 at Albany Medical Center with her husband and daughter by her side. She was born on May 22, 1946 in Yonkers to the late George and Ann (Zuban) Fitzgibbon. After high school she went to school to become a registered nurse and began working for Misericordia Hospital Emergency Room in the Bronx. She ended her nursing career working for Dr. Gregory in Chatham. In February 1968, she married William "Bill" Koehler, who survives at home.



Susan Koehler

riding their Harleys cross-country. Together they also transported horses throughout New York and the northeast.

They moved to New Mexico for some years before returning to New York to be closer to their grandchildren, the absolute loves of her life. She did everything if not with them, for them. They attended the shows where the grandkids showed horses, goats, cattle and pigs — in addition to being at all of their sporting events. She also loved her gar-

dens and just being outdoors.

She is survived by: her devoted husband, William; her loving daughter, Kristina (Koehler) Schrader; her two adoring, grandchildren, Sage and Shelby Schrader; her nephew, Thomas Fitzgibbon; her niece, Patty Davis; numerous relatives and friends.

She was predeceased by her sister, Barbara (Fitzgibbon) Donahue.

Her family thanks Greenport Rescue, Ghent Firefighters and Albany Medical SICU for their excellent care and compassion.

A Memorial Mass will be held September 7, 2024, 11 a. m. from St. James Catholic Church in Chatham. Interment will take place at a later date in Evergreen Cemetery in Pine Plains. Express condolences at www.peckandpeck.net.

Frank A. Campeta, Sr. (1942 - 2024)

GREENPORT — Frank A. Campeta, 82, of Greenport died August 27, 2024 peacefully in his home with his loved ones looking after him during his illness.



Frank Campeta, Sr.

Born in Hudson, he was the son of the late Gino and Marina (Morri) Campeta. He was a 1960 graduate of Hudson High School. He was retired after working many years for the NYS Tax &

Finance Department. He was former member of Kinderhook Elks and Schodack Senior Center.

He is survived by: his son, Frank J. and (Heidi) Campeta; his sister, Jean Baney, and granddaughter, Milena Campeta.

There are no services scheduled at this time. To send a memorial gift, make a donation to: The Community Hospice Foundation.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at [SimpleChoices Cremation.com](http://SimpleChoicesCremation.com)

Kelly A. Crine (1969 - 2024)

CHATHAM — Kelly A. Crine, 54, of Chatham died August 19, 2024.



Kelly Crine

She was born and lived her childhood years in the Middletown area. She moved to the Albany area as a teenager, and graduated from Columbia High School in 1987. She graduated from Russell Sage College in 1998 with a master's degree in occupational therapy. Dedicated to her profession, and to caring for and helping others, she worked for a number of years as an OT in Albany and Western Massachusetts preschool and public schools, and then at Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield, MA.

She was well known for her love of the great outdoors. She was an avid walker, hiker and biker. And, ever up for a challenge, she mastered stilt-walking, which she greatly enjoyed. Her other passions were music and dance, especially contradancing. One of her favorite destinations was the Ashokan Center in the Catskills. Attending festivals and events there, and at other venues, for many years nourished her love of nature, music, dance and community.

Known for her kind, caring, generous and adventurous spirit, her last few years were devoted to creating a health and wellness community and mindset.

Her greatest achievement and that which she treasured

most, are her three boys Jordan, Griffin and Julian, of whom she was so incredibly proud.

She is survived by: her beloved partner, Daniel Pikett of Chatham; her parents, Patricia (Morrison) Greene (Ronald) of West Sand Lake, and Douglas Crine (Alicia) of Matamoras, PA; her sons, Jordan Froehlich of Denver, CO, Griffin Piester of Kinderhook and Julian Livermore of Hinsdale, MA; her stepbrothers, Todd Greene of Washington, DC, and Ronald Greene (Kimberly) of Gilbert, AZ; aunts, uncles, cousins, and a niece and nephew.

Her family is grateful for the care provided to her by St. Peter's Community Hospice and Women's Cancer Care Programs, and especially for the love, care, kindness and support of her extensive circle of dear friends.

There will be a memorial Celebration of Life honoring her in the near future.

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Public Notices

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of KALOONEY LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/28/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to KALOONEY LLC: 1840 ROUTE 9H, HUDSON, NY 12534. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of KPIServices LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/10/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to KPIServices LLC: 147 Washington Road Copake NY 12516. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 CHATHAM NY LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 7/18/24. Office in Columbia Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to PO Box 241, Chatham, NY 12037. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business loc: 2 Main St., Chatham, NY 12037.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of Four Corners Chatham, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/20/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Four Corners Chatham, LLC: 1 Kinderhook Street, Chatham, New York 12037. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of One Kinderhook Street, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/20/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to One Kinderhook Street, LLC: 222 East 44th Street, Apartment 16F, New York, New York 10017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of SANDEX PROPERTY, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/16/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to SANDEX PROPERTY, LLC: 14 Brown Rd., Copake, NY 12516. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 ILLUMEN ELECTRICAL SERVICES LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/01/2024. Office loc: Columbia County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 443 Frisbee St, East Chatham, NY 12060. Reg Agent: Lynn Van Allen, 443 Frisbee St, East Chatham, NY 12060. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 4221 COUNTY RT 7 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/16/24. Office: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Mohammed Ibrahim & Louise Schmitt, 4221 County Route 7, Craryville, NY 12521. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of Chew Family LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/13/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to The LLC: 14 Sharon Drive, Tivoli, NY 12583. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of LIGHT, SPIRIT, BODY WELLNESS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/03/2022. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Erica Wall: 23 High St. Chatham, NY 12037. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of North Vernon LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/17/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Dakota Lynne Dudley: 11526 State Route 22, Austerlitz, NY 12017. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 TWIN WOLVES HEALING ARTS LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 3/13/2024 Columbia Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to CAITLIN MARGARET WHITE DAVIS 607 NEW YORK 295, EAST CHATHAM, NY 12060 General Purpose

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COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 BETTER TOMORROW REALTY LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/15/2024. Office loc: Columbia County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Adam Michael Coacher, 90 Church St, Apt 4, Philmont, NY 12565. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of Hierophant Films LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/17/2023. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Emma Baiada: 235 Bradleys Crossing Road, East Chatham, NY 12060. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of Secure scan home inspection services LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/27/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Levi Klauber: Po box 303 Niverville NY 12130. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 LIT HIVE LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 7/30/2024 Columbia Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to ZENBUSINESS INC. 41 STATE ST #112 ALBANY, NY 12207 General Purpose

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of Parkside Studios HV LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/02/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Gregory Wittler: 116 State Route 9H, Hudson NY 12534. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF SALE
 STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF GREENE

M&T BANK, Plaintiff, v. ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, DISTRIBUTES OR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OF THE LATER ERICH VANTASSEL AKA ERICH S. VAN TASSEL AKA ERICH SCOTT VANTASSEL AKA ERICH VAN TASSEL etc., ET AL, Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT In pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the Office of the County Clerk of Greene County on July 22, 2024, I, Nancy Hilscher, Esq., the Referee named in said Judgment, will sell in one parcel at public auction on October 7, 2024 at the Green County Courthouse, 320 Main Street, Village of Catskill, NY 12414, at 10:00 AM the premises described as follows:

6 Lee Road Oak Hill, NY 12460 SBL No.: 21.02-1-30

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND situate in the Town of Durham, County of Greene, State of New York.

The premises are sold subject to the provisions of the filed judgment, Index No. EF2023-254 in the amount of \$100,787.50 plus interest and costs. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the Court System's COVID-19 mitigation protocols and as such all persons must comply with social distancing, wearing masks and screening practices in effect at the time of this foreclosure sale.

Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff 500 Bausch & Lomb Place Rochester, NY 14604 Tel.: 855-227-5072

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of Good Dog Stays LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/07/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to United States Corporation Agents, Inc.: 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228, USA. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of Hop Around Hudson LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/08/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Austin Howes: 440. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 The name of the Foreign Limited Liability Company is: FLATBROOK STORAGE, LLC. App. For Authority filed with the Dept. of State of NY on 08/14/2024. Jurisdiction: Montana and the date of its organization is 05/15/2024. Office location in New York: Columbia County. The Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) is designated as the agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Flatbrook Storage, LLC, 61 Flints Crossing Road, Canaan, NY 12029. Address maintained in its jurisdiction is: 661 Doney Way, Bozeman, MT 59718. The authorized office in its jurisdiction of organization where a copy of its Articles of Organization can be obtained is: State of Montana, Secretary of State, Montana Capitol Building, Room 260, PO Box 202801, Helena, MT 59620. Purpose: any lawful act.

COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of KTG Events & Consulting. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/24/2024. Office location: Columbia County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Catherine Giovannucci: 84 Paddock Pl. Hudson NY 12534. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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COLUMBIA COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 Notice of Formation of Wawarsing East Solar LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 6/5/24. Office location: Columbia County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 12/5/22. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 160 Fairview Ave., Ste 812-140, Hudson, NY 12534. DE address of LLC: 1209 Orange St, Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Formation filed with DE Secy of State, 401 Federal St. Ste 4, Dover, DE 19901. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is Finlo-BR II LLC, 160 Fairview Ave., Ste 812-140, Hudson, NY 12534. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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COLUMBIA COUNTY SUMMONS
 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS-SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF COLUMBIA-KEYBANK, NA, S/B/M FIRST NIAGARA BANK, NA, Plaintiff, -against- SUSAN CARROLL HARTS, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY CARROLL AKA DOROTHY ANN CARROLL; CHRISTINA CANNOVA, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY CARROLL AKA DOROTHY ANN CARROLL; GERALDINE HARVEY, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTEE OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY CARROLL AKA DOROTHY ANN CARROLL; AND ANY AND ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY CARROLL AKA DOROTHY ANN CARROLL; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY - THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #10," said names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, intended to be possible tenants or occupants of the premises, or corporations, persons, or other entities having or claiming a lien upon the mortgaged premises, Defendants - Index No.: E012023021381 Plaintiff Designates Columbia County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject action is situated in Columbia County. To the above named Defendants-YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. That this Supplemental Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated May 16, 2024. NOTICE-YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME - If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (KEYBANK, NA, S/B/M FIRST NIAGARA BANK, NA,) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Richard Mott, J.S.C. Dated: May 3, 2024 Filed: May 3, 2024. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 32 Robins Road, Copake, NY 12516. Dated: March 1, 2024 Filed: May 16, 2024 Greenspoon Marder LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Monica G. Christie, Esq., 590 Madison Avenue, Suite 1800, New York, NY 10022 P: (212) 524-5000 F: (212) 524-5050 No Service by fax) Service purposes only: Trade Centre South 100 W. Cypress Creek Road, Suite 700, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309 P: (888) 491-1120 F: (954) 343-6982

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Unwanted stuff? Take it to Clean-Up Day

ANCRAMDAL — The Town's Fall Community Cleanup Day takes place at the Ancram Town Garage, 32 Maple Lane, Saturday, September 14 from 9 a.m. to noon, rain or shine.

The price of admission is a donation of a non-perishable food item for the local food pantry.

Residents can throw away unwanted furniture, appliances, metal, glass, pots, pans, TVs, computers, computer screens, electronics, car batteries, tires off their rims \$3.50 apiece; tires on rims \$6; rims without their tires are free; large and super single truck tires \$25.

All tires must be clean — no dirt or they will be refused.

Do not bring: garbage, paint, paint cans, oil, oil cans or barrels, chemicals, fertilizer or pesticides or their containers, hazardous materials of any kind, brush, construction debris; mattresses, box springs, sofas, upholstered chairs, lithium batteries, tractor tires.

Mattresses, box springs, sofas and upholstered chairs can be taken to the County Transfer Station on Route 23b in Greenport. All mattresses, box springs, sofas and upholstered chairs cost \$10 each to dispose of. Sectional sofas are \$15. Prices are subject to change so check the County

Solid Waste Department website for full list of prices and operating hours at solidwaste.columbiacountyny.com/fees-policies/per-item-fee-furniture-tires-other-miscellaneous.

Latex paint, which is water based, may be disposed of in your regular household garbage provided the liquid inside of the can is dry. This can be accomplished by adding shredded newspaper, sand or kitty litter to latex paint and letting it air dry (as per NYSDEC).

Not sure if you have something on the "approved list" you want to bring, call Highway Superintendent Jim Miller at 518-329-6190 or email him at ancramhighway@outlook.com.

Columbia NE Repair Cafe joins Climate Carnival

CHATHAM — Got a toaster that won't toast? Jeans with a torn seam? A chair with a loose leg? Don't toss it — repair it! On September 14, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. the Columbia NE Repair Cafe will hold an event at the Columbia County Climate Carnival at the Chatham Fairgrounds, 182 Hudson Avenue.

Community members are invited to bring their broken items to be repaired by skilled neighbors — at no cost.

Expert repair coaches will be on hand to demonstrate how to fix a variety of items, including clocks, lamps, lawn mowers, other small motors, clothing, textiles, jewelry, small wood furniture, and more. All clothing or textiles must be clean, only one item per person.

Once when belongings broke, we would take them to

the local repair shop, but that's less common today. Many of the things we discard are often not beyond repair. We've become a "throw-away" society, and now we're facing the reality that we're running out of space for our trash. The Repair Cafe movement was founded on the belief that by teaching people how to repair their broken belongings, we can reduce the amount of waste going into our landfills.

To visit Columbia NE Repair Cafe on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/profille.php?id=61550228762699>

To volunteer or get in touch, email columbianerepaircafe@gmail.com

This event is co-sponsored by: Columbia NE Repair Cafe; the Towns of Austerlitz, Chatham, New Lebanon; Village of East Nassau.

Give your input on \$4.5 million grant Sept. 14

COPAKE — Join town officials for a community discussion on revitalization projects for Copake's downtown at Copake Town Hall, 230 Mountain View Road, Saturday, September 14, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The workshop is on a Copake Downtown \$4.5 Million NY Forward Proposal (NYF).

Come in person or join via Google Meet: meet.google.com/pph-oeoe-dta

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Letters

Reader recounts Trump whoppers and where they're found

To the Editor:

Don't be fooled!

The MAGA movement headed by Donald Trump has perpetuated countless lies on the American people in an effort to take over, by whatever means necessary, the United States of America. Let's just name a few:

— Violent crime has been trending down after 2423 surge in 2020. There was a 6% decrease in 2023 in violent crime and a 13% decrease in the murder rate. Trump claimed that violent crime is on the rise, deceptively blaming it on undocumented immigrants. The Cato Institute (a conservative/libertarian think tank) has

published multiple studies that show immigrants commit crimes at lower rates than native-born people. And non-white immigrants are not poisoning the blood of our country. Adolf Hitler used language like this to garner hate against the Jewish people.

— Trump disregarded advice from his own health staff, claiming that an unproven drug, hydroxychloroquine, would be effective. To this date his inept handling of the pandemic has resulted in 1.2 million and counting in the USA. (Columbus Dispatch 7/3/2024).

— Trump said, "Right now we have the largest deficit we've

ever had with China, like over a trillion dollars." In fact, the trade deficit with China was \$307 billion when Trump left office. The total trade deficit in 2023 was \$279 billion.

— His uneducated claim that member countries don't pay a fair share of NATO bills reveals a lack of understanding regarding global stability and how NATO supports that. His sinister character is also revealed as he encouraged the Russians to "do whatever the hell they want" to certain member countries.

— Mark Zandi of Moody's Analytic Never said that Trump had the greatest economy. He said, in fact, that the economy

in 2019 to 2020 was weakened under the weight of Trump's higher tariffs. <https://katiecouric.com/news/grading-economy-under-president-donald-trump-end-of-term/>

— Veterans and active military are not suckers and losers!!! (BTW...Military men, Mark Esper, John Kelly, James Mattis and Mark Milley are not supporting Trump.)

No "liberal" state allows killing a baby after birth. But in Florida, a woman had to carry a fetus to term even though it had no kidneys. The baby died in her arms at birth. <https://search.app/e74tKwG-bvCfsvnBA>

— The Jan. 6 marauders

were not patriots. They were terrorists.

There were NOT very fine people on both sides of the White Supremacist rally in the 2017 Charlottesville, Virginia, debacle. White Supremacists are not fine people.

— The wall was never finished and Mexico didn't pay for it.

— Hannibal Lecter is not a real person.

— Her name is not KaMAla. It is KAmala.

— Mark Twain said, "The truth has no defense against a fool determined to believe a lie."

Rena Liggio
Valatie

Craryville resident finds Hecate offer wanting

To the Editor:

As a homeowner and resident of Craryville I was disturbed to read in your excellent August 15–22 issue the article "Hecate still committed..." by Diane Valden that Hecate Energy offered \$10,000 to homeowners in Craryville who

live across the road from the industrial solar site. I found such an offer demeaning to all of us who live in the community.

It shows a complete disregard for the local citizens. Hecate Energy views us as irrelevant and unimportant. Lets be clear, Hecate is a for

profit developer. Hecate's sole purpose for building this project is to make money for its shareholders. Nothing else.

I understand the project will cost over \$100 million, and as our supervisor states in your article, Hecate expects to get approximately \$42 million in

taxpayer assistance from NYSERDA. Some estimates project Hecate will make a profit of more than \$20 million.

They have the chutzpah to come to our community and insult local residents with a pittance of \$10,000 when the val-

ues of our homes will be lost forever. Mr. Levine is not interested in "helping New York attain its clean energy goals." Mr. Levine is only interested in the millions he and his company stand to make.

Vicki Sander
Craryville

BOOK FEST

By LORNA CHEROT LITTLEWAY

Baron speaks at academy's Book Festival

MARTIN BARON, RETIRED managing editor of the Washington Post (WP) newspaper, was among several authors hosted at the weekend long 19th Annual Book Festival, August 30 – September 1, at the Spencertown Academy Arts Center. He spoke about his first book, "Collision of Power: Trump, Bezos and the Washington Post" to a full capacity crowd on Saturday afternoon. Baron was interviewed by fellow journalist Barry Meier, author of "Pain Killer: A Wonder Drug's Trail of Addiction and Death."

Baron, also, ran the newsrooms of the Boston Globe, NY Times (NYT) and Miami Herald. While at the Globe, the newspaper won acclaim for its investigative Spotlight series on the Catholic Church's child sex abuse scandal in 2002. The work was turned into a movie, which won the 2015 Best Picture Oscar. Actor Liev Schreiber portrayed Baron.

In introductory remarks, Baron said that seven months after accepting the WP position the newspaper was bought by Amazon Founder/CEO Jeff Bezos and two years later Donald Trump was elected president of the United States.

Meier described the opening scene in "Collision of Power" at a White House dinner, hosted by Trump. Baron expressed reluctance to attend but relented. Trump used the dinner "to dress down" Baron and Bezos and lean on them to be fairer in its news coverage of him. Bezos' only comment was that he was not involved with news coverage. Trump retaliated by undermining Amazon and barring WP reporters from his rallies.

Baron admitted that the media, considered among the "elites," was caught flatfooted when it came to Trump. "We'd never seen before a candidate like Trump. We'd never seen before a president like Trump."

To deal with him the WP increased its fact-checking staff. It determined that Trump told 30,000 lies and misleading statements during his four-year term. Baron said he was trying to decide if Trump was "unknowingly lying, delusional, bullshitting or purposefully lying."

Baron concluded that Trump had "no respect for truth" when after repeatedly denying that his son, Don Jr., met with Russian officials, Trump acknowledged such a meeting.

Baron explained that the media was caught in the middle

between right and left advocates. "There were attacks from both sides. Why cover him?" At WP the worry was not "to be seen as an arm of the Democratic Party." Baron credited the NYT as "the first publication to challenge Trump." He, also, credited Bezos for never interfering with WP news coverage.

Reflecting on his 12 years at The Globe, Baron expressed extreme satisfaction with the Spotlight series on the 10-year Catholic Church child sex abuse scandal, which generated "950 stories over 18 months." The documents that led to an undisclosed settlement between the church and state were "under seal."

Baron proposed to Globe lawyers that the newspaper file a lawsuit to gain access to the documents. Globe lawyers thought it was a 50/50 chance their lawsuit would prevail. Baron joked those were "good odds" for a newspaper. The Globe prevailed.

The documents revealed that a priest, John Geognhan was alleged to abuse 80-130 boys over 30 years, that Cardinal Bernard Francis Law, head of the Boston archdiocese, was aware of Geognhan's behavior and simply reassigned him to

different parishes within the diocese.

Geognhan retired from the ministry at age 58. He was prosecuted in several Massachusetts jurisdictions, starting in 1991, before being found guilty and sentenced to 10 years at a maximum security facility, where he was stomped to death by fellow inmate, Joseph Druce, in the first year of his sentence.

In the interim, Geognhan was defrocked by Pope John Paul II in 1998 and the Catholic Church reached a \$10 million settlement with the families of 86 boys. Baron said that survivors, priests and devout Catholics expressed their "thanks" for the Spotlight work.

In a Q&A session Baron said that a backlash against the media has been led by Trump the past 15 years and that trust in the press has declined since President Nixon and Watergate. He called the press a "convenient target."

He also faulted Congress for "not doing its job. The bi-partisan congressional hearings of Watergate would not happen today."

In addition Baron faulted a fragmented media market, which allows the public to access outlets that affirm their worldview.

Baron was asked, "How do we break out of this box?" Baron responded that 25–35% of the public believes outrageous things. He cited a poll where 10% of the American public believes "the earth is flat and 9% are unsure." He said the challenge is to "get 5% more of the public to trust the media." Digitally the press can show people things. "Check our work."

An audience member faulted the press for being "too willing to be neutral." Baron rejected the word "neutral" substituting "objective" and "independent" instead. "It is not journalists' job to take a side but to report fearlessly and unflinchingly." He cited a sign at the WP that reads, "To tell the truth as much as the truth can be ascertained."

Baron admitted that investigative journalism is expensive. The Times and WP have a newsroom staff of 1,700 and 1,200 respectively. Baron extolled the value and role that small, local newspapers – "the weeklies and bi-weeklies" – play. He noted that when natural disasters strike in the U.S. "People turn to mainstream media" for the news and details, not the bogus internet outlets purporting to be news.

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Vietnam veterans honored for service, sacrifice



Congressman Marc Molinaro (R-19th) (center front) held a Vietnam Veterans Pinning Ceremony August 16 at Catskill Point in Catskill, honoring those veterans who served in Vietnam. Across the nation, Americans are uniting to thank and honor Vietnam veterans and their families for their service and sacrifice. This is the main focus of the United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration — a national 50th anniversary of the commemoration, authorized by Congress. Assisting the Congressman with the pinning of Vietnam veterans from Greene, Albany, Columbia and Ulster counties was Eagle Scout Christopher Mozzillo of BSA Troop 43.

Photo contributed

Trophies awarded to parade's best

CHATHAM — The list of trophy winners awarded for the 73rd Volunteer Firefighters Parade held August 31 at the Columbia County Fair has been announced.

Winners are as follows:

- **FIREFIGHTERS** — Best Appearing Fire Unit, Class A 1st place 22 and over, Greenport, 2nd place Niverville; Class B 1st place, 16–21, Stottville, 2nd place Ghent; Class C 1st place, 5–15, Germantown, 2nd place Copake.
- **AUXILIARY** — Best Appearing Auxiliary, Class A 1st place Mellenville, 2nd place Ghent.
- **COLOR GUARD** — Best

Appearing Color Guard, 1st place Niverville, 2nd place Stottville.

- **APPARATUS** — Best Appearing Apparatus, 1st Stottville, 2nd Germantown.
- **VISITING FIREFIGHTERS** — Best Appearing Visiting Fire Unit, Class A 1st place, 16 and over, Millerton; Class B 1st place, 5–15, Milan, 2nd place Sharon, CT.
- **VISITING COLOR GUARD** — Best Appearing Visiting Color Guard, 1st place Milan, 2nd place Schodack Valley.
- **VISITING APPARATUS** — Best Appearing Apparatus, 1st place Ravena, 2nd place Sharon, CT.

- **BEST APPEARING NON-FIREMATIC COLOR GUARD**—1st place Ghent VFW, 2nd place Columbia County American Legion.
- **JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER**—1st place Boy Scouts.
- **MUSICAL** — Band, 1st place Village Volunteers, 2nd place The Ghent Band; Drum Line, 1st place Hoysradt Hose, 2nd place Spencertown.
- Charles “Rip” Vogel Memorial Award Overall Best Appearing Columbia County Unit With Auxiliary — Ghent.
- Philip D. Mickle Memorial Award Overall Best Appearing Columbia County Unit Without Auxiliary — Niverville.



David Lee

The Greenport Fire Company color guard looked sharp at the 73rd Volunteer Firefighters Parade.

- Howard A. Ploss / W. Gordon Gould Memorial Award Overall Best Appearing Visiting Unit — Milan.

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The newly crowned Columbia County School Queen, Miss Taconic Hills, Jasmine Urrutia, in the parade on Saturday morning, August 31.



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The ride known as the Air Scramble was very popular with the kids on the midway.