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# SUNDOWN METHODIST CHURCH APPLE HARVEST

It's time for apple pie!

There are still a few bags of apples available at \$5.00 a bag. You may purchase apples if you stop by the Sundown Methodist Church on Tuesday, Oct. 13th from 1:00-3:00 pm.

#### REFRIGERATOR/FREEZER NEEDED FOR THE FOOD PANTRY

An energy efficient refrigertor/freezer is needed for the local food pantry. If you have one and would like to donate it please call Tom Michell 985-7449.

# TV CLASS OF 1959 SEARCHING FOR CLASSMATES

We are still looking for 2 classmates as we plan our 50th reunion: Myrna Altman & Mary Leonard

Wonder if anyone can help us find these 2 people. Do you know anything about their whereabouts? Call Mary Ingrhim at 845-985-2903.

### TV CLASS OF '69 REUNION

The Tri-Valley Class of '69 is having a reunion on Saturday, October 17, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. at Pizza Hut in Liberty. Come and join us and renew old friendships.

# NEW VOTING SYSTEM

A new voting system is scheduled to be used in District 1, 2 & 4 in the Town of Neversink on Election Day, Tuesday November 3, 2009. Sullivan County Board of Elections has chosen the Town of Neversink to be a Pilot Program for the use of the new voting system. Those of us that vote at the Town of Neversink Town Hall or at the Neversink Fire House will have the pleasure of using the new voting system. One of these new machines will be available at the Neversink Town Hall in Grahamsville on Wednesday October 21st from 1 to 5 pm and again on Thursday October 22nd from 4 to 8 pm. Please plan to stop by on either of these days to try out these new machines. For further information please call the Town Hall at 845-985-2262 x 300 or 307. District 3, located in Willowemoc, will continue to use the traditional lever voting machine.

# ULSTER COUNTY HOST OPEN HOUSE DAY TO BEGIN FIRE PRE-VENTION WEEK

Many Ulster County fire departments and ambulance squads will be holding an open house on Sunday, October 4, 2009 from 1 - 3 PM. This event not only denotes the start of Fire Prevention Week, but it is an opportunity for area residents to visit their local fire stations and ambulance buildings. Ulster County's ongoing recruitment and retention campaign, which is geared toward increasing the number of volunteers in the County, is proud to partner with local fire and EMS providers in this event (Contd. Pg 4)

# CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION 95th ANNUAL MEETING

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County will hold its 95th Annual Meeting and Harvest Dinner Dance on October 23rd at the Jeffersonville Firehouse in Jeffersonville, NY starting at 7:00 p.m. (Contd. Pg. 4)



# A PERFECT PUMP-KIN PARTY!

All the ingredients were there for a perfect Pumpkin Party as friends, goblins, witches, cats, fairies, pixies, creatures and so forth donned their best Halloween togs to march in the Children's Parade this past Saturday for the 24th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party sponsored by the Daniel Pierce Library, in Grahamsville.

Despite the early weather conditions, this magical day turned out to be just perfect as umbrellas changed into smiles! (Contd. Pg. 8)

# ASSEMBLY TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON GAS DRILLING REGULATIONS

Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther (D, C, I - Forest-burgh) announced today that the Assembly Standing Committee on Environmental Conservation on which she serves will be holding a public hearing on the Draft Supplemental Generic Environmental Impact Statement governing natural gas drilling. (Contd. Pg. 14)



# SC LEGISLATURE CHAIRMAN ROUIS AND VICE CHAIRMAN HIATT RELEASE STATEMENT ON COUNTY BUDGET

"As we begin the serious task of preparing the 2010 Sullivan County Budget, we felt it was important, as the Vice Chair and Chair of the County Legislature, to set the appropriate tone for the weeks and months ahead. As we are all well aware, our economy continues to struggle significantly, and our dollars are simply not going as far as they used to. For our local families, this has meant doing with less, and often foregoing luxuries in order to get by. It is exactly the same for our local government. Our dollars are not stretching the way they used to, and we have spent a tremendous amount of time streamlining our operations and determining how best to continue to deliver essential services while holding the line on costs. (Contd. Pg. 6)

# OPEN FORUM ON ENCOURAGING AGING FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES

On October 21 at 9 a.m. Sullivan County TRIAD, Cornell Cooperative Extension and Sullivan County Office for the Aging is inviting area residents to an open forum. (Contd. Pg. 4)

### BONACIC ANNOUNCES AGRICUL-TURAL FORUM IN ALBANY

Following up from a promise made at a Sullivan County agricultural forum, State Senator John Bonacic and Senator Catharine Young, the Ranking Member of the Senate Agriculture Committee will host a public forum in Albany on the Dairy Farming crisis, on October 19 starting at 10:00 AM. (Contd. Pg. 13)

# SULLIVAN COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING PUBLIC HEARING

The Sullivan County Office for the Aging has scheduled a Public Hearing on Wednesday, October 21, at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center (Neighborhood Facility), 2 Jefferson Street, Monticello to gain input from older residents, baby boomers, and other interested parties on programs and services provided by the Office for the Aging.

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An Open Forum will precede the Public Hearing. Guest speaker, Joanne Macklin, Executive Director of the New York State Coalition for the Aging and of the Statewide Caregiving & Respite Coalition of NY, will lead the discussion on empowering Sullivan County to build successful aging friendly communities. An aging friendly community is where older adults can live safely, independently, and with dignity in their homes with the appropriate support services.

(Contd. Pg. 12)

# USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS MORE THAN \$965,000 TO 12 NY RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECTS Agency's Total 2009 Renewable Energy Investment in NY Nearly \$1.4 Million

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development agency has awarded 12 New York farms and businesses a total of \$965,679 for renewable energy and energy efficiency projects. (Contd. Pg. 10)

# CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF SC GRADUATES ADVANCING YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS



On September 22nd and 23rd over twenty Sullivan County youth workers participated in the Advancing Youth Development (AYD) training at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County. The professionals who took the training are engaged in youth work throughout the county with agencies such as the Boys and Girls Clubs, Sullivan ARC, the Center for Workforce Development, Teen Link to Community, Hudson River Healthcare, the Dispute Resolution Center, EPIC Parent Centers, and the Foster Parent Association. (Contd. Pg. 3)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER - See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men. I Thessalonians 5:15

### OBITUARY

Margaret Marie Miklas of Hurleyville, passed away on Tuesday, September 29, 2009 at Catskill Regional Medical Center.She was 70.

The daughter of the late John and Rachel O'Sullivan Buckley, she was born on November 19, 1938 in Queens, New York.

Margaret enjoyed knitting, needle point and doing puzzles. She was an avid reader, a past Den Mother and previously was very active in the Cub Scouts, a member of the Loch Sheldrake Senior Citizens and an extreme Yankee fan. In the 1970's , Margaret owned and operated the General Store in Sundown, where she was known as "Sarge.

She leaves behind her husband of 49 years, Ben at home; one daughter, Kathleen Jones of Liberty; two sons, Benjamin Miklas, Jr. and his wife, Karen of Vernon, CT.; Michael Miklas and his wife, Sha of Keystone, Colorado; five grandchildren, Lauren and Devan Jones, Kaylee, Jason and Jonah Miklas; one sister, Elaine Tenaglia of Long Island; her faithful dog, Benji and many nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews and many dear friends.

She was predeceased by one

sister, Mary Fee.

A funeral Mass was held on Saturday, October 3rd at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, State Route 42, Woodbourne, NY 12788 at 10:00 am with Fr. John Lynch officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, for further info. please visit our website at www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com or call 845-434-7363.

Eric Karsten, 85, of Sundown, NY passed away after a brief illness at Catskill Regional Medical Center in Harris, NY on Monday, September 28, 2009. Members of his adopted family were at his side.

Born on June 7, 1924 in Germany, he and his late wife, Erna, made their home in Sullivan County for the last 60

Eric was an avid horseman, having been a horse trainer and a riding instructor who donated much of his time training young people to ride. He was a member of Sullivan County 4H, Sullivan County Farm Bureau and was a former president of Sullivan County Cooperative Extension. He than his body. Searchers feel was also a member of the Town the boy took the wrong fork on October 4, 1979 of Denning Seniors.

Survivors include his adopted family, William and Connie Vurckio; Greg and Janice Vurckio; Pat and Debbie Vurckio and Dawn and Mario Martinez, all of Sundown, NY.

Funeral services were held October 2 at Ramsay's Funeral Home, Liberty, N.Y., the Rev.

Kenneth Rodgers officiating. Burial was next to his beloved wife, Erna Karsten in Claryville Cemetery, Claryville, NY.

#### NOTE OF THANKS

The Sundown Ladies Aid would like to take this opportunity to thank the many helpers, people who donated items & supplies, guests and friends who made our Harvest Fair such a success again this year. Our thanks to those who either purchased items from some of our many tables that we had set up, or just enjoyed lunch, which included homemade soup and pies made by some of our great cooks! We appreciate everyone who came and supported us.

Hope to see you at our next Fair and may God Bless Everyone!

#### WEDDING ANNOUNCE-MENT

In a past issue we announced Patricia Ann Chambers, formerly of Frost Valley Rd., was united in marriage to Charles Lindbergh Jones. The date of their wedding was omitted. The wedding took place on May 16, 2009 at City Hall in Albany, NY. Patti and Charles now live in Half Moon Bay, California.

#### DAYS OF YORE... TODAY'S HISTORY

# October 12, 1949

Slim Skillett and his Rocky Mountaineers will be at Memorial Hall Monday evening, Oct. 17th, under the auspices of R.D. Ladies' aid.

H. C. Burch is having his house repainted. Chas. Cross is doing the job.

Mr. Roy Dymond is working for Charles Rose on the foundation of the new house.

There will be a dance at the Rod & Gun Club Hall Thursday night, October 13th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aux. of the Neversink Fire Department. Franck Constable and his Orchestra will play for round and square dancing.

Franklin Dean is putting in a foundation for a new bunga-

# October 7, 1959

The long search for David Raleigh has come to an end. The boy's small skeleton and clothing were found by a state policeman last Saturday in a Catskill Mountain glade abut a mile from the Winnisook Club lodge. Police said the boy had not been molested in any way. The boy's body was found about 300 yards south of Compass Rock, at an elevation of 3,100 ft. He was lying stretched out in a slight depression not much bigger the path to the cabin and thus lost his way.

SP5 Clarence Lester Sheeley arrived in New York City late Tuesday evening by plane from California . Lester has served in Korea for the past 13 months with the U.S. Army. Mrs. Sheeley met him Mrs. Sheeley will leave Down around the 14th of the month (Contd. Pg. 3)

for Fort Riley, Kansas where he will be stationed.

Robert H. Ingram, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ingram, Thunderhill Road Woodbourne, was among 730 freshmen registered at the Alfred Institute on Monday, September 14. This is the largest freshmen class ever enrolled at the Institute. Robert, a 1959 Tri Valley graduate, will major in Electrical Technology.

October leaves are turning red; The hunting season's here. Kum to Krum's for hunting clothes And all your hunting gear.

#### October 8, 1969

Just 120 years ago the people of Upper Neversink Valley mostly tannery workers and farmers, having recently organized the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Upper Neversink, held their first communion service in the newlybuilt schoolhouse. The Elders were Isaac Van Aken and James Donaldson and the Deacons were Conrad Crum and Isaiah Hall. Rev. Isaac C. Duryee of Woodboume officiated. This Sunday, October 12, in the same schoolhouse, the scene will be re-enacted. The Reverend John W. Carter of Woodbourne, pastor of the Claryville Church, will administer the sacrament assisted by Elders Harvey Slater, Radford Moore, and William Rolfs. The original communion ware will be used instead of the modern individual glasses so widely used today. The schoolhouse, not used as a school for over 25 years, is now a museum with Mrs. Burtin McDam as curator.

Anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Yager, 5 yrs. on the 10th of October:

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Barringer, 13 yrs. on the 14th. Mrs. Alice Greer and her daughter are going to reside in

one of the Raymond Erath Apts. The regular meeting of the sunshine Society was held at the Church Hall this past week. They sent out 17 Sunshine

boxes last month to the sick. Mrs. Leona Erland is now employed at the First National Bank in Ellenville.

A bald eagle was sighted in the woods at the Fred Bowers farm a week ago Sunday. Other sightings have been reported in the Lows Corners, Glade Hill and Reservoir areas.

The Grahamsville United Methodist Church is 100 years old and they've planned a celebration party! Oct. 4th -- an open fellowship Communion Service conducted by the Rev. W. Glenn McCarty, Kev. Ralph Madill, and a former Pastor Rev. Newton Ford. Oct. 5th -in N.Y. and they returned to the teen class under the directheir apartment in his mother's tion of Mrs. Elise Hornbeck house on Wednesday. Mr. and will present skits to take us " Memory Lane."

# HERE AND THERE

We're going to play catch-up at times in this week's column. For example, last week we talked about the three trees next to the Grahamsville Reformed Church being "missing." Actually, only two of the three were cut down last week; the third (and tallest) is, at this writing, still standing. I must have been thinking of those action movies I watched as a kid, where a lumberman takes a hefty swing with his axe in one scene, and in the next, the whole huge tree - leaves, twigs, branches, trunk and top - comes crashing down. Today's lumbermen, like Charlie Blume, take a tree down limb by limb, section by section, for their own safety and that of anybody and anything around them. Anyway, the third tree will soon be down.

Ron and Alexa Mickelson and their daughter Amelia were among the 2,000 or more who attended the Sullivan County Picnic Day at Bethel Woods on September 26. A picture of them enjoying the day's activities appeared on the front page of the Democrat the following Tuesday. Coverage of the event also included an interview with Alexa, who explained that her mother, who came with them, had special memories of the setting, since she had been present at Woodstock forty years ago. The Picnic Day was part of Sullivan County's on-going Bicentennial celebration.

George and Trudy Erceg of Big Hollow are proudly announcing the arrival of their fifth greatgrandchild, Harrison, born to granddaughter, Elizabeth Guenther Whittaker and her husband Andrew of New York City. Harrison came into the world on October 2, weighing 8 pounds, 13 ounces, and measuring 23 inches! Congratulations to the whole family!

The Tri-Valley Class of 1956 held a reunion last weekend, marking 53 years since their graduation. (Somehow they missed a 50th year celebration.) You'll find more details in Hulda Vernooy's Neversink News, but I want you to know that Hulda did a great job in organizing, planning, and making arrangements for the gathering. Barbara Purcell and I were invited to join them (we were part of the high school faculty of their era), and we had a marvelous time renewing acquaintances.

Several October birthdays to mention: Blume, age 3, and Joyce Lockhart both celebrated Oct. 1; Claire Rennison will do the same on Oct. 10; Francis (Frankie) Comando will count 31 candles on Oct. 11; and on Oct. 17, Town Clerk Lisa Garigliano, Robert and Brandon Worden, twin sons of Janna and Rob Worden, age 11, and nephew Robert Schmitz will all blow out candles. (Last year Rob S. was upset with me when I reported that he was 49, so I won't tell you his age this year.) .... Anniversary observances are coming up for our Hastings Drive
neighbors, Bob and Mary Ellen (Russo) Preston, at
26 years on Oct. 7; and son Glenn and Sally will
count 7 years together on Oct. 12. ....
Congratulations to all!

We've been asked to remind you of the memorial

service for former resident Sally Krom, to be held Monday, October 12, at the Grahamsville Reformed Church at 11:00 a.m. (I've heard both 11:00 and 11:30, and haven't been able to confirm; you may want to check.)

Have a good week. ..... (pah)

NEVERSINK NEWS - Hulda Vernooy

Patty and Tony Fairbain of Bradley entertained several folks at a Halloween Party on Friday evening. Everyone had an enjoyable time and great conversation. Thanks, folks!

The Class of 1956 held their 53rd Reunion on Saturday evening, October 3rd, at Albert's in Liberty. A total of 29 attended the reunion including those who came from as far away as Costa Rica, Florida, Minnesota, Michigan, Virginia, West Virginia and Oklahoma, as well as our local folks. Also joining us were two of our former teachers, Polly (Thompson) Hill and Barbara (Wakefield) Purcell. On Sunday, October 4th, we toured the Tri-Valley School with Lisa Raymond as our tour guide (Thanks, Lisa!). After that, we went to the Blue Hill Lodge in Claryville for Brunch. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed a great weekend.

Have a good week and God Bless. (Call Hulda at 985-2268 with your Neversink news.)

DAYS OF YORE... (From Pg. 1)

Pictures have been turned into slides by Russ Davis who has put together a slide Carousel as a pictorial history to be enjoyed by all. Oct. 6th - Sunrise Service on South Hill and at noon an old fashioned picnic at the fair grounds (bring your own family picnic lunch) and at 5:30 p.m. a roast beef dinner catered by Carol Curry. Oct. 7th - Church services with Mr. Ned Eastman, Dist. Superintendent, Rev. Irving Marsland, and Rev.James Mills. (Next Col.)

Stacy Hollenbeck, daughter of Aud and Verna Amundsen of East Mt. has been accepted into the army where she will enter the field of Military Police. She leaves Oct. 16th and will be stationed in Alabama

Approximately 50 people were present to say so long to Bill and Eve Harms who have left the area to settle near their children in Middletown . Bill and Eve were presented with a money tree. Mabel Hill presented them with a poem for the occasion.

Condolences from the Community to the family of Richard Hotchkin who was tragically killed in an accident on his job as Telephone Co. lineman last Wednesday.

COLLEGE NEWS -

The following local resident was among more than 750 students to graduate from Morrisville State

College in May.

Kevin Smith of Woodbourne received a degree in Residential Construction - AOS

Traci Yaple of Neversink has been named to the Dean's List for the 2009 spring semester at SUNY Orange. The list is comprised of those full-time students not on reademic probation who achieved at dents not on academic probation who achieved at least a 3.0 quality point average (QPA) over the

course of the semester.

The State University of New York College at Onconta announced the names of 1,248 students who carned Dean's List honors for the spring 2009 semester. Local student Zachary Cosentino of Woodbourne was named to the list, having achieved by earning a grade point average of 3.5 or higher while carrying a course load of 12 semester hours or more.

The following local students graduated from the

University at Albany during the spring commence-ment ceremonies held on May 16-17. Travis Cumming of Grahamsville graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in

Adrienne Dechon of Grahamsville graduated with a Master of Science in Information Science.
An estimated 2,991 students received degrees in 52 areas of study during U Albany's 165th Commencement ceremonies.
If you have college news, please email it to: tvtowns-

man@yahoo.com

CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

OF SC GRADUATE (From Pg. 1)
The Sullivan County AYD Instructors who taught the course are Carl Graham - Director of the Sullivan County Youth Advocate program, Carolyn Massey -Project Director for the Sullivan County CARECORPS/Communities that Care program, Walter Stein - CACHE Director, and Melissa Stickle -Sullivan County Community Services Coordinator. Amanda Speer - Family and Youth Development Team Coordinator for Cornell Cooperative Extension hosted the program.

The Advancing Youth Development program was developed to provide youth workers and administrators with the foundation needed to effectively develop and implement youth-development programs that provide experiences for youth based on a positive youth development approach. Given the need for multiple strategies and approaches to help youth develop the knowledge and skills to be productive, contributing members of society and develop to their full potential, it is of vital importance that youth workers fully understand the value of their work, know the key principles of pos-itive youth development and develop the core competencies of effective youth work.

#### OUTDOOR PHOTOVOLTAIC LED LIGHTING SYSTEM FIELD TEST RESULTS PRESENTED

Cities and towns across the United States are considering ways to reduce outdoor lighting energy consumption, and much attention is being paid to the use of light-emitting diodes (LEDs). The Lighting Research Center (LRC) at Rensselaer Polytechnic The Lighting Institute presented a new publication today at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts in Bethel, NY detailing field test results for photovoltaic-powered LED luminaires installed at three public, outdoor sites in Sullivan County. (Next Col.)

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The project was initiated and co-funded by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) and Sullivan Renaissance, a beautification and community improvement program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation.

The mission was to examine system performance, photometric performance, energy savings, and whether people accepted the photovoltaic (PV) LED outdoor lighting system. The Field Test DELTA: Post-Top Photovoltaic Pathway Luminaire evaluated 24 prototype Renaissance luminaires designed by Sullivan Renaissance, Philips Hadco and SolarOne® Solutions. The Renaissance is a post-top luminaire with a decorative, traditionalstyle appearance that operates LED modules pow-ered by photovoltaic (PV) panels. The luminaires were installed at three sites in Swan Lake Park, the Village of Woodridge, and Bethel Woods, site of the 1969 Woodstock concert festival.

"NYSERDA funded the independent evaluation of the Renaissance luminaire installations in Sullivan County on the hope that it would spur more wide-spread adoption of PV-powered LED outdoor lighting. The study's findings are impressive and should help advance the use of this innovative type of lighting," said NYSERDA President and CEO Francis J. Murray, Jr. "The three installations combined are expected to save 2700 kWhs per year compared to

conventional outdoor lighting systems."
"By successfully combining traditional style with contemporary technology, the result was an off-grid luminaire that blended well with the rural surroundings, was well-received by the public, and required no utility power," said Jennifer Brons, LRC research scientist and DELTA program manager. "Residents and visitors at all three sites were impressed with the PV LED system."

# SHELF MUSHROOM - SEED MACHINE

Peggy DeWire

Walking home, I took a shortcut through the woods and saw a big shelf mushroom growing out of a maple tree like an elephant's ear. Close up, I admired its pretty colored

bands tan/white/brown a and the spill of

white powder spores that dusted down the tree trunk like lace

This mushroom had no gills for spreading spore seeds; instead it released them from pinpoint tubes on the underside in a shotgun technique special to the Polyspore family.

What this explosive freefall method lacks in precision it makes up for in numbers dispersed. My twelve-inch fan mushroom could release a thousand spores an hour in the right wind and weather conditions. A real seed machine!

If microscopic spores germinated as well as other plant seeds, the whole world would be covered with mushrooms. However, very, very few spores multiply from scattering because they're so fragile and require perfect growing conditions of warmth and water to survive.

Mushrooms can't make their own plant food (chlorophyll) but live on inorganic minerals in dirt or wood.

When you see a mushroom, you're looking at only the fruit of the whole plant. The root system produc-ing the fruit is barely visible to the naked eye as a mat of tightly packed white threads. Every thread is coated with seeds - spores with a tail. When ripe the spores separate from their thread and sling themselves away haphazardly.

Hopefully a lucky few land on favorable food spots and become threads with spores that eventualy produce mushrooms.

Polyspores growing on trees are okay to eat but are tough and corky. If you trim a narrow strip off the edge of a young fresh shelf mushroom it adds fine

flavor to a stew or soup.

One common shelf mushroom is called Artist's fungus because the under surface is smooth, hard and white - a perfect place for an artist to draw a pic-ture with a toothpick or needle. The lines turn a pretty brown permanently.

Lumbermen say shelf mushrooms cause much economic damage because they cause trees to decay. I disagree because Polyspores can't make their own food so they can't cause primary decay. Their spores grow only on trees where bacteria rot has already made favorable conditions for spores to survive.

However, once established on a decaying log or injured tree, Polyspores do cause secondary decay and become the cleaner-uppers of the forest. Dead wood crumbles into sawdust then humus.

Imagine the seed machine's thousands of spores demolishing a log and reducing it to fine dust.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

The Town of Denning is seeking to fill a vacancy on the Board of Assessment Review any and all interested person(s) should send a letter of interest to the Town of Denning, PO Box 277, Claryville, N.Y. 12725. Further information may be obtained by calling the Town Hall at 985-2411.

BY THE ORDER OF THE DENNING TOWN BOARD

Joy Ann Monforte Town Clerk

10/1: 10/8

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 267, Town Law, on the application of Olga Kronmeyer for an Area Variance at 8119 State Route 55, Grahamsville, NY 12740. (ZBA #25-1-21) Olga Kronmeyer is requesting a variance for relief from §50-8 District Requirements in order to convert an existing one family dwelling to a two family dwelling.

Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 7:30 P.M. at which time all increased parties will be given an opportunity

BY ORDER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TOWN OF NEVERSINK VERN LINDQUIST, CHAIRMAN

10/8; 10/15

#### THE TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BOARD OF EDUCATION

Will hold a Regular Board Meeting On Thursday, October 8, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.

In the Secondary School Library Lower Level

# GRAHAMSVILLE RURAL CEMETERY ASSOC. encourage a better quality of life for the elderly and MEETING

The annual meeting of the Plot Holders Association of the Grahamsville Rural Cemetery will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2009 at 7 p.m. at Town Hall, Grahamsville, NY.

All plot holders are eligible to attend. 1/8;10/15

# UC HOST OPEN HOUSE DAY TO BEGIN

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK (From Pg. 1)
Ulster County Executive Mike Hein said, "I'm
pleased that we have been able to help volunteer fire
departments and rescue squads with their recruitment efforts. Our county-wide public service campaign has generated interest, however, many more volunteers are needed and the open houses scheduled on October 4th present a great opportunity for residents to visit their local firehouses and EMS squads, not only to meet some great people, but also to learn first-hand about the important work that they do." Residents who wish to learn more about volun-

teering in their local community volunteer fire department or rescue squad can also visit a special web site that Ulster County has set up for that purpose. The online address is: www.ucvolunteers.org

### CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION (From Pg. 1)

The dinner will feature the famous Cornell recipe for Barbecue Chicken along with locally grown side-dishes. In addition to the business meeting, there will be raffles, the Enrollment Round-up and outstanding volunteers will be recognized.

Following the meeting, music and dancing will be provided by the Little Texas Band at 8:00 p.m.

Advance tickets are available for \$12.50 for adults

and \$9.00 for youth or \$15.00 for adults and \$12.00 for youth, at the door. Take-outs will be available starting at 4:00 p.m. at \$10 for a single meal or \$35 for a family pack. To reserve tickets, or takeouts contact Cornell Cooperative Extension at (845)292-6180.

A FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES (From Pg. 1) Guest speaker Joanne Macklin (Executive Director from the NYS Coalition for the Aging and Statewide Caregiving & Respite Coalition of NY) will start the discussion on empowering Sullivan County to build successful aging friendly communities, where older adults can live safely, independently and with dignity in their homes with the appropriate support services. TRIAD (a partnership between senior representatives, community senior providers and law enforcement) collaborates on senior citizens concerns while striving to laborates on senior citizens concerns while striving to prevent elder victimization and violence.

The forum (followed by the Office for the Aging Annual Public Hearing) will be held at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center (Neighborhood Facility), 2 Jefferson St., Monticello. Registration & will start at 9 a.m., with the open forum to kick off at 9:30 a.m. The Office for the Aging public hearing will be at 11 a.m. to review services and hearing will be at 11 a.m. to review services and programs provided by the OFA (such as home delivered and congregate meals, in-home services, informal caregiver assistance, information and referral, shopping bus transportation, and medical transporta-tion). Information gathered at both the public hearing and open forum will be used to further develop services in the development of the Agency's Annual Plan for services which must be submitted to the New York

State Office for the Aging by December 1, 2009.

There will be ongoing meetings in Sullivan County communities to explain 'livable communities' and to distribute a survey on issues related to aging in the community. To arrange a presentation, to participate in the survey, or more information on the open forum residents may call 292-5250 (Bonnie Lewis, RN. at Cornell Cooperative Extension).

FROM SC SHERIFF'S OFFICE
On Sunday Sept 27, 2009, the Sullivan County
Sheriff's Office arrested Jayson Fischer, 38, of
Liberty on a warrant for Aggravated Harassment in
the 2nd degree. It is alleged that Fischer made
annoying telephone calls to his girlfriend's former
employer. Fischer was arraigned in the Village of
Liberty Justice court by Judge Harold Bauman who Liberty Justice court by Judge Harold Bauman who set bail at \$1000. As the arraignment ended, Fischer who was handcuffed, suddenly jumped up out of a chair, body checked the judge into a bulletin board, and ran out of the courtroom with Deputy Sheriff Joseph Gagliardo hot on his heels. Fischer ran down the center of Main Street and was cut off by a Village of Liberty Police Officer James Simon who helped the Deputy take Fischer into custody. Fischer and Deputy Gagliardo where injured when they fell to the ground. Judge Bauman was also injured when Fischer struck him. Fischer, Deputy Gagliardo, and Judge Bauman where taken to Catskill Regional Medical Center where they were treated and released. Jayson Fischer was charged with Assault 2nd, Escape 3rd and Resisting arrest by the Sheriff's Office. The Village of Liberty Police Dept. filed Assault 2nd, Criminal Mischief 4th, and Resisting Arrest charges in connection with the injuries to Judge Bauman. Jayson Fischer was arraigned before Town of Thompson Judge Martin Miller and committed to the Sullivan County Jail without bail.

# SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

By: Greg J. Goldstein, Town of Neversink Supervisor

**Reminder** The Town Hall will be closed on October 12th in observance of Columbus Day.

Budget Time We will be putting together our proposed budget by the end of this month and, hopefully, keeping a very minimal tax increase for the residents of our town.

Dept. of Motor Vehicles The DMV will be at the Town Hall from 10 AM to 2:30 PM on October 15th and November 12th.

General Election Mail Registration-applications must be postmarked not later than October 9th and received by Board of Elections not later than October 14th to be eligible to vote in the General Election. In-Person Registration-to be eligible to vote in the November general election, your application must be received no later than October 9th except if you have been honorably discharged from the military or have become a naturalized citizen since October 9th, you may register in person at the board of elections up until October 23rd. Change of Address-Notices of change of address from registered voters received by October 14th by a county board of elections must be processed and entered in the records in time for the general election. Absentee Ballots-Applications must be postmarked by October 27th. In person application until November 2nd. Actual Absentee Ballots must be postmarked by November 2nd and received by November 10 or delivered in person by November 3rd.

Hunting License. Hunting licenses for the 09-10 hunting season are now on sale. Southern zone bow deer hunting season begins on October 17th. Southern zone regular deer hunting season begins on November 21st. Hunting licenses can be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

New Voting System The Sullivan County Board of Elections will be sending to registered voters in Neversink Election Districts 1,2 & 4, brochures explaining a new voting system to be used on Election Day, November 3rd. Sullivan County Board of Elections has chosen the Town of Neversink to be a Pilot Program for this new system. Those who vote at the Town of Neversink Town Hall or the Neversink Firehouse will have the pleasure of using the new voting system. The new system will be available for you to try at the Neversink Town Hall in Grahamsville on October 21st from 1 to 5 PM and again on October 22nd from 4 to 8 PM. Please plan to s top by on either of these days for a demonstration. For further info, please call the Town Hall at 985-2262 ext 300/307. District 3, located in Willowemoc, will continue to use the traditional lever voting machine.

Sewer Project Update We are now waiting for final approval of the project and hope to have some good news this month. REMINDER - IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU DO NOT START THE SEWER HOOK-UP UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO DO SO BY THE TOWN OF NEVERSINK.

Stream Management Program The Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District and NYC DEP, along with cooperation from the Towns of Neversink and Denning will be developing stream management plans for the upper Rondout Creek and the East and West Branches of the Neversink River. It is through this effort that they will be looking at ways to prevent damage to property owners caused by chronic flooding, crosion problems, etc.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 985-2262 ext. 301.

Anyone interested in having the Supervisor's Corner e-mailed to them, please contact Brenda Devore @ 985-2262 ext. 306 with your e-mail address. She will put you on a list to receive the column when it comes out each month.



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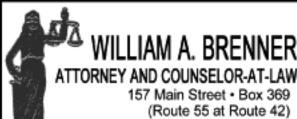
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TY BUDGET (From Pg. 1)

For our local families, this has meant doing with less, and often foregoing luxuries in order to get by. It is exactly the same for our local government. Our dollars are not stretching the way they used to, and we have spent a tremendous amount of time streamlining our operations and determining how best to continue to deliver essential services while holding the line on costs.

We have cut costs in every department, delayed programs and equipment purchases and implemented energy savings and waste reduction plans across County government. With revenues continuing to decline while the need for services continues to grow, the hard truth is that these streamlining meas-

ures may no longer be sufficient.

During this budget preparation, it is important that Sullivan County residents recognize that everything is on the table; everything must be examined. Cutting office hours, cutting service hours and increasing staff workloads are all being discussed. Ceasing to operate non-mandated social service programs and divesting of County services with large price tags are being considered. And yes, downsizing the size of the County workforce is also being discussed. Ultimately, we both heartily support an ade-quately compensated workforce- it just has to be the size we can afford.

The double-edged sword to local government is

that while County employees are individuals who live in our communities and provide services to our friends, neighbors and families and offer a sense of familiarity and quality-of-life we value, in times of economic uncertainty, we are never more aware that these County employees are our neighbors, families and friends, and that it is their livelihoods and abili-ty to take care of their families that are being dis-

However, our government operations are supported by our property taxpayers, and more than ever, we need to be cognizant of the burden placed upon them. We recognize that double-digit tax increases are simply not an option, and our main objective in developing this budget is matching the scope of our government operations with what our

taxpayers can afford. In the days and weeks ahead we will be reaching out through the local media to discuss our budgetary concerns with you, and once the Tentative 2010 Budget is filed on November 13th, we will once again open our public comment e-mail for your questions, comments and concerns. It is our chief goal to make this process as transparent as possible,

and to ensure the public takes part in this process, as

# 2-D . . . 3-D. . . POTPOURRI...PHO-TOGRAHPY, POTTERY AND SCULP-TURE AT THE CATSKILL ARTIST GALLERY

The Catskill Artists Gallery, 38 South Main Street, Liberty, NY, presents its last showcase exhibition of the season, "2-D. . . 3-D. . . Potpourri. . . ," a group show featuring photography, pottery and sculpture. The show will open on Saturday, October 17, with a reception and Meet the Artists party from 4 to 8 p.m., and will run through November 29.

This large group show will feature the art of seven members and consignors: Robert Friedman, Kathy Jeffers, Graham Bond, Cecily Fortescue, Laverne Black, Richard Hirschman, and Margaret Helthaler.

Helthaler.

Sculpture will be represented by member Robert Friedman, with dynamic new pieces using found objects and a wide variety of other materials.

Pottery will be shown by member Kathy Jeffers, who will present a new series of her signature whimsical works. In addition, internationally known Cecily Fortescue will present her sweeping, dynamic hand-built vessels; and Graham Bond will show his intricate raku art pieces, which combine wheel-thrown and hand-built techniques, with an added touch of fused glass on ceramic wall pieces. Three well-established and popular photogra-phers round out the selections in this show. La Verne

Black creates sensitive tributes to old farm structures and equipment fighting the elements of weather and time. Richard Hirschman's photos range from urban street energy to country foliage and outbuildings. Margaret Helthaler uses a pinhole camera to create

Margaret Helthaler uses a pinhole camera to create beautiful other-worldly images, and uses the encaustic process to enhance some of her work.

The Catskill Artists Gallery is a cooperative gallery of fine artists and fine craftspeople, with six members and some 40 consignors. The other gallery members are Cate Gundlah, Buff McAllister, Helena Clare Pittman, and Hank Schneider. In addition to the changing exhibitions, the gallery always has fabulous work in all media and price ranges, including painting, photography, sculpture, prints, glass, potpainting, photography, sculpture, prints, glass, pot-tery, jewelry, scarves and other fabric items, books, notecards, and more.

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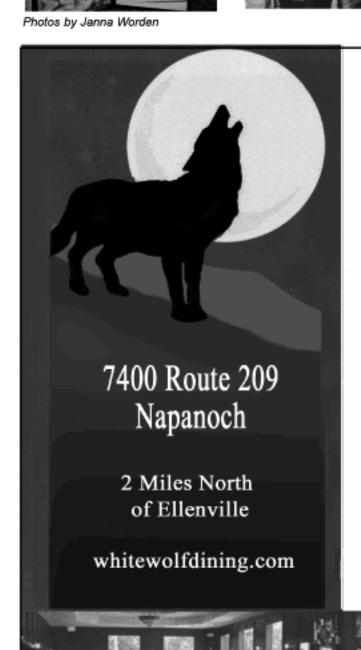
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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS (From Pg. 1)
The funding came through USDA's Renewable Energy for America Program (REAP), which provides grants and loan guarantees to farms and rural small businesses for renewable energy systems, energy efficiency improvements, feasibility studies and energy audits. The program requires matching funds on the part of the farmer or business owner and grants are limited to 25 percent of a project's total costs. Loan guarantees can cover up to 75 percent of project's costs, which is also the limit for those who receive both grants and loan guarantees.

The New York awards were funded through Rural Development's annual state allotment for renewable energy projects and raises the total REAP investment in New York to more than \$1.4 million. Last week, 27 New York projects received more than \$440,000 in REAP funding from Rural Development's national office.

"Like all of our grant programs, REAP is extremely competitive and I congratulate our New York recipients on their success," said Jill Harvey, State Director for USDA Rural Development in New York. "All of these projects are helping rural small businesses and farmers reduce energy consumption or develop sustainable energy systems, which will provide both economic and environmental benefits.

The 12 projects fell into four categories: solar photovoltaic systems and wind turbines, which are used for electricity generation, energy-efficient grain drying systems, and one innovative aerobic composting system at KA Sunset View Farm LLC in Schaghticoke in Washington County. KA Sunset View Farm will receive a \$203,700 grant and \$229,599 loan guarantee for its project, which heats water by capturing the heat from decaying compost.
Wind turbine projects, their locations and grant amounts are:
Shinn Winery, LLC, Mattituck, Suffolk County, \$23,375.
Cross Island Farms, Wellesley Island, Jefferson County, \$22,500.
Rodney Weaver, Hastings, Oswego County, \$21,918.
Thomas Trinder, Fabius, Onondaga County, \$22,611.

Solar photovoltaic locations and amounts are:
Twin Oaks Dairy, Truxton, Cortland County, \$80,908 grant and \$150,000 loan

Hepworth Farms, Milton, Ulster County, \$44,500. Bridle Hill Farm, Jeffersonville, Sullivan County, \$28,500.

Thunder View Farms LLC, Grahamsville, Sullivan County, \$29,313.
 Harmony Hill Dairy, Utica, Oneida County, \$49,978.
 Energy efficient grain-drying projects are:
 Zeliff Farms Partnership, Middleport, Orleans County, \$32,743.
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USDA Rural Development's mission is to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for rural residents. Rural Development fosters growth in homeownership, finances business development and supports the creation of critical community and technology infrastructure. Further information on rural programs is available by calling the state office at (315) 477-6400 or by visiting USDA Rural Development's web site at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/ny.

# NORTH EAST WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

The North East Watercolor Society will present its 33rd Annual International Exhibition from October 25 to November 8, 2009 at the Gallery at Kent Art Association, Kent, Connecticut. The opening reception will be October 25 from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. It will end November 8, 2009. The awards will be presented at the opening reception. Juror for the awards will be Janet Walsh, AWS, DF. Ms. Walsh will also teach a workshop for NEWS, in Florida, New York from

October 19th - 22nd.

NEWS began in Orange County and its local officers are still located in this area, but the membership ranges around the world and the show will feature many renowned watercolorists. The Kent Art Association building is located in the sce-nic western Connecticut Housatonic River Valley town of Kent that is also home to other galleries and restaurants. A catalogue of the show with color photos will

be available as well as prints, note cards, books and other related items.

For further information go to the NEWS website, the Kent Art Association website and Janet Walsh's website. www.northeastws.com; http://www.kentart.org; www.janetwalsh.co

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# "MASTERS OF JAZZ GUITAR" WITH BUCKY PIZZARELLI "Masters of Jazz Guitar," Bucky Pizzarelli with Frank Vignola and Ed Laub

will grace the Tusten Theatre stage on Saturday, October 24 at 8 p.m.

Bucky Pizzarelli is a living legend. The guitarist and banjo player, known for his extraordinary skill as a rhythm player has spent six decades on the jazz scene. Born John Pizzarelli in 1926 in Paterson, NJ, he began his professional career at 17 playing in the Vaughn Monroe dance band. In 1952 he joined NBC as a staff musician playing for many years in the Doc Severingen Band on "The as a staff musician playing for many years in the Doc Severinsen Band on "The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson." He also toured and recorded with Benny Goodman and performed at both the Reagan and Clinton White Houses.

Pizzarelli has recorded with nearly every jazz artist of note, including Duke Ellington, Doc Cheatham, and vocalists Tony Bennett, Frank Sinatra, and Sarah Vaughan. He's also played rhythm guitar on scores for the movies Stand By Me, The Fabulous Baker Boys, and Woody Allen's Sweet and Lowdown.

On the Tusten Theatre stage, Pizzarelli will be joined by fellow guitarists Frank Vignola and Ed Laub. Vignola has developed a unique sound on everything from gypsy jazz and commercial pop-jazz to hard bop, post-bop, and swing. The native New Yorker has been influenced by guitarists that range from Wes Montgomery to Frank Zappa. Laub started playing guitar in the early 50's at age 12 and by his mid-teens was studying with Pizzarelli.

Tickets are \$20 (DVAA members receive \$2 discount on advance sales).

Tickets are \$20 (DVAA members receive \$2 discount on advance sales). Tusten Theatre is located at 210 Bridge St, Narrowsburg, NY. For more information, visit www.ArtsAllianceSite.org. To purchase tickets, call (845)

# SENATOR BONACIC: NEW AND HIGHER FEES TARGET HUNTERS

State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/I/C - Mt. Hope) said today that when the State Legislature approved the \$8.5 billion in tax fee increases in the state budget, they placed a target on the backs of every hunter and fisherman by forc-ing them to pay between 25% and as much as 63% more for almost every type of sporting license. Senator Bonacic voted against all those new taxes and fee hikes.

Every month New Yorkers are getting hit with more taxes and fees as a result of the disastrous budget put together in secret by Governor Paterson and Democrats in both houses." Bonacic said, "On September 1st, it was increased license and registration fees for every driver of every kind of vehicle; starting

in October, it's higher license fees for sportsmen."

The Democrats voted to increase the cost of fishing and small and big game licenses from \$19 to \$29, a 53% increase. In addition, muzzle loading licenses will go up 31%; the cost of turkey permits will double; small game licenses will go up 63%; and trapping licenses will increase 31%. Every type of life-time license will increase between 27% for children; and adult licenses; 30% for a senior's lifetime license and 53% for a small and big game lifetime license. Also, there is a new license for recreational marine fishing.

The hunting and fishing fee hikes come on the heels of the 25% increase in

motor vehicle registration and drivers license fees that took effect September 1st for passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles, motorboats and custom vehicles. These increases will create an additional cost to New York drivers projected to be almost \$152 million over the next two years.

"Tax hikes on sport licenses, cars and drivers, beer and wine, together with taking away STAR property tax rebate checks, there is simply no end to the Democrats' appetite for spending and tax hikes. "Bonacic said.

SC OFFICE FOR THE AGING (From Pg. 1) The Open Forum is co-sponsored by TRIAD, a partnership among senior representatives, the Office for the Aging, and other community senior service providers and law enforcement agencies. TRIAD collaborates on older citizens' concerns while striving to improve the quality of life of the elderly and reduce victimization of the elderly.

The Office for the Aging provides such programs as home delivered and congregate meals, in-home services, resources for informal caregivers, information and referral, shopping bus transportation, and medical transportation. Information gathered at both the Public Hearing and Open Forum will be used to develop the Agency's Annual Plan for services, which must be submitted to the New York State Office for the Aging by December 1, 2009.

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Registration and free breakfast refreshments will start at 9 a.m. with the Open Forum to kick off at 9:30 a.m. and the Office for the Aging Public Hearing from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. to review services and programs provided by the Office for the Aging. For more information, please call the Office for the Aging at 807-0241 or Cornell Cooperative Extension (a TRIAD member) at 292-5250.

There will be ongoing meetings in Sullivan County communities to explain 'livable communities' and to distribute a survey on issues related to aging in the community. To arrange a presentation or to participate in the survey, residents may call 292-5250 (Bonnie Lewis, RN at Cornell Cooperative Extension).



HINCHEY PUSHING EMERGENCY LEG-ISLATION TO PREVENT SOCIAL SECU-RITY BENEFIT CUT

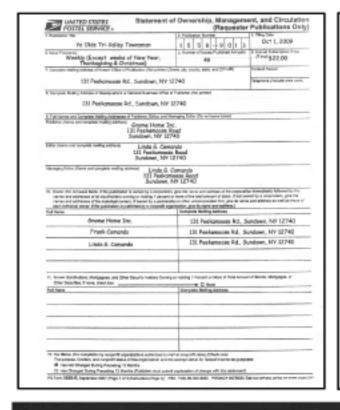
Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today joined Congressman Peter DeFazio (D-OR) and U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) in pushing for passage of the Emergency Senior Citizens Relief Act, which would provide Social Security recipients an extra one-time payment of \$250 next year. Without the legislation, millions of seniors will see their Social Security checks hold steady or even shrink because — for the first time since 1975 — there will be no cost-of-living adjustment while Medicare-related expenses, particularly prescription drugs, are expected to rise.

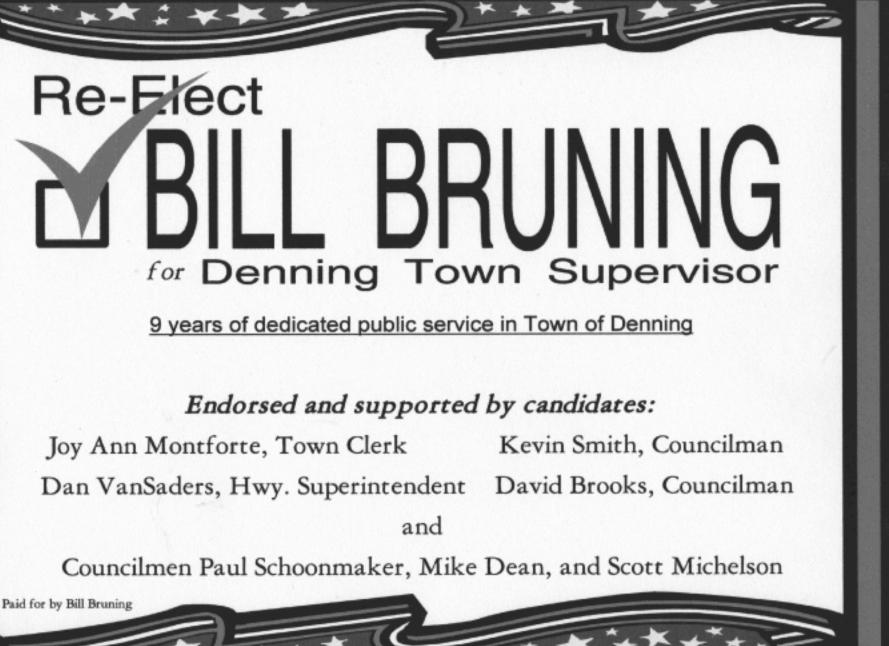
"Without a cost-of-living-adjustment for Social

Security, seniors will continue to pay for prescription drugs that are becoming increasingly more expensive and they will not receive any increase in benefits to help pay for them," Hinchey said. "While we may not be seeing the general inflation that normally prompts Social Security cost-of-living-adjustments, seniors know full well that their medical costs are not holding steady; they are continuing to rise and we need to help them pay for it the way we always do -- through an increase in Social Security payments. Doing so would relieve a huge financial burden for many sen-

iors who have come to rely on those increases to pay for their many medical needs." (Contd. Pg. 14)

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SENATOR BONACIC (From Pg. 1) Senator Bonacic noted that farming is a difficult job. "Farming is one of the hardest jobs in the State. When the weather is 20 degrees below 0 or 105 outside, the cows have to be tended to. You can't plan a family vacation unless you have someone to take care of the farm animals. There is no rest, and constant work, and the product is something that every American counts on from birth to death. We cannot lose our family farms. Action by the State Legislature is needed.

Farmers at the Sullivan County forum, held on September 24 in Jeffersonville, asked Bonacie to organize a public hearing at the Capitol to try and elevate their issues. Senator Bonacic has also taken a number of legislative steps to assist farmers:

He suggested and ultimately won enactment of the Dairy Farm Assistance Program of 2006. That program provided direct assistance to dairy farmers based on the number of cattle they had.

He authored New York's farm worker housing law so that Dairy Farmers can have 0% loans to build quality housing for their farm workers. Previously Dairy Farmers were excluded from this program. "Hired help on farms must have access to safe and quality housing. If farm workers get sick it puts the entire farm operation and product at risk," Senator Bonacic said.

This year he and Senate Republicans offered an amendment to the budget to provide \$60 million in emergency aid to Dairy Farmers - which was defeated by Democrats on a 30 - 32 party line vote. Every Republican voted for it. Every Democrat in the Senate voted against it. Even after that, Governor Paterson directed \$200 million in aid as "bonuses" for welfare recipients.

Senator Bonacic is currently co-sponsoring, with Senator Young, legislation to re-authorize the 2006 Dairy Assistance Program in the amount of \$75 million.

"One local paper noted that words are nice but what was needed was legislation to help our farmers. I agree. Legislation has been proposed. We now need the Democratic majorities in the Senate and Assembly to call a session and vote on the aid Senator Young and I are recommending," Bonacic said.

The forum in Albany on October 19 is designed to raise the issues which concern New York State farmers, and try and force those in charge of State government to vote on solutions

"As a result of the Sullivan County agricultural forum - sponsored by Cornell Cooperative Extension, and carried live on Thunder 102, farmers across New York will now have the opportunity to take their message to the State Capitol. Media from around the State will be invited to help spread the word in support of more farm aid. Those in charge of State government cannot claim ignorance of this important issue. We are taking our message statewide because the loss of family farms will mean

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more jobs would be lost and New Yorkers will pay more for dairy products.

While oral testimony will be limited due to the expected Statewide interest, the forum is open to the public, and attendance is encouraged. Written testimony is not limit-ed and can be submitted to Senator Bonacic, who will share that testimony with all Senate Agriculture Committee members. "Numbers speak. The more people, the greater the interest," Bonacic noted. Anyone interested in more information or for directions to the forum should contact Senator Bonacic's office at (845) 344 3311 or by email at SenatorJohnBonacic@gmail.com.

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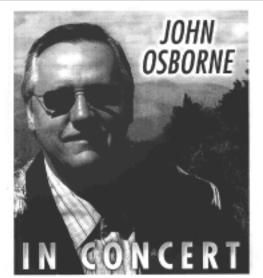


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# HINCHEY PUSHING TO PREVENT SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFIT CUT (From

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Unless Congress passes the Emergency
Senior Citizens Relief Act, Social Security monthly
benefits will drop because Medicare costs, particularly prescription drug costs, are scheduled to increase. Nearly 70 percent of beneficiaries depend on Social Security for at least half of their income, and Social Security is the sole source of income for 15 percent of recipients. Under this legislation, all Social Security recipients, railroad retirees, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) beneficiaries and adults receiving veteran benefits would receive the one-time \$250 payment. DeFazio and Sanders are the original sponsors of the legislation and Hinchey is a leading cosponsor.

AILEEN GUNTHER (From Pg. 1)

"Two days ago the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation released a draft SGEIS regarding well permits for horizontal drilling and fracturing, said Gunther. The Assembly wants to solicit input on this draft and I am eager to hear from all stake-holders on this important issue.

# HINCHEY'S STATEMENT ON NYS DEC's DRAFT IMPACT STATEMENT FOR NAT-URAL GAS DRILLING ACTIVITIES IN

Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today issued the following statement regarding the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) release of its draft Supplemental Generic Environmental Impact Statement (SGEIS) for natural gas drilling activities in New York. Hinchey submitted comments to the DEC in December 2008 regarding the agency's draft scope for the SGEIS. Those comments can be

read by clicking here: Hinchey is the author of legislative language approved by the House earlier this year that formally urges the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to conduct a study on the impact that hydraulic fracturing has on drinking water supplies. The congressman is also the coauthor of the Fracturing Responsibility and Awareness of Chemicals (FRAC) Act of 2009, which would restore the EPA's authority to regulate hydraulic fracturing as it relates to drinking water supplies. Additionally, the bill would require companies to honestly disclose the contents of fracking fluid in order to increase public awareness and to enable state and local regulators to properly control the chemicals being pumped into the ground. "I am very grateful for the work that Commissioner Grannis and the entire DEC staff did

to produce this comprehensive draft environmental impact statement. New York may soon see an extensive level of natural gas drilling and it's imperative that we take every step possible to ensure the protection of the environment from the potentially harmful practice of hydraulic fracturing. We cannot afford to make a mistake that could result in irreparable damage being done to our drinking water supplies and the overall environment.

"Given that the draft report released today is 800 pages long, it will take some time to read the full document and get a full grasp of what the DEC is proposing. I'm encouraged by the seriousness with which the DEC undertook the drafting of this important document. As I begin to carefully read through the draft report I'm hopeful it will be about through the draft report I'm hopeful it will be abun-dantly clear that the DEC is doing everything within its power to protect our state's residents, their drinking water supplies, and the environment as a whole. I also encourage the state to extend the com-ment period from 60 days to 90 days so that everyone has time to review the draft report and offer their feedback."

# NYS DEC SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRON-MENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON GAS DRILLING

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is responsible for regulating the development and production of oil and gas resources in New York State. Natural gas exploration and production companies, and mineral rights owners, are interested in developing a potentially significant gas resource in the Marcellus Shale through the use of horizontal drilling and a hydraulic fracturing technique known as "slick water fracturing." This technique requires large volumes of water. The Department has identified the action of well permit issuance when high-volume hydraulic fracturing is proposed as one which requires further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA").

The Department evaluated its oil and gas regula-

The Department evaluated its oil and gas regulatory program through development of a Generic Environmental Impact Statement ("GEIS") which was finalized in 1992 and which sets parameters that are applicable statewide for SEQRA review of gas well permitting. The Department proposed a Final well permitting. The Department prepared a Final Scope which describes the topics related to well per-mit issuance for high-volume hydraulic fracturing that the Department has identified for review in a draft Supplemental Generic Environmental Impact
Statement ("dSGEIS"). Written and verbal comments
from all interested parties were considered in the
preparation of the Final Scope. The Department has
now released the Draft SGEIS for additional public
review and comment. The Final SGEIS, to be prepared after consideration of comments received on
the draft will set additional parameters for SEOPA. the draft, will set additional parameters for SEQRA review. (Contd. Pg. 15)

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Neversink Fire Dist Meeting - 7:30 pm - Public Meeging 8:00 pm
ELECTION DAY - Town of Neversink Holiday
Tri-Valley AARP #1604 Meeting - 1:30 pm Town Hall Grahamsville 10/20/09 10/20/09 10/21/09 10/21/09 10/21/09 11/3/09 Tri-Valley AARP #1604 Meeting- 1:30pm Town Hall Grahamsville Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00 pm - Denning Town Hall 11/4/09 11/4/09 11/4/09 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting 11/6/09 First Thursday Readers - Daniel Pierce Library 1 pm Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall 11/7/09 11/11/09 VETERANS' DAY- Town of Neversink Holiday
Dept. of Motor Vehicles - Neversink Town Hall - 10 am - 2 :30 pm 11/12/09

#### SAVE THE DATE!

14th Annual Women's Conference to be held on Saturday, April 17, 2010 at Sullivan County Community College.

Town of Denning Message Board: http://www.denning.us Town of Neversink Website: http://town of neversink.org Daniel Pierce Library - http://www.danielpiercelibrary.org Time and The Valleys Museum - http://timeandthevalleysmuseum.org Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman On-Line Edition: http://thetownsman.com To find out what is happening at Tri-Valley CSD: http://tvcs.k12.ny.us

Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is now available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

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The Department will then process and, as appropriate, issue well permits for gas well developed to the process and the process and the process are appropriate. opment using high-volume hydraulic fracturing in

accordance with both the GEIS and the SGEIS.

Aspects of high-volume hydraulic fracturing reviewed in this Draft include the potential impacts of (1) water withdrawals, (2) transportation of water to the site, (3) the use of additives in the water to enhance the hydraulic fracturing process, (4) space and facilities required at the well site to ensure proper handling of water and additives, (5) removal of spent fracturing fluid from the well site and its ultimate disposition and (6) potential impacts at well sites where multiple wells will be drilled during a three-year period. Noise, visual and air quality considerations are noted, along with the potential for cumulative and community impacts. The well permitting process is described, and regulatory coordination with other jurisdic-tional agencies and local governments is also dis-

Interested persons are urged to carefully review the Draft SGEIS.

# VIEW FROM THE TOP - CATSKILL FIRE TOWERS

On Saturday, October 10th at 4:30pm, Marty Podskoch will present Fire Towers of the Catskills and Adirondacks, at Morgan Outdoors, 46 Main Street, Livingston Manor NY. The hourlong program will interest history lovers, hikers, photographers, people of all ages who enjoy a great view, and those who need a destination with a reward. Suitable for all ages.

Years ago, fire observers watched the Catskill forests from some 23 towers, searching for the signs of forest fires. Today, only 5 steel towers remain in the 700,000-acre Catskill Park. They are: Balsam Lake Mountain, northeast of Lew Beach; Red Hill, north of Grahamsville; Tremper Mountain, southeast of Phoenicia; Hunter Mountain, in Greene County, and Overlook Mountain north of Woodstock. All were renovated and re-opened to the public in 2000-01.

Marty Podskoch is the author of five books: Fire Towers of the Catskills: Their History and Lore and four books about Adirondack Fire Towers. Podskoch, a retired teacher from Delhi, NY now living in CT, also writes a weekly column published in five Adirondack newspapers. This program is held in conjunction with Morgan Outdoors' 2009 Fall Fire Tower Climb, which encourages hikes to any of the 5 beautifully renovated Catskill Fire Towers between Sept 4th and Nov 28th, 2009, to enter a grand prize drawing. Guidelines and a Fire Tower Passport are available at Morgan Outdoors and at ways were represented to the control of the control at www.morgan-outdoors.com. To reserve a seat for the October 10th program, call Morgan Outdoors at 845/439 5507.

# FFA ALUMNI CHICKEN BBQ

The FFA Alumni Chicken Barbeque will be held on October 17th from 3-6 p.m. at the Tri-Valley High School Cafeteria. Tickets are \$10.00. To purchase tickets, you can call the school at 985-2296 and ask for the Ag Room, or Nancy Barkley. There will be a limited number of tickets at the door.

# Town of Denning Residents

You are invited to the Town of Denning Democratic

# Candidates' Day

Saturday, October 17, 2009 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Claryville Firehouse Denning Road, Claryville, NY

Take this opportunity to get to know the candidates better

Refreshments will be served

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# Daniel Pierce Library

HOURS: Tuesdays & Thursdays - 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Wednesdays & Fridays - 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays 9 á.m.-5 p.m. Closed Sundays and Mondays

The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month.

On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm. 845-985-7233

Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every Townsman printed since the beginning in loose-leaf binders classified by year for anyone to research. For further information, contact the historian's office in Grahamsville at 985-2262 x313, e-mail: historian@townofneversink.org, or visit www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org

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Grahamsville Fire Dept PO Box 331, Grahamsville, NY 12740

Grahamsville 1st Aid Squad, P O Box 152, Grahamsville, NY 12740

Neversink Fire Dept., PO Box 627, Neversink, NY 12765

Neversink EMS, P O Box 468, Neversink, NY

Neversink Fire District, PO Box 394, Neversink, NY 12765

Claryville Fire District, P O Box 22, Claryville, NY 12725

Denning Democrats

Vote Row "A" all the way! Our County Democratic slate is: Judge James Gilpatric, Supreme Court Ulster County; County Clerk, Gilda Riccardi; re-elect Ulster County Court Judge Deborah Schneer, a sitting Judge that has 25 years of diverse legal experience throughout the Hudson Valley and beyond, giving her broad exposure to all facets of our legal system. Her opponent Mr. Don Williams has spent his whole career in one job. Deborah Schneer has years of judicial experience, balancing the interests of all parties who came before her and earning respect from both sides of the aisle. Her opponent has never been a judge never presided over a single case in his life and has only been a court-room partisan; incumbents Brian Shapiro and Don Gregorius for Ulster County Legislators; Frank Comando, Supervisor for the Town of Denning.

All residents of the Town of Denning are invited to "Meet the Candidates Day" on Saturday, October 17 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. at the Claryville Firehouse. Refreshments will be served.

November 3, Election Day is just around the corner, please come out and vote. It is your privilege and civic duty.

See our ad in this week's edition for our other local party endorsements.

Contact the new Denning Democratic Committee and send your suggestions for improving the Town of Denning to- Email:

denningdems@yahoo.com or call 845.985.0501 Democratic Committee Chair Frank Comando

# ANSWER TO KNARF'S MOVIE TRIVIA

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#### Knarf's "Classic Movie" Trivia

The Manchurian Candidate (1962)

Mind games abound in this Frankenheimer, Korean War classic film, which profiles a hero's life after being brainwashed in a prisoner of war camp. He comes

home, not realizing he has been programmed to kill by the enemy.

Cast: Laurence Harvey, Frank Sinatra, and Angela Lansbury. Dir: John Frankenheimer. BW-127 mins, TV-PG, CC, Letterbox Format, On TCM Friday October 9, 2009, @ 8:00 PM Quiz:

A. Name the actor who portrayed the character Bennett Marco?

B. Name the actor who played the character Rosie?

What's going on in the Gnome Gneighborhood™ this week?

The day is here! It's known as "Columbus Day," a day to remember Christopher Columbus. In Spanish he is called Cristobal Colon, in Portuguese Cristovio Colombo and in Italian Cristoforo Colombo. By the time he was 31 or 32, Columbus was a master mariner in the Portuguese merchant service. By the mid-1480's, Columbus had become focused on his plans of discovery. Chief among them was the desire to discover a westward route to Asia. Italian mariner and navigator, Columbus made four voyages to the West Indies, but by the end of his final voyage, Columbus' health had deteriorated. He died in Vallodid on May 20, 1506. His remains were later moved to the Cathedral of Santo Domingo in Hispaniola, where they were laid with those of his son Diego. They were returned to Spain in 1899 and interred in the Seville Cathedral.

October 11 is a magical day, so the Gnomes say. It is a day to learn about nature and how things grow. Charles P. Blume, is our very own New York State ISA Certified arborist who will be demonstrating and educating us on the how-tos of cider making to discussions on how to make your fruit trees bless you with their abundance. So come one, come all to Lacawack Hill at 7 Dean Road from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm to join in the fare, and the fresh harvests that will be there. Enjoy the music from 2:00-4:00 pm. For further information on this very organic experience, call (845) 985-7689 or email:

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Bye,

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