

DA's Office investigates Aber

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Authorities remain tight-lipped two weeks after City of Newburgh Comptroller John Aber was arrested on at least one charge of grand larceny. The Orange County District Attorney's Office is investigating the case.

"We are the prosecuting agency and we

are evaluating the case," said Christopher Borek, chief assistant district attorney at the Orange County District Attorney's Office.

City of Newburgh Police have released no news or information about Aber since his resignation and arrest on May 24. "I'm completely shocked," Mayor Judy Kennedy said outside of Newburgh City Hall last month.

Fourth-degree grand larceny involves theft of \$1,000 to \$3,000 of money or property. Kennedy said the arrest did involve municipal funds and Aber was being investigated by City of Newburgh Police for some time. "I have full confidence that the right thing is being done," said Kennedy.

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Town of Newburgh backs Skartados' bill to ban pipeline

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The Town of Newburgh has reiterated its opposition to the Pilgrim Pipeline with the adoption of a resolution supporting a bill sponsored by Assemblyman Frank Skartados to ban the proposed Pilgrim Pipeline.

"It would cost our communities millions of dollars to attempt to address the effects a leak would have on our drinking water, open spaces, homes, farmlands and streams," said Newburgh Town Clerk Andrew Zarutskie, reading from a resolution at Newburgh Town Hall on Monday.

Zarutskie read from a resolution citing a host of reasons for supporting the bill. Among them is concern over pipeline leaks which, according to the resolution, have the potential to be "catastrophic."

The double pipeline, slated to run almost 200 miles from Linden, New Jersey, north to Albany, would transport crude oil and refined petroleum products

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SURVIVOR'S LAP



Bob McCormick

Anita Manley takes a survivor's lap during the annual Relay for Life at Cronomer Hill Park Saturday. More photos on page 31.

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PUBLIC AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

Town of New Windsor Planning Board, 7 p.m. Town Hall, 555 Union Avenue.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

Newburgh City Council Work Session, 6 p.m. City Hall, 83 Broadway.
Town of Newburgh Planning Board, 7 p.m. Town Hall, 1496 Route 300, Town of Newburgh.

MONDAY, JUNE 13

Newburgh City Council meeting, 7 p.m. City Hall, 83 Broadway.
 Town of New Windsor ZBA, 7:30 p.m. Town Hall, 555 Union Avenue.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14

Newburgh Enlarged City School District Board of Education 6-9 p.m. Board of Education Auditorium, 124 Grand St., Newburgh

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Volunteers needed for Newburgh Illuminated

By BRITTANY AMBROSINO

The Newburgh Illuminated Festival is bound to bring harmonious unity to the different cultures and residents of the area. This is the festival's fourth year



appearance in the City of Newburgh. A festival of such impact cannot be run alone and this one, in fact, is run completely by volunteers. According to Caryn Sobel, Co-Director of Volunteers for the festival, the entire committee and sub committees are all made up of volunteers. These committees

include the Fund Raising Committee, Marketing Committee, Logistics and Setup Committee, Program/Events Committee, Music Committee and many more.

What sets this year apart from the past is that volunteers are now being assigned in shifts. By doing this, volunteers will be able to help run the festival but also have time to enjoy it too. Volunteers who wish to work multiple shifts, or the entire day, are surely needed and can be put to work.

The various tasks volunteers are assigned include: helping out at the various music stages, helping set up the festival in the morning, breaking down the event that night, directing traffic around the event by assisting at the many barricades set up, serving as ambassadors to the public by giving out festival information, becoming trolley ambassadors who help lead tours, help

out and assist artists and performers, be of help at the children's activities, assist vendors and more.

The festival committee is still currently looking for 100-150 additional volunteers for the day of the festival. When signing up as a volunteer, you have the opportunity to choose a committee to help with and whether you'd like to work set up, morning, afternoon, evening or clean up shifts. If you're interested in becoming a Newburgh Illuminated Festival Volunteer, visit www.newburghilluminatedfestival.com/volunteers to sign up.

The Newburgh Illuminated Festival will be taking place on Saturday, June 18, from 12 to 10 p.m. on the intersection of Broadway and Liberty Streets. For more information, visit newburghilluminatedfestival.com.

City shifts grant funding to surveillance cameras

By SHANTAL RILEY
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The City of Newburgh's video-surveillance program will get a beefing up following a Newburgh City Council decision to reallocate a portion of community-policing grant dollars to pay for system upgrades.

"I think a lot of people will begin to understand the significance of this initiative over time," said city Councilman Torrance Harvey at city hall last month, adding the surveillance system would provide "accountability" for crimes committed in the city. "We will all feel safer."

The funds, which come through the Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, will go to upgrade the

existing video surveillance system as the city remains weighed down by continuing gun violence.

According to City of Newburgh police, three people were shot outside of the 845 Lounge Bar on Broadway during the May 21 weekend: A 21-year-old man was shot in the lower back and a 26-year-old woman was shot in her leg; a 19-year-old was later found at St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital with a gunshot wound to his shoulder area, police reported. None of these shootings were life-threatening.

City of Newburgh police crime-activity reports state there were at least four additional bullet-to-body shooting incidents in May.

Residents and community leaders have called for stepped-up police surveillance to quell the wave of gun

violence plaguing the city this year. The shootings appear to have escalated after a 51-year-old man was shot and killed on Benkard Avenue in March.

In response to concerns expressed by residents that funding was being taken away from needed community policing last week, city Police Chief Dan Cameron said there is currently three times as much grant funding for community policing than for video cameras.

Three new video cameras were obtained through a federal grant earlier this year. City police are also seeking funds from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau for Justice Assistance to pay for a "ShotSpotter" system, which instantly notifies police of shooting activity with real-time data.

Newburgh woman charged in sex trafficking

A Newburgh woman was arrested recently by City of Newburgh Police, on charges of sex trafficking and prostitution.



Dawn M. Auche, 24, of Newburgh, was taken into custody following her arrest. She was charged with sex

trafficking, compelling prostitution and

promoting prostitution in the second degree,

Police said a six-month investigation was conducted by Detective Eric Eltz and the Orange County District Attorney's office following a complaint by the mother of a 15 year-old female victim. The charges allege that Auche provided money and narcotics to the juvenile in exchange for her engaging in sex acts. She was booked and held for arraignment on May 30.

Auche is currently incarcerated in

Orange County jail in lieu of \$10,000 cash bail or \$20,000 bond as a result of an unrelated indictment for criminal sale of a controlled substance in the 3rd degree.

She is next scheduled to appear in City of Newburgh Court in connection with her indictment on narcotics charges on June 20.

Anyone with information or wishing to report being a victim of sex trafficking is urged to contact City of Newburgh police at 561-3131.

City of Newburgh poised to switch to aqueduct water

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Brown's Pond will remain closed to recreation for the summer. The City of Newburgh announcement arrives about a month after the pond became the main source of city water due to PFOS contamination at Washington Lake.

The city has also issued a catch-and-release advisory for fishing at Masterson Lake Park, located adjacent to Washington Lake. "PFOS is the only PFC that has been shown to accumulate to levels of concern in fish tissue," a city

press release states. "Catch-and-release fishing only due to the discovery of PFOS in source waters," a sign read at Masterson Lake last week.

Elevated levels of PFOS, perfluorooctane sulfonate, were found in the city's drinking water earlier this spring. A test sample taken at a pond at the Air National Guard Base at Stewart International Airport showed a level of PFOS at 5,900 parts per trillion on March 16. The city subsequently switched to using water from Brown's

WHAT: City of Newburgh watershed-emergency preparedness event (EPA sponsored)

WHEN: Tuesday, June 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

WHERE: Kaplan Hall/SUNY Orange, located at 73 First St.

INFO: Cityofnewburgh-ny.gov
*pre-registration required

Pond.

But, the city will likely switch to using pricey Catskill Aqueduct water in less than a week, Newburgh Mayor Judy Kennedy said Tuesday. "We already have a commitment from the state to pay for the aqueduct water," she said. "The state will make the city whole on this. It will have no financial impact to our water users."

Citing concern over rising water levels and a vulnerable dam at Washington Lake, the city diverted Silver Stream away from Washington Lake and into the Moodna Creek last week. "The lake was getting too full," said Kennedy, adding the creek was the stream's natural channel. "We were no longer using the water and there was water pouring in."

Testing at Silver Stream in March showed levels of PFOS above the Environmental Protection Agency's health advisory limit of 200 parts per trillion. However, the EPA dropped the PFOS advisory limit from 200 parts per trillion to 70 parts per trillion in late May.

The EPA will join the city to host a watershed-emergency preparedness forum on June 21. The public meeting will focus on the response to contamination of the City of Newburgh water supply. The event takes place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21 at Kaplan Hall/SUNY Orange, located at the corner of First and Grand streets. Pre-registration is required.

For more information, visit the City of Newburgh website at Cityofnewburgh-ny.gov.



A sign announces the catch-and-release fishing advisory at Masterson Lake Park.

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alongside the New York State Thruway with laterals crossing through the Chadwick Lake Reservoir watershed and other crucial water sources.

The Newburgh Town Board voted unanimously in support of the bill, which is also supported by the City of Kingston, the Town of Rosendale and both the Village and Town of Woodbury. Several audience members stood up and applauded the board's decision Monday.

"This is really a very dangerous pipeline that is being proposed," Skartados said Tuesday. "It will be very disruptive to the scenic views, a danger to natural lands, water, tourism and farmlands. More importantly, it would put in danger the Delaware and Catskill aqueducts that supply water to our towns and cities."

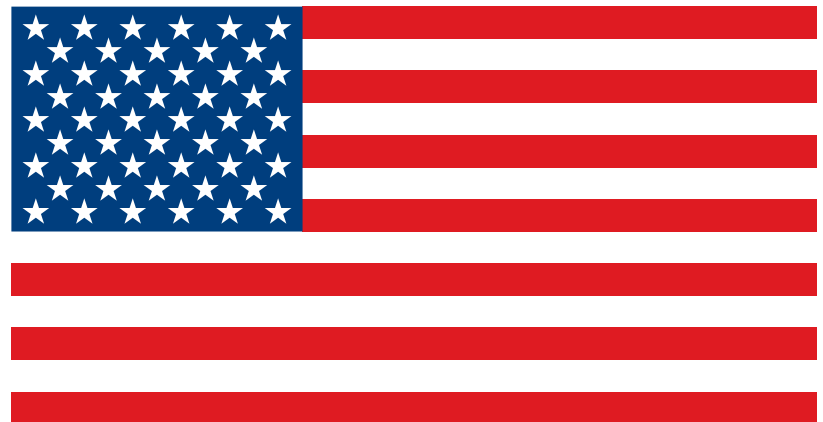
The bill would ban any potentially-hazardous pipeline on property owned by the New York State Thruway Authority.

However, the legislation does not currently have a sponsor in the New York State Senate. Skartados said the bill would likely be reintroduced in the state Assembly in January.

Skartados has also introduced a second pipeline-related bill amending the state's existing Transportation Corporations Law, which allows pipeline corporations to take property through eminent domain if the project is found to be in the public interest. The law also empowers villages and cities to block a fuel pipeline, but does not extend the same right to towns.

"What this bill does is add towns to the existing law, which requires pipelines constructed on public property to get approval by local municipalities," said Skartados. The bill has a Republican sponsor in the Senate, the assemblyman said. "I'm very optimistic it will pass in the Assembly," he said. "I remain hopeful it will pass in the Senate."

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Mount names new leadership team

The Board of Trustees of Mount Saint Mary College has elected Charles Frank as Chair and Sister Margaret Anderson as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees. They will serve two-year terms.

Frank, an IBM business executive and former Mayor of Walden, has served on the Mount's Board of Trustees since 2012. He has also served as the Chair of the Board's Finance Committee for the same period of time, and was elected as Vice Chair of the Board in 2014. He succeeds Dr. Albert J. Gruner, who served as the Chair since 2012.

Sister Anderson, a member of the College's founding Order of the Dominican Sisters, has served as a member of the Board of Trustees since 2009 and as a member of the Presidential Search Committee.

"I am very excited to set a course for the Board of Trustees governed by our collective commitment to the Mount, our heritage of strong Catholic Dominican educational values and our high standards of academic rigor," said Frank. "We will also resolve to ensure a consistent and transparent level of communication with everyone who cares for this College."

"I'm so deeply committed to the valuable education provided to the students of the Mount because I was not able to take advantage of these same opportunities growing up," said Frank. "In fact, my family is 'all in' at the Mount. My wife is an administrator, two of our daughters have graduated from here and our third is starting her freshman year."

Sister Anderson, a life-long educator who received her first degree at the Mount, added:

"I am honored to be elected by the Board of Trustees as its Vice Chair and look forward to building upon the strong foundation of the Mount. I share Charlie's commitment to continually strengthening and growing the College while ensuring that we continue to enhance our communications efforts with all key constituents."

Frank is a seasoned business executive with more than 35 years of experience in the information technology industry, with most of that time with IBM, and a great deal of his efforts focused on Higher Education. His currently holds the position of Solutions and Business Development Leader within IBM's Global Alliances organization. In addition to his extensive business development, sales and IT experience, he has dedicated much of his life to community service. Aside from Mount Saint Mary College Board service, Frank has served as President and Vice President of the Josephine-Louise Public Library in Walden, on the Boards of the Walden Local Development Corporate, the Walden Industrial Development Agency and MPB Elementary School Development Board, of which he was Chair. Additionally, he served as the Mayor of the Village of Walden, from 1991-1993.

Sister Margaret Anderson entered the Dominican Sisters in Newburgh in 1962. She attended Mount Saint Mary College, earning a BA in Elementary Education, before receiving an MA in Elementary Education from Jersey City State College, as well as a Masters in Social Work from Fordham University. She was an Elementary School teacher at Guardian Angel School in New York City; St. Patrick School in Newburgh; and Our Lady of Victory School, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. She was also Principal and Administrator at St. Anthony Elementary School in Hawthorne, NJ; St. Barnabas Elementary School in Bronx, N.Y., and Ascension School in New York, N.Y. She also served for eight years as a social worker for the Archdiocese Drug Abuse Prevention Program in New York City and Director of Guidance at Good Counsel Academy in White Plains. She is also a member of the National Association of Social Workers; the Leadership Conference Women Religious; the Board of the Newburgh Ministry and was on the Board of San Miguel Academy

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Aber provided a monthly financial report at the last Newburgh City Council meeting he attended in May. "Overall, department expenses continue to be in line with the approved budgets, with the exception of the fire overtime," Aber said at the meeting. Aber went on to detail expenses incurred due to the current city water crisis.

Kathryn Mack, a senior accountant in the comptroller's office, was appointed acting city comptroller following his arrest.

Aber began working as the City of Newburgh Comptroller in 2013, according to his professional profile on LinkedIn. Prior to this, he worked as chief financial officer for the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs and as the financial manager for operations at the New York City Housing Authority.

Fourth-degree grand larceny is an E felony. Under New York penal law, there is no mandatory minimum sentence for first-time offenders.

IN BRIEF

Film scene brings real police

Usually when a producer, director and actor get together to re-shoot a scene, the mood is pretty low-key.

But Monday at an office on Robinson Ave. near the city line, the trio was greeted by a City of Newburgh S.W.A.T. team and Town of Newburgh police who had surrounding the building by the time the group had finished recording.

In an office building at 436 Robinson Ave., filmmaker Courtney Allen was working with director Shawn Strong and actor Gary Sauer on a voiceover of a scene that involved talk of a gunman for her soon-to-be released dramatic web series "At Risk." Strong's digital production company, Phanatics Entertainment, has an office in the building. Although the scene was shot no less than 15 times with the exact same wording and no other actors speaking, someone in a nearby office mistakenly thought there was a real hostage situation and called 911.

"We didn't hear any police activity at all," Allen, a Newburgh native, said. "It didn't even dawn on me that it would have been the voiceover that caused the commotion because I actually thought there really was a gunman in the building."

Allen said that when they left the office, they were ordered to put their hands up by a City of Newburgh officer, who said that they'd received a call about a gunman in the building. She soon put the pieces together and explained the situation the officer before showing him the script from the voiceover scene.

The office is also home to a music studio and Phanatics Entertainment has a green room they use for recording promos for Phan Media, an artistic variety show that airs every other week.

"We're glad the police response was so immediate," Allen said, who apologized to the drivers who got caught in the traffic snares that resulted when streets adjacent to the building were closed. "I hope we get a bit more positive attention when the series actually airs."

Filmed entirely in the Hudson Valley, "At Risk" will begin broadcasting later this year, once production is complete.

Library presents NFLXpo

Can't make it to ComicCon in NYC or San Diego? Stay local and come to the Newburgh Free Library's mini-Expo called "NFLXpo" scheduled for Saturday, June 25 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. at the Newburgh Free Library, 124 Grand Street. Vendors, exhibitors, panel presentations and costuming will celebrate movies, comics, gaming, books, art – all things pop culture. Come in costume to be part of the fun or plan to participate in the costume contest.

Guidelines for Cosplay and additional information can be found at newburghlibrary.org/youth-services/nflxpo.



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As the only women partner in a four

partner firm for over 20 years, Eleanor is recognized as one of the pioneers in the profession. Last year, Investment News called Eleanor "A Woman to Watch" writing: Eleanor helped to shape the Financial Planning Practice Standards that guide the work of the more than 71,000 CFP® certificants across the U.S.

Within her own firm, Eleanor focuses on helping women bridge the gap between financial capacity and confidence, which she believes is essential to good financial health."

The event is in the Dominican Center café. Tickets are \$45 and include breakfast and materials, and men and women are

invited. The event is one in a series being produced by the Hudson Valley Women's Business Forum this year.

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Bank teller charged with identity theft, impersonation

On June 2, Town of Montgomery Police arrested a bank teller who, according to police, abused his position

to gain personal account information of bank clients. The suspect, a teller at the Hudson Valley Credit

Union in Montgomery, recorded client account information and assumed their identities. With the victim's identity, he and his accomplice, opened multiple lines of credit in the victim's name. Once the credit lines were open, he would use the credit cards for personal gain. He would also write checks on the victim's new credit line and deposit them in his accomplice's accounts, where they would later retrieve the money.

The defendant was identified as Samuel Chavez, 22, from Newburgh. He was charged as follows:

1. Two Counts of Identity Theft in the 1st degree - D Felony.
2. Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 4th degree - E Felony.
3. Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the 5th degree - A Misdemeanor.
4. Two Counts of Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument in the 3rd degree - A Misdemeanor.
5. Two Counts of Criminal Impersonation in the 2nd degree - A Misdemeanor.
6. Forgery in the 3rd degree - A Misdemeanor.
7. Unlawful Possession of Personal Identifying Information in the 3rd degree - a Misdemeanor.

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Opinion

June is Gun Safety Awareness Month

In 2013, New York State made history by becoming the first state in the nation to designate an entire month to the issue of gun violence. Gun Violence Awareness Month was created in an effort to raise awareness surrounding the issue of needless and senseless gun violence in New York's communities. The focus of this effort is to lead a bipartisan charge to concentrate annual heightened attention to gun violence and gun safety each June.

The goals of Gun Violence Awareness Month are to:

- Promote greater awareness about gun violence and gun safety.
- Concentrate annual heightened attention to gun violence during the summer months, when gun violence typically increases.

- Bring citizens and community leaders together to discuss ways to make our communities healthier.

According to the official website of New York State which outlines tips on gun safety:

- Treat every firearm as if it were loaded.
- Always keep the muzzle of the firearm pointed in a safe direction.
- Always keep your finger off the trigger and outside the trigger guard unless you intend to fire the weapon.
- Wear appropriate ear and eye protection when discharging the firearm.

- If there are children in the home, use child safety locks or other commercially available locking mechanisms on your firearms and/or keep your firearms locked in a secure location accessible to adults only. Keep your ammunition locked in a secure location away from the firearms.

- Familiarize yourself with and obey all federal, state, and local laws regarding the purchase, possession, carrying, use, storage, and disposition/sale of firearms

When Clearing / Unloading Firearm:

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County Lane



Photo by Ralph M. Aiello (1913 - 2005)

LETTERS

Colin Schmitt

I have seen a lot in my time. I traveled the world during honorable wartime service with the Navy. I have raised a family. I have done all I can do to live the American dream and give back to my community.

Taking care of your family, community and country is something that we need more of these days. An honest passion to make things better for those around you. That is what I see in Colin Schmitt.

I have known Colin for many years as a neighbor of mine in New Windsor and now as a fellow member of the Armed Forces and local veterans organizations.

Colin Schmitt is running for New York State Assembly.

I have seen his work and dedication up close and personal. He breaks away from the standard glossy mailer and scripted talking point. He goes out and touches people where they are. Whether it is working a local parade route to meet as many people as possible or going door-to-door, Colin is in tuned with all of us because he is one of us and he listens.

I support Colin and urge all my fellow veterans and neighbors to do the same. Colin is running an honorable campaign, one focused our values and our community.

Thank you Colin.

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- Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction AND always keep your finger off the trigger and outside the trigger guard while cleaning or unloading a firearm.
- Remove the magazine or other source of ammunition.
- Open the breech and visually as well as physically inspect the chamber to ensure the firearm is completely unloaded. Repeat this step twice to be sure the firearm is completely unloaded.
- Safe Gun Storage
 - If you own a gun, keep it locked up, unloaded, and out of reach of children.
 - Store your ammunition separately and keep your ammunition locked up, too.
 - Invest in a trigger lock for your gun.
- Gun Lock Safety Tips:
 - Keep cable and lock outside of trigger guard at all times.
 - Always push cable into padlock and turnkey until securely locked. After removing key, tug on cable to ensure connection is secure.
 - Store key to the gun lock and the firearm separately. Be sure to store key in a location inaccessible to unauthorized persons, particularly children.
 - Do not work the firearm's action with the lock in place. This may damage the lock and/or the firearm.
 - If the lock's protective coating becomes damaged or separated from the steel cable or the lock face, replace the lock.

Keeping children safe from guns:

- Invest in a trigger lock for your gun. There are about 300 million firearms in the U.S., so even if you do not own a gun, your children may encounter one. For example, the parents of your children's friends may keep guns in their homes. You have an important responsibility to protect your children from guns.
- Children often know exactly where their parents' guns are kept, and that puts children at risk.
- Most children can't reliably distinguish between real and toy guns, or fully understand the consequences of their actions.
- Some gun owners with children in the home leave their guns loaded and unsecured.
- Unintentional shooting deaths of children often occur in the home.

Parents should follow these simple steps to reduce the number of children harmed by guns:

- Educate your children about the dangers of guns.
- Ensure that any guns you own are stored safely and securely, and are hidden from your children.
- Speak with the parents of your children's friends to determine whether they have a gun in their home. If they do, urge them to store it safely and out of a child's reach.

Additionally, if your children happen to encounter a gun, teach them three easy steps:

- Don't touch the gun.
- Move away from the gun.
- Alert an adult.

Following these steps can help avoid a senseless tragedy. Being a gun owner means being a responsible gun owner.



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NEWBURGH HERITAGE

The compassionate life of 'Granny' Wool

My favorite heroes are the quiet ones who don't seek recognition for their good works. Newburgh has had several and John Wool was one.

His is not a name many Newburghers know. He lived from 1784 to 1869 and was involved in many pivotal moments of American history. His birthplace is long gone. It was the little log and frame building on the corner of Broad and Liberty St. that had been built by one of the

community's earliest settlers, Martin Weigand, as his first tavern. Wool's parents rented this house when Weigand built his new tavern at the foot of Gidney Ave..

John Ellis Wool lived in this modest home with his parents but they both died by the time he was four years old and he was sent to live with an uncle in Troy. There, at age 11, he was apprenticed out to a bookseller from whom he acquired most of his literacy skills. As a teen, he took over the shop but a fire destroyed it and he turned to the study of law. Then, America went back to war with England in 1812. Young John enlisted and began a military career serving as captain of a company of recruits with a commission issued by another Newburgh native, Governor George Clinton.

That began a long life as a soldier during which this local boy from our small village saw amazing world events. He fought and was wounded in upstate New York near Plattsburgh in the War of 1812.

He was promoted rapidly to Inspector-General of the army and in his 30's was sent to Europe to study the military systems of different nations to help improve our own armies. He dined with kings and prime ministers and generals, claiming he especially learned from witnessing combat in Belgium. In 1835, a treaty ordered the removal of the Cherokee Nation from Georgia, Tennessee and the Carolinas. General



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Military portrait of General John Ellis Wool

Wool was sent to assist Gen. Scott in the sad task of taking the Cherokee west.

A meticulous, almost compulsive record-keeper whom his troops secretly called "Granny Wool", the young Newburgh officer often kept dairies and maintained copy books of all his dispatches throughout his career. Many of these are in the NY State Archives and include the remarkable name list of every Cherokee under his care and the accounts of all the rations he drew or

commandeered for them along the way. He was finding and distributing these provisions against orders since he could not bear to see the Cherokee in his care suffering.

As commander of the United States' northern border troops, Wool helped to preserve peace between the US and Canada in the 1830s and quell border raids by Americans determined to annex Canada and instigate new conflict with Britain. He led a military team through

the woods of Maine in 1838, carefully examining the entire border of that state. He served with valor commanding over 3,000 troops in the War with Mexico and accounts at the time say he marched his well-disciplined troops over 900 miles without losing a man.

In August 1861, as the Civil War accelerated, John Wool was given a command in the Army Department of Southeastern Virginia. At Fort Monroe, he saw large numbers of fugitive slaves arriving at that camp fleeing from their masters and from the Confederate Army. Wool immediately set up a commission to alleviate the condition of these fugitives and determine how they could be brought fully into the Union Army. He tasked his commission with finding a plan to train the former slaves and see that they graduate into the ranks of the army. His special group's findings issued a report that slaves should be welcomed, enrolled in the army as they wished and given the same pay, food and clothing as other union soldiers. They would have the status of free men. Wool sent this plan directly to the Secretary of War, avoiding the military chain of command that he knew would deny the request. Secretary Stanton approved and Wool then signed his Order No. 22 in March 1862 which, in effect, liberated the black soldiers in his unit nine months before the Emancipation Proclamation.

Just as the "Trail of Tears" Cherokee removal was a tragic assignment with no hope of praise or glory, so was Wool's last mission to put down the 1863 draft riots in his capacity as Military Commander of New York City. Again and again, Wool's dispatches show that he called for reinforcements to stop the mostly Irish gangs rioting against the draft knowing what a dangerous conflict was brewing on the St.s of lower Manhattan. Reinforcements never came and a mini civil war broke out with gangs attacking workers, mostly African Americans, whom they saw as ready to take their jobs if they went off to fight. At the time of that devastating small battle, General John Wool was 79 years of age, second in longevity only to the army's one other War of 1812 veteran, Gen. Winfield Scott. John Ellis Wool retired shortly thereafter and died at his wife's home in Troy in 1869, eighty-five years after his modest birth in the old tavern building in Newburgh.

Next Gardiner slow jam set for June 19

The next Gardiner Library Slow Jam will take place on Sunday, June 19 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The Slow Jam allows people who are new at playing an acoustic instrument to practice with some friendly,

local musicians. Musicians gather to play Old Time, Folk songs, Bluegrass, Western and other homespun-type songs. Participants play at a slower pace so everyone will have a chance to learn

the songs. All musicians and acoustic instruments are welcome. No audience, no pressure, just lots of fun.

The Slow Jam takes place on the third Sunday of every month in the

library community room, 133 Farmer's Turnpike in Gardiner. For directions or further information call 255-1255, visit gardinerlibrary.org or visit the library's Facebook page.

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Dr. Brooks earned her medical degree at Albany Medical College School of Medicine and conducted additional basic research training in tumor immunology at Cornell University Medical Center and Sloan Kettering Institute. She completed her residency in General Surgery at Montefiore Medical Center/Einstein College of Medicine in New York. Dr. Brooks is a recipient of the American Cancer Society's Lane Adams Award for compassionate care of cancer patients and their families.

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THURSDAY ♦ 9

For Kids

Storytime with Crafts. 10:30 a.m. Plattekill
Public Library, Route 32, Modena.

Instruction

Busy Stitchers Sewing Group for Seniors. 9-11 a.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. Learn to sew or teach someone to sew. 564-7815.

Living Well with Diabetes (English and Spanish). 2-4 p.m. Greater Hudson Valley Family Health Center, 147 Lake St., Newburgh. A workshop to help individuals learn how to better control their diabetes and symptoms. Registration is required. 563-8043.

Tae Kwon Do. 5 p.m. Beginners. 6 p.m. Advanced. Greater Hudson Valley Family Health Center, 147 Lake Street, Newburgh. A one hour class teaching basic Martial Arts movements, exercise and philosophy of respect and discipline. A donation of up to \$5 is requested but not required to participate. 563-8043.

Zumba Fitness. 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Lobby at the Ritz, 111 Broadway, Newburgh. Dance yourself into shape with Maritza C., Zumba fitness and toning instructor! \$5. 561-4061 ext. 266.

Organizations

Orange County Chamber of Commerce Member Breakfast. 7:30-9 a.m. West Hills Country Club, 121 Golf Links Road, Middletown. Speaker: Mariel Fiori, Co-founder and Managing Editor of La Voz, the Hudson Valley's only Spanish Language magazine. The topic will be "growing your business through diverse markets." \$25 for members, \$35 for non-members. 457-9700.

Pine Bush Bridge Club. 10 a.m. Pine Bush Area Library.

Adult Coloring Program. 12-2 p.m. Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. Relax, de-stress and color! Feel free to bring a friend and a covered beverage. 534-8282.

Hearing Loss Support Group. 1-2 p.m. Gardiner Library, 133 Farmer's Turnpike Gardiner. 255-1255

Six Bands, Six Genres and Six Sculptures

In collaboration with Orange County New York's Ferry Godmother Productions, Storm King Arts Center is proud to present "Six Bands, Six Genres and Six Sculptures" on Saturday, June 11, from 12-6 p.m.

The day will feature art and music for all generations. Visitors will get the opportunity to experience Storm King's grounds through music, with six different genres of music at six different locations throughout Storm King Art Center's 500-acre site. Guests can choose to linger at their favorite genre for the afternoon or move on to explore one of the other bands performing simultaneously throughout the day. The artists and genres of music include: Crazy Feet Pete with swing; Tyrone Birkett Emancipation with jazz; Gordon Michael with TNR Trio for oldies; Gabriel Tranchina with Bobby Sanabria with world; Xcalibur for rock and Stephen Alexander Band with country.

Accompanying the musical performances will be educational workshops with a live, teaching band at the festival's main 'marquee' tent. Event participants will explore rhythm, sound and creativity across different musical genres and create their own tunes. Christopher Dean Sullivan, whose character development program E.V.O.L.V.E., teaches life skills through understanding the psychology of song and vibration will present the workshops.

The day will conclude at the Marquee Tent with a special performance by Taeko Fukao and Camille Thurman, combining multiple genres of music.

A Japanese native, Taeko moved to New York City from Shiga, Japan in the late 90s and quickly garnered the nickname "Songbird" from the NYC jazz elite. With a stunning four octave range, she sings with "deep soulfulness reminiscent of Anita Baker with sophisticated scatting a la Ella" as jazz critics describe.

"In the early stages of my jazz



Taeko, a native of Japan headlines the jazz portion of the concert at Storm King art center on Saturday.

studies I immersed myself in not only the great vocalists but instrumentalist as well," said Taeko. "The one thing that I caught early on was that each had their own individual style. While they could and sometimes, did mimic others in paying tribute through a solo or performance – for all of those masters you could always tell who they were. That's what I've focused on for all of these years, developing my voice, and finding my own place in the musical landscape."

Taeko has perfected her craft over the last few years as she has graced the stages of some of the most heralded Jazz clubs on the East Coast, including The Kitano, the Zinc Bar, the Minton's Playhouse and the Blue Note. Additionally, she has been featured at such prominent U.S. festivals as the Cape May Jazz Festival, the Women

in Jazz Festival in New York City, the United Philadelphia Jazz Festival, the North East Florida Jazz Festival, and Newburgh Jazz Series, in addition to her performances at numerous Jazz festivals in Japan. TAEKO was also a finalist in the 2008 NYC JazzMobile Jazz Vocal Competition.

The event is co-hosted with Ferry Godmother Productions, a production and promotions company that produces unique and quality art, music and cultural events known for developing premiere concerts.

Tickets are \$12 and include admission to the sculpture park. Children four and under are free.

The Storm King Arts Center is located at 1 Museum Drive in New Windsor. For more information, call 534-3115 or visit stormking.org.

Adult Book Club. 2 p.m.. Newburgh Jewish Community Center, 290 North Street, Newburgh. 561-6602.

Friends of the Pine Bush Area Library. 2 p.m. Pine Bush Area Library Annex, 277 Maple Ave., Pine Bush. New members welcome. 744-3375.

Crochet Club. 4-5 p.m. Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library, 56 Main Street, Milton. For youngsters and adults. 795-2200.

Drawing Club. 6 - 8 p.m. ArtsWAVE Center, 12 Market St., Ellenville. Adults bring your pencils, pens, paper and any material for an evening of relaxed drawing and camaraderie. \$2 suggested donation. 210-4416.

Bereavement support group. 6:30 p.m. HOSPICE, 800 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh. 561-5604, ext 117.

Hudson Valley Garden Association. 7 p.m. Shawangunk Town Hall, 14 Central Ave., Walkill. 418-3640.

Bereavement Group. 7 - 8 p.m. Coldwell Banker, 127 Route 302, Pine Bush. For parents who have lost a child. 800-4875.

Events

Bridge Game. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Powelton Club, Balmville Rd., Newburgh. Lunch served and beverage available. Open, sanctioned game with points awarded. Proper dress required. \$12. 561-7548, 541-0748 or 561-4151.

Duplicate Bridge Game for Seniors. 12:30 - 4 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. Always looking for new players. 564-7815.

New Paltz High School AP Studio Artists Reception. 5-6:30 p.m. Gardiner Library, 133 Farmer's Turnpike, Gardiner. The AP Studio Art class is a college level class. Various mediums will be represented. Participating students include: Brooke-Lynn Caso, Maya del Rosario, Cassidy Ginn, Grant Harlow, Jamie Hulsey, Lia

Kucera, Cinthia Navarro, Tommy O'Connor, Maddy Obry, Olivia Profaci, Victoria Siple and Shoshana Smith. Gallery will be on display until June 22. 255-1255.

Scramble for Scrabble Night. 6 - 8 p.m. Josephine-Louise Public Library, Municipal Square, Walden. Bring your boards or join a game. 778-7621.

Live Music

Lakou Mizik. 7 p.m. The Falcon, 1348 Route 9W, Marlboro. 236-7970.

FRIDAY ♦ 10

For Kids

Teen Scene. 3:30 - 5 p.m. Plattekill Public Library, 2047 Route 32, Modena. 883-7286.

Video games and snacks for teens ages 12 and up. 4:30 pm. Plattekill Public Library, 2047 Route 32, Modena. 883-7286.

Art Classes. 10:30 a.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. \$4 per class. All supplies are provided. 564-7815.

Zumba. 5:15-6:15 p.m. Greater Hudson Valley Family Health Center, 147 Lake St., Newburgh. A one hour class filled with dancing, body toning, a cardio workout and a way to reduce stress. A donation of up to \$5 is requested but not required to participate. 563-8043.

Organizations

Cornwall Senior Citizen Club, 1 p.m. Munger Cottage, 183 Main St., Cornwall.

Baby Magic Knitting, Crocheting & Meditation Circle. 7-9 p.m. White Barn Farm, 815 Albany Post Road, New Paltz. This circle is for conscious, spiritual women who want to

conceive or who are pregnant, as well as their supportive sisters, girlfriends and mothers. Open to knitters and crocheters at all levels. 259-1355.

Events

Greek Fest. 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 19 Fullerton Ave., Newburgh. Greek food, wine, beer, pastries. Greek gift shop with handcrafts, Greek music, church tours.

Orange County Office of the Aging: Do You Know What is Offered? 12-2 p.m. Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. For seniors or those that work with seniors. Come hear from Natalie Ramos from the Orange County Office of the aging, who will speak on the services and be on hand to answer any questions. 534-8282.

Bingo. 6:45 p.m. Middletown Elks Lodge. 48 Prospect St., Middletown. Doors open at 6 p.m. 343-1097.

Live Music

Split Bill: Palm Slap & Mad Satta. 7 p.m. The Falcon, 1348 Route 9W, Marlboro. 236-7970.

SATURDAY ♦ 11

For Kids

BLT Club for Kids. 10 - 11 a.m. Newburgh

Free Library story hour room, 124 Grand St., Newburgh. Children 6 and older will build and learn together with a LEGO project. Parents welcome. 563-3616.

Fairy Houses and Toad Abodes. 10 a.m. Hudson Highlands Nature Museum Outdoor Discovery Center on Muser Drive, 174 Angola Road, Cornwall. Learn about the habitats of some of our local wildlife, while using your imagination to create homes for fairies and other whimsical creatures. This program is designed for families with children ages four and over. Admission for Non-members: \$7/Adults - \$5/Children. Museum Members: \$5/Adults - \$3/Children. 534-5506, x204.

Preschoolers in the Park at Sam's Point: Butterfly Quest. 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Bring your preschoolers and join Laura Davis, park educator, for a morning of exploration! Butterflies are one of the most beautiful living things in nature and they are a source of endless fascination for young children. We will start off with a story and craft before heading outside to search for these alluring creatures. Pre-registration is required by calling Sam's Point at 647-7989.

American Girl Doll Club. 1 p.m. Grinnell Library, 2642 E Main St., Wappingers Falls. Participants get to do fun crafts and different activities each month. This next session, they will learn how to embroider! A fun craft and a great gift to give your best friends! Pre-registration required. 297-3428.

How to Build a Fairy House. 1-2:30 p.m.



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Meet the Animals. 1 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. Wildlife Education Center at Hudson Highlands Nature Museum, Cornwall-on-Hudson. Join museum staff to meet the animal of the week, then visit all the animals. 534-5506, ext. 204.

Instruction

Spring "Plein Air" Outdoor Painting Class. 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Hudson Valley Parks and Historic Sites (ranging each week). Learn about choosing a painting location, developing a good composition, creating color values and more in a fun and supportive atmosphere. Demonstrations will be conducted in watercolors and acrylics, but all media are welcome. Open to both beginners and painters at all levels. Some previous drawing experience is helpful. Suggested materials will be provided upon registration. \$150 for six week class or \$30/class. Register in advance by calling 338-6503.

Adult Decorative Painting Group. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Munger Cottage, 183 Main St., Cornwall. Led by the Hudson Valley Tole and Decorative Painters. Beginner painters welcome. Bring your own lunch. Refreshments will be served. Call for supply list for an instructor-led art class. 457-9330.

Taichi and Wushu Kung-Fu Classes. 10 a.m. St Thomas Episcopal Church, 37-47 Old Route 9W, New Windsor. jaysaguafit@aol.com. 249-9230

Second Annual Local Cider Market & Tasting. 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. Historic Huguenot St., 81 Huguenot St., New Paltz; Featuring regional cideries, local wineries and breweries as well as fresh cut flowers, local apples, apple cider donuts and more. Admission \$10. huguenotstreet.org.

Certified Apple Training. 1-2 p.m. Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. Get certified Apple product training with our specialist, Anthony Gillmeier. Please bring your Apple device.

Kirtan or Devotional Chanting 7 - 9 pm. Shanti Mandir Ashram, 51 Muktananda Marg-off Route 208, Walden 778-1008. shantimandir.com.

Organizations

Walden Chess Club. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Josephine-Louise Public Library, second floor, Municipal Square, Walden. Everyone is invited to participate in non-ranked, non-competitive games. Free. 778-7621.

Outdoor Activities

Walden Rotary's annual cleanup. 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Teams will gather at one of the following locations: Walden Municipal Building, Maybrook Senior Center or Orange County Fire Museum in Montgomery. 778-7700.

Australian leads 'From Russia with Love'

The Greater Newburgh Symphony Orchestra concludes its 2015-16 season on June 11 with "From Russia With Love" under the baton of guest conductor Russell Ger, the fourth and final candidate to become the GNSO's next Music Director.

Listen to Mr. Ger describe the concert: "We begin with the musical fireworks and virtuosity in the "Festive Overture" of Shostakovich. We then venture deep into the heart of Russia with Rachmaninoff's tour-de-force, his "Piano Concerto #2." Our spectacular finale will be Ravel's unsurpassed orchestral coloration of Mussorgsky's wonderfully vivid "Pictures at an Exhibition," replete with all the pealing bells of the Great Gate of Kiev." The soloist for Rachmaninoff will be Maxwell Foster.

Ger is a young Australian conductor based in New York City. His repertoire spans orchestral, operatic and choral music, which he has conducted across North America and in his home country. One of his career highlights came in 2003 when he conducted the Finale from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony at the Sydney Opera House. On this occasion, he led a massed community chorus and an orchestra that included members of both the Sydney Symphony and the Australian Opera-Ballet.

Foster, by coincidence, is also Australian and considered one of that continent's "most sought-after young artists." He has made concerto appearances with the Adelaide, Sydney, Melbourne, West Australian, Victoria and Queensland Orchestras. This year he appeared as a soloist with the Juilliard Orchestra premiering a contemporary composer's work.

"From Russia With Love" will be presented Saturday evening, June 11



Guest Conductor Russell Ger is the fourth and final candidate to become the GNSO's next Music Director.

at 7:30 pm at Aquinas Hall at Mount Saint Mary College, Newburgh. Arrive at 6:30 pm for the concert preview by Gordon Shacklett. Tickets -- Reserved: \$30, General: \$24, Senior Citizens: \$18, (Students: admitted free) can be purchased online or at the door. Details about the 2015 - 2016 season of the Greater Newburgh Symphony Orchestra can be found online at newburghsymphony.org or by calling 845-913-7157, and requesting a season brochure.

The Greater Newburgh Symphony

Orchestra is one of the leading cultural institutions of the Hudson River Valley. It was founded in 1995 by Dr. Woomyung Choe and its first president, George Handler. After 10 years, the late Fred McCurdy served as president for the next decade. In addition to its regular concerts, the Orchestra annually visits a local high school where its professional musicians -- who come from throughout the valley -- play "Side-by-Side" in a formal concert with student musicians.

Family Fish Day. 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Howell St., Pine Bush. Food, drinks and fishing poles will be provided. Bring worms if you wish to fish with them. \$10 per family. Sign up by June 9. For more information, email scanglers@gmail.com.

The Road Less Traveled. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Minnewaska State Park. Join Becca Howe, Park Educator and SCA/AmeriCorp Intern on an approximately two- and-a-half mile long hike that will travel along the Wawarsing Turnpike Footpath. This footpath follows a portion of the original toll road built to cross over the Shawangunk Ridge from New Paltz to

Kerhonkson, called the New Paltz-Wawarsing Turnpike. This recreational hike will expose participants to a footpath less traveled by the public, offering a tranquil experience in an area peppered with cultural history. This footpath is also part of the more than 50 mile long Shawangunk Ridge Trail that traverses the length of the Shawangunk Ridge. This program is recommended for adults and children ten years of age and older, accompanied by a parent or guardian over the age of 18. This outing meets in the Awosting Parking Area. Pre-registration required. 255-0752.

Events

All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast. 8-11 a.m. American Legion Post 1266, 92 Pine St., Wurtsboro. Military-style breakfast chow line prepared and served by veterans, including Gulf War Veterans. All proceeds support programs for Veterans throughout Sullivan County. \$7 at the door. 888-4958.

Yard Sale. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Shawangunk Reformed Church, Wallkill. 895-2952.

Powder to the People Color Fun-Run. 11 a.m. Algonquin Park, Powder Mill Road & Route 52, Newburgh. Color Fun-Run benefiting the NFA

Crew Team. Come on out and enjoy a day of fun for the whole family run or walk with a splash of color. 631-769-4632 or nfacrewmoms@gmail.com.

Coupon Exchange. 11 a.m. Plattekill Public Library, 2047 State Route 32, Modena. Exchange coupons and receive some mentoring from local coupon diva, Patty. 883-7286.

Greek Fest. 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 19 Fullerton Ave., Newburgh. Greek food, wine, beer, pastries. Greek gift shop with handcrafts, Greek music, church tours.

Family Fest & Pet Expo. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Dutchess Stadium, Fishkill.

Thumbs-Up Awards Ceremony. 1-5 p.m. Chadwick Park Pavilion, 1702 Route-300, Newburgh. Three local outstanding collaborators will be honored. Along with the ceremony there will be yard games, raffle prizes and family fun. For tickets, please email birdlover1027@yahoo.com. The tickets are \$30 per person with children under 8 free, but reservations are required. 562-9816.

Newburgh Library Annual Book Sale Preview. 5-7 p.m. Newburgh Free Library, 124 Grand St., Newburgh. Admission is \$10 and includes a one-year membership to the Friends of the Newburgh Library. Proceeds from the sale are used to purchase materials and support library activities. 563-3619.

Mohonk Preserve Annual Benefit Auction. 5 p.m. Slingerland Pavilion at Spring Farm, Upper 27 Knolls Road, High Falls. Enjoy the company of fellow nature-enthusiasts while benefitting the land you love. This year, the auction is dedicated to the memory of Jane Keating Taylor, longtime Mohonk Preserve Board member and auction founder. mohonkpreserve.org

Chicken bake. 5 p.m. Wallkill Rod & Gun Club. 895-9945.

BAU Opening Reception. 6-9 p.m. BAU Gallery, 506 Main St., Beacon. Featuring "Formas Geometricas" by David Link and "New Works" by Vivian Altman. 440-7584.

Community Dinner. 6:30 p.m. Fox Hill Community, 80 Coleman Road, Walden. Reservations: 778-7561.

Live Music

Storm King Art Center's "Six Bands, Six Genres, Six Sculptures." 12-6 p.m. Storm King Art Center, 1 Museum Road, New Windsor. Fun filled day of art and music for all generations. Presented by Storm King Art Center and Ferry Godmother Productions. 534-3115.

Melissa Ferrick. 7 p.m. The Falcon, 1348 Route 9W, Marlboro. 236-7970.

Kitchen Table Band and Friends. 7:30 p.m. Tompkins Corners Cultural Center, 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley. Contemporary, folk and Irish music. \$10. 838-3006.

West Point Band's 241st Army Birthday Celebration Performance. 7:30 p.m. Trophy Point Amphitheater, West Point. Part of the West Point Band's "Music Under the Stars" concert series, honoring the Army's 241st birthday. The concert is free and open to all. For more information, call 938-2617 or visit westpointband.com.

Greater Newburgh Symphony Orchestra. 7:30 p.m. Aquinas Hall at Mount Saint Mary College, 330 Powell Ave., Newburgh. "From Russia With Love" under the baton of guest conductor Russell Ger. Reserved Tickets/\$30, General/\$24, Senior Citizens/\$18, Students are free. 913-7157.

Theater

"THREAD." 8 p.m. Ann Street Gallery, 104 Grand St., Newburgh. Seven week performance art series. Featuring Alice Volger and Vela Phelan. 748-1146.

35th Asbury Short Film Concert. 7:30 p.m. - 9:45 p.m. Rosendale Theatre, 408 Main St., Rosendale. Asbury Shorts, New York City's longest-running short film exhibition and travel show returns for a seventh year to Rosendale. Recommended for ages 16 and above. \$12 Admission. 658-8989; rosendaletheatre.org.

SUNDAY ♦ 12

For Kids

Meet the Animals. 1 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. Wildlife Education Center at Hudson Highlands Nature Museum, Cornwall-on-Hudson. Join museum staff to meet the animal of the week, then visit all the animals. 534-5506, Ext. 204.

Instruction

Satsang with Gurudev Swami Nityananda. 10 a.m. - Noon. Includes spiritual discourse, singing of bhajans and kirtan. Prasad (vegetarian lunch) follows. Satsang is preceded by the Guru Gita chant. 9 -10am. Free. Shanti Mandir Ashram, 51 Muktananda Marg-off Route 208, Walden. 778-1008. shantimandir.com

Organizations

Overeaters Anonymous. 2 - 3 p.m. Orange Regional Medical Center's Community Health Education Center, 110 Crystal Run Rd., Room C, Middletown. 343-9961.

Washingtonville Arts Society Members Meeting. 4 p.m. 43 E. Main St., Washingtonville. The group welcomes all artists of all ages and coordinates exhibits/performance all over the Hudson Valley, holds workshops, supports members' work and socially networks together.

Outdoor Activities

Orange County Audubon Society Field Trip. Benedict Farm, 1675 State Route 17k, Montgomery. Come to see a selection of birds with easy walking conditions. 744-6047.

I'd Rather Be Hiking Adult Program. 10 a.m. Hudson Highlands Nature Museum's Outdoor Discovery Center, on Muser Drive, across from 174 Angola Road, Cornwall. Celebrate and explore the new connector trail from the Outdoor Discovery Center to Black Rock Forest. Moderately strenuous hike, wear sturdy shoes and bring water. Meet at the Visitor's Center.

Non-Members/\$7, Members/\$5. 534-5506.

Beacon Hill Mountain Laurel Walk. 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Minnewaska State Park. It's the traditional time for the mountain laurel bushes to bloom, so come join Environmental Educator Laura Conner for a two mile long loop hike to view the expected burst of blooms. This modest hike, which follows along a combination of carriage roads and a footpath, should offer both scenic views and glorious pink and white flowers. 255-0752.

Events

Beacon Flea Market. 8 a.m. - 3 pm. 6 Henry St. at S. Chestnut, Beacon. Antiques, vintage, collectibles, yard sale and hand made items. Free admission, 202 0094 beaconfleamarket@gmail.com

Community Breakfast. 8-11:30 a.m. Newburgh Township American Legion Post 1420, 1169 Union Ave., Newburgh. The cost is \$5 for your choice of eggs, sausage, hash browns and beverage or French toast, sausage, hash browns and beverage. The deluxe breakfast is \$6, which includes everything. 566-9034.

Newburgh Library Annual Book Sale. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Newburgh Free Library, 124 Grand St., Newburgh. Admission is free. \$1 for most hard covers and \$0.50 for paperbacks. Special books are individually priced. 563-3619.

Greek Fest. 12-6 p.m. St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 19 Fullerton Ave., Newburgh. Greek food, wine, beer, pastries. Greek gift shop with handcrafts, Greek music, church tours.

8th Annual Flag Day Celebration. 1 p.m. Walden Veterans Memorial Park, 150 W. Main St. Route 52, Walden. Hosted by the Walden Community Council and Walden Veterans Memorial Park Committee.

Traditional Latin Mass. 3 p.m. St. Patrick's Church, 55 Grand St. Newburgh. The Old Mass in Latin with English homily. 561-1891.

Live Music

Sunday Mornings in Service of Sacred Unity. 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Unison Arts & Learning Center, 68 Mountain Rest Road, New Paltz. Guided by Amy McTear, Joseph Jastrab, Dahila Bartz Cabe & other musical guests \$10, 255-1559.

Waltz and More! Dance. 3-6:30 p.m. Hudson Valley Dance Depot, 733 Freedom Plains Road (Route 55), Poughkeepsie. Mostly waltz with swing, tango and more! Refreshments and beginner lesson included. \$15 per person. Lesson: 3 p.m., Dance 3:30 - 6 p.m. 204-9833


Sunday Evening Jazz: Bill McHenry Trio. 7 p.m. The Falcon, 1348 Route 9W, Marlboro. 236-7970.

MONDAY ♦ 13

For Kids

Preschoolers in the Park. 10:30 a.m. - noon. Minnewaska State Park Preserve, Gardiner.

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TABINDA ANWAR D.D.S.



Dr. Anwar attended New York University earning Doctorate of Dental Surgery. She went to complete General Practice Residency in Bronx Lebanon Center. She has extensive experience in endodontics, oral surgery, and pediatric dentistry. Her area of interest is esthetic dentistry. To further her dental knowledge, she participates in continuing education courses. Dr. Anwar came to the USA, after earning her bachelor of Dental Surgery Degree from deMontmorency College of Dentistry. She is fluent in English, Hindi, and Urdu.

Topics will include amphibians, butterflies, blueberry picking and more. Each outing includes a modest hike and parents and children should come prepared to walk up to one mile. It is recommended that parents also bring food and water. All children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian over the age of 18. All programs meet at the Nature Center, unless otherwise noted. Pre-registration required. 255-0752.

Lego Club. 4 p.m. Plattekill Public Library, 2047 Route 32, Modena. Recommended for children ages 5 and up. Registration required. 883-7286.

Lego Club. 4-5 p.m. Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library, 56 Main St., Milton. For grades 1-5. 795-2200.

Adventurers' Book Club. 6-7 p.m. Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library, 56 Main St., Milton. For grades 3-5. 795-2200.

Instruction

Tech-Savvy Computer Training. 11 a.m. Plattekill Public Library, 2047 State Route 32, Modena. Basic computer skills, navigating the internet, and setting up and using email. Call 883-7286 to register.

Rae of Light Yoga for Seniors. 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. 564-7815.

Organizations

Mahjong Club. 9 a.m. Josephine-Louise Library, 5 Scofield St., Walden. 778-7621.

Bridge Club. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Howland Cultural Center, 477 Main St., Beacon. 831-4988.

Pine Bush Pinochle Club. 10 a.m. Pine Bush Area Library.

Creative Writers Group. 12 p.m. Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. Come join an informal discussion with people who enjoy writing and expressing their thoughts and

ideas. 534-8282.

Walden Chess Club. 6 - 8 p.m. Josephine-Louise Public Library, Municipal Square, Walden. 778-7621.

Guiding Light Metaphysical Society. 6:30 p.m. sharp. Walker Valley Schoolhouse, 6 Marl Road, Walker Valley. Bring a cushion, pillow or mat for your comfort. Free will donation. Free. 744-3960.

New Single Parents Support Group. 6:30 p.m. YMCA Middletown. The group will address the challenges of being a single parent. Childcare will be provided for children ages 3-16 and light dinner will be served. \$5 per family.

Quilters of the Hudson Highlands. 7 p.m. Munger Cottage, Riverlight Park, Cornwall. Members have fat quarter swaps, classes and produce a quilt to raffle off for a local charity.

Hudson Highlands Photo Workshop. 7:30 p.m. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chester. There will be a short business meeting followed by a workshop. Anyone interested in photography is invited to attend. 783-8520.

Outdoor Activities

Yoga with a View. 6-7:15 p.m. Boscobel Gardens, 1601 Route 9D, Garrison. Taught by certified instructor Ellen Forman, this class fits the needs of all levels, from beginner to expert. As a teacher, Ellen emphasizes the inward journey and the profound healing effects of yoga on the mind, body and spirit. Yoga's numerous benefits include improved flexibility, endurance and strength. Monday evenings from June 13-Sept. 5. Walk-in rate is \$18 and multi-class discount packages are available. Purchase tickets online at Boscobel.org or at the door. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own mats and water. 265-3638.

Events

The Great American Songbook:

Movement and Dance To The Standards for Adults. 3:30-4:15 p.m. Unison Arts Center, 68 Mountain Rest Rd, New Paltz. The class concentrates on creating better attention skills, group cooperation, self-discipline and having fun. \$15 walk-ins, \$255 for 18 weeks.

TUESDAY ♦ 14

For Kids

Bouncing Babies Story Time. 9:30 - 10 a.m. Gardiner Library, 133 Farmer's Turnpike, Gardiner. Lap time stories and finger plays. Birth to 18 months old. Free. 255-1255.

Terrific Twos and Threes Story Time. 10 - 10:45 a.m. Gardiner Library, 133 Farmer's Turnpike, Gardiner. Books, action rhymes, music and crafts. 255-1255.

Community Play Space. 10 - 10:45 a.m. Gardiner Library, 133 Farmer's Turnpike, Gardiner. Space features books, toys and stuffed animals for children to play with and socialize with other kids. 255-1255.

Book Buddies for ages 4-5. 10:30 am. Wallkill Public Library, 7 Bona Ventura Ave., Wallkill. Children enjoy stories and crafts independently. Parent remains in the library. 895-3707

Pottery Workshop. 4-5 p.m. Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library, 56 Main St., Milton. For grades 3-5. 795-2200.

Pottery Workshop. 5-6 p.m. Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library, 56 Main St., Milton. For grades 6 and up. 795-2200.

Christian Service Brigade and Explorer Girls. 6:45 - 8:30 p.m. Leptondale Bible Church, 1771 Route 300, Newburgh. For boys and girls ages 8-18. Bible studies, crafts, achievements, games, leadership and other activities. 566-1113.

Instruction

Textile Tuesday. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wallkill Public Library, 7 Bona Ventura Ave., Wallkill. Enjoy doing your favorite project whether it be quilting, knit, crochet, paper or felt. All ages welcome. 895-3707.

Meditation in the Temple. 6:30pm - 7:15pm. Shanti Mandir Ashram. 51 Muktananda Marg-off Route 208, Walden, 45 minutes of silent meditation with the Shanti Mandir community, in the sacred space of the Temple. The meditation is preceded by the chanting of Sri Ram Jai Ram: 5:30 pm, with Arati at 6 pm. Free. 778-1008. shantimandir.com.

Israeli Folk Dance with Josh Tabak. 1:30-3: p.m. Unison Arts Center, 68 Mountain Rest Rd, New Paltz. Steps will be taught at the beginners level or adjusted for participants. No experience required. Suggested \$10 donation.

Organizations

Hudson Valley Leads Exchange. 7:15 a.m. Neptune Diner, Route 17K, Newburgh 283-6307.

Wallkill East Rotary. 7:30 a.m. Holiday Inn. Crystal Run Road, Town of Wallkill. 926-6097

Orange County Toastmasters. 8 - 9 a.m. Orange County Chamber of Commerce Conference Room, 40 Matthews St., Goshen. Learn by doing workshop in which men and women hone their communication skills in a comfortable, friendly atmosphere. 374-6006.

Life's New Beginning's Widow & Widower's Club. 2 - 4 p.m. Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. 564-7819.

Walking Club. 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Hudson River HealthCare, 75 Orange Ave., Walden. 778- 2700.

PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays). 6 p.m. Jewish Family Service, 720 Route 17M, Middletown. The support group promotes the health and well-being of lesbian, gay and transgender persons, celebrates

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Vision Impairment Support Group. 6 - 8 p.m. Independent Living, Inc., 5 Washington Terrace, Newburgh. 565-1162.

Epilepsy Support Group. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Wallkill Medical Arts Building, 390 Crystal Run Road, Middletown. Support for those newly diagnosed, needing more information or for family members caring for someone with the disease.

Knitting and Crocheting Club. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, Route 300 and 32. 562-6623.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren. 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Cornell Cooperative Ext., Middletown. Info. call Cornell Cooperative Extension 344-1234.

Relatives as Parents Programs. 6:30 - 8 p.m. Independent Living, Inc., corner of Washington Terrace and Lake St., Newburgh. Support group includes free child care for children 5 and younger and a youth development program for children 6 and older. 344-1234.

Alzheimer's Association Family, Caregiver Support Group. 7 p.m. Elant at Newburgh. 534-9034.

Book discussion: "The Most Dangerous Animal" by David Livingstone Smith. 7 - 8:30 p.m. Pine Bush Area Library Annex, Community Room, 227 Maple Ave., Pine Bush. Nonfiction about humanity's ambivalence toward war. Free. 699-3051.

Knitting Club. 7 - 8:30 p.m. Newburgh Free Library. Come share ideas; instruction available for beginners. Bring your own materials. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. 563-3623.

NAACP, Middletown Chapter Officers and Executive Committee Meeting. 7 - 8 p.m. Temple Sinai, 75 Highland Ave., Middletown. www.middletownnaacp.org.

Song of the Valley Chorus, Sweet Adelines International. 7:15 - 9:30 p.m. 142 Stage Road, Monroe. A woman's a cappella 4-part barbershop harmony. Women of all ages, join the chorus. For more information, call 928-6879.

Outdoor Activities

Earl morning birders. 7 a.m. Minnewaska State Park. Designed for birding enthusiasts or those just looking to learn the basics, this series will offer various outings led by experienced birding volunteers and park naturalists. Participants will meet at the Minnewaska main entrance and should come prepared with binoculars. Outing destinations will be determined the day of the program.

Tuesday Trek: Hike to the Shingle Gully Ice Caves. 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Explore the Shingle Gully Ice Caves, where ice persists into summer in deep crevice caves. These caves are in a primitive area of Minnewaska State Park Preserve. This rugged, protected landscape is accessible only on guided tours led by park staff and volunteer docents. This all-day, strenuous adventure ascends and descends

1,500 feet, includes off-trail bushwhacking and steep rock scrambles, and is only appropriate for experienced hikers. Pre-registration is required by calling Sam's Point at 647-7989. Pre-registration deadline: June 9.

Events

Safe Harbors of the Hudson Tour. 9 a.m. Safe Harbors of the Hudson Entrance, 111 Broadway, Newburgh. Tours last approximately one hour. All attendees will be entered in a drawing to win tickets to an upcoming concert at the Lobby at the Ritz! 784-1107.

Immunization Clinic. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Orange County Health Dept., 33 Fulton Plaza, Middletown. Must bring immunization record. 291-2369.

Pine Bush Scrabble Time. 10 a.m.. Pine Bush Area Library.

Live Music

Open Mic. 6 p.m. Bank Square Coffeehouse, 129 Main St., Beacon. banksquarecoffeehouse.com.

Old-timey southern fiddle tunes. 7-9 p.m. Howland Cultural Center, 477 Main St., Beacon.

WEDNESDAY ♦ 15

For Kids

Storytime with Crafts. 10:30 a.m. Plattekill Public Library, Route 32, Modena. With Miss Barbara.

Toddler Story Time for ages 2-3. 10 and 11:15 a.m. Wallkill Public Library, 7 Bona Ventura Ave., Wallkill. Child and parent enjoy stories, songs, crafts and fun. 895-3707.

Tiny Tots Storytime. 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library, Milton. Ages 2 and 3 with an adult. Get your little one started reading and learning with Miss Barbara.. With stories, songs, finger plays, games and crafts. Free. 795-2200.

Community Play Space. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Gardiner Library, 133 Farmer's Turnpike, Gardiner. Space features books, toys and stuffed animals for children to play with and socialize with other kids. 255-1255.

Knitting Group. 3 - 5 p.m., Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library in Milton. Adults and teens, Knitters work on their own items or join in on group projects. Free lessons on all techniques.

Kids Club. 7 p.m. Chapel Hill Bible Church, 49 Bingham Road, Marlboro. A Christian based fun-filled evening for children 5-12. Crafts, games and song. 236-7144.

Instruction

Gentle Yoga with Kelly. 7:30pm to 8:30pm. (arrive a few min. early). Designed for gentle exploration of different asanas (postures) linked by the breath. Shanti Mandir Ashram, 51 Muktananda Marg-off Route 208, Walden. Namaste' Building. 778-1008. shantimandir.com

Tango Dance Lessons. 7-9 p.m. Unison Arts

Center, 68 Mountain Rest Road, New Paltz. Join Nina Jirka every Wednesday night for tango. Tango basics will be taught from 7-8 p.m. and intermediate tango from 8-9 p.m. \$10 suggested donation. 255-1559.

Organizations

Senior Aerobics. 9:30-10:30. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. 564-7815.

Crafty Circle for Seniors. 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. Experts and Beginners welcome! 564-7815.

Wings for Life Sexual Peer Support Group. 5 p.m. 280 Broadway, 4th Floor, Newburgh. 342-2400, ext 267.

Mahjong Club. 6 p.m. Josephine-Louise Library, 5 Scofield St., Walden. 778-7621.

Book Lovers' Club. 6-7 p.m. Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library, 56 Main St., Milton. 795-2200.

Laundry Love. 6-9 p.m. Sheeley's Car Wash & Laundromat, Walden. Sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Laundry Love is a neighboring movement that partners with individuals, groups and laundromats to care for the poor, vulnerable and marginalized throughout the U.S. 591-8163. LaundryLove.org.

Community Garden Club of Pine Bush. 6:30 p.m. Cultural Center, Main St., Pine Bush. 744-3691.

Sweet Talk - Juvenile Diabetes Support Group. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Orange Regional Medical

Center's Community Health Education Center, Room C, 110 Crystal Run Rd., Middletown. This support group is for the parents of children with diabetes. Children are welcome to attend. 333-4259.

Wallkill Public Library Quilters' Circle.

6:30 pm Shawangunk Community Room, Wallkill Public Library. All skill levels welcome. Bring a project, start a new one or take some time to learn unique sewing techniques. 895-3707.

Hudson Valley Writers Workshop. 7:30 p.m. New Hackensack Reformed Church, 1580 Route 376, Wappingers Falls. Read selected section of your fiction, non-fiction, prose or poetry in a caring, supportive environment and be critiqued by fellow members. Also includes group writing exercises designed to sharpen creative and communication skills. 677-9537.

Outdoor Activities

Mohonk Preserve Bob Babb Wednesday

Walk. 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Mohonk Preserve, New Paltz. Adults of all ages and levels of ability are welcome. Moderate five-mile hike. 255-0919.

Fire Ecology Walk and Talk at Sam's Point. 11 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Are you interested in how the recent wildfire affected the plants and animals at Sam's Point? Learn about Sam's Point's unique fire-dependent ecosystem on this interpretive three mile hike on the Loop Road. This program is being offered at the Sam's Point Area in Cragmoor. Pre-registration is required by calling Sam's Point at 647-7989.



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Crumbling pieces of the past

Colden Mansion ruins battle time, nature and politics

By RACHEL COLEMAN

"The Colden Mansion is much more than a pile of ruins," said Robert Williams, former town historian and a member of the Coldenham Preservation & Historical Society. "It's the story of a family that was involved in building colonial America."

Next year will be the 250th anniversary of the Colden Mansion in Montgomery. Currently the ruins are locked in a slow battle against time and nature, but there are some that have bright hopes for the historic site's future.

The eye-catching ruins at the intersection of Route 17K and Route 747 were saved from commercial development when the NYSDOT redeveloped the highways a few years ago. The state agency decided to purchase the ten acre parcel and give it to the town of Montgomery—with the stipulation that it preserve and protect the site.

Today passing motorists can see the remains of the

main structure from the road, with stabilizing beams helping to fight further collapse—but the brief glimpse as they fly past on the highway doesn't give them the entire picture.

"That whole property is just littered with ruins," said Williams. The site includes the remains of the summer kitchen, wagon house, slave barracks, possible slave cemetery, carriage house and plantings of Osage orange trees and flowers.

The mansion was home to Jane Colden, the first female botanist, and Cadwallader Colden II, the son of the last royal Lieutenant Governor of the Province of New York.

But that didn't make life easy for the family.

"The Colden family was persecuted," said Michael Diaz, a PhD student at Temple University, who uncovered information on the family after being awarded a research grant while pursuing his degree at Marist College.

According to Diaz, early in the American Revolution,



Visitor to the site at Colden Day in April.

Cadwallader Colden, II was arrested by Patriot leaders, and after some time imprisoned in Kingston, was exiled to New York City for the duration of the war.

His son, Cadwallader Colden III, had married into a Patriot family in New Jersey and came back to the house, saving it from being confiscated. Meanwhile, family members in Queens cooperated with the British, making sure that no matter who won the war, the family would have one property.

"For many residents of Orange County, suspicion and fear of both their neighbors and their governments defined the war years," Diaz said in a piece published in the Orange County Historian's newsletter.

Diaz said every action they took could be construed as a political statement that risked their lives and homes. While it is easy now to boil the war down to the political rhetoric, it "really wasn't that way."

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With his father living in exile, one brother fighting in the war and another holding onto the family home in Montgomery, David Colden, a teenager, was packed off to study with a private tutor at what is now known as the Hermitage, in modern day Ho-Ho-Kus. The effort failed to keep him safe however, as Diaz said young David Colden was taken prisoner by British troops on March 23, 1780. He was eventually freed, but forced by the soldiers to walk barefoot back to New York City.

"They were caught in the middle of the war and saw the ugliness of both sides," said Diaz. "They had reasons to be angry at both the Patriots and the British."

Diaz said this part of the country's history is often neglected "because it can be hard and unpleasant."

"The Colden Mansion - crumbling, half-forgotten, always endangered - is symbolic of how we publicly treat this portion of our nation's history," Diaz concluded.

Williams said the Town of Montgomery has owned the Colden Mansion ruins for more than a decade and has done a great job in stabilizing the ruins, but maintenance has been an issue, as well as planning for its future.

Montgomery Town Supervisor Mike Hayes said the town currently only performs minor maintenance at the site,

sending in appropriate workers to mow, cut trees, spray for ticks and make sure vines are not growing into the main structure.

Members of the preservation society expressed concern over the apparent use of heavy machinery at the site, just prior to Colden Day in April, pointing out damage to the foundation of one of the structures and deep ruts throughout the site. They noted that such equipment could damage underground artifacts.

"There are plenty of archaeological treasures there," said archaeologist Bill Sandy. "They need to preserve it."

Sandy investigated the site approximately a decade ago and said there are likely many items underground at the site, most notably the possible slave cemetery.

The preservation society also noted the loss of several items from the site, including an old Osage orange tree trunk.

"It's not just the main structure. It's not just one ruin. It's a complex of ruins," said Williams, explaining that even the plantings, due to the famous Colden botanists, are historic in nature. "It's important that all of it be preserved for the future."

Williams said he didn't think there was "any degree of maliciousness" to the

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Colden Mansion ruins battle time, nature and politics

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damage, just a "lack of understanding in how to treat these ruins."

He said careful maintenance needs to be done to

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protect the town's investment, including fencing around the wells.

The preservation society is not looking to restore the ruins, simply to preserve them and one day soon, share them with the public more than once a year on Colden Day.

Their dream is to develop the property into a historic park with trails and wayside historic markers explaining the importance of each ruin—and possibly build a visitor center on the old roadbed portion of the site.

"I think that's going to be exciting in the future," said Benjamin Frisch, a descendant of the Colden family, while visiting for Colden Day.

"It's really interesting and a really good approach," said Orange County Historian Johanna Yaun. "More and more statistics are showing that travelers are looking for these multi-sensory experiences. A walking tour of the ruins would be a perfect thing."

Yaun noted that history is currently popular, as evidenced by the growing list of historical television shows and plays. However, attendance at museums is down. She explained that the current trend is away from the "stuffy" museum and house tours of the past in favor of "immersive" and "multi-sensory" experiences.

According to Yaun, a 2009 Mandala research study said cultural heritage tourists are more frequent travelers.

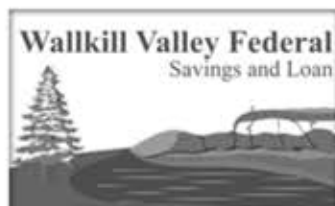
"Heritage tourism is becoming more and more popular," said Yaun.

Heritage tourists spend 63 percent more than recreational tourists, which averages out to \$994 per trip, or \$192 billion each year, according to a 2011 study by American Alliance of Museums.

Yaun said governments that support the arts find that for every \$1 invested in cultural institutions, \$7 is returned in tax revenue.

"It's commendable that they're thinking outside the box," said Yaun. "We don't need another house museum."

Hayes said the original plan, following stabilization



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of the ruins, was to make the property a park. There had been a suggestion of a restaurant to attract visitors that would walk around after eating, but that idea fizzled and the overall project stagnated.

As for the current proposal, Hayes said it is possible, but it will take "time and money."

"We realize it takes money, but when nothing happens, nothing happens for a long time," said Williams.

Currently, the Montgomery Town Board is focused on the installation of security cameras at Benedict Farm Park and considering the same measure for another park after recent vandalism in the form of graffiti.

"Maybe someday, once Benedict Park is all done," said Hayes.

In order to fund the walking trail, the town would have to take money from somewhere else in the budget, or obtain

a grant. Hayes said the town no longer qualifies for state-awarded Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), however, should the preservation society raise the funds, they could donate it for a specific purpose to the town.

Hays said the first step for the society would be to come up with a detailed plan addressing everything from the specifications for the trail (width, length, material, location, etc.) to whether an

archaeological study will be necessary and funding for the creation of the project.

They would need to come before the town board for approval of any project. Hayes noted that they would have to take into consideration not just the cost of the project, but the cost to maintain any improvements moving forward.

"It's not as simple as just coming up with an idea," said Hayes. "All that stuff would have to be worked around."

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LCA Film School hosts red carpet event



Justin Noelizaire, Jaydin Spillman, Anthony Green, David Leino.



Julia Torres, Hannah Abrue, Daniela De Leon.



Justin Drews and Isaiah Mason.

For the past seven months, Leptondale Christian Academy Film School students have been working on their first short film. The film "Fools Despise Wisdom" was written, filmed, acted and edited by students in 6th-8th grade.

Mrs. Monica Meibauer, the school's computer teacher, led the program. She started the film school in October teaching students about lighting, backdrop, and various

other techniques they were going to need during filming. Once everyone was comfortable with what they were setting out to do, they started with a round table discussion brainstorming ideas about the film. After a main idea was formed, the students were asked to write a mockup of the script. This mock script would be the deciding factor on who would be the director of the film.

"It was a close call between Destiny and Katie" says Meibauer, "but based on her seriousness about the film I knew Destiny was the best choice." Destiny Drews was chosen as lead director, and would be in charge of the whole crew. Katie Tramm joined her as Assistant Director and was put in charge of the logo, graphics and look of the film, and was the lead head during editing.

Once the idea was formed, the film started to take life through storyboarding. During this time other students were added and the complete script was written. Once approved by the school, the students began casting. There were five lead student parts and 4 lead teacher parts. The film school also added past and present teachers to make cameos during the film, and younger students were used as extras.

Filming ended the second week of April and the students were off to editing. The film from start to finish ended up being 20 minutes long. It was shown in the LCA auditorium to friends and family on Thursday, April 26 after a grand red carpet event. Actors, directors, stage crew, and many others were allowed to take a walk down the red carpet to parent paparazzi then stopped at the Film School Logo wall for more pictures. After the film Mrs. Meibauer introduced and thanked the cast and crew, "The students were a lot of fun to work with and they had super high energy. I am so proud of you and your hard work, you really pulled it off!" She then presented a bloop reel the students were unaware she had been working on.

When asked if she would do this again Meibauer



Leah Fordenbacher, left and Megan Sayles, right.



Grace Hammond, Destiny Drews, Katie Tramm.

replied "Yes, I already have ideas in my mind, and I am going to meet with a fellow teacher to see how we can continue the art next year."

For more information, check out the school's website at leptondale.net.

WHAT KIDS SAY

What is your favorite school subject?



Amari Robertson
Kindergarten

"I like learning
and math."



Aiden Robertson,
Kindergarten

"I like gym class."



Jayvon Cooper
1st grade

"I liked learning
about tadpoles."



Raven Borrebach
1st grade

"My favorite subject is
reading, and making a
new reading level."



Heniya Fox
1st grade

"I also like reading,
but I also liked learning
about ancient Egypt."



Miley Leger
1st grade

"I like math."

Horizons on the Hudson

PHOTOS BY EMMA FRIEDRICH

San Miguel Academy Celebrates the Class of 2016

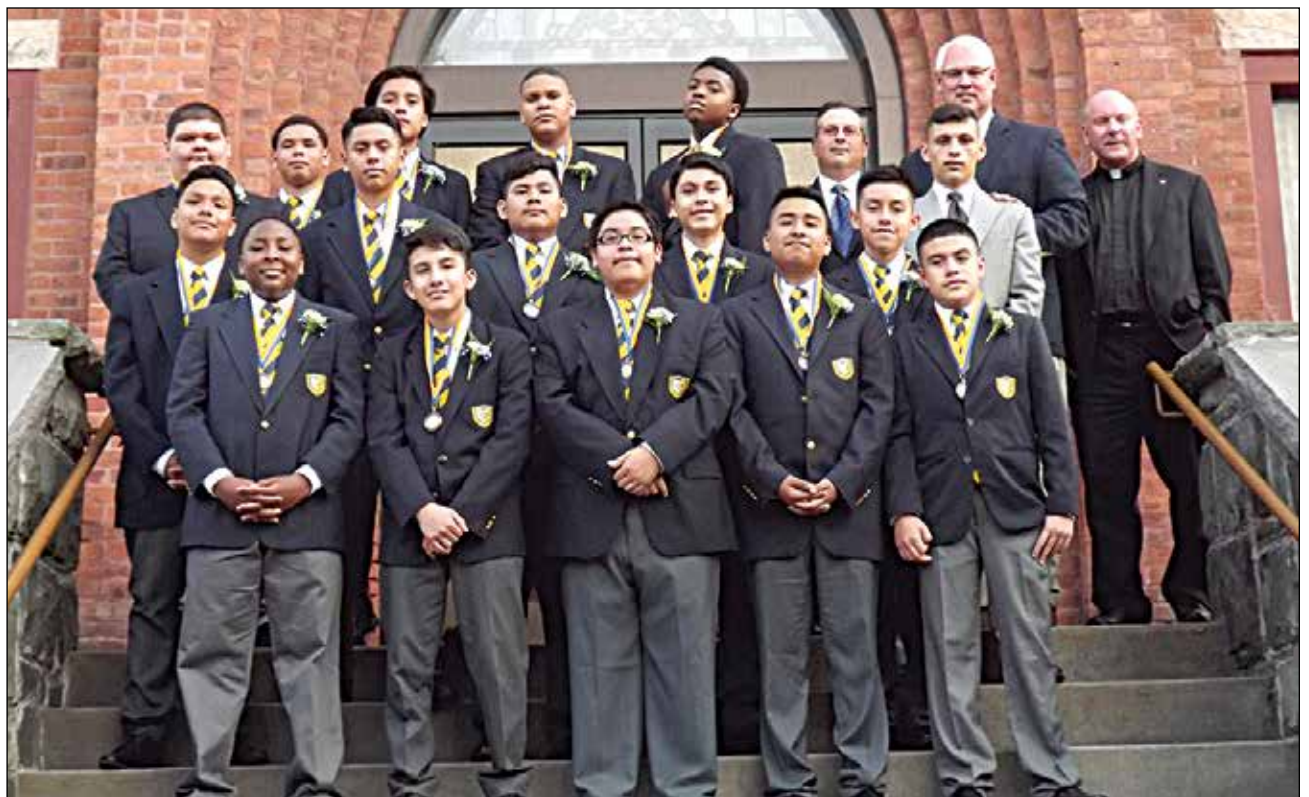
By EMMA FRIEDRICH

On Thursday, June 2nd, San Miguel Academy celebrated the graduating 8th Grade Class of 2016. The graduates included; Cory Arias, Jason Chunchi, Lawrence Coleman, Z'juan Paul Colon, Cristhian Cordero, Anthony Cruz, Sa'heed Dabbs, Leron Fincher, Alexander Garcia, Benjamin Gomez, George Huaqui, Francisco Lopez, Alexis Marin, Edwin Sotello and Jeremy Vidals.

San Miguel Academy President Mr. Thomas Crispi welcomed the families and friends of the graduates. "When I look at these boys, and I look at them graduating, I know this faculty is doing God's work. To the graduates, education is your key to the rest of your life."

Alum Bayron Morales, class of 2012, also spoke to the graduates. "Others cannot help you, if you cannot help yourself," said Bayron, as he advised the graduates "if you are willing to put in the work, others will build you up."

Awards were also presented to the graduates. These included; the Dr. Joseph Fink Award given to Edwin Sotello, the Academic Excellence Award given to Jeremy Vidals, the Citizenship Award given to Sa'heed Dabbs, the Grand view Scholarship given to Anthony Cruz and George Huaqui, the NYS Comptroller Award given to Lawrence Coleman and Alexander Garcia, and the San Miguel Man Award given to Alexis Marin.



The San Miguel Academy Class of 2016.

SCHOOL NEWS

Wallkill's Donald Greene receives 'Friend of Education' award

Donald Greene, a past president of the Wallkill School Board and a long-time member of the Ulster BOCES Board of Education, has received the Ulster County School Boards Association's Distinguished Friend of Education Award.

Kevin Castle, superintendent of the Wallkill Central School District, presented the award to Mr. Greene at the association's annual dinner, held May 26 at the Stonehedge Restaurant in West Park. Introducing Mr. Greene, Mr. Castle

said, "He's never lost sight of what his ultimate goal is, and that's students."

Mr. Greene served on the Wallkill School Board for 13 years and on the Ulster BOCES Board for the past 27, representing Wallkill as the "at large" member, sitting on numerous committees and serving as president and vice president. He was lauded by his colleagues as a fair negotiator with a great respect for the teaching profession.

"We do the best with what we have," said Greene, adding, "But I'll tell you

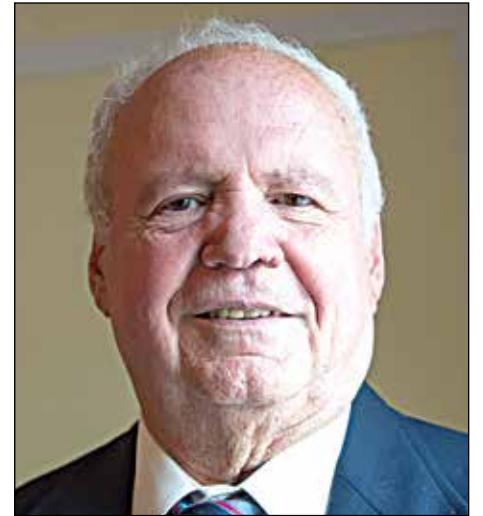
what – it's been an experience I'll never forget. I love it. And the only agenda we have is to do what's right for the students."

In all, the Ulster County School Boards Association celebrated 10 local residents for their dedication and commitment to students and schools. The honorees, each representing a different school district, were nominated by their local Board of Education.

Robert Curran, president of the Ulster County School Boards Association, said the awards are an opportunity to recognize the people who go above and beyond on behalf of students and their communities.

"There are great things happening in our districts and so many really dedicated people," said Mr. Curran. "We hear so much bad news, but there's even more good news. We're here tonight to celebrate the good people do."

Mr. Greene's fellow honorees were Carolyn Kuhlmann (in memoriam), Ellenville Central School District; Benjamin Bragg, Highland Central School District; Maureen Bowers, Kingston City School District; JoAnn Reed, Marlboro Central School District; Jennifer Heaney Voorhis, New Paltz Central School



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District; Maxanne Resnick, Onteora Central School District; Andrew Lutz, Rondout Valley Central School District; Robert Siracusano, Saugerties Central School District; and Len Cane (in memoriam), Ulster BOCES.

LCA drama presents 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'



Sarah Jones of Newburgh decided to take on a drama club at Leptondale Christian Academy, "I think an art that students can do for themselves is a good thing for kids to have."

Next year Sarah will be heading off to Roberts Wesleyan College, and decided this was a great way to spend her time, as well as allow students to have an opportunity to do something new and interesting. She took on all the major set and costume design, as well as wrote the 5 Act script.

"It was quite a bit of work, I did it over several weeks reading the book and putting it into script form. I worked whenever I had a spare moment."

It was decided to put on a beloved story The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. Many students read the novel during their 4th grade year at LCA and had already fallen in love with its many characters.

"I have always loved the book," says Jones. An open audition was held in January for students in 6th-8th grade. Practices were held during the students' lunch breaks every day, as well as every Friday after school. Once the lead actors were chosen and the play started to take

shape, 3rd-5th grade students joined in as extras. Jone's mother, Ruth Chanowitz, a teacher at LCA, was hands on during all of the practices. Once the extras were added on, Jone's grandmother, Libby Woodcock, joined the group of directors to help with crowd control.

Jone's father, John Jones, helped construct the set, but it was the students and Jones who painted and put it all together. David Leino was the student art director. He was put in charge of all of the shield painting as well as the shadow puppets used during the show.

On Saturday, June 6 the LCA auditorium was full of parents and friends excited to watch the play. Complete with lights, sound effects, props and even a teacher giving out many loud lion roars months of hard work came to completion.

After all the pictures were taken and things had slowed down Jones talked about the play. "I was really proud of them [the cast]. They came up with a lot of good ideas. The kids put all their heart and soul into it. I am really glad that I did it. It was exhausting but it was a worthwhile experience."

Gardnertown PTO hosts father/daughter dance



On Friday June 3, the Gardnertown PTO hosted a Father/Daughter Dance with a Bow Tie and Butterfly Theme! The evening included a DJ, photo booth, crafts and fancy desserts and punch. An enchanted evening was had by all.

Jehovah's Witnesses settle in

Religious exemption saves millions

By SHANTAL RILEY
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Second of two parts

The Jehovah's Witnesses have moved their world headquarters to Orange County. In the process, their operations have fanned out all across the Hudson Valley. The move comes as the organization continues to expand and real estate costs skyrocket in Brooklyn, where they made their home for almost a century.

The Jehovah's Witnesses and their corporations own property in every county in the Hudson Valley, in towns like Shawangunk, Gardiner, Newburgh, Montgomery, Warwick and Tuxedo.

The Witnesses own a 12-acre parcel in the Town of Montgomery. Former owner C&S Wholesale Grocers maintained a 222,000-square-foot distribution warehouse on the property. Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, one of the Witnesses' corporations, bought the parcel for \$8.8 million in 2014.

Religious use?

Trucks came and went from the warehouse on a weekday afternoon last week. Building materials sat piled in and around the building, located a few doors down from the Town of Montgomery Government Center.



The Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall on Old Little Britain Road.

"I denied the tax-exempt status in 2014 because I don't believe the property is being used for religious purpose," said Dennis Ketcham, the town's New

York State sole assessor. Ketcham is also president of the New York State Assessors' Association.

"They receive lumber and construction materials there," he said. "I understand they are prefabbing portions of walls and bathrooms and shipping them to Warwick. That doesn't appear to be a religious use."

Watchtower appealed to the town's Board of Assessment Review, but the board upheld Ketcham's decision. The Witnesses then appealed to the Orange County Supreme Court. "At that point, the town decided it didn't want to pursue the matter," Ketcham said.

Town of Montgomery Supervisor Michael Hayes was asked why the town decided to drop the case. "When you get into a lawsuit, you have to weigh the financial pluses and minuses," said Hayes. "The attorneys that we had who were handling the case did the research and found Watchtower very rarely lost in these cases. The courts have had a liberal interpretation of the exemptions."

"We weighed the pros and cons," said Hayes, and the town came to a decision

that was "best for everybody."

So far, the Witnesses have not performed charitable works in the Town of Montgomery, said Hayes. "I believe they will," he said. "We reached out and there was a discussion about possible projects in the future."

Witnesses have historically contributed to the municipalities in which they own property, he noted, and sometimes their good works go unnoticed by residents. "They are not in it for the publicity," Hayes said.

However, their charity is limited.

Ketcham explained Watchtower purchased the Bracken Road property two days before the state taxable-status deadline. "They bought it less than 48 hours before the New York State taxable-status date, which is March 1 of every year," Ketcham said. "Basically, it means they went from the closing table to my office and claimed religious use."

A non-tax-exempt property owner would have paid \$80,692 in town and county taxes for the property in 2016, said Ketcham, and \$205,329 in taxes to



The entrance to Watchtower's property on Bracken Road in the Town of Montgomery.

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CITY OF NEWBURGH

Habitat hosts Home Builders Blitz

Caitlin Dalton announced that from June 6 - 10, Habitat Newburgh is partnering with local building professionals to build its 5th Home Builders Blitz and their very first Live/Work home and in just 5 days! On Saturday, June 11 at the 11 a.m., dedication, they will pass the keys to the completed three-story commercial and residential building to the Acevedo family, who will become both the homeowners and the business owners of 123 Washington St.!

Habitat Newburgh Home Builders Blitz is part of a national Habitat for Humanity initiative, with Habitat organizations across the country participating during the week of June 6-11.

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Join United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region's Community Town Hall on Early Literacy to be held at the Newburgh Armory Unity Center, Larkin Room, 321 S. William St., on Wednesday, June 15, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free, but preregistration is requested. Online registration is open through June 10. Parking in the side lot on the east side of the building through the gates.

The program features a keynote address by Dr. Janine Bixler, Division Chair, Professor of Education at Mount Saint Mary College. Following the keynote address there will be a presentation about promising regional programs by Shirley Adams (Catharine St. Community Center); and Casey Conlin (Pawling Library).

In addition, Dr. Tracey Holland (Vassar College); Lara Litchfield-Kimber (Mid-Hudson Children's Museum); Dorothy Pariot (Literacy Connections); and Kevin White (Boys & Girls Club of Newburgh); followed by a Town Hall discussion facilitated by United Way staff and volunteers. Questions? Contact Melissa Clark, Manager of Community Mobilization, at 845-471-1900 Ext 3128.

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Pat Lewis, Newburgh Free Library Adult Programs, Outreach and Marketing Librarian announced Library events for June 8 to 22, which, as usual,

offer a wide variety with interest for all ages.

Have stuff too cool to throw away? Need "something" to perk up your garden? Come to "Garden Salvage Art" on Wednesday, June 8 at 7 p.m. at the Main Library (124 Grand St.) to learn how easy it is to perk up your yard or garden using found or recycled objects.

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Registration is required and a minimum of six attendees need to be registered in order for the program to be held. Register by calling 845-563-3625 or go to .newburghlibrary.org and click on "Calendar of Events."

The Annual Friends Book Sale will be held on Sunday, June 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the lobby and auditorium of the Main Library. Admission is free. The Preview Sale is set for Saturday, June 11 from 5 - 7 p.m. Here's your chance to get first picks. A \$10

admission fee to the preview includes a one-year membership to the Friends of the Newburgh Free Library.

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On Monday, June 13 at 6 p.m., "Monday Night Movie at the Library" will present a free showing of Race, starring Stephan James, Jason Sudeikis and Eli Goree.

The film is about Jesse Owens' quest to become the greatest track and field athlete in history, and how he was thrust onto the world stage of the 1936 Olympics, where he faced off against Adolf Hitler's vision of Aryan supremacy. Rated PG-13; children younger than 13 MUST be accompanied by a responsible adult.

School-age children can join Jack and Annie in their adventures traveling to a different place and time! The Magic Tree House Club meets on Wednesday, June 15 at 6 p.m. at the Town Branch.

Children learn more about each topic by doing crafts and activities relating to the selected book of the month, which will be available to check out prior to discussion at both library locations. June's book is "Moonlight on the Magic Flute."

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The Newburgh Open Movement (NOM) Dance Series offers its third and final workshop and dance jam event on Saturday, June 25 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Presented by Ophra Wolf, professional dancer and mind-body educator.

Each session consists of two parts: a 1-hour workshop (for youngsters age 12 and older and adults) from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., followed by a 2-hour open jam (for all ages) from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., with live improvised music on glass instruments by **Katie Down**.

The NOM Dance Series is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a re-grant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and administered by Arts Mid-Hudson.

The Friends of the Newburgh Free Library sponsor the dance series. Because of the generous support of these organizations, these events are FREE and open to the public (children MUST be accompanied by an adult).

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Rich Drago, Sr. Vice-Commander, MOPH Chapter 1782 announced the next meeting of MOPH Chapter 1782 will take place on June 11 at Washington's HQ, 84 Liberty St., at 10 a.m.

Please note that the front gate entrance has been repaired and your car will not be damaged by driving onto the grounds and parking, as all PH recipients and their guests are allowed to do. They will have updates on the Viola Drive and other upcoming events.

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On June 17 from 6 to 8 p.m., join the Newburgh and Beacon historical societies for the opening of their collaborative exhibit on the 240-year story of the ferry that connected their communities. Featuring documents, photographs and objects, this show will be up in the Stone Floor Gallery throughout 2016. Curated by Newburgh Historical Society.

On June 18 from 1 to 4 p.m., celebrate Newburgh during the fourth annual citywide event, Newburgh Illuminated. The Newburgh Historical Society opens the Crawford House for a special day of guided tours.

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The New Hudson Valley Luminists

Community Events

THURSDAY

Club 60. 11 a.m. bus; 1 p.m. meeting. City of Newburgh Activities Center, Washington St., Newburgh. For seniors older than 60. 565-3230.

Newburgh Kiwanis. Noon. My Place. 911 Little Britain Road, New Windsor. New members and guests are welcome. Guest speakers each meeting. Contact Andrew Zarutskie at 564-4554.

FRIDAY

Card Club. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. City of Newburgh Activity Center, Washington St., Newburgh. All city seniors over 60 are welcome. 565-3230.

Teen Fellowship. 7:30 p.m. Church of God by Faith, 29 Bridge St., Newburgh. Teens ages 13-18. Bible study, Practical Living and Career Development workshops.

TUESDAY

Newburgh Rotary Club. 12:15 p.m. Powelton Club, 29 Balmville Road, Newburgh. All are invited to come to a meeting to learn more about the Rotary. \$15 for lunch.

Hudson Highlands Chapter #537 of Vietnam Veterans of America Mtg. 8 p.m. at 62 Grand St., Newburgh. Info: 565-2736.

WEDNESDAY

Card Club. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. City of Newburgh Activity Center, Washington St., Newburgh. All city seniors over 60 are welcome. 565-3230.

Art Exhibit on June 18 from 2 to 5 p.m. Opening Reception & Fundraiser. The New Hudson Valley Luminists are returning for a show at the Newburgh Heritage Center (123 Grand St) to benefit of the Newburgh Historical Society.

The Luminists are contemporary artists following in the tradition of the Hudson River School, an art movement that began in the mid-nineteenth century. Works of art will be for sale and a portion of sales will be donated to the Newburgh Historical Society. Refreshments will be available. Exhibit will continue through July 7.

For more information, call 561-2585.

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Please Note Event Announcement: The 2016 Croquet Games at Downing Park has been moved from its original June 5 date to Sept. 18. Apologies are offered for any inconvenience. Please visit the Historical Society's calendar of events

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TOWN OF NEWBURGH

Town holds police awards ceremony

The Town of Newburgh held its Police Awards Ceremony on May 29.

In attendance was Supervisor **Gil Piaquado**, Deputy Supervisor Betty Greene, Councilman Paul Ruggiero, Councilman Jim Presutti, Councilman Scott Manley, Judge Jude Martini and Town Clerk Andrew Zarutskie

Lt. James Nenni hosted the event and participated in the selection of the awards
Receiving Awards for outstanding police work were:

The Medal of Life was awarded to P.O. Anthony Kuhn.

Excellent Police Duty was awarded to:

Sgt. **Theodore Brucato**, Sgt **Patrick Cadden**, Sgt **Robert Desaye**, Sgt **Peter Pasentino**, P.O. **Michael Barrese**, P.O. **Sally Black**, P.O. **Derek Campbell**, P.O. **Laura Dunn**, P.O. **Mark Ellingson**, P.O. **Jason Fitzsimmons**, P.O. **Sean Gerow**, P.O. **Michael Hansen**, P.O. **Taso Karabelas**, P.O. **Nicholas Krizek**, P.O. **Anthony Kuhn**, P.O. **Jonathan Marcantonio**, P.O. **Jason Monti**, P.O. **Katherine Otero**, P.O. **Keith Parisi**, P.O. **Christopher Sluszka**, P.O. **Ronald Stroh** and P.O. **Adam Zeilberger**.

Meritorious Police Duty was awarded to: Sgt. **Peter Talarico**, P.O. **Taso Karabelas**, P.O. **Anthony Kuhn**, P.O. **Christopher Sluszka** and P.O. **Michael Sisia**.

The Civilian Honor Award was awarded to: Dispatcher **Jodie Lawnhorne**, Dispatcher **Michael Scott** and Dispatcher **John Seymour**.



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Town of Newburgh

Shown above is Officer Laura Dunn receiving an award for Excellent Police Duty from Chief Bruce Campbell.

Summer Rowing Camp with the Newburgh Rowing Club first session will begin on July 5. Each session through the month of July is one week in length. It takes place at the Newburgh Rowing House Boat House located at 2 River Road in Newburgh. The fee is \$220 per session, checks payable to Newburgh Rowing Club. Contact Coach **Ed Kennedy** at 541-2313 or **Juliana LoBiondo** at 569-7600. No rowing experience is needed, campers should know how to swim. For ages 8-17.

Everything Animals will begin on June 27th for four weeks on Mondays from 1p.m. to 2:30 p.m. for ages 6 to 12. Contact Jan Berlin at 361-4465. Each week they will explore a topic focusing on interactions with live animals. The cost is \$15 per class.

Junior Police Academy for kids entering grades 5 to 10. First Session starts July 11 - 22, Second Session July 25 - August 5. The cost is \$240 for Town Residents. This is a physically active class !!!

The next New York State Insurance Reduction class will be June 26 at the Rec, \$40 fee made payable to the

Automobile Driving Club of Orange County. The class runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Lap4Life will be on June 18th, please go to lap4life.org for more info and to register for the walk/run.

The rec is heading to Foxwoods Casino in Connecticut on June 25th, bus leaves at 9am back at 9pm the cost is \$30 per person !

As vacation time is upon us, please call the Police Department for a Posted Property Check while you are away at 564-1100. There has been a rash of larcenies from vehicles in the town. Please secure your cars that are not garaged and remove all valuables overnight.

Our seniors are heading to the Forestburgh Playhouse to see Anything Goes! on June 22. Lunch will be at the Monticello Casino Buffet, the cost is \$59 a person and the bus will be leaving at 9:30 a.m.

A beautiful trip for seniors to Lake

Community Events

THURSDAY

T.O.P.S. 6 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center. Come join us and lose those extra pounds. 561-4247.

SATURDAY

Jazzercise 6-7:30 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. \$5 per person. Pay as you go

Zumba Gold. 10 a.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. \$6 per person. Pay as you go.

MONDAY

T.O.P.S. 11 a.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. 561-4247.

Cardio Kickboxing. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. \$5 per person. Pay as you go.

Good Will Fire District Meeting 7:30 p.m. Good Will Firehouse, 1 South Plank Road, Newburgh.

Zumba Gold. 7:45 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. \$6 per person. Pay as you go.

TUESDAY

Golden Age Club 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. Town of Newburgh residents welcome. 564-7819.

Knitting and Crocheting Club 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32. 562-6623.

WEDNESDAY

Jazzercise 6-7:30 p.m. Town of Newburgh Recreation Center, 311 Route 32, Newburgh. \$5 per person. Pay as you go.

Wallenpaupack will be on July 6. this is a boat ride on the lake, lunch and entertainment by Gemini- a comedy, magic and ventriloquist act! Cost is \$50 a person. Call the Rec to register.

Most Precious Blood School is celebrating their 50th Anniversary ! There will be an alumni BBQ at the school on June 18 from 12 to 4 p.m. All alum are welcome ! Please contact the school at 778-3028.

The cost is \$10 a person, age 5 and under are free. You can also email : MPBAlumni@yahoo.com.

Congratulations to **Braeden Patrick Kavanagh** on his Baptism this coming weekend !

Have a great week!

MEADOW HILL

Catholic War Veterans attend Memorial Day Mass

*"We can only be said to be alive
in those moments when our hearts
are conscious of our treasures."*

Thornton Wilder

Preceding the weeks before Memorial Day, several activities took place honoring our military men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Vails Gate Elementary School hosted veterans and their families with a breakfast and musical entertainment provided by the students and staff, to say thank you and we will never forget.

Marlboro High School students invited veterans to their "Memorial Day Tea" where there was retelling of experiences and activities of the veterans during World War II, the Korean War, the War in Vietnam, as well as the more recent Middle East Gulf Wars, in Iraq and Afghanistan. Not only were the students deeply touched by the personal hardships and historical accounting provided by the veterans, but also became aware of the global geography covered by the wars.

The veterans were most gracious, as they answered well thought out questions by the students, who were

grateful to learn first hand of their sacrifices, in giving us our precious freedoms and to say a big thank you to our "National Treasures."

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Catholic War Veterans Post 386, representing Newburgh and New Windsor, attended their annual

Memorial Day Mass and Service at Sacred Heart Church with Fr. **Andy Kurzyna** as Celebrant. Members of the CWV participated in the Mass celebration as gift bearers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, soloist, and ushers.

Leading the entourage was the Fourth Degree Color Corp of the Francis J. Gorman Assembly 696. The Sir Knights are Fourth Degree Knights of four area Knights of Columbus Councils. Following the Mass, the Knights of Columbus assembled at the CWV Monument and American

Flag, in front of Sacred Heart School. The CWV conducted its memorial service honoring the deceased members of its post, as well as all deceased veterans and their families. As Deacon Tony Ferraiuolo read the names of the deceased, CWV Post 386 Trustee Kelly



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CWV Post 386 members who attended the Memorial Mass and Service.

Ross, had the honor of ringing the bell for their fallen heroes, and a U.S. Flag was placed before the monument in honor of each deceased member. When the entire list was completed, "Taps" was reverently played, followed by an inspiring solo by MSgt. Mary Messenger.

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Happy happenings continue at the Newburgh Free Library Town Branch in the Newburgh Mall during June. On Wednesday, June 15, at 6 p.m., Magic Tree House Club members will read, "Moonlight on the Magic Flute," and will join Jack and Annie in their adventures traveling to a different place and time. Have fun learning and doing crafts related to the selected book of the month, which will be available to check out prior to discussion at both library locations.

Family Story Time for children ages 3 to 8 and their families will meet on Wednesday, June 22, at 6:30 p.m. Celebrate National Candy Month by reading sweet stories and chocolate tales.

Tuesday at Two Book Discussion meets on June 21, at 2 p.m., and is led by librarian Patty Sussmann, discussing "Tale for the Time Being," by Ruth Ozeki. Books are available at the Town Branch one month before the discussion.

Knit & Stitch will meet on Wednesdays, June 15 and 29, from 6 to 8 p.m. Bring your knitting, crochet, or any stitch style. Open to all levels of stitchers, but children under ten are

welcome with an adult.

Sign up for E-Book Help, Monday, June 13, at 2 p.m. to learn how to borrow a book, audiobook, magazine, or video by downloading it to your computer, tablet, or phone. You must call Heather Gorman at 566-0460 for an appointment.

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St. Patrick's-St. Mary's/Our Lady of the Lake Parish invites you to join them for a Parish trip on Thursday, July 21 to a Yankees game! It's the Yankees vs. the Orioles, and the group seats are on the main level in section 231. The bus will leave at 10 a.m., from St. Patrick's Church, 55 Grand St. in Newburgh.

The cost is \$65 per person. These are great seats on the main level to cheer for your awesome home team. Please call the Rectory at 561-0885 to purchase your ticket.

St. Patrick's-St. Mary's/Our Lady of the Lake invites you to its Parish Picnic on Thursday, June 23, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Chadwick Lake Pavilion. Each family is asked to bring a salad and/or a dessert to share.

At the entrance to the Park, just mention to the Park Ranger that you are with St. Patrick-St. Mary's Parish, and you enter for free. Come out and enjoy the beginning of summer in our beautiful park, as it freely shares its myriad gifts of nature's bounty with your children and friends.

May you always have an angel at your side.

GREEKFEST

Friday, June 10, 11am to 10pm

Saturday, June 11, 11am to 10pm

Sunday, June 12, noon to 6pm

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NEW WINDSOR

Summer basketball starts in July

Hello, New Windsor. With all the talk about immigration lately with the upcoming elections it got me thinking of what things must have been like when my ancestors came over. My great grandparents on my father's side emigrated from Italy.

My father's grandmother Sophia with her four-year-old son Pasquale arrived in New York aboard the SS Taormina on January 20, 1915. Sophia's husband Thomas had come to the United States a few years earlier to start to build a life for them. At Ellis Island where the Immigrants were processed, four year old Pasquale bit one of the nurses who was examining him.

Being only four, coming to a new country after spending weeks on a ship, having a stranger who did not speak the same language examining him he must have been very scared. They ended up locking Pasquale in quarantine for one week to make sure he didn't have any diseases. Pasquale and his mother Sophia joined Thomas in Poughkeepsie where in 1918 Sophia gave birth to my grandmother Rose who I have written so much about in this column.

Pasquale ended up getting his name changed to Patrick Cerza and went on to live into his mid 90's. "Uncle Pat" was one of the nicest guys and since my father lost his dad when he was only nine years old, he was like a father to him. Pat and his wife Antoinette took in

my grandmother and her two children where they lived with them for years until they could afford to move out on their own.

The son of immigrants, Pat went to work after the third grade. Though he didn't have much of an education he loved to read and became a lover of history and would constantly be reading books to improve himself. There are so

many funny Uncle Pat stories I will have to share some of them in future articles. Thank you to Uncle Pat who is in heaven for being such an important role model to my father Butch and my Uncle Rocky helping nurture them to become the fathers that they are today!



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Join the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Rock Tavern for a community forum titled Lessons from the Frontline of the Syrian Refugee Crisis in Lesbos, Greece. The forum will be held on Sunday, June 12, at 1 p.m. at 9 Vance Rd, Rock Tavern,

NY. This forum will give participants a sense of what it's like to be on the front lines of the greatest forced migration of people since World War II. For more information please contact Rev. Chris J. Antal at antal@uuma.org.

Upcoming Services at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Rock Tavern which start at 10:30 a.m. at 9. Vance Road, Rock Tavern, NY 12575.

June 12: On Transition, Fear, and Growth, Nate Binzen

June 17: The Spirit of Harmony, Cat Guthrie

June 26: The Heart of Simplicity, Terri Pahucki For more information please call 845-496-9696 or visit uucrt.org

The Town of New Windsor Recreation Department registration for summer camp programs is ongoing. Camp programs start on Monday July 11th and are for six weeks ending on Aug. 19. The Summer Fun Days Camp is for ages 3-5 and takes place at the Community Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and is \$60 for New Windsor Residents and \$80 for non-residents for the week.

For full day camps for ages 6-12 there are two locations with Ruscitti Park and Kristi Babcock Memorial Park with camp going from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Early drop off and late pick-up are available for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The camp is \$60 for New Windsor Residents and \$100 for non-residents for the week. For a half day camp option for campers ages 6-12 there is a camp at Kristi Babcock Memorial Park that meets from 9am to 1p.m. and is \$35 for New Windsor Residents and \$60 for non-residents for the week. For ages 13-15 there is a Counselor In Training Program.

If picked for the program participants will learn how to be camp counselors getting training in leadership, counselor skills, First Aid, and CPR.

The Town of New Windsor Recreation Department Ralph Petrillo Coed Basketball Program is a five-week, ten game basketball program for ages 6-17 starting on Monday July 11th. Ages 6-8 play Monday and Wednesday nights at 6p.m., Ages 9-11 play Monday and

Community Events

THURSDAY

Senior Activities. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Marasco Center, Union Ave., New Windsor.
Bring lunch or snacks. 565-7750.

FRIDAY

Marasco Art. Advanced. 9-12;
Beginners, 1-3 p.m. Marasco Center, Union Ave., 565-7750.

Wednesday nights at 7:15pm, ages 12-14 play Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6pm, and ages 15-17 play on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 7:15pm.

Games take place at San Giacomo Park.

The program is \$50 for New Windsor Residents and \$60 for non-residents.

The Senior Matinee movie is held every Tuesday at the Marasco Center at 11:30 a.m. The movie for Tuesday June 14 is "Tumbledown." A young woman struggles to move on with her life after the death of her husband, an acclaimed folk singer, when a brash New York writer forces her to confront her loss and the ambiguous circumstances of his death.

There will be an AARP Safe Drivers Course on Saturday July 9th from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Marasco Center. The class is \$20 for AARP Members and \$25 for non-members.

For more information or to register for the above programs go to nwrecisfun.com or call 565-7750.

Birthday shout outs this week go to Jim Stankiewicz whose birthday is June 9, to Caryn Mele whose birthday is June 11, to Cheryl Gould whose birthday is June 13, and to everyone else out there celebrating birthdays this week. Happy birthday!

CITY OF NEWBURGH

From the Newburgh Zion Lions Basketball Organization (in part): "St. Mary's Church has been an anchor for the NZL. Through their continued support for our program, we have given hundreds of inner city youth, HOPE.

"In addition, they have financially supported and sponsored many under privileged youths, allowing them the same opportunity as kids whose parents could afford their participation. With St. Mary's now closed, this program is greatly affected financially.

"With our continued determination to help the children in this community, we are asking for your help. We are seeking financial donations or if you would like, you can sponsor a child's participation. We hope and pray that God will persuade your heart to help us

continue our work in this great city.

"We thank you for your support and we look forward to hearing from you soon. All contributions can be made to the Newburgh Zion Lions and is a tax-deductible contribution." If you are interested in sponsoring a child, please contact Harold Rayford at 527-0354.

The Knights of Columbus, Council 444 Yard Sale will be held on June 11 from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., at the Council building, at 53 Old Little Britain Rd..

Please keep in your prayers, all those who are suffering due to the terrible, frightening floods. As always, I close with my prayers for God's blessings on your heads, my dears.

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page for a list of events taking place this season.

From St. Francis of Assisi Church: The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is recited on Sundays at 10:40 a.m., before the 11 a.m. Mass. Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday from 5 - 6 p.m.

Eucharistic Ministers needed to serve at St. Luke's Hospital during the week. If you are interested in helping, call Suzanna at 561-5162. The Food Pantry needs someone who could paint the entrance way and transom at the food pantry. Any who would like to volunteer, please contact Paul or Linda Zalanowski at 234-8564 or 926-0626.

OBITUARIES

Gary W. Bayless

Gary W. Bayless, 69, formerly of Marlboro, passed away on May 26, 2016 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Survivors include his wife Barbara Osterhout Bayless, two daughters Jennifer Yamatake and her husband Gary of Las Vegas, Nevada and Rebecca Powers and her husband Robert of Rogers, Arkansas, 4 grandsons Robert, Ryland and Reese Powers and Parker Yamatake and his sister Beverly Bayless of Austin, Texas.

Cremation services were private.

Albert J. Castano

Albert J. Castano, 89, a longtime resident of Highland passed away on June 1, 2016 at Lutheran Care Center in Poughkeepsie.

Mr. Castano was the owner of Albert J. Castano Real Estate in Poughkeepsie for many years up until his retirement.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 193 in Highland. Mr. Castano was a WWII Army Veteran. He proudly served our country. Mr. Castano recieved an Army of Occupational Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal and the WWII Victory Metal. He was stationed in Japan and was honorably discharged.

He was born in Poughkeepsie on Aug. 20, 1926. He was the son of Albert and Marie Plato Castano.

On May 9, 1948 at St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church in Highland, he married Katherine Brescia. Mrs. Castano survives in Poughkeepsie residing at the Lutheran Care Center.

Additional survivors include his daughter, Rose Marie Castano and her partner Bernard Kessler of Hyde Park, his sons, Albert Castano and his wife Sheilalee of Naples Florida, Philip Castano and his wife Terry of Plant City Florida, four grandchildren, Sheilene Todd and her husband Troy, Shawn Castano and his wife Patricia, Michele Castano and Marlena Hoch and her husband James. Also surviving are four great grandchildren, Derek and Jayden Todd, Shawn Albert Castano, Jr. and Madison Ann Hoch.

Mr. Castano is also survived by his two sisters, Anne Castano of Poughkeepsie, Dolores Tillou of Poughkeepsie and several nieces nephews and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St Basil's Academy 79 St. Basics Road Garrison, NY 10524.

There are no calling hours. A graveside service will take place on Wednesday June 8, 11 a.m. at Highland Cemetery, 199 Vineyard Ave. Highland, NY 12528.

Richard J. Crook, Sr.,

Richard J. Crook, Sr., of New Windsor, a lifelong area resident, entered into rest on Friday, June 3, 2016 at St. Luke's Hospital, Newburgh. He was 78.

Son of the late Lawrence and Julia (Doupona) Crook, he was born Jan. 7, 1938 in Newburgh. He was proud to have served our country as a member of the US Air Force, having served in Canada. On June 6, 1959 Richard married his beloved Jeanine. She predeceased Richard in 1987.

Richard is survived by his children; Richard Crook, Jr. of Newburgh, Mark Crook of Newburgh, Michele Lopez of Gilroy, CA, Deborah Rogowski of Hopewell Junction, NY and Kerri LeBeau of Griswold, CT; his grandchildren, Jeanine, Nina, Mark Colin, Kyle, Kara, Caitlin, Vanessa, Lauren, Nicole and Courtney; great-grandchildren, Scarlet and Olivia; sisters, Donna Henderson of Cornwall, NY and Sharon Courter of Washingtonville, NY; nieces and nephews, Scott, Susan, Michael and Eric.

A Graveside Service with military honors was held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 7 at Woodlawn Cemetery, New Windsor.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Richard Sr.'s memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or online at stjude.org.

Marcella M. "Polly" Edgar

Marcella M. "Polly" Edgar, of New Windsor, passed away on May, 11, 2016 at St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital Newburgh surrounded by her family. She was 100.

Polly is the daughter of the late Thomas and Caroline Forrester and was born on June 2, 1915 in Newburgh. Polly was a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in New Windsor for over 60 years and served on the Altar Guild for many years. Mom "Nan" enjoyed many happy years with her family, she enjoyed painting and her work was exhibited at many shows. She enjoyed her great grandchildren and loved to play games with them.

Polly is the widow of William F. Edgar. She is survived by her daughter Linda Masten and husband John David Masten of Wallkill: grandchildren Stephen Schiela of Wallkill and Heather Casale and husband Brian of New Windsor; great grandchildren Brayden, Camryn, and Gavin Casale and many nieces and nephews. Polly was predeceased by her son James Edgar, brother Thomas Forrester and sister Dorothy Eddy.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday May 31, at St. Thomas Episcopal Church New Windsor, with Father Dustin Trowbridge officiating. Burial of ashes will be at the convenience of the family in Cedar Hill Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Thomas Episcopal Church P.O. Box 4221 New Windsor, NY 12553 or American heart Association.

Funeral arrangements are under the care of Anthony V. Cracolici of Hudson Valley Funeral Home, Inc. 239 Quassaick Avenue New Windsor.

Gail Mae Hughes

Gail Mae Hughes, of Pine Bush, passed away on Friday May 27, 2016 at St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital, Newburgh Campus. She was 76. Gail was the daughter of the late Robert Hughes and Elsie (Hughes) Minor.

She was born on February 24, 1940 in Newburgh. Gail was a medical transcriber before managing the snack bar at Tarsio's Bowling Alley, New Windsor, NY.

She is survived by her daughter Stacy Torres, daughter-in-law Theresa Brundage and five grandchildren who meant the world to her Kayleigh and Matthew Brundage, Justin Torres, Jeremy and Jordan Henry.

Gail was predeceased by her son, Scott Brundage, and brother Robert Hughes.

At Gail's request, there will be no services. Memorial donations in Gail's honor made be made to American Diabetes's Association. Arrangements are under the care of Anthony V. Cracolici at the Hudson Valley Funeral Home 239 Quassaick Avenue New Windsor, NY 12550.

Roy E. Lane

Roy E. Lane of Walden, passed away on Friday, June 3, 2016 at Catskill Regional Hospital, Harris. The son of the late Edward and Alma Andersen Lane, he was born on Jan. 6, 1938 in Jamaica, Queens, NY. He was 78. He was the widower of the late Patricia Burke Lane. Roy was a teacher for the Beacon City School District and an active member of the Gideons and the Kiwanis.

Survivors are his daughters: Sheryl McGrath of Port Richey, FL; Sharon Gillespie and her husband, Mark of Gardiner and Naomi Perry and her husband, Mitch of Groveland, FL; sisters: Eileen Keilitz and her companion, Raffaele of Lindenhurst, NY; and grandchildren: Jason, Rory, Amber, Donald and Heather.

Funeral services were held on Monday, June 6 at the Gridley-Horan Funeral Home, Walden. Burial was in the Cedar Hill Cemetery, Newburgh.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Gideons.

Arrangements are by the Gridley-Horan Funeral Home, In

Margaret Mulligan

Margaret Mulligan of Newburgh for 20 years, formerly of Brooklyn, NY. passed away on May 27, 2016 at St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital Newburgh. She was 83.

Margaret is the daughter of the late Michael and Hannah Sullivan born on February 12, 1933 in Brooklyn, NY one of 9 children, retired from NYPD as an administrative assistant.

Margaret is survived by one daughter Catherine Detz and her husband Michael, two grandchildren William and Robert Detz, brother Patrick Sullivan of Naples, FL. and sister Dolores Szeluga of West Seneca, NY

A memorial mass was celebrated on Friday June 3, 2016 in St. Francis Church Newburgh. Burial of ashes will be in St. John's Cemetery Queens, NY at a later date.

Arrangements are under the care of Anthony V. Cracolici of the Hudson Valley Funeral Home 239 Quassaick Avenue New Windsor, NY 12553.

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Life and love

In a show of both strength and beauty, survivors and caregivers honored the past, and faced the future on Saturday in the annual Relay for Life.



Start of Survivor Lap.



David and Anita Manley walking a lap.



Town of Newburgh Supervisor Gil Piaquatio, Master/SGR Mary K Messenger, Town council member Scott Manley.



Anthony Saltalamachia at the St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital booth.



Caregiver's Lap.

Jehovah's Witnesses settle in

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the Valley Central School District for the 2015-2016 school year.

"They come into a remote area and take a large property from the assessment roll," Ketcham said. "The town residents and other town taxpayers have to pick up that burden on a one-to-one basis."

Watchtower Farms

Watchtower's largest property in the region, by far, is Watchtower Farms in the Town of Shawangunk. The property is comprised of about a dozen parcels amounting to more than 1,100 acres of pristine countryside.

Watchtower bought the first parcel in the early 70s and began its printing operations there a few years later, said longtime Town of Shawangunk Tax Assessor Curt Schoeberl. "This entire parcel is all in the Pine Bush school district," he said.

Watchtower is exempt from paying school taxes – which, without the exemption, would have totaled \$3.4 million alone for the Pine Bush Central School District in 2016, said Schoeberl. Town

and county taxes would have totaled \$1.5 million in 2016, he said.

"They are a very large fish in a small pond," Schoeberl said. "They are exercising their rights under the law by being a wholly-exempt organization. But, they realize it's better for the community if they do pay some taxes."

According to Schoeberl, the Witnesses will pay approximately \$130,000 in town, county and school taxes for Town of Shawangunk properties in 2016. "They do this strictly in a voluntary basis," he added.

Unlike some religious groups with tax-exempt status – the Kiryas Joel community in Monroe, for example – the Witnesses do not put children through the public school system, said the assessor.

"There are no school-aged children on that farm," he said. "They are there to work. They are not putting any kind of burden on the school system. Other groups do and don't pay a dime."

Global in scale

Schoeberl visited Watchtower Farms several years ago on a tour with a group

of other tax assessors. The property included a large printing facility, a dining hall, worker housing, a well and sewer system. "They said, 'We don't want people to think we're hiding something,'" Schoeberl recalled. "They were very cordial."

The Witnesses have performed "hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth" of charitable works in the town, said Schoeberl. They did the lion's share of the work to build Verkeerder Kill Park in Walker Valley, he said. Recently, they helped build Galeville Park.

"They demoed the old town hall building," Schoeberl said, hauled away debris and prepared the site for the new town hall in 2010. "They hooked everything up at our temporary mobile offices."

Schoeberl admits being impressed with the Witnesses' can-do spirit. "If you take a group like Watchtower and look at what they've accomplished, it is absolutely amazing," he said.

There were lawsuits shortly after Watchtower arrived to the town in the 70s, Schoeberl said, but "they were settled

before they went to court."

"When a big organization comes along in a fairly rural area, it's hard for people to understand the religious exemption, especially in terms of something on that scale," Schoeberl said.

The Jehovah's Witnesses now operate on a global scale with offices in places such as the United Kingdom, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, Australia, Germany and France, where the Watchtower Society won an appeal in 2012 over taxes it paid the French government. In the end, the government of France was ordered to repay the organization more than \$8 million in tax funds, fees and legal expenses.

Watchtower continues to expand in the Hudson Valley. Its impact on local communities varies in each municipality, said Schoeberl, comparing the towns of Shawangunk and Newburgh.

"Here, they took rural, vacant property and built it to their needs," he said. "There, they took a taxable property that was used for commercial purposes to house their people. Then they claimed exemption."

POLICE BLOTTER

New Windsor Police

Shaquanyse McDonald, 24, of Newburgh, was charged May 25 with fictitious inspection, no/expired inspection, plate display, insurance violation, and two counts of safety belts. She was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe and released on her own recognizance. She will return to court June 28.

Terry S. Casteluche, 28, of the Bronx was charged May 28 with aggravated unlicensed operation in the 3rd degree, plate display, equipment violation and tinted windows. He was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe and released on his own recognizance. He will return to court June 28th.

Ivan Nava, 26 of Newburgh, was charged May 27th with aggravated unlicensed operation in the 3rd degree, safety belts and unlicensed driver. He was arraigned before Town Justice Noreen Calderin and released on his own recognizance. He will return to court June 23.

Cynthia R. Ciampanelli, 19, of New Windsor was charged May 26th with harassment in the 2nd degree. She was arraigned before Town Justice Noreen Calderin and released on her own recognizance. She will return to court June 23.

Wilfredo Rodriguez, 36, of Newburgh, was charged May 27th with aggravated unlicensed operation in the 3rd degree, two counts of safety belts, insurance violation and insurance violation. He was arraigned before Town Justice Noreen Calderin and released on his own recognizance. He will return to court June 23.

Jason C. Blot, 21, of Poughkeepsie, was charged May 28 with aggravated unlicensed operation in the 3rd degree. He was arraigned before Town Justice Noreen Calderin and released on his own recognizance. He will return to court on June 16.

Shaquille M. Estrada, 22, of Middletown, was arrested May 26th on a bench warrant. He was arraigned before Town Justice Noreen Calderin and released on his own recognizance. He will return to court on June 9th.

Monique J. Nicholas, 19 of Newburgh, was arrested June 1st on a bench warrant. She was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe and made cash bail. She will return to court on June 9.

Derrick M. Ford, 29, of New Windsor, was charged May 24th with three counts of petit larceny and violation of probation. He was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe, held and sentenced to thirty days in Orange County Jail.

Scott Jon Grillo, 36, of New Windsor, was charged May 24th with two counts of petit larceny. He was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe, held and sentenced to thirty days in Orange County Jail.

Pierre A. Boykin, 33, of Newburgh, was charged May 26th with two counts of possession of a controlled substance in the 7th degree and one count of possession of a controlled substance in the 3rd degree. He was arraigned before Town Justice Noreen Calderin and held. He will return to court June 9.

Ted L. Goodwalt, 32, of Newburgh, was charged May 28th with assault in the 2nd degree. He was arraigned

before Town Justice Noreen Calderin and held. He will return to court June 9.

Maximino Benitez, 57, of Newburgh, was charged May 26th with suspended registration, unlicensed driver, insurance violation, aggravated operation of a motor vehicle in the 2nd degree and aggravated unlicensed operation/alcohol. He was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe and made police bail. He will return to court June 28th.

Jean S. Estime, 35, of Newburgh, was charged May 4th on a bench warrant. He was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe and made police bail. He will not return to court but owes a fine of \$243.

Laura S. Armenta, 32, of Newburgh, was charged May 22nd with aggravated unlicensed operation in the 3rd degree and unlicensed driver. She was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe and released on her own recognizance. She will return to court June 28th.

Joseph J. Delgado, 18, of Newburgh, was charged May 28th with no/expired inspection, fictitious inspection and insurance violation. He was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe and released on his own recognizance. He will return to court on June 28th.

Elizabeth A. Rebel, 34, of Newburgh, was charged May 27 with avoiding TSL, unlicensed driver and aggravated unlicensed operation in the 3rd degree. She was arraigned before Town Justice Richard Thorpe and released on her recognizance. She will return to court on June 28th.

New niches for sacred ground

Big Rock Cemetery in Newburgh is nestled unassumingly down a back road in the city halfway between Fullerton and 9W. The managing entity, Temple Beth Jacob, a reform synagogue established in 1854, has been watching over the final resting place of its members for the duration of the cemetery's 150+ years.

Most recently, a dedicated committee spearheaded by Ken Packer has been slowly working towards a historic restoration that preserves the Greek architecture of an historic statuesque Mausoleum. The structure, built in 1927, was originally used as a storage facility for those who died over the winter. Back then, graves were dug by hand so the top floor which served as a chapel is home to a trap door which allowed for the lowering of caskets into the basement during the frozen winter months, simulating burial. The dearly departed would have experienced a short-term residency there until the spring thaw. It was used that way through the 1950's.

Packer and his committee spend an estimated 15 hours a week meeting with work crews and developing plans for the grounds, sweeping and meticulously pruning the space as needed. An Eagle Scout project brought about meditation benches inside the Mausoleum and a new columbarium with niches for cremains have been installed. (Niche prices range from \$900 - \$1,800 plus a building fund fee and fees for non-members.)

Reform Judaism does not have rules in place for cremains, so the organization is adopting new procedures based on the



needs and preferences of its members and the Jewish community. Some families are said to have urns with no final resting place because most Jewish cemeteries don't accept cremains. Big Rock hopes to be a solution for those seeking a beautiful

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BEACH FRONT ROAD, LLC. Articles of Organization of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/04/2016. Office location: Orange County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to the LLC at The LLC, 158 Orange Avenue, Walden, NY 12586. Purpose: To engage in all things that the company may legally engage in under the Laws of the State of New York. Organizer: Jacobowitz & Gubits, LLP, 158 Orange Avenue, Walden, New York 12586. #85487

DRAKESIDE ENTERPRISES, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/8/2016. Office in Orange Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 112 Denniston Dr., New Windsor, NY 12553. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Filer: David L. Russell, P.C., 52 N. Plank Rd., Newburgh, NY 12550. #85540

Eventful Pictures, LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 4/25/16. Office location: Orange. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Scott J. Ellentuch, PO Box 69, Newburgh, NY 12551. General purpose. #85727

EWAK. LLC Articles of Organization filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/25/2016. Office in Orange County. SSNY designated as Agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC at 96 Old Chester Rd, Goshen, NY 10924. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85713

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FUNKY MUNKY STABLE 66, LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/10/16. Office: Orange 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 Richard Munk, 8 Cobblestone Lane, Middletown, NY 10940. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. #85586

GREENKATS, LLC. Articles of Organization of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/25/2016. Office location: Ulster County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to the LLC at The LLC, 7 Camp Ridge Road, Walkill, NY 12589. Purpose: To engage in all things that the company may legally engage in under the Laws of the State of New York. Organizer: Jacobowitz & Gubits, LLP, 158 Orange Avenue, Walden, New York 12586. #85740

INVOSS, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/6/2016. Office in Orange Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 68 Equity Estates, Port Jervis, NY 12771, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. #85634

J&E GROUP LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/05/16. Office: Orange 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 Juan Colon & Erica Marlow, 68 Pine Hill Road, Westtown, NY 10998. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. #85505

JCL PROPERTIES OF NY, LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/11/2016. Office loc: Orange County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process

against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 56 Hillside Ave, New Windsor, NY 12553. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. #85570

JRS AFFORDABLE HOMES, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/12/2016. Office in Orange Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 359 Howells Tpk., Middletown, NY 10940, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. #85776

KIRPI SIKI LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/18/2016. Office loc: Orange County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 11 Fischer Drive, Monroe, NY 10950. Reg Agent: Scott Fischer, 11 Fischer Drive, Monroe, NY 10950. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. #85670

NEXT LEVEL DERIVATIVES LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/01/2016. Office loc: Orange County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Stephen P. Scaring, P.C., 666 Old Country Rd., Ste 501, Garden City, NY 11530. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. #85782

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Williamsburgh Drive, LLC Art. of Org filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/29/16. Office location: Orange Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process is 26 Williamsburgh Drive, Newburgh, NY

12550. Purpose: any lawful activities. #85467

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: Biscuits and Bows, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 1/11/2016. The County in which the Office is to be located: Orange. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: c/o United States Corporation Agents, Inc. 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228
Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85469

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: SURA BINE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 11/03/2015. The County in which the Office is to be located: ORANGE. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: SURA BINE LLC, 3 PHOENIX HILL ROAD, HIGHLAND MILLS, NEW YORK, 10930. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85496

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: Davidson Trucking LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: January 26, 2016. The County in which the Office is to be located: Ulster. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may

be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: PO Box 883 Marlboro, NY 12542. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85508

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: Alex Hugo Films LLC. The County in which the Office is to be located: Orange County. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 50 Cobblestone lane Middletown NY 10940. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85527

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: Stanhope Loft LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 07/15/2015. The County in which the Office is to be located: Orange. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 51 FOREST RD. STE, 316 #189 MONROE, NY 10950. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85539

Notice of formation of Positive Way Horsemanship, LLC, a domestic limited liability company (LLC). Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2/5/16. The LLC is located in Ulster County. The SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the office location: 1827 Albany Post Road, Walkill, NY 12589 #85548



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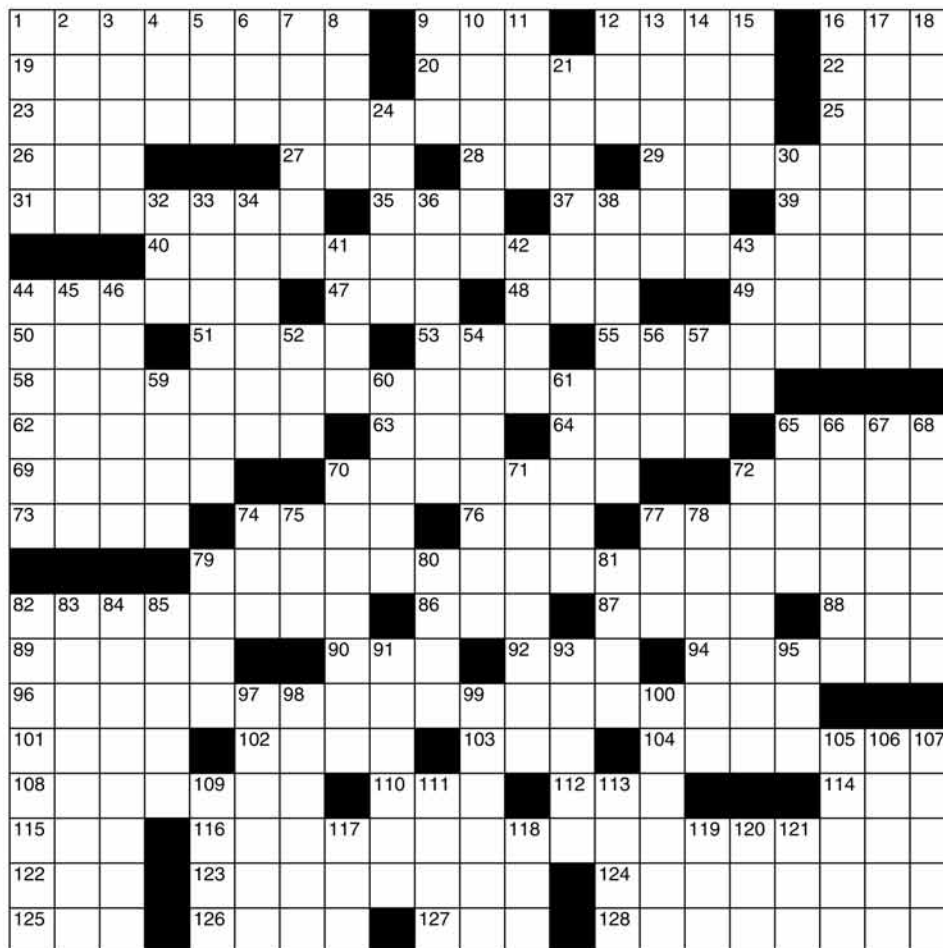
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Notice of formation of MONTGOMERY EXECUTIVE REALTY, LLC; Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 5, 2016; Office located in Orange County; The street address of the LLC is 127 Rock Cut Road, Newburgh, NY 12550; SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served; SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to: The LLC, 127 Rock Cut Road, Newburgh, NY 12550; Purpose is any lawful act or activity. #85555

Notice of Formation of GENJUR, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/12/16. Office location: Orange County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, regd. agent upon whom and at which process may be served. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85605

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: Shannon's and Bristol's Gourmet Bakery llc. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 4/26/2016. The County in which the Office is to be located: Orange county, NY. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 475 Gidney Ave., Newburgh, NY 12550. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85650

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the LLC is: Positive Restorations, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 4/19/16. The County in which the Office is to be located: Orange. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 5 White Birch Drive Newburgh NY 12550. Purpose: any lawful activity. #85663

Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Newburgh Skate Lounge, LLC, with its principal business location at 16 South Miller Street, Newburgh, Orange County, New York, filed Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State of

New York on April 18, 2016. The Secretary of State of New York has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The LLC address to which the Secretary of State of New York shall mail process is 16 South Miller Street, Newburgh, NY 12550. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be formed. #85677

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: KAMP Properties, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 5-24-16. The County in which the Office is to be located: Orange. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 164 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85696

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: 675 Route 211, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: 4-1-16. The County in which the Office is to be located: Orange. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 164 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85697

Notice of Formation of Warwick C&D LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/25/16. Office location: Orange SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 280 Benjamin Meadow Rd., Tuxedo, NY, 10987. Any lawful purpose. #85802

Notice of Formation of BP Tech Consulting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/9/16. Office location: Orange SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 185 Skyline Dr., Highland Mills, NY, 10930. Any lawful purpose. #85803

Notice of Formation of SM393MAR LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/19/16. Office location: Orange SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 6 Tilford Place, Highland Mills, NY, 10930. Any lawful purpose. #85804

Notice of Formation of NF Realty USA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/5/16. Office location: Orange SSNY desg. as agent

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of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 18 Meron Drive., Monroe, NY, 10950. Any lawful purpose. #85805

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). The name of the domestic Limited Liability Company is: Gray Space Collective, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) office on: March 24th, 2016. The County in which the Office is to be located: Orange. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 358 Angelo Drive, Montgomery, NY 12549. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85808

Notice of Qualification of NRG Renewables Community LLC. Authority filed with NY Dept. of State on 4/11/16. Office location: Orange County. Princ. bus. addr.: 211 Carnegie Center, Princeton, NJ 08540. LLC formed in DE on 4/7/16. NY Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011. DE addr. of LLC: c/o The Corporation Trust Co., 1209 Orange St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: all lawful purposes. #85440

Notice of Qualification of MAP CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, LLC. Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/10/16. Office location: Orange County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 03/02/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE addr. of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85607

Notice of Qualification of SRS ENVOY SERVICES, LLC

Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/26/16. Office location: Orange County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 05/19/16. Princ. office of LLC: 176 N. Main St., Florida, NY 10921. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the princ. office of the LLC. DE addr. of LLC: 2711 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, Townsend Bldg., 401 Federal St., #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #85768

RHODES OF NEWBURGH LLC

Notice of Formation of RHODES OF NEWBURGH LLC, a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on May 11, 2016. Office location: Orange County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: P.O. Box 334, Highland Falls, NY 10928. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. #85567

SOUTH SIDE PHARMACY & HEALTH SHOP LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/14/15. Latest date to dissolve: 12/31/2115. Office: Orange 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 Kalb & Rosenfeld P.C., 283 Commack Road, Commack, NY 11725. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. #85563

STORM WATER COMPLIANCE SOLUTIONS, LLC, Authority filed with the SSNY on 04/26/2016. Office loc: Orange County.

LLC formed in NJ on 06/24/2006. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 180 Main St., PO Box 572, Chester, NJ 07930. Principal address of LLC: 180 Main St., PO Box 572 Chester NJ 07930. Cert of Formation filed with NJ Dept. of Treasury, Div. of Rev. Enterprise Services, PO Box 002, Trenton, NJ 08625-002. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. #85709

SUMMONS, NOTICE AND BRIEF STATEMENT OF NATURE OF ACTION CONSUMER CREDIT TRANSACTION SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ORANGE Index No. 2015-008565 M&T BANK, Plaintiff, -against- JENNIFER SEYMOUR as heir to the estate of Joanne P. Seymour; RYAN SEYMOUR as heir to the estate of Joanne P. Seymour; SEAN SEYMOUR as heir to the estate of Joanne P. Seymour; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DECEASED JOANNE P. SEYMOUR AND ANY OF HIS, HER OR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE, AND INTEREST, et al., Defendants. TO THE DEFENDANT(S): ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF JOANNE P. SEYMOUR AND ANY OF HIS, HER OR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon plaintiff's attorneys an answer to the complaint in this action within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if the Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to answer, judgment will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. Trial is desired in the County of ORANGE. The basis of venue designated above is that the real property, which is the subject matter of this action, is located in the County of ORANGE, New York. 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 YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of HON. Elaine Slobod, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, signed on the 2nd day of May, 2016 in the Town of Goshen, New York and to be duly entered in the ORANGE County Clerk's Office, in the Town of Goshen, New York. The Nature of this action pertains to a note and mortgage held by Plaintiff on real property owned by the above named defendants as specified in the complaint filed in this action. The above named defendants have failed to comply with the terms and provisions of the said mortgage and said instruments secured by said mortgage, by failing and omitting to pay the balance due and owing and the Plaintiff has commenced a foreclosure action. Plaintiff is seeking a judgment foreclosing its mortgage against the real property and premises which situate in the Town of Newburgh, Orange County, New York and is commonly known as 6 Willella Place, Newburgh, New York 12550 and all other relief as to the Court may seem just and equitable. DATED: May 9, 2016 SCHILLER, KNAPP, LEFKOWITZ & HERTZEL, LLP BY:

WILLIAM B. SCHILLER, ESQ. Attorneys for Plaintiff 950 New Loudon Road Latham, New York 12110 Telephone: (518) 786-9069 #85560

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ORANGE INDEX# 3686/15 FILED: 12/17/2015 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE

Plaintiff designates ORANGE County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises are situated. HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST NLC TRUST 2005-4 MORTGAGE-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-4, Plaintiff, against JAMES GIVANS; DELORES GIVANS if living, and if they be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or generally or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND JOHN DOE and JANE DOE #1 through # 7, the last seven (7) names being fictitious and unknown to the Plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or parties, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the mortgaged premises described in the Complaint, 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); the United States of America, if designated as a Defendant in this action, may appear or answer within (60) days of service thereof; 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. To the above named Defendants: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Supreme Court of the State of New York and filed along with the supporting papers in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Orange on 5/06/2016. This is an action to foreclose on a mortgage. ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Town of Wallkill, Orange County, New York (Section 49, Block 1, Lot 68), said premises known as 321 Route 211 West a/k/a 321/32 Route 211 West, Middletown, NY 10940. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING AN ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Clarfield, Okon, Salomone, & Pincus, P.L. 425 RXR Plaza, 4th Floor, UNIONDALE, NY 11556 #85789

Brick Church Cemetery
Notice: The Brick Church Cemetery Assn. will hold its annual plowholders and directors meeting on June 20, 2016 at 7:00 pm. All interested parties can call Chris Miller @ 457-1086 for information. #85765

City of Newburgh

CITY OF NEWBURGH
PLANNING BOARD
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a Public Hearing will be held by the CITY OF NEWBURGH, PLANNING BOARD, on the following matters:
APPLICATION NUMBER: 2016-05, requesting approval for a SPECIAL USE PERMIT to establish a Pre-Owned car dealership, property located at 247 Dupont Avenue. Property is located in the Industrial District. Property owned by Mid-Hudson Film, LLC. Application requested by Hugo E. Bencorno MDB Auto Sales.
SECTION: 13 BLOCK: 6, LOT 1 as described on the Tax Records, City of Newburgh, New York.

The Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 and any adjourned date at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall, Council Chambers, 83 Broadway, Newburgh, New York.
Anyone wishing to make comments on the application may do so at that time.
Lisa Daily, Chairman
City of Newburgh

Planning Board
Dated: 5/31/16 #85775

CITY OF NEWBURGH ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a Public Hearing will be held by the CITY OF NEWBURGH ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION on the following matters:
APPLICATION NUMBER 2016-19, at the request of the applicant/owner Stephen Chinoransky seeking approval to paint the wood trim on the property.

PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 162 Grand Street
SECTION: 19 BLOCK: 1 LOT(S): 30 as described on the Tax Records, Newburgh, New York.
The Public Hearing will be held on June 14, 2016 and any adjourned date, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 83 Broadway
Anyone wishing to make comment on the application may do so at that time.
Brigidanne Flynn, Acting Chairperson
City of Newburgh
Architectural Review Commission
Dated: May 31, 2016 #85770

CITY OF NEWBURGH
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a Public Hearing will be held by the CITY OF NEWBURGH ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION on the following matters:
APPLICATION NUMBER 2016-20, at the request of the applicant/owner Sue Duarte seeking approval to paint the front and left side of the building including the porch and all trims.
PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 50 Lutheran Street

SECTION: 29 BLOCK: 4 LOT(S): 36 as described on the Tax Records, Newburgh, New York.

The Public Hearing will be held on June 14, 2016 and any adjourned date, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 83 Broadway
Anyone wishing to make comment on the application may do so at that time.
Brigidanne Flynn, Acting Chairperson
City of Newburgh
Architectural Review Commission
Dated: May 31, 2016 #85771

CITY OF NEWBURGH
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a Public Hearing will be held by the CITY OF NEWBURGH ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION on the following matters:
APPLICATION NUMBER 2016-22, at the request of the applicant, Joseph Martinez and the owner, Hudson Valley Real Estate Partners LLC seeking approval to install a new deck, paint the cornices, the front entry way and the front deck.
PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 44 Carson Avenue
SECTION: 45 BLOCK: 6 LOT(S): 19 as described on the Tax Records, Newburgh, New York.

The Public Hearing will be held on June 14, 2016 and any adjourned date, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 83 Broadway
Anyone wishing to make comment on the application may do so at that time.
Brigidanne Flynn, Acting Chairperson
City of Newburgh
Architectural Review Commission
Dated: May 31, 2016 #85772

CITY OF NEWBURGH
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a Public Hearing will be held by the CITY OF NEWBURGH ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION on the following matters:

APPLICATION NUMBER 2016-23, at the request of the applicant, Joseph Martinez and the owner, Hudson Valley Real Estate Partners LLC seeking approval to paint the cornices, the front deck and entry way and to remove the vestibule.

PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 48 Carson Avenue

SECTION: 45 BLOCK: 6 LOT(S): 21 as described on the Tax Records, Newburgh, New York.

The Public Hearing will be held on June 14, 2016 and any adjourned date, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 83 Broadway

Anyone wishing to make comment on the application may do so at that time.

Brigidanne Flynn, Acting Chairperson
City of Newburgh
Architectural Review Commission
Dated: May 31, 2016 #85773

CITY OF NEWBURGH
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a Public Hearing will be held by the CITY OF NEWBURGH ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION on the following matters:

APPLICATION NUMBER 2016-21, at the request of the applicant, Mill Street Partners LLC and the owner, Newburgh Commercial Development Corp. seeking approval to demolish the property in connection with the Mid-Broadway Redevelopment Opportunity.

PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 14 Johnston Street

SECTION: 30 BLOCK: 3 LOT(S): 36 as described on the Tax Records, Newburgh, New York.

The Public Hearing will be held on June 14, 2016 and any adjourned date, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall, 83 Broadway

Anyone wishing to make comment on the application may do so at that time.

Brigidanne Flynn, Acting Chairperson
City of Newburgh
Architectural Review Commission
Dated: June 3, 2016 #85816

CITY OF NEWBURGH
PLANNING BOARD
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a Public Hearing will be held by the CITY OF NEWBURGH, PLANNING BOARD, on the following matters:

APPLICATION NUMBER: 2016-06, requesting approval for a SPECIAL USE PERMIT to establish a radio based office for taxi service, property located at 82 Bridge Street. Property is located in the Commercial District. Property owned by Whiteflower Realty LLC. Application requested by Randolph A. Cerrato.

SECTION: 47 BLOCK: 1, LOT 12 as described on the Tax Records, City of Newburgh, New York.

The Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 and any adjourned date at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall, Council Chambers, 83 Broadway, Newburgh, New York.

Anyone wishing to make comments on the application may do so at that time.

Lisa Daily, Chairman
City of Newburgh
Planning Board
Dated: 5/31/16 #85774

Town of Crawford

Public Notice

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a Public Hearing will be held on the following application by the Planning Board, Town of Crawford, County of Orange, State of New York, on Wednesday, June 22, 2016 beginning at 7:00 pm, at the Town Hall, 121 State Route 302, Pine Bush, New York.

Corny Cattle Farm—(RA) 14-1-111.1 (15 County Rt. 48) amend site plan and scenic review to construct a 60 ft. x 90 ft. barn in

place of a previously approved greenhouse on footprint of existing tennis court

FOR THE PLANNING BOARD

Linda J. Zwart
Chairman #85820

Highland Central School District

HIGHLAND CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Special Meeting for Budget Re-Vote
Highland Central School District

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education of the Highland Central School District will hold a Public Hearing on the Budget in the Board Room (E-32) at the Highland High School, 320 Pancake Hollow Road, Highland, New York, on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at 6:00 pm for the purpose of presenting the Budget for the 2016-2017 school year.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the vote by machine on the appropriation of funds for operations of the school district for the 2016-2017 school year (the budget) and the authorization of the levy of taxes will be held on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 between the hours of 6:00 am and 9:00 pm, in the D-10 classroom (band room), at the Highland High School, 320 Pancake Hollow Road, Highland, NY.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of the proposed 2016-2017 budget may be obtained by any resident in the District, any business day, commencing fourteen days prior to the Special Meeting, during the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, at the Business Office, 320 Pancake Hollow Road, Highland, NY, and each schoolhouse in the District. The Budget will also be available at any free association or public library within the District and on the District's website. A Real Property Tax Exemption Report prepared in accordance with §495 of the Real Property Tax Law will be annexed to any budget of which it will form a part, and shall be posted on District bulletin board(s) maintained for public notices, as well as on the District's website.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the register to be prepared for the Special Meeting for Budget Re-Vote shall include all persons who have been previously registered for any Annual or Special Meeting or election and who shall have voted at any Annual or Special Meeting held or conducted during the four calendar years prior to 2016. Any qualified resident currently registered to vote with the Ulster County Board of Elections is also eligible to vote on June 21, 2016, without further registration.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the qualified voters of the District who are not registered with Ulster County or have not voted at any Annual or Special school meeting or election within the past four years, may register for the Special Meeting at the Central Office, Highland Central School District, 320 Pancake Hollow Road, Highland, NY, on any business day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. through June 20, 2016.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the register of qualified voters of the District will be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the District at the Central Office, Highland Central School District, 320 Pancake Hollow Road, Highland, NY, and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District between the hours of 8:00 am and 3:00 pm, five days before the Special Meeting and 9:00 am through 11:00 am on Saturday, June 18, 2016, and such register will be open for inspection at the polling place during the vote.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots for the Budget Re-Vote to be held on June 21, 2016, may be obtained at the Office of the Clerk of the District at the Central Office on any business day between the hours of 8:30 am and 3:00 pm as well as District's website. Such application must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days prior to the vote, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or the day before the vote, if the ballot will be personally picked up by the voter at the Central Office. Absentee

ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on Tuesday, June 21, 2016. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the said Office of the District Clerk during regular office hours, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm, prevailing time, until the day of the Re-Vote. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

Lisa M Cerniglia,
Highland Central School District,
District Clerk #85766

Town of Montgomery

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE
TOWN OF MONTGOMERY

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that pursuant to Article 16 of the Town Law, as amended, and the Zoning Law of the Town of Montgomery, the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Montgomery, New York will hold a Public Hearing in the Town Government Center, 110 Bracken Road, Second Floor, Montgomery, New York on the 20th day of June, 2016 at 7:05 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard to consider the application of Glenco, Inc. for certain area variances in regards to a proposed two lot subdivision of a 23.5 acre parcel containing three existing residential dwellings and lot line modification. The applicant seeks relief from the following requirements of Montgomery Town Zoning Law:

Section 90-20-10 requires a lot to have a minimum road frontage of 40 feet wherein proposed Subdivision Lot 2 has zero road frontage and proposes access via an easement over Subdivision Lot 1.

* Section 60 requires that a lot be used for only one use wherein proposed Subdivision Lot 2 will contain two existing residential dwellings.

* Section 60-20-5 requires a front yard setback of 75 feet and the proposed Subdivision Lot 1 would provide only 38 feet for an existing dwelling once a road dedication to the Town for highway purposes is completed.

* Section 60-20-5 requires a front yard setback of 75 feet and the proposed Subdivision Lot 2 provides only 53.7 for an existing dwelling.

* Section 60-20-6 requires that accessory buildings be located a minimum of 10 feet from any lot line where proposed Subdivision Lot 2 will provide only 6 feet for an existing shed.

* Section 90-10-10.70 requires shelters for keeping of livestock to be located a minimum of 50 feet from any property line and proposed Subdivision Lot 1 provides only 37.2 feet from the rear property line for an existing barn.

The property is located at 167 Borden Road in the Town of Montgomery. The property is identified as Tax Map Section 3, Block 1, Lot 2 and is located in the RA-5 zoning district. All the structures under consideration predate zoning regulations and no new development is proposed with this application.

At this hearing the Zoning Board will consider all verbal and/or written statements from all persons interested. Copies of the application and plans may be inspected at the Town Government Center during normal business hours. Persons may appear in person or by agent.

Dated: June 2, 2016
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
OF THE
TOWN OF MONTGOMERY
JOHN FALLON,
CHAIRMAN #85817

Town of Marlborough

Town of Marlborough

Advertisement for Bids

Notice: Sealed bids will be received until 12 noon on July 1, 2016 for the project Milton Landing Park South Pier Restoration

Phase 1-Engineering Study and Plan. The work will entail 3 components:

1) A highly detailed Level III inspection of key structural areas of the pier to be conducted by qualified engineering personnel. All work must be performed in accordance with ASCE standards for Underwater Investigations and Underwater Inspection Criteria. The engineering firm will produce a written report detailing the degree of damage and repair work required along with a preliminary cost estimate.

2) Development of restoration plans and cost estimates that address both the needed repair work identified and the goals for the renovated facility, in accordance with NYS DEC guidelines. Input from key end-users will be sought, including a required consultation with the NYS DEC Universal Access Coordinator. Detailed construction plans that include design principles of universal access and provision for storm resiliency will be produced.

3) Provision of guidance to the Town of Marlborough Milton Landing Committee and its advisory group on permitting requirements.

Complete RFP can be obtained from the Town Clerk, Town of Marlborough Town Hall, 21 Milton Turnpike, Suite 200, Milton, NY 12547.

The Town of Marlborough reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals and to waive any informality or technicality in any Proposal in the interest of the Town of Marlborough.

Bidders are required to execute a non-collusive bidding affidavit pursuant to Section 103d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

Take note that minority and woman-owned business enterprises are encouraged to apply. All bidders must be an EEO employer.

BY ORDER OF THE
Town of Marlborough
Colleen Corcoran, Town Clerk
Dated: May 23, 2016 #85748

Orange County

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Orange County will hold a public hearing in order that the public may discuss, make comments and provide information necessary to develop the Consolidated Housing and Community Development (HCD) Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2017.

The Orange County Office of Community Development currently administers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program for affordable housing (HOME) which are all funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD has consolidated the submission requirements for all of these formula grant programs into a single HCD plan. In Fiscal Year 2014, Orange County prepared a HCD plan which contained a needs assessment, strategic plan and action plan. The approved HCD plan covers Fiscal Years 2015 to 2019. A copy of this plan is available for review at the Orange County Office of Community Development, 18 Seward Avenue-First Floor, Middletown, New York. An Action Plan for the use of CDBG and HOME funds for FY-2017 must be prepared and submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing of Urban Development on or before November 15, 2016.

The purpose of the HCD Public Hearing is to obtain the views of citizens, public agencies, not-for-profit community groups, private businesses and other interested parties on needs, goals and objectives as well as to suggest programs and activities to address such needs, goals and objectives; to review the 2017 CDBG funding requests received from Urban County Municipal Consortium Members; review HOME funding proposals received in response to an RFA issued on March 1, 2016 for the FY-2017 program year; review CDBG Farmworker Housing funding proposals received in response to an RFP issued on March 4, 2016 for the FY-2016 program year, and a review of CDBG and HOME Programs performance. Groups

and organizations which represent low and moderate income persons are encouraged to have their clients attend this hearing so that the views of program beneficiaries may be obtained.

The public hearing will be held on Friday, July 8, 2016 at 3:00 P.M. at the Orange County Office of Community Development, 1st Floor, 18 Seward Ave., Middletown, New York 10940.

Steven M. Neuhaus, County Executive
Richard Mayfield, Director,
Office of Community Development
#85649

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Department of General Services

COUNTY OF ORANGE

Sealed bids for providing Field Trip Bus Transportation to Ring Homestead Camp (RFB-OC079-16) to the County of Orange will be received at PO Box 218, 22 Wells Farm Road, Goshen, New York 10924, until 2:30 PM on Thursday, June 23, 2016 when the same will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms, including specifications, may be obtained from the Department of General Services at the above address or on the Internet at www.orangecountygov.com.

James P Burpoe
Commissioner of General Services
County of Orange
June 8, 2016 #85807

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Department of General Services

COUNTY OF ORANGE

Sealed bids for providing Blue Jeans (RFB-OC083-16) to the County of Orange will be received at PO Box 218, 22 Wells Farm Road, Goshen, New York 10924, until 3:00PM on Thursday, June 30, 2016 when the same will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms, including specifications, may be obtained from the Department of General Services at the above address or on the Internet at www.orangecountygov.com

James P Burpoe
Commissioner of General Services
County of Orange
June 8, 2016 #85814

Town of Shawangunk

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN- Pursuant to Section 267 of the Town Law, as amended, a Public Hearing will be held by the Town of Shawangunk Zoning Board of Appeals on June 15, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall, 14 Central Avenue, Wallkill, NY, County of Ulster for the following:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Timely Signs/ Wallkill Valley Federal Savings and Loan

TM #: 106.49-1-7.100 (SB)

23 Wallkill Avenue

Wallkill, NY 12589

Section 177-40 Install a double sided sign panel between the lower portions of the brick posts on the main sign as well as 2 sign panels to be installed on the front and side of the building under existing dimensional lettering.

Ismet & Rizo Kolenovic

TM #: 98.3-2-31 (RS-1)

42 Schubert Drive

Pine Bush, NY 12566

Section 177-6A Make an additional 2 existing apartments in a single family dwelling

Archie Reid, Chairman, ZBA

Please consider this notice as an invitation to attend this meeting. All interested parties will be given the opportunity to be heard.
#85809

Ulster County

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PURSUANT TO THE

EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEDURE LAW

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, in accordance with Article 2, Section 202 of the New York State Eminent Domain Procedure Law, notice is hereby given of a public hearing for PIN 8761.21, Hudson Valley Rail Trail West:

Phase 4, on Tuesday June 21, 2016, at 7:00 P.M. in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York 12401.

The purpose of this meeting is to outline the project purpose, its proposed location, provide an update of the project status, and to provide other pertinent information, including maps and property descriptions of adjacent parcels and the properties to be acquired. The project is located in the Town of Lloyd, Ulster County. The project proposes the extension of the Hudson Valley Rail Trail and will begin at the intersection of South Street and NYS Route 299 and head east following the general alignment of the abandoned Penn Central Railroad corridor along NYS Route 299 to the terminus at the proposed end of Phase 3 (vicinity of New Paltz Road and the Highland Fire House Station #2). The proposed trail is a non-motorized shared-use path 12 ft wide with an asphalt surface. The length of the proposed public project is approximately 1.24 miles.

Persons may appear in person or by agent, and will be given the opportunity to present oral or written statements, and to submit other documents concerning PIN 8761.21, Hudson Valley Rail Trail West: Phase 4.

The project will require public acquisition of property. This public hearing is being held to comply with the requirements of the Federal Highway Administration and Sections 201 and 202 of the New York State Eminent Domain Procedure Law. Ulster County will attempt to acquire the necessary property through offers of Fair Market Value. In the event that this process is unsuccessful, acquisition of property by Eminent Domain may be necessary to complete the project.

Any property owners who may subsequently wish to challenge the condemnation of their property by judicial review may do so only on the basis of issues, facts, and objections raised at the hearing.

Further information on the project may be obtained by contacting Chris White, Deputy Director of the Ulster County Planning Department at 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York 12401 or (845) 340-3338. Please advise this office if a sign language interpreter, assistive listening system or any other accommodation will be required to facilitate your participation in this public hearing no later than Thursday, June 16, 2016.

Dated: June 8, 2016

Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk

Ulster County Legislature

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Renee Simerson

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Village of Montgomery

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Please be advised the BOARD OF TRUSTEES will hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, June 14, 2016 AT 6:00 pm at the Village Hall 133 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549. This notice is sent to you pursuant to Section 95 of the Public Officers Law. Such meeting is open to the public.

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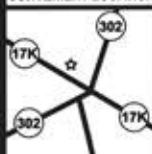
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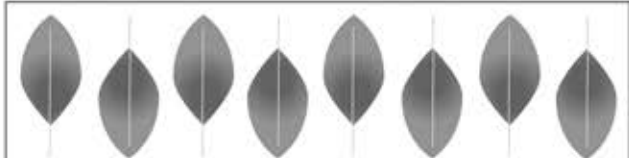
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A feast blessed by waters from above

The procession to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is a century-old Newburgh tradition.

Sacred Heart Parish's faithful took to the streets on Sunday after the noon Mass to march between the raindrops on the last day of the annual Italian Festival

Clockwise from top: the men of the parish carry the statues of Saint Anthony, Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Jesus; a statue of the Virgin Mary makes its way down Ann Street; Sister Alba Danese shares a ride on a golf cart; Deacon Peter Haight greets Mary E. Bolduc and Frank L. Scarzava after mass; girls wear their First Communion dresses, while boys practice looking pious; a band keeps everyone in step.



SPORTLIGHT Newburgh's quarterback on the water

By BOND BRUNGARD
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At 100 pounds, Newburgh Free Academy's Isabella Crisci is a quarterback on the water for the Goldbacks' crew team as she guides her boat toward a victory.



"The coxswain is the smallest person in the boat, and they are telling these enormously large people what to do," said Keith Schafer, who coaches crew for NFA.

The coxswain, like a quarterback, views the space in front of them to advance the

mission as quickly and pointedly as possible.

"I have to know where they are going, they can't see where they are going. I pay attention to the surroundings because they are not doing that," said Crisci, as the teams were getting ready for the sectional meet last week.

Crisci joined the program as a sophomore, and next year she'll attend Fordham to study biology and be a coxswain for the crew team.

"When Isabella signed on it was awesome," said Schafer.

And after she signed on, Crisci became the apprentice to other more experienced coxswains, and from there she developed on her own.

"Once she got on the water there was no stopping her," said Schafer. "She has total crew charge of every shell she is in."

Saturday, during the Hudson Valley Rowing League championships in Poughkeepsie, Crisci guided the girls' four-man to first place.

Coxswains, ironically, are usually the youngest members on the squad, seventh, eighth or ninth-graders, who command and guide the more experienced rowers who are moving backward.

"I am not very athletic, and this fits what I can do very well, considering I am small and quite loud," she said. "I can get their attention pretty well."

And everyone has benefitted well from her talent to command in the water.

"She is calming voice coming down the race course," said Schafer. "The kids all have faith in everything she does from the moment they leave the dock until the moment they come back on, regardless of the conditions of the water."

Newburgh rowers take first place



Members of Newburgh's crew teams prepare Friday for Saturday's Hudson Valley Rowing League's championships in Poughkeepsie. The girls' four-man boat took first place at the meet.

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Newburgh's four-man girls' boat took first place Saturday during the Hudson Valley Rowing League championships in Poughkeepsie.

The boys' four-man boat was second in the meet, which followed the state meet earlier this season at Saratoga Springs.

"We're having a great season," said Keith Schafer, Newburgh's first-year coach.

At the state meet, the girls' four was 12th out of 42 boats, and the boys' four was 16th out of 35 boats.

"We have 28 girls on the team," said Schafer. "So I substitute in and out as I need them, which has been great so far."

The boys' team is smaller, and fewer rowers have been needed for many roles this season.

Earlier in the week, the Newburgh Rowing Club traveled to Kingston, for the Hudson Valley Rowing League Sculling Championship, where they medaled in 4 out of 5 events.



Team photo of the Newburgh Rowing club.

Five Goldbacks qualify for state meet

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Prior to the state track qualifier Friday in Middletown, Newburgh's Blaine Billings had set his sights on qualifying in the 100 and 200-meter races- and especially the latter contest being his favorite.

"I think I have a good chance of going to states in those races," said Billings. "Everyone loves the 200."

And the pressure to do well is something Billings likes when he races.

"You get excited at the same time, and it lets you perform well, too," he said.

Billings then went out and qualified in the 200 in Division 1, one of a handful of Goldbacks going to the state meet Friday and Saturday at Cicero-North Syracuse.

Xavier Boone won the 800-meter race to qualify for

the state meet. Boone was the lead leg on the qualifying 1,600-meter relay team with Stephon Scott, who qualified in the 400-meter run when he won that race with a time of 49.14. Robert Walker won the 400-hurdles with a time of 54.48 to qualify for the state meet.

For the girls, Ahnrea McCaskill was second in the 100-meter dash, qualifying for the state meet. The Lady Goldbacks also qualified for state meet by winning the 400 and 1,600-meter relays.



Qurran Maise was third on the 100-hurdles, but she failed to qualify for the state meet.