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Community members listened for nearly an hour on Saturday morning as Michael Taylor unveiled his plans for Holiday Mtn.

# Holiday Mtn. to be reborn

*Monticello businessman buys ski hill, unveils plans*



**Michael Taylor**  
 STORY AND PHOTOS  
 BY FRED STABBERT III



Work has already begun on reshaping the ski hill, repairing it from erosion, which new owner, Michael Taylor, said is an unending problem.

BRIDGEVILLE – A lifelong passion for skiing is being turned into a mission to restore Holiday Mtn. into a skiing mecca for local families and eventually turn it into a regional attraction.

The new owner, Michael Taylor of Monticello, held a public forum on Saturday morning at the ski hill's lodge, and more than 150 members of the community turned out to listen as Taylor unveiled his new plans.

"I learned to ski here and at the Concord," Taylor said. "I am thankful I had the opportunity."

That opportunity weighed heavy on the mind of Taylor, who knew the ski hill was for sale for several years before he decided to pull the trigger earlier this year.

Taylor is the CEO of Combined Energy Services, a family-owned business which was started by his father, Walt, in 1968.

The business has expanded throughout the Northeast and is multi-faceted in supplying home energy needs.

And much of Michael's expertise in running a highly successful business is being transferred to Holiday Mtn.'s project.

"[Former owner] Craig Passante is a stand up guy," Taylor told the crowd. "His heart was in it but he couldn't move forward fast enough. He wants success for the mountain."

Taylor said even after he and Passante had inked a deal, Passante was offered \$500,000 more from devel-

opers who wanted to turn Holiday Mtn. into a housing development.

But despite bigger and bigger offers, Taylor said Passante wanted to keep Holiday Mtn. as a ski resort and sold it to Taylor.

Thompson Supervisor William Rieber said, "Craig did the very best he could. He was a great steward for it. The Town of Thompson is giving Holiday Mtn. and Mike Taylor 100 percent support."

**Local History**  
 Holiday Mtn. started in

1957 and was owned by the Town of Thompson. As financial stress hit the town and losses mounted at the ski hill – to the tune of \$250,000 per year – the decision was made to sell it.

Passante purchased the ski hill from the town in 2000 and tried to pump new life into the 40-year-old attraction by adding a fun park, motocross and other events.

However, a flood and uncooperative weather patterns did little to help Passante turn the struggling ski hill around.

**New Blood**

"We're skiers," Taylor said, describing his whole family's love of the sport. "Maybe we're a little bit crazy but we want to make this place fun."

During the past three months, Taylor said a lot of progress has already been made.

"Our first goal is stop the erosion," he said, referring to the tremendous damage water has done on the mountain.

"Our crew did a great job the last three months, installing all new split rail fences," he said. "Our excavation crew has moved thousands of cubic yards of sand already."

They also installed a new, safer go-cart system, purchased a quad chairlift, replaced the Turkey Trot chairlift and had state inspectors on site.

Holiday Mtn. is also building a new 12-lane tubing run which will have its own conveyor lift.

Improving the driveways and parking lots are also on the list.

"It's a work in progress," he said.

Taylor pointed out what a natural attraction the ski hill already is.

"We are concentrating on skiing," he said. "Snowmaking is a definite priority."



Michael Taylor gave credit to his staff for the hard work they have already put in.

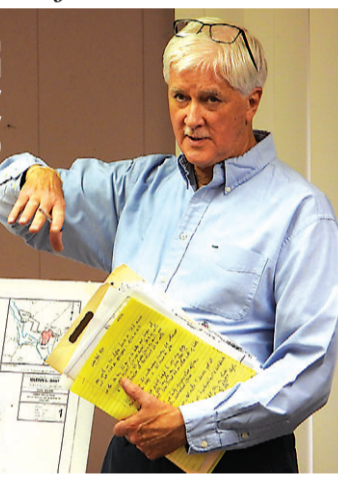
**A Look Inside the Sullivan County Economic Scene**



## PUD-ing it on hold

*Swan Lake project needs 'further discussion'*

Project engineer Glenn Smith noted that the proposed PUD in the Town of Liberty is projected to span roughly 80 acres and house 180 multi-bedroom units.



STORY AND PHOTO  
 BY DEREK KIRK

LIBERTY – It was a full house in Liberty as residents gathered to hear updates on a Planned Unit Development (PUD) project proposed for Swan Lake, Lake Hills Estates LLC, as the Liberty Town Board and Planning Board gathered for a joint meeting on June 6.

The PUD project was proposed before a joint panel of members of the Town Board and members of the Planning Board by Joel Kohn, CEO of JK Expediting Services, Ivan Kalter, and planning consultant Tom Shepstone and project engineer Glenn Smith.

The PUD, positioned between Kelly Bridge Road and Route 55, is slated to house 180 units across 80 acres, with 115 of those structures set to be two-bedroom at 40 by 45 square feet, and the remaining 62 set to be 4-5 bedrooms at 50 by 60 square feet. According to Kohn, there was an additional 130 acre plot that was originally slated to be a part of the PUD, but has since been removed from the site plan due to it not being continuous property.

It was noted by the presenters that the development would use roughly 60,000 gallons of water per day. They also noted that roughly 49 to 50 percent of the acreage is used as "open space" where walkways and other outdoor amenities are to be installed. The proposed PUD was also noted to be available to be used as a public space.

The presenters noted that the property does contain Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) appointed wetlands. However, the developers highlighted the need to interact with only one portion of those wetlands, and expressed their desire to avoid any further work located in those specified areas.

According to documented zoning uses on the town's website, it is noted that the special uses and developmental standards for a PUD must be in alignment with section 147-23 of the town zoning law.

DeMayo said that the possibility of changing the

zoning code may or may not come to fruition, as the applicants may choose to change the proposal from being labeled as a PUD into a Conservation Subdivision, or something of the sort.

The public was given time to express their opinions on the project. A number of dissenters lodged complaints on various aspects of the project, including concerns with sticking to zoning codes that are already in place within the town's laws and comprehensive plan.

"It would set a terrible precedent if the Liberty Town Board allowed the Planned Unit Development (PUD) Lake Hills Estates LLC... Swan Lake deserves better than that," resident Cora Edwards said.

Those in favor of the project noted the need for the tax revenue that would be generated from the property.

One resident, Allen Werlau, said that the development would invite economic benefits for the town.

"We pushed away growth [in the past], let's welcome this," Werlau said.

According to Town Supervisor Frank DeMayo, the project that was presented on June 6 had some stark differences from that which was originally pitched to the town. Further discussions on the project are needed in light of these changes, DeMayo said.

**Early Copy, Please**

In observance of the Juneteenth Holiday, the printing company of the Sullivan County Democrat will be closed on Monday, June 19.

The Democrat will have early deadlines for its Tuesday, June 20 newspaper. They are:

- Advertising, noon on Thursday, June 15
- Classified, noon on Thursday, June 15
- Editorial, noon on Thursday, June 15
- Legal Notices, noon on Thursday, June 15

Thank you and the Democrat offices will be open on Monday, June 19.

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MEETINGS

**TUESDAY JUNE 13**  
**Town of Tusten, Town Board,**  
Meeting, 6:30 p.m., 210 Bridge St.,  
Narrowsburg.  
**Town of Thompson, Zoning Board,**  
Work Session, 6:30 p.m., Meeting, 7  
p.m., 4052 Route 42, Monticello.  
**Kauneonga Lake Fire District,**  
Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.,  
Kauneonga Lake Firehouse, 3574  
NYS Route 55, Kauneonga Lake.  
**Town of Highland, Town Board,**  
Meeting, 7 p.m., Eldred Town Hall, 4  
Proctor Rd., Eldred.  
**Village of Monticello, Planning**  
Board, Meeting, 6 p.m., 2 Pleasant  
St., Monticello.

LIBERTY — This Thursday, June 15 is set as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day and Sullivan County residents are encouraged to help out in anyway they can. They can use local resources while viewing and sharing information about the signs and forms of elder abuse and how to identify it. "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day aims to promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older persons by raising awareness of this hidden epidemic," explains Social Services Commissioner John Liddle. "My Department and the Office for the Aging work closely with law enforcement to address this problem collaboratively, because it does unfortunately occur in Sullivan County." Office for the Aging Director Lise-Anne Deoul says that there are many signs of possible elder abuse. The forms of elder abuse, according to Deoul, include physical, emotional

# June 15 set aside to promote World Elder Abuse awareness



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and sexual abuse; financial exploitation; and neglect. "It is incumbent on family, caregivers, health practitioners, friends and neighbors to watch for these signs," she said. Those signs include an older adult:

- seeming depressed, confused or withdrawn
- being isolated from friends and family
- having unexplained bruises, burns or scars
- exhibiting poor hygiene or appearing underfed, dehydrated, overmedicated

or undermedicated, or is not receiving needed care for medical problems

- having bed sores or other preventable conditions
- showing recent changes in banking or spending patterns

According to 2011's "Under the Radar: New York State Elder Abuse Prevention Study," each year over 300,000 older adults are victims of elder abuse in New York State. In 2022, Sullivan County Adult Protective Services conducted 180 safety investigations involving individuals over 60 years of age. According to Liddle, elder abuse is often hidden and goes unreported. "Statewide, for every reported case of elder abuse, 23 cases go unreported," Liddle said. "Financial exploitation is the most common form of elder abuse. According to statewide data, for every reported case of financial exploitation, 43 cases go unreported." Deoul noted that there is

an increased risk for elder abuse to older adults who are socially isolated. Even before the COVID-19 pandemic, there was a risk that has only gotten magnified. "In 2017, the U.S. Surgeon General declared a 'global epidemic' of social isolation," Deoul said. "That problem has been magnified on a historic scale over the last two years of the pandemic, putting more older adults at risk of abuse while disconnecting people from the community supports that would otherwise detect it." She referenced a study in the American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry that suggests that 1 in 5 older people has experienced elder abuse during the pandemic, which she says is an increase of nearly 84 percent. There are several ways to report both suspicion of and confirmed cases of abuse and neglect in New York:

- Call the New York State Bureau of Adult Services Helpline at 1-844-697-3505.
- Call Sullivan County's Intake

Line at 845-513-2390.

- Call 911 if someone is in immediate danger or risk of harm.
- Call the Elder Abuse Helpline for Concerned Persons. A "concerned person" is a family member, friend, or neighbor impacted by elder abuse. These family members, friends, and neighbors may not know where to turn or who to call. That is where the helpline comes in. Services are free and confidential: 1-844-746-6905 (this is a non-emergency resource).

Since caregiver stress is a major risk factor for abuse, there are supports available through the Caregiver Resource Center, a partnership between the Office for the Aging and Cornell Cooperative Extension, including caregiver support groups and respite services, which provide temporary relief for caregivers (like temporary substitute care or supervision of adults). Call 845-807-0241 for more info.

## Rabid cat confirmed in Fallsburg; free rabies clinic set for June 14 at Morningside Park, Hurleyville

BY NIC BIRGLER

FALLSBURG — The Sullivan County Department of Public Health has confirmed that a stray cat euthanized in the South Fallsburg area tested positive for the rabies virus. The rabies virus is common throughout New York State with a vast majority of animals affected are wild. Domesticated animals account for less than 10% of rabies cases. Rabies can spread to people and pets if they are bitten or scratched by a rabid animal. The virus is prevented by vaccinating pets, staying away from wildlife and seeking medical care after potential exposures before symptoms start. The county encourages to keep your pets up-to-date on vaccination and indoors when not on a leash. Vaccinated pets serve as a buffer between rabid wildlife and humans. Vaccines for dogs, cats and ferrets over three months of age are effective for a one-year period. Revaccinations are effective for up to three years and pets too young to be vaccinated should be kept indoors. Helpful things to remember to protect yourself and your family from rabies include feeding your pet indoors,

boarding up any openings to your attic, basement, porch or garage, and capping your chimney with screens. The Department of Health also encourages people to "bat proof" their living spaces as bats have small, sharp teeth and in certain circumstances people can be bitten and not know it. It is important to encourage children to immediately tell an adult if they are bitten by any animal and to not touch any animal except their own. The next regularly scheduled free rabies vaccination clinic for dogs, cats and ferrets, open to anyone in the county and sponsored by the Department of Public Health, will be held on Wednesday, June 14, from 6-7:30 p.m. at Morningside Park in Hurleyville, Town of Fallsburg. Seek treatment for all animal bites and report contact with wild animals to Sullivan County Department of Public Health at (845)-292-5910. If safe, don't let an animal escape that has possibly exposed someone to rabies. For more information please contact the Disease Surveillance and Investigation Department of Sullivan County Public Health at 845-292-5910.

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 14**  
**Mamakating Public Library, Board**  
of Trustees Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m.,  
Mamakating Public Library, 128  
Sullivan St., Wurtsboro. Intersted  
parties call (845) 888-8004.  
**Village of Jeffersonville, Board**  
Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Russell E.  
Duttweiler Community Center, 17  
Center St., 2nd Floor, Jeffersonville.  
**North Branch Fire District, Monthly**  
Meeting, 6:30 p.m., District Meeting  
Room, 20 N. Branch Rd., North  
Branch.  
**Town of Cochection, Town Board,**  
Meeting, 7 p.m. 74 Smales Rd., Lake  
Huntington.  
**Town of Delaware, Town Board,**

Meeting, 7 p.m., 104 Main St.,  
Hortonville.  
**Town of Fremont, Town Board,**  
Meeting, 7 p.m., 12 County Road 95,  
Fremont Center.  
**Town of Lumberland, Town Board,**  
Meeting, 7 p.m., 1054 Proctor Rd.,  
Glen Spey.  
**Town of Thompson, Planning Board,**  
Meeting, 7 p.m., 4052 Route 42,  
Monticello.  
**Town of Neversink, Town Board,**  
Meeting, 7:30 p.m., 273 Main St.,  
Grahamsville.  
**Town of Bethel, Town Board,**  
Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall, 3460  
Route 55, White Lake.  
**Mountaintale Fire District,**  
Monthly Meeting, 8 p.m.,  
Mountaintale Firehouse, 132 Main  
St., Mountaintale.

Legion St., Jeffersonville.  
**Hankins-Fremont Fire District,**  
Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m., Hankins-  
Fremont Firehouse, 20 Newman Hill  
Rd., Hankins.  
**Monticello CSD District Board**  
of Education Meeting at 6:30  
p.m. Located in the Robert J. Kaiser  
Middle School Library.  
**Village of Monticello Zoning Board**  
of Appeals Meeting at 6 p.m., at  
the Village Hall Meeting Room, 2nd  
Floor.  
**Neversink Fire District, Fire**  
Commissioners Board Meeting, 7:30  
p.m., 7486 State Rte 55, Neversink.  
**Town of Mamakating, Zoning**  
Board of Appeals, Public Hearing, 7  
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**Tri-Valley CSD Board of Education**  
Meeting, 7 p.m., Secondary School  
Library Lower Level.  
**Village of Monticello Zoning Board**  
of Appeals, 6 p.m. at the Village Hall  
Meeting Room on the 2nd Floor.  
**Grover Hermann Hospital**  
Auxiliary Meeting, 4 p.m., Hospital  
Cafeteria, 8881, State Route 97 in  
Callicoon.  
**Executive Committee Meeting, 9**  
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**Full Legislative Board Meeting, 11**  
a.m., 100 North Street, Monticello.

**THURSDAY JUNE 15**  
**Town of Rockland, Town Board,**  
Meeting, 7 p.m., 95 Main St.,  
Livingston Manor.  
**Village of Liberty, Village Board,**  
Meeting, 7 p.m., 167 North Main  
St., Liberty.  
**Narrowsburg Fire District, Regular**  
Meeting, 7 p.m., Lava Fire Hall, 7898  
ST RT 52, Narrowsburg.  
**Town of Callicoon, Zoning Board**  
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# HOLIDAY: Big plans for ski hill's future

Continued from front page

To that end, he is installing new snowmaking equipment which – under favorable winter conditions – will be able to blanket the hill in 40 hours.

“We will have three times the snowmaking capacity than we have now,” he said. One of the advantages for Holiday Mtn.’s snowmaking success is that they have plenty of water, with the nearby Neversink River a perfect source.

Taylor is also focused on getting the younger generation – especially local high school students – back to Holiday Mtn.

“We want to turn them into skiers,” he said. “I want to bring back the high school racers, too.”

Taylor also promised, “if it snows were not closing.”

“Safety is our utmost goal,” he said. I am a big fan of helmets and restraint bars. We can’t let anybody get hurt.”

Holiday Mtn. is stopping the motocross races, which not only was hazardous but also very hard on the hill, tearing up the slopes.

But summer activities will include the operation of the Fun Park, which already hosted two school trips.

Taylor said the rental equipment has all been replaced and a boot drying rack system is being installed.

Another important improvement will be the installation of a software system capable of booking passes online as well as depositing money on your card for use in the lodge.

Taylor is hoping a multi-million investment in equipment, excavation and amenities will help make Holiday Mtn. an attraction for locals as well as people from outside Sullivan County.

One resident said, “This brings back a lot of memories. I just want to thank you [Michael Taylor] and your family for what you are doing.”

A rousing round of applause filled the room as Taylor, humbled by the gesture, could only smile.

“We’re 85 miles from 12 million people,” Taylor said. “It can’t fail. We have water, great terrain and 155 acres [to work with]. We have the population to support it.”

“We’ll draw a crowd, once we have good terrain,” he said.

# Taylor family loves their skiing

BRIDGEVILLE – Michael Taylor has been on skis since he was a kid, hopping off the bus at Holiday Mtn. after school.

He was on the ski patrol in New Hampshire and he and his wife Joanna shared their love of the sport with their family, including their three children, Ross, Drew and Harley.

Ross recently graduated from Hartwick College in Oneonta.

Drew is going to be a senior at Marist, where she is the captain of the ski team and Harley will be graduating from Monticello Central and attending Sacred Heart University in the fall.

“We talked about it [buying Holiday Mtn.],” Drew said. “We are so excited. Maybe I can bring our college ski team here to ski.”



Michael and Joanna Taylor’s three children – Harley, Drew and Ross – will lend a helping hand when needed.

# Health Fest at Hanofee

BY JACQUELINE HERMAN

LIBERTY - The Health Fest at Hanofee Park in Liberty on Sunday, June 4 featured approximately three dozen local agencies and government departments, bringing together a variety of information for the well-being of the public.

Karen Holden, the Director of Sullivan County Public Health, defined her role as the overseer of the Home Health Agency, Maternal Child Health, and Healthy Families. She also directs home visits by social workers for disease surveillance and directs staff to take care of the special health needs of children.

Phoebe Rutaquio, who works as a Rural Health Coordinator and Public Health



Educator, demonstrated hydroponic vegetable plants she was giving away, which grow from seed to harvest in water bottles cut in half. She also conducts Narcon trainings at The Job Corps of Callicoon. She can be reached at (845)292-5910 ext. 2202.

Action for Independence (ATI), which has offices in

Monticello and Middletown, offers services to people with disabilities and veterans in housing, education, and benefit advising. They gave out kits containing toys, sunscreens, first-aid items, and freezer packs for lunchboxes. For questions, the Executive Director, Deborah Worden, can be reached at (845)794-

4228.

The Cornell Cooperative Extension booth was set up in front of a refrigerator van which is used to store fruits and vegetables acquired from local farmers for sale at scheduled farmers’ markets. There was an application for a \$20 discount for those eligible. Cornell Cooperative Extension Nutrition and Physical Activity Educator Joy Leon explained that she will be giving six weeks of cooking lessons, with different themes, at the office on Ferndale-Loomis Rd, Liberty. For questions, call (845)292-6180 ext101.

Cristine D’Annibale of The Mid-Hudson Addiction Center stated that she “has seen a huge increase in the last 15 years of kids becoming addicted to pain killers. I outreach to parents about current trends in each area, (gleaned through studies) of alcohol use, drug misuse, and mental health.” She sets up prevention intervention in schools and consultations, if needed, and serves Westchester, Orange, Ulster, Rockland, and Sullivan counties. She can be reached at (914)332-1300 for questions.

The Sullivan County Bureau of Fire was represented

by Jill Holland of the Recruitment and Retention Task Force as well as Sullivan County Fire Coordinator, John Hauschild. He liaisons with 40 departments and helps chiefs in the free trainings they conduct. The requirements are 79 hours for training for exterior fires and an additional 59 hours for interior, which require special apparel and gear.

Sullivan 180 coordinated its first public meet since the pandemic. Organized by Amanda Langseder, the Birth and Baby Fest gave out 17 baskets filled with diapers,

snacks, colorful sectioned plates, resource guides, and handmade quilts donated by Calico Geese. The diapers were donated by ATI and other items, by Maternal Infant Services Network. She can be reached at (845)295-2681.

Wendy Salonic, of SC Public Health, demonstrated child passenger seat safety. She checks their safety and supplies new ones if needed, which are covered by a grant from the Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee. For questions, call (845)292-5910 ext.2271.

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## A retrospect of happenings in the daily lives of the people of Sullivan County.

### 150 YEARS AGO - 1873

Messrs. Gardner, Casey & Co. of Hortonville offers the following rates of good rye straw — \$11 per ton is offered for flail threshed rye straw; \$9 per ton for machine threshed rye straw already bound.

Married at Fremont Center: Gustave Oestrich and Ann Gerlach.

### 140 YEARS AGO - 1883

Mrs. Kellam's two sons have left for Pennsylvania to peel bark during the season. They receive \$40 and board for a month.

Be it known that a partnership has been formed this day between G.W. Maybe and M.J. Weyrauch under the firm name of Record Publishing Co. for the purpose of editing and publishing the Sullivan County Record and doing job printing of all kinds. June 8, 1883.

### 130 YEARS AGO - 1893

On Wednesday of last week Joseph Becker of Youngsville received a telegram from Hoytville saying his brother, Lewis Becker, had shot himself dead at that place.

Mrs. Minnie Fajin, wife of Herman Fajin of New York, died of hasty consumption, aged about 45 years. She is survived by her husband and a daughter; two brothers, John and William Knespert of Youngsville; two sisters, Mrs. Louis Schurer of Youngsville and Mrs. John Huff of New York; and her mother, Mrs. Philip Fritz of Youngsville.

The Livingston Manor Driving Club organized on Saturday last by electing Peter Parks president, Cyrus Mott, vice-president; F.W. Hartig, treasurer; and W.O. Ensign, secretary. The club has 20 members. The first trot of the club will take place at Sherwood's Island Park. The purse offered is \$100.

J. Albert Hagy, M.D., office hours until 9 a.m., from 2 to 4 p.m.; after 7 p.m. Fosterdale, Sullivan County, New York. — ADV.

### 120 YEARS AGO - 1903

The marriage of Miss Jennie, daughter of James I. Curtis of Callicoon Depot, to Charles Bergner of the same place, took place at the bride's home last night.

William Baer and Miss Anne Miller of East Hill were married at the Jeffersonville M.E. parsonage on December 22.

At a special school meeting of Long Eddy it was voted to build a new schoolhouse. Long Eddy employs three teachers and ranks fifth in size in the county.

The New York Sun of last Sunday says "More people went on vacation lasting from a week to three months last year than ever before."

Frank Magar, a former Kenozia Lake resident who was shot by a watchman of Stoddard Hammond for trespassing on the Hammond preserve near Livingston Manor, was awarded \$13,000 for injuries sustained. The trial was held at Goshen in Orange County.

The money system of working highways was carried at a special election in Liberty last week by a majority of 144. Editor's Note: Previously each taxpayer was assessed "a day's work" that he had to devote to work on the road. This was what was known as the Pathmaster System.

John Beiling was in town showing with just pride a handsome large diamond set gold medal awarded him by the Gazette for being the best developed young man out of 8,500 competitors for the honor. Mr. Beiling is a pupil of Prof. Atila, who produced Sandow and has a summer home here.

### 110 YEARS AGO - 1913

Graduating exercises will be held Friday night, June 20, at the Masonic Hall. The class is composed of Ruth Bauernfeind, Elise Becker,

Esther Bietz, Gertrude Hofer, Violet Krantz, Edna Kurtz, Anna Myers, Ethel Sander, Lucky Shuman, Pearl Stalker, Rupert Huff, Gabriel Kaplan, Raymond Kohler, Herman Kraut, Charles Lixfield, Louis Ross and Frederick Seibert. These 17 are the first students ever to graduate from the academic department of the Jeffersonville school. They were given diplomas by the Board of Education.

The Lyric Orchestra gave another of its popular concerts at Masonic Hall last night. Featured in the concert was a cello solo, "Traumeri," by Karl Reinshagen; "Il Trovatore" by A.J. Bartholomew and Karl Reinshagen on flute and cello; "Sliding Jim," a trombone solo by Fred Jacobs; and "The Warbler," a flute solo by A.J. Bartholomew. The orchestra was under the direction of Herman Reinshagen of the Eighth Avenue Theatre in New York City.

A big fire in Liberty burned down a big section in the business section of the town at an estimated damage of \$250,000. Another big fire at Ferndale burned 12 stores and residences.

### 100 YEARS AGO - 1923

Libuse Emr, the 11-year-old daughter of Thomas Emr, was completely scalped by her hair becoming wound around a revolving shaft in the button factory of her father and William Reznicek at Bethel. The girl was cleaning the windows in the factory, standing on a box with the back of her head within inches of the line shaft which was revolving rapidly under electric power. Her shoulder long hair must have been drawn by the magnetism of the revolving shaft, winding around it and tore the scalp from the neck to the back of her eyebrows in front, including her left ear. After the scalp was torn off she fell to the floor and dislocated her shoulder, the scalp clinging to the shaft. The accident was unusual as the girl wasn't near a belt or pulley. The hair was wound around the shaft only.

Bennett Bros. in their last week's ad inserted a coupon entitling the bearer to an ice cream soda. Extra copies of the Record sold like hot cakes to the small boys in Jeffersonville. Even so, some folks say it doesn't pay to advertise.

Louis Masslow of Jeffersonville and Raymond Zwald of Fosterdale, lightweights, engaged in a wrestling bout at the Lake Huntington Casino last Thursday night and Masslow won the fall in 40 minutes.

The Jeffersonville Athletic Club secured articles of incorporation from the secretary of state. William Lieb is president, Dr. Harvey W. Meyers is vice-president, and George H. Raum is secretary-treasurer. Albert Paolucci, Harold Stephenson, William Deckelman and Fred W. Schadt completes the roster of directors.

### 90 YEARS AGO - 1933

Miss Lillian K. Rittershausen, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rittershausen, was united in wedlock to Attorney Albert T. Decker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Decker of Brooklyn on June 17 at the bride's home. J. Maxwell Knapp played the wedding march and the ceremony was performed by Rev. J.E. Straub.

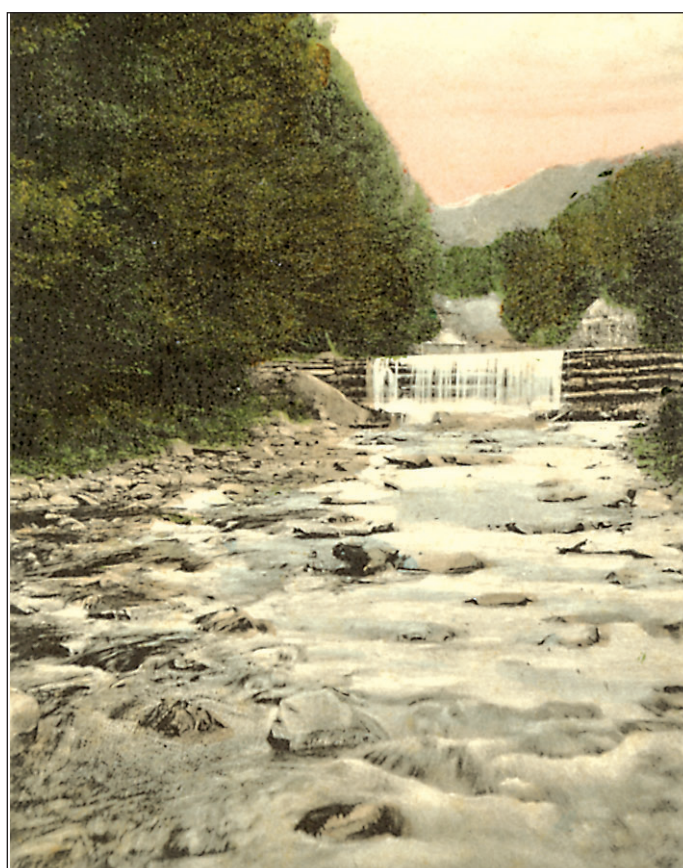
Senator Thomas C. Desmond will be the speaker at the commencement exercises in Jeffersonville.

Wm. H. Baum of North Branch has leased the front room and the dance hall of Joseph Brownstein's Delaware Inn.

The water in the village reservoir is the lowest it has ever been and the village board has found it necessary to forbid sprinkling or other unnecessary purposes.

Over 2,000 Sullivan County properties are offered for sale on July 27 to pay taxes of 1929, 1930 and 1931.

### GLANCING BACK ...A LOOK AT YESTERYEAR



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## Falls at Reynolds' Mill

Thanks to Elise Hornbeck for identifying the falls in Glancing Back (May 23, 2023 issue). The feature formerly existed at the Reynolds sawmill on Chestnut Creek, near what is now the New York City DEP sewer facility, which was renovated in 2019. Readers who would like to learn more about the falls, the tannery, or the town of Neversink in general, can visit the Time and The Valleys Museum in Grahamsville to find out more.

Ferrara, M.D., of Long Island, will open an office and reside at Callicoon, on June 24.

The federal government has taken title to the property of George N. Hembdt for the site of the post office building to be erected in Monticello. Mr. Hembdt received \$20,000 for the property.

### 80 YEARS AGO - 1943

Linda Martha Kempf, daughter of Mr. Henry Kempf of Youngsville, and Willie Chapman Snead of Virginia, were married May 26 at Callicoon Center by Rev. John E. Straub.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Norris of Briscoe announce the engagement of their daughter, Emma C. to PFC Emerson C. Bossley of White Sulphur Springs.

A Monticello paper notes that Dolores Brochu bowled 248 and established a record for the county. Of course that paper was not aware that our Mrs. Elsie Mall of Jeffersonville rolled a 266 game a couple of years ago.

Wm. R. Schaefer of Fosterdale was named Secretary of the Sullivan County Democratic Committee in place of Paul A.A. Rouis, who resigned.

### 70 YEARS AGO - 1953

Rev. Father Harold R. Blake, for nine years pastor of St. George's Church and who is responsible for the shrine in the church yard in Jeffersonville, celebrated his 25th anniversary of his ordination at St. Patrick's Church in Buffalo where he is a native and his family lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Bertelone arranged a surprise "Sweet 16" party for their daughter, Marie, at the Catholic Church basement last Thursday night, June 4. About 30 of Marie's school friends attended.

Max W. Brender has shipped two cases of pedigreed White Leghorn hatching eggs from Grossinger's Airport to the stricken land of Holland to help restore into operation three breeding farms which were wiped out by the turbulent waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Weissmann of North Branch announce the engagement of their daughter, Veronica Barbara, to Wilfred Hurley of Valhalla.

The Jeff Modernaires played over radio station WVOS last Sunday. The singing of Libby Manzolillo occupied part of the time and was exceedingly good. Lit-

tle Virginia Shaara also sang beautifully.

### 60 YEARS AGO - 1963

The weekend in Sullivan County was big, but not spectacular, except for the Raceway. The track had a total handle the first three nights of over one million dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Roth of Jeffersonville celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a party at the Jeffersonville synagogue.

Mrs. Amanda Stewart retired from her position as postmistress at the North Branch Post Office on May 31, after serving in that position 28 years. Her daughter, Mrs. Earle Poley, has been named to succeed her as acting postmaster until a successor is named. There are two other applicants for the position. About 250 regular patrons are served at the post office with 600 additional summer patrons swelling postal duties.

At the Callicoon Hospital it was a daughter May 28 to Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Swendsen of Damascus, Pa.; a son, May 30, to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kellam of Milanville; a daughter, June 3, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schumann of Lookout, Pa.; and a daughter, June 4, to Mr. and Mrs. George Glassel of Callicoon.

On June 3, a group of 166 children and adults were confirmed in the Catholic faith by the Most Reverend John M.A. Kearns, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of New York in an impressive ceremony at Holy Cross Church in Callicoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur William Hennig have moved from Rockford, Ill., to Callicoon, after spending several years away from home.

A daughter, Cindy Lou, was born May 30 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bennedum of Lake Huntington.

Miss Carolyn Lewis of Callicoon was guest of honor at a bridal shower on May 31. She will become the bride of Martin Moore of Oberburg on June 8.

### 50 YEARS AGO - 1973

Russell Hodge, owner of the well-known Hodge's furniture store on Cat Hollow Road in Roscoe, has announced that he is closing the store after 32 years in business.

BCI and troopers from the Ferndale Barracks together with members of the Fallsburg Police Department, are conducting an intensive investigation hoping to find

the solution to the brutal murder Saturday afternoon of Dr. Jose Gil, 36, the only physician in Woodbourne, who apparently was lured to his death by a phony emergency house call.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Robisch of Callicoon announce the engagement of their daughter, Elaine, to Kenneth Ernst of White Plains. A fall wedding is planned.

Funeral services were held Saturday for Captain Tom McGinnis, 93, the last surviving skipper of a canal boat on the Delaware and Hudson canal. McGinnis piloted a boat in 1896 when he was 19 years old. The second edition of "Coal Boats to Tidewater," by Manville B. Wakefield, was dedicated in Captain Tom's honor.

Deaths of two prominent Callicoon businessmen were recorded this past week. Harold E. Deighton, 72, died May 25. He had been a contractor and supervised several construction projects for the County of Sullivan.

Fred Fendt of Durham, N.C., former owner and operator of a drygoods store in Callicoon, died May 27. Also noted is the death of Floyd Bauernfeind, a dairy farmer in the Beechwoods.

### 40 YEARS AGO - 1983

John Joyner, a retired postmaster at White Sulphur Springs with a tenure of 40 years, died May 27 at the Community General Hospital in Harris. He was 81 years of age.

Earle Wilde, who has served as division leader and county coordinator of the Sullivan County Cooperative Extension Service, will retire on June 5 after 27 years of service. He will be succeeded by Gerald J. Skoda.

Members of the 12 parishes in Sullivan County gathered on Sunday, June 5, at St. Mary's in Oberburg to celebrate the 175th anniversary of the Catholic Diocese of New York. St. Mary's is the oldest parish in the county, dating to 1854.

Three hundred thirty-eight graduates received degrees at the graduation exercises of Sullivan County Community College at the Loch Sheldrake campus on Sunday.

Dr. Thomas J. Goodman, executive director of the Sullivan County Chapter of the NYS Association for Retarded Children, Inc., will start on a 150 mile walk through Sullivan County in an effort to raise funds for Plant IV of the ARC, to be located on the site of the former Gold Marc Building in Monticello. The walk will begin in Wurtsboro.

Sarah "Polly" Brown of Neversink was singled out for honors at the 67th annual Jeffersonian Dinner Sunday night at the Concord Hotel, for 55 years service as the Democratic Committeewoman of Neversink. She said, "I should quit." County Chairman Fred W. Stabbert Jr. of Callicoon replied, "You can't."

Barely a fortnight after John A. Roebling's most famous engineering masterpiece — the Brooklyn Bridge — celebrated its 100th anniversary over the East River between Brooklyn and Manhattan, Roebling's oldest existing engineering work — the Roebling Bridge — was rededicated at a ceremony by the National Park Service on Saturday afternoon.

Roebling's Delaware "Aqueduct" was completed some 35 years before the Brooklyn Bridge, and it contained preparatory design work in the mechanics of a suspension bridge vital to the final design of the great New York City span. Plaques honoring Roebling's accomplishment with the Delaware River bridge were once in place on the New York side. They had been stolen. Saturday new plaques were in place, and were rededicated. The Roebling Bridge, which is the world's oldest wrought iron suspension bridge, is on the National Historic Landmark Register and is listed by

the Historic American Engineering Record. The bridge is open to pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

### 30 YEARS AGO - 1993

Brown's Resort Hotel, one of the largest in Sullivan County, has agreed to seek protection from its creditors in U.S. Bankruptcy Court on Long Island. It becomes the third major hotel in the Catskills to do so in the past several years. With 473 rooms, it is second in size to the Concord in Kiamasha with 1,000 rooms. The other two hotels in Sullivan County who have sought protection under Chapter 11 are Grossinger's in Liberty and the Imperial Hotel in Swan Lake.

Sixteen students of the culinary arts department of the Delaware Valley Job Corps Center and their instructor, Alice Guss, served a luncheon to the Delaware Valley Senior Citizens on Tuesday. It was a community project for DVJCC in which they cooked, served and cleaned up the meal.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hanka celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a party at the Rock Hill Firehouse on May 22. They reside in a home built by her grandfather, Stewart Low, and is believed to be the oldest original dwelling at Wanaksink Lake. Rev. Charles Woodman of the First Presbyterian Church of Monticello officiated as they renewed their vows.

As Dr. John F. Walter concluded his duties as president of the Sullivan County Community College, 387 graduates received degrees in the 29th annual commencement exercises, with 24 of the graduates being natives of Japan. Dr. Walter had been at the college 12 years. Thirty-two of the nursing graduates were pinned in special ceremonies on May 21 at the Seelig Theatre.

The 30th annual antique auto show, hosted by the Catskill Region of the Antique Auto Club of America, was held on Saturday with a parade down Broadway in Monticello, followed by a display of the vehicles.

The Hurleyville Fire District broke ground last Thursday for a new firehouse.

### 20 YEARS AGO - 2003

Former 24-year Sullivan County treasurer Donald Baker of Liberty died June 8, 2003 in White Sulphur Springs. He was 87 years of age. He was born June 1, 1916 in Liberty. He was the widower of Agnes Slaver Baker who died in 1998. The recipient of a Purple Heart, Mr. Baker served during World War II in the U.S. Navy.

Cayuga Indian Nation members dropped by Monticello last week to talk about their plans at the Monticello Raceway. The Cayugas and Empire Resorts have partnered to create an Indian-run casino at the raceway. The tribe has an agreement with the Village of Monticello for \$5 million per year. They have yet to make an agreement with Sullivan County and the Town of Thompson, which want a minimum of \$15 million per year in impact fees. Approvals are still needed from local, state and federal governments. There is also a lawsuit challenging the legality of Indian casinos that must be settled.

Laurie Beth Ehrlich, the daughter of Vivian and Jerrold Ehrlich of Manhattan and Livingston Manor, and Keith Jason Emmer, son of Dr. Michele Emmer and Michael Emmer of Brooklyn, will be married on Sunday, June 22 at Wave Hill in Riverdale, the Bronx. Mr. Emmer's brother is married to a Lori Beth, which caused some confusion during family get-togethers.

Tim and Terri Calaianni of Mongaup Valley announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaime Colaianni,

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June 13 – Birthday wishes to Dina Sturm, Sonny Patel, Cecile Klemen, Joann Falk-Florance, Ellen Levine, Amy Wohl, John Cali, Ronan, Walter Garigliano, and Colson Cunningham.

Happy anniversary to Dawn and Michael Ryder, Alexandra and Michael Ryder, Sue and Lenny Zimmerman, Patrice and Jonathan Sunshine, and Sara and Aaron Rovitz.

PSA: Emergency: 911. SC Health: 845-292-5910. Crisis Lifeline: 988. Overdose Help: 866-832-5575 or 911.

Save a life: Take the SC Health Dept Narcan course. Use caution on the roads. Watch for pedestrians, bikers and wildlife. On the lake, use safety rules while boating and wear a life vest.

Bethel News: Town information: www.townofbethelny.us or 845-583-4350. Parks & Rec: 845-583-5360. Check the Town website for meeting links and minutes. The Town Board meets on the 14th (IP/Z) at 7:30pm. Current issues: Short Term Rental law, Mansion House and Bethel Solar.

The Lake Association of White Lake, NY has recently organized and would like support in their efforts. Information is available on fb.

Volunteer: Past Perfect Bookstore (845-794-0017), Bethel Woods, or Sullivan 180-Renaissance (845-295-2680). Local organizations and emergency service groups encourage you to sign up, too!

Business Watch: Stay and shop local. Use Bethel Busi-

ness Association's website www.bethelnybba.com as a resource. The '23 BBA Bethel Guide will be coming out soon! Support our local professionals, businesses, and seasonal openings! Apply to work in our area businesses and restaurants!

Get in Shape: Walk the Smallwood Forest Reserve trail. Use the provided exercise equipment. Go to the Dog Park. Contact Parks and Rec for Town Park and Pool, summer program, and scheduled activity information. Visit Lake Superior Park! Use trailkeeper.com for area hiking.

June is our time to Celebrate PRIDE. At the least, be open to the issues surrounding the LGBTQIA2S community. First, let's spell out the acronym: Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer-or questioning, intersex, asexual-or agender. Recently added, 2S means two-spirit. There are countless affirmative ways people choose to self identify. Imagine that, but know it's reality for some.

Dinner and Graduation presentations will be held for Leadership Sullivan Class of 23 at the VillaRoma Clubhouse on the 15th at 6pm.

Join the community at the R4-Rhulen Rock Hill Run & Ramble Trevor Loughlin Foundation- on Saturday am, the 17th, for the Run / Walk with medals and cash prizes, raffles, donations, lite food and bev, music, and a really good feeling! Register to participate in your own Virtual R4, too. Advance reg-

istration: www.rockhillrun.com or race day from 7-9am. Attend the Alzheimer's Tricky Tray at the White Lake Firehouse to benefit the Sullivan-Orange Co Walk to End Alzheimer's on Saturday, the 17th. \$2 adm/donation. Doors open 12:30, Calling 2pm. To donate: alztrickytray@gmail.com.

Stop by the Juneteenth Celebration at Funky Hippy Chic Boutique on the 18th at 2pm. Enjoy music, drumming demonstrations, presentations, talks, art, and a fabulous fashion show with your host Patrice Greco-Sunshine.

Hector's Inn hosts 'Open Mic' on Monday, the 19th from 7-9pm. Check in with Bill if you need a back up band or trax at Billfleckenterprises@gmail.com). Get information about the Monticello Juneteenth Parade that steps off on Broadway on the 19th from (jsorensen@k12mcsd.net).

Arts & Culture: Bethel Council of the Arts (fb), BCA@BethelArt.org, Bethelwoodscenter.org, Bashakillvineyards.com, Catskillart-society.org, Cobaltstudios.net, Delawarehighlands.org, Delawarevalleyartsalliance.org, Ebcp.org, Farmartscollective.org, Fbplayhouse.org, Hurlevilleartscentre.org, Libertysoulstage.com, Narrowsburgunion.com, Nesinculturalarts.org, Theeldredpreserve.com, sccoplayers.org, scdw.net, shadowlandstages.org and cny-history.org.

Register for Bethel Woods programs, including the

Youth Summer Art Program, and purchase pavilion tickets. Visit the Museum's special exhibits and the Cafe. Hollywood Vampires canceled last minute due to Johnny's foot injury, but have rescheduled for Sunday, July 30th.

Narrowsburg Union hosts the Bethel Council of the Arts exhibit, "Artists to Humans" through July 2nd.

See 'Elemental' at Hurleyville PAC cinema on the 16th at 6, the 17th at 6 and the 18th at 2pm. Buy tickets in advance online.

Attend Forestburg Playhouse's 'Under the Stars' Series performance. FB hosts Bway's "Nicholas Rodriguez Live in Concert" on the 17th at 8pm. Summer productions and Youth Musical tickets are available (845-794-1194).

Liberty Soul Stage hosts and VAPA of Sullivan presents "Beat the Devil" on the 17th at 6pm (845-292-0065).

Book a Cabaret Series evening with John Pizzi opening for Patrice Greco-Sunshine on the 25th at 7pm at Eldred Preserve. Save 15% on dinner reservation with show ticket (website or 845-557-8316).

Out of town fun: 17 West Brewery, Bashakill Winery, and Upward Brewing.

Mark the Calendar: BBA and Sticky Fingers host a 'Meet & Greet' on 6/21. K Lake Farm & Makers Market opens 6/24. Bethel Lakeside Music starts 6/29.

Suz sez: "Breathe and be grateful for good air quality."

**RAMONA'S RAMBLINGS**

RAMONA JAN

*Ronno's twin*

'Ronno' was the nickname of David Bowie's lead guitarist, Mick Ronson, a small but tightly muscled mousy-haired fellow who eventually had to bleach his hair and wear make-up to stay in the band. Ronno (now deceased) was part of The Spiders from Mars that toured with Ziggy Stardust and beyond, although in the end their split was less than happy. Before playing in Bowie's band, Ronno was a landscaper by profession and a guitarist on the side. He had to be convinced to join The Spiders because he had already dedicated himself to a variety of bands that didn't make it.

Much of Ronno's musicianship defined Bowie's harder edged rock sound, and in my opinion, Bowie needed it. Otherwise, Bowie was far too cabaret. Now that you know a bit about Mick Ronson, here's how I ended up living with his 'twin', a female groupie, without knowing it until it was too late.

My Manhattan apartment at 65 W. 85th Street was a one bedroom fourth floor walk-up. In the '80's one bedroom apartments often meant that the landlord halved an already small room by erecting a wall smack down the middle and then carving out a tiny kitchenette and an even smaller bathroom from what was probably once a couple of closets.

Even though my apartment was rent-controlled, rents were rising and salaries falling. During the Regan era, I could barely survive in NYC working fulltime. I managed to further divide the apartment using a folding screen and advertised for a roommate by taping handwritten signs (the kind with pull tabs with my phone number) to various poles around the city. Someone should have told me not to do that.

Kerry, an almost forgettable blonde with a shag haircut, answered my ad. She was quiet and quite reserved. Every day, she ate only one peanut butter and honey sandwich on thick whole wheat bread. Like all of us, she was broke. I was happy to have a demure roomie until she told me why she came

to NY; to track down Mick Ronson and rescue him from his failing career.

First thought: Did Ronno know his career was failing? "I'm his twin," she said as she held up various pictures of him next to her face, "He needs me onstage with him. Only I can save his career; his music." As far as twins went, sure, Kerry's hair style copied Ronno's, otherwise there was little resemblance. But that didn't really matter to Kerry who was convinced that Ronno was her soul love.

At the time, I was playing at Max's, CBGB's, The Ritz and more in my band Dizzy and the Romilars on the same nights Ronno was playing bigger and better venues. Secretly taking advantage of my absence, Kerry stole into my closet and slipped into my trendier clothes in hopes of nabbing Ronno. One outfit that she particularly favored was my black and white zebra striped mini-dress. I found out by catching her in the act, but I digress.

Kerry believed that she and Ronno were destined to make more than just music history together. However, she didn't play an instrument and had yet to meet the guy. I soon realized that I was basically residing with a wannabe Lady Stardust who happened to be in a perpetual Moonage Daydream, but weren't we all living the dream?

Highly doubted that Ronno wanted to get into another relationship mostly because he was already married, had two girlfriends and a child or two from each union. After stalking him for months and receiving nothing but outright rejections, Kerry up and left for good. I was glad to see her go, but ended up wishing she were back when my next roommate robbed me of all my family's heirloom jewelry. From that point forward, getting a second job to avoid further co-habitations was all I could do to hang on to myself.

**RAMONA JAN** is the Founder and Director of Yarnslingers, a storytelling group that tells tales both fantastic and true. She is also the roving historian for Callicoon, NY and is often seen giving tours around town. You can email her at callicoonwalkingtours@gmail.com.

**DECADES: Looking back**

FROM PAGE

to Arthur Ebert, son of Theresa Wronka and Gary Somers of Monticello. A July 2004 wedding is planned.

William J. Strong Sr. of Jeffersonville and Jill and Russell Somers of Monticello announce the engagement of their daughter, Brandi R. Strong, to Martin T. Chevalier, son of Clyde and Marci Chevalier of Monticello. An October 2004 wedding is planned.

A girl, Alysia Nicole, was born April 11, 2003 to Shannon Lamoreau and Jeremy

Sanfacon of Livingston Manor.... A boy, Gemael Jermaine Wallace Jr., was born May 2, 2003, to Natasha Goncalves and Gemael Wallace of Livingston Manor.

**10 YEARS AGO - 2013**

The Beaverkill Chapter National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution met at the White Sulphur Springs Inn recently, with Frances Fuller as the hostess. Chaplain Frances Fuller and Regent Nancy Madison installed into office Beaverkill Chapter's new

Regent, Carol Norris. She will serve a term of three to six years. New treasurer Lynn Priebe and Vice Regent Nancy Madison will be installed at the June meeting.

Laura Palmer brought her chicken "Sweet Baby Watermelon" and fourth grade teacher Patricia Whipple brought her chicken "Cream-sicle" to kindergarten and first grade classes at the Cooke ES in Monticello. The kindergarten students are learning in their ELA domains how farm animals contribute and are helpful to

our communities. The first grade students are learning about life cycles of animals.

The smiles on the faces of 136 golfers participating in New Hope Community's (NHC) Third Annual Wallace Berkowitz Cup were as bright as the sunshine on May 20. After the first two years of braving rainy weather, the players rejoiced as they enjoyed a beautiful day of golf and at Grossinger's Country Club culminating with a delicious dinner provided by Albert's Liberty Steakhouse.

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## EDITORIAL

# The backbones of Sullivan

In recent days, it seems like the elements themselves have been raising their powers against everyone trying to enjoy the outdoors in the county, and especially against the numerous local farmers and other agriculturally inclined individuals who work day-in and day-out despite what mother nature has in store that week.

The harsh weather conditions aren't just on a day to day, or week to week basis, but have been consistent in their longevity over the past few months. A longstanding drought has kept available natural water down to its bare bones, in addition to a recent flash freeze that damaged or ruined the crops of many produce providers, are just some of the challenges that have proved to be negatively impactful to the crops, and the businesses of people who rely on them.

*"Farmers are the backbone of Sullivan County. We could not exist without your work."*

Now, even after all of that, a thick smog of smoke and fine particles filtered through the air around the county last week. Published reports around the area also note that despite the sky turning an orange tint and held onto a smokey smell, the work that had to be completed on the farmstead did not dissipate.

Through it all, our farmers continued to dig through dirt, pluck produce, feed the livestock, and run their farms with the same endurance that has been known as a staple to many around the area. To those who braced the smog, fought off a drought, and remained committed after the flash freezes to keep our local produce alive, healthy, and clean, we thank you for your work.

Farmers are the backbone of Sullivan County. We could not exist without your work.

After all of the diligence put in by our farmers, it was lovely to see such bright and smiling faces participate and watch the annual tractor parade that took place over the weekend. The massive machines of the backbones of America were roaring and distinctive, and the people steering them down main street were jubilant. Thank you for knowing how to work hard and play hard, and the hopes for next year's tractor parade are already spiking.



## The Best of Nellie

Reprinted from June 12, 1958

Last week I celebrated a birthday. With birthdays I can go Jack Benny one better and be satisfied to be shall we say, 49. They say you are only as old as you feel but I think you are as young as you are at heart. With all the little grandchildren I have to be young at heart. Their love can keep me so.

But a lady of my age should be allowed a bit of reminiscence. I recall that quite early in life, I think I was in the fifth grade, I planned to be a teacher. I was inspired by the gracious person that was my teacher at that time. Her name was Miss Lavey and she had the understanding and patience that endeared her to all of us. Then in the eighth grade another teacher, Miss Everts, was most encouraging about my ability to write. From then on I would be a great writer! But a second ambition crept in. I wanted to be a dancer! I was little and light on my feet and music just seemed to find its way into those feet and I danced, solo, by the hour with music from the old Victrola. I never missed a movie that had dancing in it. I dipped and swayed to great waltzes as the movie stars did. I know I would never be a Anna Pavlova but I would hold my audience with my great dancing ability.

In high school I decided that to be a secretary would be the most wonderful thing life could offer, so I took every business course the high school had. But lack of funds finally decided in favor of my first love and I trained to be a teacher. By that time I had reached the age when it seemed that the ultimate aim in life for any girl was to be a wife and mother. This, as all of you know, I accomplished.

Looking back over the years I know that had I the power to live it all over I would do so only on one condition, that the man that has walked beside me for thirty-three years would be there to help me, to encourage me and to love me, in spite of my faults, as he has in the past.

As to the future we will live each day as it comes and love it. For I believe what the poet said, "Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be."—N.C.S.



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## Celebrating the farmers

The annual Callicoon Tractor Parade held over the weekend highlighted the unity and respect that Sullivan County holds for their farmers and agricultural workers. The parade route stretched all the way down Lower Main Street in the hamlet on Sunday afternoon. The tractors were comprised of many makes, models, colors and sizes, and drew out a

large crowd. After a few tough battles with the elements these past few months and weeks, the celebration of the farmers (and their tools) was as fun as it was necessary. For more photos of the event, please see page 1B.

## We did it

"We did it," I said to my husband last Friday morning. I didn't have to explain what "it" was.

He understood the happiness and heartache all wrapped up in that simple three-word sentence.

It was 18 years ago this week that this column announced the arrival of a new member of my family to the world.

We have officially raised a child all the way to what society considers adulthood.

We are thrilled.

We are heartbroken.

We are caught in a tennis match between the two as we contemplate

## INSIDE OUT

JEANNE SAGER

high school graduation and the impending trip to college drop-off.

The uncomfortable truth is that this is the goal. We work for 18 years to one day see our hearts ripped in two as they strap on their wings and flap up, up, up away from that nest we oh, so carefully built for them.

In the past 18 years, this column has been where I've made sense of so much of parenting, of curious quirks and confounding problems. It's where I've shared silly stories and the serious ones too. It's why, at

18, this child of mine is still meeting people who share that they've watched them grow up from afar. It's been part of my work to craft a nest that's solid and strong.

They say it takes a village to raise a child, and you, my readers are part of that village.

And so to you I say three simple words.

"We did it."

JEANNE SAGER turns her job as a freelance reporter/photographer and life as a county native "Inside Out" each week on these pages. Keep an eye out for her state-award winning column every Tuesday here and at [www.jeannesagerphotography.com](http://www.jeannesagerphotography.com).

## LAKE HUNTINGTON

JENN POWELL | [JENN@JENNPOWELLDIGNS.COM](mailto:JENN@JENNPOWELLDIGNS.COM)

June 13 — We are in the final days of the school year and with that comes the anticipation for summer vacation for most! My children are ready for a summer filled with fun.

Gearing up for the end of the school year- be sure to check the school website for events, field trips and end-of-school festivities. Mark your calendars that the Sullivan West Elementary School on June 22 & 23, dismissal will be at 11:45 - buses will be loaded at 11:30 and pulling out at 11:45 AM. Please plan accordingly.

June 13th will be the last day of school for Middle School students and High School Graduation is set for June 23rd at 7:00 PM. Please check the school website for up-to-

date events and changes.

There are many activities that are happening in and about our community in the upcoming weeks. Have a look at a few below:

Lake Huntington Presbyterian Church is having a Chicken BBQ - Takeout Only! Chicken is made by the Famous Brooks BBQ on Saturday July 8th. Pick up chicken BBQ dinners at church hall from 4:30-6pm. The price of the dinners is \$14 and are available by pre-sold tickets only. Please call Vicky Krauss, 845-932-8923 for tickets.

Hector's Inn 9th Annual Car Show on Saturday, July 29th at noon. All vehicles are welcome. If it has wheels, bring it on in! No judging of

cars, no entry fee. Just people with the same interests as you... here to share their cars and stories. No car, no worries... stop by to check out the vehicles and vendors; listen to the music. Food will be available. Free admission.

Season Passes for Lake Superior State Park are on sale through June 30 for Sullivan County residents. Get your passes today for a full season of fun!

If you have a local business that would like to be spotlighted in an upcoming column, please get in touch! Please email [jenn@jennpowelldesigns.com](mailto:jenn@jennpowelldesigns.com) with any news, events and happenings.

## SEND US A LETTER

The Democrat welcomes letters to the editor. We ask that they be no longer than 300 words, typewritten or neatly printed, and include the author's signature, address and a phone number for possible verification questions. With the obvious exception of the

signature, this policy also applies to email. Letters longer than 300 words will be cut, rewritten by the author, or considered for inclusion in the "Counterpoint: A View From a Reader" column - at our discretion. In addition, the Democrat will not accept letters

written specifically about a local newspaper article other than those printed in the Democrat. Thank-you letters of any sort are considered paid advertisements. Please send your letters following the above guidelines to: [editor@sc-democrat.com](mailto:editor@sc-democrat.com).

# Juneteenth storyteller in Manor and Liberty

LIVINGSTON MANOR — Vanessa Johnson, Syracuse-based storyteller, writer, artist, and griot will be visiting our area on Saturday, June 17 to share stories in honor of Juneteenth and the freeing of slaves in America, as well as a workshop for those who want to learn more about the art of storytelling.



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**Vanessa Johnson, Syracuse-based storyteller, writer, artist, and griot.**

On October 1, 1851, the people of Syracuse broke William "Jerry" Henry out of jail. Ms. Johnson will engage the audience in an interactive storytelling experience titled, "The Jerry Rescue," in Renaissance Park in Livingston Manor at 4:00 p.m. to dramatize this true jail-break account. All ages are welcome. In case of inclement weather, please come to the Livingston Manor Library.

storytellers can join Ms. Johnson for an interactive workshop at the Livingston Manor Library. In "What Should Not Be Forgotten, Telling our Family Stories" participants will learn some basic storytelling skills, grab an experience from memory, and turn it into performance for family gatherings, reunions, and evenings

around the fireplace. Space is limited for this workshop. Please register at [livingstonmanorlibrary.org/programs/signup](http://livingstonmanorlibrary.org/programs/signup).

To begin the day, youth of all ages can join Ms. Johnson at the Liberty Public Library at 11:00 a.m. for "The Soft Whispers of Ancestors", stories to celebrate the voices of those who helped end slavery. If you listen, you can hear the voices of the ancestors from Africa and the Middle Passage, through slavery and the Underground Railroad!

These events are funded in part by the Statewide Community Regrant Program, a program of the NYS Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the NYS Legislature and administered by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

# Museum to host symposium on exploration

HURLEYVILLE — In 1993, the Ohio State University (OSU) Byrd Polar Center, in partnership with the Hurleyville-based Frederick Cook Society, hosted a two-day symposium at the OSU campus, with lectures by some of the world's foremost Arctic scholars and historians. "Cook Reconsidered - Discovering the Man and His Explorations" presented 10 professional papers on the life and work of Hortonville native Frederick Albert Cook (1865-1940), which remains available online: <https://kb.osu.edu/handle/1811/44488>.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

**One of Cook's historic polar photographs.** Frederick Cook Society will host its own version, titled "FA Cook, Reimagined." Three speakers will present: author Darrell Hartman, curator Laura Kissel from the Byrd Polar Center at the Ohio State University, and Carol Smith, Executive Director of the Cook Society.

**Darrell Hartman** but about life itself.

Distinguishing the Hurleyville symposium will be an exhibition of over 60 photographs taken by Dr. Cook between 1891 and 1909, during his expeditions to Greenland, Antarctica, Alaska, and the North Pole. The photographs, which have been mounted alongside quotes and excerpts from Cook's own extensive collection of writings, present an authentic and comprehensive portrait of the man.

"Frederick Cook's papers and archives held at the Ohio State University Byrd Polar Center tells one part of the story," noted Smith. "Darrell Hartman's extensively researched book tells another part. The photographs, exhibited together with excerpts from Cook's writings, we hope will offer a new perspective. Frederick Cook was a visionary artist, whose mythical accomplishments distinguish him as one of the most unique figures in the history of exploration."

Dr. Cook wrote several important books about his expeditions and many articles on a vast array of topics, from Inuit health, to world hunger and climate change. A quiet, reflective man, Cook's literary works were not just about his life,

The symposium will take place from 4-7 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main Street, Hurleyville.

The project is made possible with funds from the Statewide Community Regrant Program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support from the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and administered by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

## Political Letters Deadline

Political letters regarding the upcoming New York State Primary Election will be published up to and including the Friday, June 16 edition in the **Sullivan County Democrat**.

Responses to political letters may be published up to and including the June 20 newspaper. There will be no political letters published on Friday, June 23 or Tuesday, June 27 editions.

Paid Political Advertising may be placed in any edition, including the Tuesday, June 27 edition. Thank you.



Artist Jay Brooks at Plein Air Milford

# Plein Air Milford to host a painting party

MILFORD, PA — The six annual Plein Air Milford is providing artists and art lovers another chance to celebrate the historic buildings, parks, gardens, and streetscapes of one of Pennsylvania's most charming towns.

So much is historic—but so much is new. Artists will be painting some historic buildings, but also brand new ventures.

"Milford is such a welcoming place," explains one of the organizers. "The first year I was expecting people to say 'hey, stop blocking up the sidewalk', but instead they take pictures of us, ask us about our work, and bring us coffee."

During a time where there is so much to disagree about, this event brings together artists, art lovers, businesses, and consumers in a way that doesn't happen often enough.

The community painting party will take place on June 17, with a free reception a few weeks later, where the work created is showcased.

Artists will meet to sign in at 10 AM on the porch of the Columns Museum on Broad Street. Then artists

will spread out to any area of interest to create. A free lunch will be provided to all participating artists.

This is a FREE event, but pre-registration is required for artists. E-mail [barryvilleareaarts@gmail.com](mailto:barryvilleareaarts@gmail.com) to register.



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Above: "Hotel Fauchere" by Robert Bradley

At left: Artist Susan Miiller and her 2019 painting of The Columns Museum.



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**COMING UP**

In this space: special free listings of events to occur in the next few days. In the Early Bird Edition: notices for Tuesday through to the following Friday inclusive. In the Weekender Edition: notices for Friday through to the following Tuesday inclusive.

We must receive information on events to be listed in this section at the Callicoon editorial offices no later than noon Friday for Tuesday's Earlybird Democrat and noon Wednesday for Friday's Weekender Democrat.

Email [Calendar@sc-democrat.com](mailto:Calendar@sc-democrat.com) to submit an event.

**Tuesday, June 13**

WSPL Computer/Technical support will be from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at the Jeffersonville branch of the library. Located at 19 Center St, Jeffersonville.

**Wednesday, June 14**

There will be a free rabies vaccination clinic for dogs, cats and ferrets open to anyone in Sullivan County. It will be open from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Morningside Park. Address is 11 Morningside Rd, Hurleyville.

The Women's Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties are hosting an annual dinner honoring Children's Rights Society, Inc and Robert A. Onofry. This will be held at the Town of Walkkill Club located at 40 Sands Road, Middletown. The event will start at 5:30 p.m. Cost for members is \$85 and \$100 for non-members.

WSPL is hosting a Preschool storytime/Let's play session at the Delaware Free Branch. Storytime is from 10-10:30 a.m. then it will merge into a Let's Play from 10:30 through 11:30 a.m. Located at 45 Lower Main Street, Callicoon.

WSPL Computer/Technical support will be from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at the Delaware Free branch of the library. Located at 45 Lower Main Street, Callicoon.

There will be a presentation on the historic building of Main Street at the Tusten-Cochecton branch. This is from 4 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Located at 198 Bridge St, Narrowsburg.

**Thursday, June 15**

The Livingston Manor Library will host Town of Rockland Historian, Joyce Conroy, for a presentation, How to Read a Cemetery, at 5:30 p.m. Sign up at [www.livingstonmanorlibrary.org/programsignup](http://www.livingstonmanorlibrary.org/programsignup). Located at 92 Main Street, Livingston Manor.

EverCare proudly presents "An Educational Session: Elder Abuse, Financial Scamming & Community Resources." Join us for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, and learn about elder abuse from credible, featured speakers. To register, please call EverCare Life at (845)-337-4159, or email [sd@evercare.org](mailto:sd@evercare.org) before June 9.

There will be a chicken salad and strawberry shortcake luncheon at the Roscoe Presbyterian Church. Meal includes chicken, macaroni, three bean salads and strawberry shortcake. This event will be from 11 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. Located at 1955 Old Route 17, Roscoe. Cost is \$9 and it is take out only. To reserve in advance, contact Julie at 845-866-3549.

Sew-cial Circle group meets every Thursday at the Jeffersonville Branch of the Western Sullivan Public Library from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Located at 19 Center St, Jeffersonville.

**Friday, June 16**

The Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre is showing Elemental until June 25th. On Fridays and Saturdays the movie begins at 6 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Sundays. Cost can range from \$12-14. Located at 219 Main St, Hurleyville.

WSPL Craft Lovers with Ciera at 4:00 p.m.: Join our adult programmer Ciera and other Craft Lovers to create bottle cap flowers! We will meet in-person at the Delaware Free Branch. Located at 45 Lower Main Street, Callicoon.

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**Sullivan County Democrat**  
Every Tuesday & Friday  
for all your local news!

WOODBOURNE — The Sullivan County Community Chorus, fresh from their second performance at Carnegie Hall this spring, will once again fill the Catskills with song at their summer performance, "The Three Rs of Music: Redo, Reuse, Reprise," Saturday, June 17 at 12:30 pm, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Route 42, in Woodbourne.

Approximately 40 choristers traveled to New York City in April to perform Dan Forrest's hauntingly beautiful "Jubilate Deo," with Manhattan Choral Productions under the direction of Dr. Pearl Shangkuan. While this is the second experience the community chorus has enjoyed performing at the iconic Carnegie Hall, this time choir members had the opportunity of meeting the composer.

David Coon, longtime member of the choir, commented, "Singing Jubilate Deo with SCCC was exhilarating in 2019. The opportunity to revisit the score in 2023 was better than reuniting with an old friend because we got to experience it in new ways...with the enthusiasm of 175 high schoolers gathered from around the country, combined with our seasoned voices made for an unforgettable moment for all."

**Woodland Weavers and Spinners guild meeting**

DAMASCUS, PA — Woodland Weavers and Spinners Guild will be meeting Saturday, June 17, at the Damascus Community Center, Conklin Hill Road, Damascus, PA. The spinning group meets at 9 am, with a social hour to follow at 10. Our business meeting begins at 11, with a break for lunch at 12. Programs start at 1:00.

At our June meeting, members will be studying crackle weaving. They have been setting up their looms over the past month to do this. All are welcome to attend, if only to watch how the process begins. As always, people are also welcome to come to spinning to watch, and even practice on wheels to see how it is done.

WWSG is a teaching guild servicing Sullivan and Wayne counties, whose purpose is to share their knowledge of spinning and weaving all kinds of fiber, with programs at each meeting to teach these



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Members of the Sullivan County Community Chorus outside Carnegie Hall, before their performance of Dan Forest's "Jubilate Deo," April 2023.

The upcoming concert will feature a reprise of the choir's springtime performance of Forrest's "Jubilate Deo" and several beloved selections from George Gershwin, Leonard Cohen, the Catskill's own Ashokan Farewell by Jay Unger and Molly Mason, and patriotic pieces nodding to our nation's endurance.

All are welcome! Spacious venue is a scenic 15 minute drive from Ellenville, Liberty and Monticello, has ample parking and is wheelchair accessible. Suggested donation is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students.

For additional information, visit [www.sccchorus.org](http://www.sccchorus.org) or call 845-594-6786.

**Juneteenth at Farm Arts Collective**

DAMASCUS, PA — Farm Arts Collective hosts a Juneteenth gathering on Willow Wisp Organic Farm on Monday, June 19th at 7 PM. The evening commences with a staged reading of St. Stephen: A Passion Play, by Janus Adams (The Janus Adams Show) featuring a cast of local performers including Oliver King, Adrienne Jensen, Ashtyn Buckley, Robin Grey Wolf, John Roth, Jess Beveridge and Tannis Kowalchuk, and directed by Mimi McGurl. Following the play reading, farm fresh food and refreshments will be served up with a community conversation hosted and moderated by Janus Adams.

In the Christian tradition, St. Stephen was the Church's first martyr; stoned to death for his beliefs. Stephen Biko was jailed for his anti-apartheid, anti-colonization, anti-oppression activism and beaten to near-death while in police custody. Dumped by police, naked and shackled, outside a South African hospital in Pretoria on September 11, 1977, he died of a massive brain hemorrhage the next day.

Unable to save STEVE, LADY knows she must preserve his story; make known this St. Stephen's



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Adrienne Jensen

martyrdom in the cause of universal human rights.

Written in 1981, St Stephen was given a staged reading by the Negro Ensemble Company (NEC) in 1982. Adolph Caesar (best known for his role as Sgt. Waters in Charles Fuller's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, A Soldier's Play; a role he reprised on screen in A Soldier's Story) directed the reading. In 1983, Amiri and Amina Baraka published an excerpt in their book, Confirmation: An Anthology of African American Women.

But, the story doesn't end there...

Artistic director Tannis Kowalchuk invited Janus to share her play for Juneteenth at the farm and she is thrilled to return to her roots in theatre at Farm Arts Collective on Monday, June 19 at 7:00 pm ET.

For tickets, go to <https://www.farmartscollective.org/>.

Farm Arts Collective is located at 38 Hickory Lane, Damascus, PA 18415.

Hear an open rehearsal live streamed from the studios of Radio Catskill on Saturday, June 17, at 12 noon.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Tannis Kowalchuk



**New dove to be unveiled at Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail**

SULLIVAN COUNTY — The Animal Hospital of Sullivan County welcomes all animals—even doves! The veterinary hospital in Ferndale, NY is the newest site on the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail.

They will unveil their new dove sculpture on Saturday, June 17 at 12 p.m. at 667 Harris Rd, Ferndale, NY. The unveiling ceremony will be held during their 70th anniversary "birthday bash". The event will go from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. and includes an open house, food, music, and hospital tours.

"Pets are family," said Jack Bodolosky, owner of the Animal Hospital of Sullivan County. "We treat each pet that comes into our clinic as our own and will always keep it that way. The dove sculpture, which was painted by local artist Kim Simons, depicts our love for all animals with a vibrant and colorful dove design."

Bodolosky also runs Warrior Companion, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization providing health care insurance for service animals of wounded American veterans. "I have a strong desire to give back

to our community while also lending a helping hand to veterans in need of assistance," Bodolosky said.

"We are thrilled to introduce this inspiring dove sculpture to the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail," remarked Roberta Byron-Lockwood, President/CEO of the Sullivan Catskills Visitors Association. "The Animal Hospital provides a much-needed service to our community, and both our residents and visitors appreciate their attention to care."

The Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail invites everyone to explore the newly added artwork and discover the profound stories behind each sculpture.

Visitors can engage with the trail by using the official trail map, available on the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail website or at various local establishments. More Doves will be added to the trail in the coming weeks, stay tuned for more announcements.

For more information about the Sullivan Catskills Dove Trail, please visit [www.sullivancatskills.com](http://www.sullivancatskills.com) or call 845-747-4449.



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## 245 tractors roll through Callicoon

STORY AND PHOTOS  
BY JEANNE SAGER

It seems fitting that June is the time when tractors roll down Main Street in Callicoon.

After all, June is traditionally marked as National Dairy Month, a tradition that dates back to the 1930s as a means to celebrate the contributions that the dairy industry makes to our country.

At 27, the Callicoon Tractor Parade is just a tad bit younger, but for more than a quarter century, it's been a way to celebrate the farmers — many of them involved in the dairy industry — who have served as a backbone of the river town for centuries.

This year's parade was dedicated to its founder, Kathy Langley, who passed away in the fall of 2022. Without her, the

Delaware Youth Center wouldn't have what is now one of its biggest fundraisers and most popular ways to celebrate with the community, and longtime parade emcee Jesse Ballew opened the parade with a tribute in Langley's memory.

Also new this year was a flash mob-style performance by members of the Youth Center's country line dancing class, who performed on the main drag in the center of town to kick off the parade. Classes for line dancing will kick up again in the fall at the non-profit center.

After both Ballew's tribute and the dancing, it was time for the tractors, with a total of 245 making their way around town for this year's parade.



Maggie Keller, center, drives an International Harvester with cousins Carrie, left, and Danielle Sykes in tow.



Clockwise from above left: Fifteen-month-old John Kretowicz of Kenoza Lake brought his own tractor to ride along the sidewalk.

The members of the Delaware Youth Center line dancing class put on a show in the middle of town.

Landon Ferber checks out what's going on behind him on the parade route.

Dominick and Carmella Baggatta of Callicoon Center can be seen through the wheels of a tractor as they watch the parade go by.

Luke Tonjes carries a tractor for son Henry to ... maybe ... ride in the parade.

This year's tractor parade grand marshals were Clarence and Loretta Kratz.



DEATHS

**Linda Kashan**

February 7, 1954 ~ May 28, 2023

Linda M. Kashan of Florida passed away on May 28, 2023, at home. She was 69.

She was the daughter of the late Carl and Angelina Dinicola Leitz, born in Brooklyn on February 7, 1954. She lived most of her life as a Sullivan County resident.

Linda was a good friend to many, fun to be around and very caring. She will be missed by everyone that knew and loved her.

She leaves behind her children Justin Bockman (Tavi Bockman), Ryan Brooks and Brittany Taylor (Josh Taylor); her grandchildren Jane, Benjamin, Dathan, Colten, Aspen and Brooks; her siblings Carl Leitz, Carol Gershowitz, and Robert Leitz. She was predeceased by her brother Frankie Leitz.

Service arrangements are yet to be determined.

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

**Robert W. Hannon**

August 25, 1937 ~ June 8, 2023

Robert W. Hannon, 85 yrs old, passed away Thursday, June 8th, 2023 at Garnet Medical Center, Harris, NY.

Robert was born and raised in Yonkers, NY by Richard and Dorothy (nee Kennedy) Hannon. Employment for 22 yrs at Scarsdale Post Office as Timekeeper. Resident of Jeffersonville for over 40 yrs. Member of the Catskills OB's Chapter 583.

Predeceased by his wife Beverly Ann Hannon (nee Bayer). Father to Stacey Ellis, Father-In-Law to Kevin Ellis, Grandfather to Nicholas, Sean and Adam Lorson. Brother to Richard Jr (predeceased), Kathy (predeceased) and Maureen. Celebration of Life will be held:

Saturday, June 17th, 11am - 1pm (Prayer service at Noon) at Stewart-Murphy Funeral Home, 5068 Route 52, Jeffersonville, NY 12748.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Stewart-Murphy Funeral Home, Jeffersonville, NY 845-482-4280. For directions or to send condolences please visit [stewartmurphyfh.com](http://stewartmurphyfh.com).

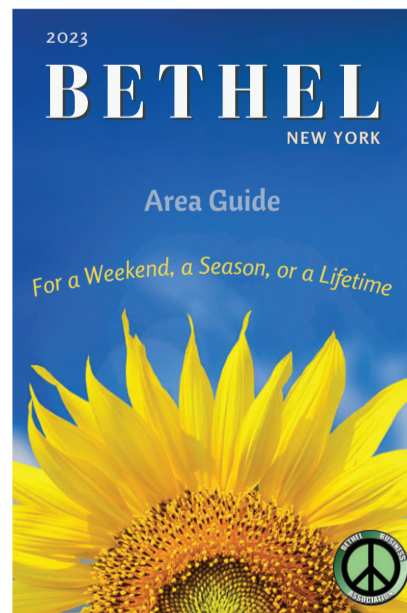
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Pastor Charles Perez and the Barryville Community Church, Jim Sallusco of the Barryville Car Wash, Matt Sallusco of NextGen Dumpsters and the Barryville General Store sponsored a benefit Car Wash. Funds raised will go to the "Bring Kia Home" project. Kia Agyeman-Duah was a well known caterer and owner of Kia's Kitchen, a former NYPD Officer and a world traveler. Kia was spending the summer in Accra Ghana with her six year old son Sia and her husband Desmond. She died unexpectedly of medical causes at thirty years old.

The Car Wash benefit and a Gofundme site are to bring the family back home for her funeral. Kia will be greatly missed by her community.

BRIEF

**Last call for 2023 WMHF grant applications**

HONESDALE, PA — Non-profit groups with programs supporting and promoting health and wellness can still apply for a Community Grant from the Wayne Memorial Health Foundation (WMHF). The deadline for applications is June 23rd. Organizations within the Wayne Memorial service areas of Wayne and Pike counties, the Greater Carbondale region and Forest City in Susquehanna County are eligible to apply.

Applications must include proof of IRS 501(c)3 tax-exempt status, submission of your group's non-discrimination policy, demonstration that you are

not providing unnecessary duplication of services in the community and a written statement of your objectives, target population, anticipated benefits, activities and evaluation procedures.

Applications and guidelines may be downloaded from Wayne Memorial Hospital's website, [www.wmh.org](http://www.wmh.org) by clicking on the Community tab. They can also be requested via email to [kneier@wmh.org](mailto:kneier@wmh.org), by phone (570)-253-8422 or by writing to Wayne Memorial Hospital, 601 Park Street, Honesdale, PA 18431, Attention: Carol Kneier.

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Farm meets fun at the Wayne County Fair with daily agricultural events like horse, tractor, and truck pulls, kids pedal pulls and even a pony pull plus 4-H animal shows and judging. And if you like farm animals, head to the north end of the midway for horses, cows, pigs, rabbits and more raised by local 4-H kids.

And the Wayne County Fair boasts an affordable pay one price model of only \$12 per

day, per person, that includes rides, parking, exhibits and most entertainment.

Half price admission is offered on Friday August 4th and Wednesday August 9th to seniors 62 and over and for our active military personnel and veterans.

Nothing beats the food you'll find at the Wayne County Fair! If your passion is sausage and peppers, homemade ice cream, corn on the cob, funnel cakes or artisan grilled cheese, you'll be sure to find something delicious to eat.

The 161st Wayne County Fair, a family tradition where farm meets food and fun! For more information on entertainment and the full schedule of events, visit waynecountyfair.com.

## LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, Pursuant to Article 6, Section 108 of the New York State Election Law, that a Republican Party Caucus will be held at the Senior Citizen Community Hall, 19 Legion Street, Jeffersonville, NY 12748, in the Town of Callicoon, at 7:00 p.m., County of Sullivan, State of New York on the 22nd day of June, 2023. This caucus is called for the purpose of nominating candidates to fill existing vacancies for the Town Elections to be held on November 7, 2023.

Thomas R. Bose, Chairman  
Bonnie Hubert, Secretary

POSTING DATE: June 13, 2023

THIS NOTICE MUST BE posted at the office of the Town Clerk and the Board of Elections at least ten (10) days preceding the day of the caucus.

Offices to be voted on: Supervisor  
Highway Superintendent  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector  
Justice  
2 Council Seats  
(There may be other vacancies after posting because of resignations and/or deaths.)

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING OF VOTERS OF THE ROSCOE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ROSCOE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT HEREBY GIVES NOTICE** that pursuant to a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on the 31 day of May, 2023, a special meeting of the qualified voters of said School District, will be held at the Roscoe Central School District, 6 Academy Street, Roscoe, New York, on June 20, 2023, between the hours of Noon and 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of voting upon the following proposition:

### PROPOSITION I

Shall the Board of Education of the Roscoe Central School District expend the sum of \$10,288,047 for the proposed budget for 2023-2024 and to levy the necessary tax therefore?

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the aforesaid proposition will appear on the ballot labels of the voting machines used at such Annual District meeting in the following abbreviated form:

### ABBREVIATED FORM OF PROPOSITIONS PROPOSITION I

Shall the Board of Education of the Roscoe Central School District expend the sum of \$10,288,047 for the 2023-2024 and to levy the necessary tax therefore?

The public hearing for all qualified School District voters of the proposed estimated expenditures for the fiscal year 2023-2024 to be held on June 7, 2023 at 7 P.M., at the Roscoe Central School District, 6 Academy Street, Roscoe, New York; and;

The District Clerk be authorized to prepare the statutory Notice of Special Meeting, Public Budget Hearing and Budget Vote, and attend to publication of the same in the Sullivan County Democrat, circulated within the School District, for at least two (2) times during the two (2) weeks preceding the date of said vote.

A copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, inclusive of public moneys, and including a copy of the latest tax exemption impact report, may be obtained by any taxpayer in the District during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the Special Meeting, except Saturday, Sunday, or holidays, on the District's website at www.roscoe.k12.ny.us, at the office of the Board of Education, 6 Academy Street, Roscoe, New York, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at each of the school houses maintained by said School District, on any legal school days falling within the aforesaid fourteen (14) day period during school hours, and also at each public library within the District during normal operating hours within the aforesaid fourteen (14) day period.

Qualified voters of the District may obtain applications for an absentee ballot from the office of the Clerk of the District. Completed applications must be received by the Clerk of the District no later than 4:00 p.m. on June 13, 2023 if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or the day before the election, June 19, 2023, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. All absentee ballots must be returned to the School District Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on June 20, 2023, to be counted.

A listing of all persons to whom an absentee ballot is issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter in the office of the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. through June 20, 2023, except on Saturdays, Sundays or holidays.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE**, that the Propositions to be voted upon by the qualified voters of the School District, on June 20, 2023, from 12:00 Noon to 8:00 p.m. at Roscoe Central School District, 6 Academy Street, Roscoe, New York, is as follows:

To Vote upon the appropriations budget in the amount of \$10,288,047 for the 2023-2024 school year and to levy the necessary tax therefore.

**DATED:** June 1, 2023

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Marlyn Peters, School District Clerk**

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT SULLIVAN COUNTY

LIMA ONE CAPITAL, LLC, Plaintiff against

RIDGEWOOD OAK LLC, et al Defendant(s)

Attorney for Plaintiff(s) Fein Such & Crane, LLP, 28 East Main Street, Suite 1800, Rochester, NY 14614.

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered April 28, 2023, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the front steps or 1st Floor Lobby of the Sullivan County Courthouse, 414 Broadway, Monticello, NY 12701 on July 11, 2023 at 1:00 PM. Premises known as 94 Timber Hill Lane, South Fallsburg, NY 12779. Sec 47.A Block 1 Lot 74. All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Town of Fallsburg, in the County of Sullivan, State of New York. Approximate Amount of Judgment is \$308,211.35 plus interest, fees, and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index No E2021-895.

The foreclosure sale will be conducted in accordance with 3rd Judicial District's Covid-19 Policies and foreclosure auction rules. The Referee shall enforce any rules in place regarding facial coverings and social distancing.

Sandra Kotin, Esq., Referee

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### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF TUSTEN NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Town Board of the Town of Tusten, Sullivan County, New York, at a meeting held on the 6th day of June, 2023, duly adopted the resolution published herewith **SUBJECT TO A PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM**.

Dated: Narrowsburg, New York,  
June 7, 2023.

Crystal Weston  
Town Clerk

**BOND RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 6, 2023. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN AND FOR THE TOWN OF TUSTEN, SULLIVAN COUNTY, NEW YORK, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$2,090,000 AND AUTHORIZING, SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM, THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$850,000 BONDS OF SAID TOWN TO PAY PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF. BE IT RESOLVED**, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the total voting strength of the Town Board of the Town of Tusten, Sullivan County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Replacement of a highway culvert located underneath Main Street (a Town highway) in the Hamlet of Narrowsburg for a watercourse that runs from a waterbody known as Little Lake Erie, then underneath Main Street, and from there to the Delaware River in and for the Town of Tusten, Sullivan County, New York, including costs incidental thereto, is hereby authorized, **SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM**, at a maximum estimated cost of \$2,090,000.

Section 2. SEQR DETERMINATION: The Town as lead agency has determined that the project constitutes a Type II Action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

Section 3. The plan for the financing of the aforesaid maximum estimated cost is as follows:

- (a) by the application and expenditure of \$900,000 NYSDOT funds expected to receive in connection therewith;
- (b) by the application and expenditure of \$340,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund; and
- (c) by the issuance of up to \$850,000 bonds of said Town, hereby authorized, to be issued therefor pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is forty years, pursuant to subdivision 4 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. It is hereby further determined that the maximum maturity of the bonds herein authorized will exceed five years.

Section 5. The faith and credit of said Town of Tusten, Sullivan County, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said Town, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due and payable.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Supervisor, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 7. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the bonds herein authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation with other issues, and also the ability to issue with substantially level or declining annual debt service, shall be determined by the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer of such Town. Such bonds shall contain substantially the fiscal of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Supervisor shall determine consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 8. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- 1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town is not authorized to expend money, or
- 2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- 3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 9. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 10. Upon this resolution taking effect, the same shall be published in summary form in the official newspaper of said Town designated for such purpose, together with a notice of the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 11. THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM.

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## LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, RUSHMORE LOAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. JAMES TROWBRIDGE A/K/A JAMES A. TROWBRIDGE, ET AL., Defendant(s).

Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee's Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on April 19, 2023, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Lawrence H. Cooke Sullivan County Courthouse, 414 Broadway, Monticello, NY 12701 on June 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., premises known as 65 Pickles Road, Bloomingburg, NY 12721. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Town of Mamakating, County of Sullivan and State of New York, Section 21, Block 1 and Lot 33. Approximate amount of judgment is \$173,469.33 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # E2019-1846. Cash will not be accepted. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed at the foreclosure sale.

Bruce Perlmutter, Esq., Referee

Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP, 565 Taxter Road, Suite 590, Elmsford, NY 10523, Attorneys for Plaintiff  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

#### New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Notice of Complete Application

Date: 06/08/2023

Applicant: TOWN OF LIBERTY  
120 N MAIN ST  
LIBERTY, NY 12754-1857

Facility: BOYD RD  
BOYD RD - S OF RTE 52  
LIBERTY, NY 12754

Application ID: 3-4836-00211/00003

Permits(s) Applied for: 1 - Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands

Project is located: in LIBERTY in SULLIVAN COUNTY

#### Project Description:

The applicant is proposing disturbances to NYSDEC Freshwater Wetland LW-16, Class 2, and its associated regulated 100-foot adjacent area in conjunction with the replacement of approximately 1,750 linear feet of an aging water main along Boyd Road. Disturbance activities within the regulated area include the excavation of a starting pit and a receiving pit, and directional drilling of approximately 350 linear feet.

#### Availability of Application Documents:

Filed application documents, and Department draft permits where applicable, are available for inspection during normal business hours at the address of the contact person. To ensure timely service at the time of inspection, it is recommended that an appointment be made with the contact person.

#### State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Determination

Project is an Unlisted Action and will not have a significant impact on the environment. A Negative Declaration is on file. A coordinated review was not performed.

#### SEQR Lead Agency None Designated

#### State Historic Preservation Act (SHPA) Determination

Cultural resource lists and maps have been checked. The proposed activity is not in an area of identified archaeological sensitivity and no known registered, eligible or inventoried archaeological sites or historic structures were identified or documented for the project location. No further review in accordance with SHPA is required.

#### DEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29)

It has been determined that the proposed action is not subject to CP-29.

Availability For Public Comment  
Comments on this project must be submitted in writing to the Contact Person no later than 06/29/2023 or 15 days after the publication date of this notice, whichever is later.

Contact Person  
KATHERINE T COFFIN  
NYSDEC  
21 S Putt Corners Rd  
New Paltz, NY 12561

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### LEGAL NOTICE VILLAGE OF WURTSBORO SULLIVAN COUNTY, NEW YORK PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Wurtsboro will hold a public hearing on **June 20, 2023** at 9:00am at Village Hall for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Village of Wurtsboro's community development needs, and to discuss the possible submission of one or more Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for the 2023 program year.

The CDBG program is administered by the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR), and will make available to eligible local governments approximately \$1,250,000 for the 2023 program year for housing, economic development, public facilities, public infrastructure, and planning activities, with the principal purpose of benefitting low/moderate income persons. The Village of Wurtsboro is applying for up to \$1,250,000 in CDBG funds to implement critical Sullivan Street water system storage and distribution improvements. The hearing will provide further information about the CDBG program and will allow for citizen participation in the development of any proposed grant applications and/or to provide technical assistance to develop alternate proposals. Comments on the CDBG program or proposed project(s) will be received at this time. The hearing is being conducted pursuant to Section 570.486, Subpart I of the CFR and in compliance with the requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

Assistance under the Community Development Block Grant Program must meet one of three national objectives: benefit to low and moderate-income persons, elimination of slums and blight or urgent needs affecting the health and safety of the community. No less than seventy percent (70%) of grant funds must be used for activities benefiting low and moderate-income persons and the benefit area must contain at least fifty-one percent (51%) low- and moderate-income residents.

All interested residents including minority, women, disabled and disadvantaged persons are strongly encouraged to attend this public hearing. The Village Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. If special accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, those with hearing impairments, or those in need of translation from English, those individuals should contact the Village Clerk, Gina Langowsky, 7 Pennsylvania Avenue, Wurtsboro, NY 12790 or 845-888-2522, at least one week in advance of the hearing date to allow for necessary arrangements. Written comments may also be submitted to the Village Clerk, Gina Langowsky at the Village Hall, 7 Pennsylvania Avenue, Wurtsboro, NY 12790 or by email at clerk@villageofwurtsboro.com until June 16, 2023.

Dated: June 9, 2023

Village Clerk  
Village of Wurtsboro  
7 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Wurtsboro, NY 12790  
Sullivan County  
845-888-2522

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# Upper Delaware litter sweep grateful for support

**NARROWSBURG** — The Upper Delaware Council (UDC) relied on Litter leaders, volunteers, and sponsors to make its 3rd Annual Upper Delaware Litter Sweep a success.

While land-based clean-ups officially took place between April 22-30 throughout the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River valley, eager volunteers started their spring cleaning early and are continuing to organize events into this summer.

The UDC handles permitting; publicity; information exchanges to build a network of helpers; the purchase and distribution of supplies including grabbers, gloves, and bags; ordering team t-shirts; assistance with safety and disposal instructions; and updating schedules.

The 2023 commemorative orange t-shirts featured a friendly, litter-sweeping turtle designed by Maggie Clauss from Platform Industries Custom Screen Printing of Honesdale, PA.

Starting from a \$1,488.31 balance carried over from last year's Litter Sweep, the 2023 event raised \$6,250.76 and had \$3,935.16 in expenses, providing \$2,315.60 as seed money for 2024.

Sullivan County Legislator Nadia Rajsz, who serves as the Town of Lumberland's UDC representative, secured a first-time \$2,000 allocation from her District 2 discretionary funds.

Organizations and businesses supporting the 3rd Annual Upper Delaware Litter Sweep were the Upper Delaware Scenic Byway, Inc. (\$500), Delaware River Basin Commission (\$250), Callicoon Business Association, Inc. (\$250), Callicoon Pantry (\$250), Friends of the Upper Delaware River, Inc. (\$100), Land and Water Realty LLC (\$100), Sweetwater Guide Service/Evan Padua (\$100), Grace Church of Callicoon (\$100), Pond Eddy United Methodist Church



**Nearly 50 volunteers representing multiple associations turned out to clean up hamlets within the Town of Highland on April 22 as part of the 3rd Annual Upper Delaware Litter Sweep coordinated by the Upper Delaware Council.**

Congregation (\$100), The Dirt Diva/Adrienne Picciano (\$100), Catskills Pride (\$50), and Smith's Party Tents (\$50).

UDC board members and area residents also generously contributed funds, including 2023 Chairperson Aaron Robinson of Shohola Township, Secretary-Treasurer Al Henry of Berlin Township, Town of Highland Representative Andy Boyar, and Town of Fremont Rep. Jim Greier, along with Barbara Kitchen from Narrowsburg, Connie Lloyd from Beach Lake, Leah Casner from Equinunk, Lydia Joy Langley from Long Eddy, and Samuel and Agnes Bonfante from Hackettstown, NJ.

In addition to Platform Industries offering a discount on the order of 250 t-shirts for the volunteers, donated services and goods were provided by Next Gen Dumpsters, Joe Canavan, Frank Edwards, Two Queens Coffee, Stickett Inn, Greater Barryville Chamber of Commerce, Ascalona and Kittatinny Campgrounds, Town of Highland Lions Club, Trout Unlimited, Town of Highland Highway Department, Rohman's Pub, the Delaware River Club, and Dania LaScola organized an April 22 Earth Day benefit at

The Callicoon Marketplace to help promote the Litter Sweep.

Litter leaders who organized clean-ups in the 15 NY and PA river towns and townships and beyond included Ashley Bagdonas of the Upper Delaware Council and In Memory of Sean Davis; Lara Bicko of Platform Industries (Shohola); Larry Richardson (Cochecton); Al Henry and the Beach Lake Hunting & Fishing Club (Berlin); Tess McBeath of the Town of Delaware; Zach Scheitlin of the Callicoon Business Association; Tanya Vannatta of Wayne Bank; Andy Boyar, John Pizzolato and Frank Guzman (Highland); Jim Thompson from Growing Lackawaxen; Bethany & Johnny Montana (Westfall); Ginny & Bill Dudko (Deerpark) and the Pond Eddy United Methodist Church; Georgia Skuza of Keep Nature Wild (Manchester & Buckingham); Brandon Kent & Nikole Snyder and the Narrowsburg Beautification Group (Tusten); Gail and Bill Bolte (Fremont); Teresa Kehagias and the 4-H Horselovers Club (Damascus); Keep Hawley-Honesdale Beautiful (Rt. 652); Andy Weber of the National Park Service

Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River;

The Cooperage Project Pop-up Club; Kate Waldrep

## CLASS NOTES

### Sullivan West CSD announce honor roll list

**SULLIVAN WEST** — Sullivan West middle and high school is proud to present their honor roll list for the third marking period. These students have achieved outstanding grades that deserve recognition. These students are:

**12th grade Superintendents list:** Lucy Arzilli, Anna Bernas, Rebecca Brewer, Angela Cordischi, Cheyenne Decker, Isabella DuBois, Maxwell Ebert, Rose-Lynn Murphy, Paige Muzuruk, Jillian Winter Sager, Beth Sykes, Anabella Wagner, Makenzie Watson, Alexis Yusko.

**Principal's list:** Hannah Abplanalp, Gavin Bassney, Felicity Bauernfeind, Jaymes Buddenhagen, Georgeanne Cardona, Erin Coyle, Robert Davidson, Caitlynn Grossman, Briana Haass, Dillan Hansmaier, Elanie Herbert, Andrew Hubert, Jordan Lopez Sanchez, Alyssa Martin, Mathew Mills, Nathaniel Pereira Mendoza, Colin Phelps, Michael Schroeder Jr, Rae-Lyn Stanton, Bailey Tesseyman, Kimberly Velilla, Emily Yusko.

**Honor Roll:** William Chellis, Nathan Coy, Kaylee DiBiase, Mikayla Dirie, Matthew Gattuso, John Greier, Colin Kavleski, Lucia Kennedy, William Nearing.

**11th grade Superintendents list:** Joseph Barca, Rahmat Gambari, Coco Gao, Steven Gil de Lamadrid, Grant Gorr, Peter March, Abigail Parucki, Elizabeth Reeves, Nicole Reeves, Viola Shami, Henry Simon.

**Principal's list:** Sebastian Berman, Sabrina Cardona, Madeline Clark, Trinity Clark, Rolly Cruz, Karlee Diehl, Bradley DuBoise II, Amelia Edwards, Sophie Flynn, Alyssa Gettel, Jorgia Gladding, Reece Hendrickson, Jacob Hubert, Ariel Roycroft, Keely Schock, Allie Sierens, Erika Terpstra, Samantha Waldman, Kayla Wilson, Emery

Wrighter, Joseph Young.

**Honor Roll:** Caden Allen, Melonie Bock, Michael Browne, Brynn Chevalier, Natalio Crespo III, Madison Eisma, Grace Gorr, Autumn Grundel, Jesse Hahl, Jakob Halloran, Mya Heinle, Jayden Hendrickson, Jamie Hendrickson, Aubrey Jett, Skylar Mashatt, Haden Nicosia, Andre Nowrouzi, Austin Nystrom, Nicolas Perez, Maggie Powell, Alexa Rogers.

**10th grade Superintendents list:** Matthew DuBois, John Dworetsky, Madeline Kask, Charles Kutschera, Sophie Wilkin, Joshua Winder.

**Principal's list:** Macie Brown, Emma Coty, Maya Crespo, Evan Ebert, Angelina Emigh, Sean Gabel, Arianna Hinkley, Ethan Hoch, Cody Lennon, Elianna Light, Brooke Nunnari, Jason Rodriguez, Sabrina Stevenson.

**Honor Roll:** Sunshine Agnello, Zoey Alexy, Landen Boyd, Sebastian Brothers, Brooke DeCarlo, Joseph Gagliardo, Mary Gattuso, Anna Gorr, Izabel Grund, Karli Keesler, Joshua Kocher, Jared Kratz, Kevin Lin, Ryann McElroy, Gary Milk, Matthew Rutledge, Katelynn Smith, Rosalyn Tanner, Ceshia Ulatoski, Aden Volpe, Alannah Aspen Young.

**9th grade Superintendents list:** Hunter Ebeling, Weilian Gao, Gracyn Halloran, Samuel Lieberman, Iman Mameri, Bridghid Reeve, Harbor Scullion.

**Principal's list:** Mya Chenery, Mckala Chevalier, Kaitlyn Drobysh, Samantha HELLERER, Danielle Hyde, Meghan Kelly, Peyton Stevenson, Marcello Wasner, Marissa Yannetta.

**Honor Roll:** Nicholas Arnold, Salvatore Bonini Cappello, John Coyle, Kennedy DeMeis, Chase Hendrickson, Alec Hubert, Hannah LaBagh, Lily Olsen Gray, Maylee Phelps, Frank Pietrucha, Aiden Scardino, Tyler Stevenson, Molly Zadbura.

**8th grade**

**Superintendent's list:** Ethan Clark, Jocelyn Doyle, Mitchell Everett, Gabriella Gladding, Ravynne Grethe, Ella Herbert, Calley Kutschera, Nancy Lin, Emerson Mall, Noor Mameri, Keisy McHenry, Dylan Newell, Brooklyn Vieiro, Aimee Walton, Layla Wilkin.

**Principal's list:** Avery Bair, Damaris Barragan Velazquez, Ariana Celaj, Skye Cruz, Collin Ebert, Matthew Everett, Haley Hahn, Grace Hector, Arianna Kautz, Kelli Keesler, Sophia Lieberman, Matthew Malara, Julia Mathews, Micha McArdle, Jayden Rodriguez, Dylan Scardfield, Carly Scardino, Julia Tanner, Todd Walter, Kaylan Welton-Erdman, Chloe Weston, Lucas Wingert.

**Honor Roll:** Mary Chellis, Haley Clark, Ashley Diehl, Aiden Fulton, Carlos Garzon Cruz, George Glassel, Ryan Hoch, Luke Kavarnos, Addyson Kenyon, Kearstin Knapp, Mackenzie Mantzouratos, Jesse Milk, Riley Minckler, Calvin Powell, Jayden Sanabria, Robert Saul, Matthew Saul, William Saul, Jr, Madison Smith Powell, Ethan Spagnoli, William Wilson.

**7th grade Superintendent's list:** Allison Adams, Nathan Alexy, Jaelyn Brockner, Eleftheria Cordischi, Zachary Ducey, Kameron Everitt, Easton Houghtaling, Isabella Kutschera, Alison McCarthy, Emily Olsen, Isabelle Passante, Amy Potter, Jayden Ross, Paige Sigelakis, Aiden Speer, Lauren Yannetta.

**Principal's list:** Charles Berner, Dominic DePaolo, Leah DeStefano, Mason Heller, Gabriel Hyde, Sara Mall, Michael Parze, Dawson Vairo, Kayleigh Vogler, Barbara Woss.

**Honor Roll:** Serenity Burke, Alice Ferber, Cole Flynn, Cassidy Grundel, Gary Hendrix III, Rowan Hubbard, Paul Nunnari, Yesel Rodriguez Vega, Kiley Tambascio, Anabela Tavares, Morgan Whitcomb.

### Robert J. Kaiser students achieve honor roll

**MONTICELLO** — The Robert J. Kaiser middle school in Monticello is pleased to announce their honor roll list for the third marking period. These students are recognized for their academic achievement. These students are:

**8th grade Principal's list:** Karen Arina, Kerice Barrett, Demitria Bracy, Nadia Cales, Aga Chowdhury, Lisa Collins, Roman DiCio, Lorennny Guerra Martinez, Niccolo Lentini, Ariana Lofstedt, Zariah Moore, Shivam Patel, Adila Redzematovic, Jovi Roosa, Omaury Salinas, Charm Smith, Sophia Zhang.

**High Honor Roll:** Valeria Acevedo Roque, Riley Barbato, Brandon Blake, Krachau Cox, Jakob Cutway, Thomas Daniells, Alicia Graham, Giovanni Gutierrez, Tiara Harris, Antonio Holmes, Ava Hovis, Broden Ibarra, Jillian Innis-Monteverdi, Mya Jones, Eleccia Kruszcak, Thomas Macias Olarte, John Marone, Sadie McDonough, Brent Murrin, Freyja Newman, Lindsey Raven, Kollin Raymond, Jack Rielly, Sasha Saint-Louis.

**Honor Roll:** Gianna Baron, Omar Bravo Acevedo, Sergio Bravo-Acevedo, Kamsiyonna Dim, Majaylin Dixon, Jayden Doolittle, Kayla Dumornay, Yousef Elsayed, Fiolla Gjonbalaj, Jasheilz Gonzalez Toro, Marie Hlavacek, Brianna Jones, Jamel Little, Jr., Andreas Livaditis, Lailah McCalk, Shevaun Mcleod, Jovaniel Melendez, Anthony Perri, Aniyah Ridley, Hannah Robinson, Jimena Rodriguez, Irianys Rodriguez Mendez, Elijah Rojas, Reiley Schloicka, Christopher Van

Lowe, Mark Vanduzer II, Stephen VanName, Aiyana Wigfall-Bickham.

**7th grade Principal's list:** Elias Barbosa, Amerie Campbell, Krish Chaudhary, Dillon Cole, Tyler DeLeon, Aida Flores, Andrea Hussain, Aaden Mitchell, Kelly Moroch, Ishaan Padhriar, Sebastian Rodriguez, Jacob Schall, Nikki Schultz, Cameron Stalter, Selah Taylor-Ukoidemabia, Kayden Telesky, Jayxander Vera Soto

**High Honor Roll:** Navayah Bolden, Jacob Brumbaugh, Landon Chambers, Kamila Collado, Emily Collins, Jamieson Crawley, Andrew Crumley, Arianna Dambois, Genevieve DeSimone, Francisco Flores da Silva, Raishi Geringer, Camila Guzman-Torralba, Hunter Harris, Justice Hinton, Qaseem Howard, Dylan McAssey, Mason McGinnis, Connor Morgan, Jean Nunez Lopez Jr., Ethan Ocampo, Jandi Ramirez, Lamar Smith, Baya Titus, Nicholas Ullaguari, Joshua Vanderkooy, Julian Velez Segarra, Julian Vogel.

**Honor Roll:** Xavier Alston, Brianna Amendola, Evianne Beker-McBride, Milani Benjamin, Sameera Binte Rahman, Austin Bricker, Madelyn Cavello, Mason Cirino, Jayden Diaz, Dominick Giangiacomo, Lucinda Gonzalez, Amaya Jimenez, Ali Kurtagic, Alexandria MacGhee, Owen Mann, Shakira McMillian, Kylie Melay, Logan Morin, Elena Nowik, Krisha Patel, Landin Raynor, Kathleen Robinholt, Aiden Schnitzer, Jasani Stovall, Daniel Weyer, Evan Weyer, Giovanni Zaldana Orellana.

**6th grade Principal's list:** Jaleesha Abraham, Emma Anderson, Stephanie Belcher,

Christopher Belgiovene, Clara Campbell, Annabella Caycho, Zoey Cunningham, Chardae Davis, Whitney Despagne, Desiree Dixon, William Fassell, Mikayla Gutierrez, Kristen Harris, Owen Heal, Sophia Kania, Lawrence Kania III, Krish Patel, Vani Patel, Vladimir Petrov, Blaise Pogozelski, Brayden Pogozelski, Ava Rielly, Olivia Rojas, Sofia Salcedo, Nathaniel Segal, Logan Steward, Brooke-Lynn Tasker, Aubrey Wilkins, Damien Zahorchak, Tommy Zhang.

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## MOVING TOWARDS HEALTH

MAGGI FITZPATRICK

### Will I regret this?

They say you never regret a workout. While I definitely agree with this, it doesn't mean it's easy to get up and complete that workout. This past week was the last week of our half-marathon training program and my desire to lift and run was just about zero.

It was extremely difficult to get started, and my husband, Cosmos, and I even skipped a day or two when the air quality was too poor to run outside due to the smoke. By the time Wednesday rolled around, we decided that we'd had enough of our procrastina-

tion and were going to do to the gym to run our last four miles before the big race day. Before the work day ended, we agreed that we would go home, cook and eat dinner, and then head to the gym for our run. We decided we weren't going to make any



## STREAMSIDE

JUDY VAN PUT

### Smoke clears, rain falls, rainbows rise

Last week we experienced an unprecedented phenomenon when clouds of smoke from wildfires in Canada billowed across the Eastern Seaboard, from Vermont down to South Carolina, polluting the atmosphere with a yellow smoky haze filled with dangerous particulates that forced residents, especially the very young, elderly and those whose health is compromised by respiratory issues, to stay indoors. Airline flights were delayed, after-school outdoor activities and Major League sports games were cancelled, and the New York City skyline seemed to vanish, veiled in smoke.

Thankfully the smoke is subsiding, and skies are overcast from rain clouds that have added some moisture to our parched ground and Catskill streams. We are anticipating a few days of rain that has been forecast for this week, as river levels are still very low at this writing. On Sunday afternoon, June 11, the Beaverkill at Cooks Falls was flowing at just 120 cubic feet per second, which is less than half the median average of 266 cfs on this date based on 109 years of keeping records. The minimum flow on June 11 was in 1959 when just 89 cubic feet per second trickled past the gauging station. Fortunately, the unseasonably cool evenings and mornings have kept water temperatures favorable, in the 60s.

We saw a few remaining March Browns in the air over the Beaverkill this weekend, along with their smaller counterparts, Gray Foxes. Blue-Winged Olives, various caddis flies and Sulphurs are also around and bringing up the trout from time to time.

Evening fishing has been productive, especially during the spinner falls. Our friend Sandra had a great time fishing the Beaverkill with her husband last weekend on a "gorgeous night" at around 7:15 pm on during a spinner fall, using an 8-ft. 4-wt. rod and a Rusty Spinner. Fishing was productive and they landed some nice trout, catching brown and rainbows; the largest was Sandra's



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO  
Sandra did well fishing on the Beaverkill with her husband one evening last weekend during a spinner fall, and caught this beautiful rainbow trout on a Rusty Spinner.

big, beautifully colored rainbow pictured below.

Rainbow trout in the Beaverkill are becoming more and more common as years go by; traditionally the Beaverkill was known as a brown trout stream, but it was back around 1980 when I received a phone call from a friend who was fishing the "No-Kill" Catch and Release area on the lower Beaverkill on a seasonable St. Patrick's Day and reported that he had caught and released seven fish, but the remarkable thing about his catch was that of the seven, all were rainbow trout - not a brown was among them!

Through the years we have seen and caught more and more rainbows in the Beaverkill. Rainbow trout were stocked in the lower Beaverkill in the early 1880s, and then disappeared - but were found a few years later, having become established 'residents' in the Delaware River. Rainbows have not been stocked in the lower Beaverkill by the State of New York (nor are they on the current stocking list for 2023) but they have, through the years, migrated back up from the Delaware to spawn.

No doubt that many of the rainbows caught today in the Beaverkill are wild fish. They are fun to catch and can put on quite an exciting display of jumps while on the end of your line!

The Rusty Spinner, which proved to be successful in catching a number of trout last weekend, is a dry fly that imitates a mayfly in the last stages of its life, the spinner stage, as we covered a couple of weeks ago - when the adult mayfly completes its life

cycle by transforming into a more slender fly with clear wings, and travels in an up-and-down motion while reproducing, after which the females deposit their eggs, then fall, with their beautiful clear wings splayed out on the surface of the water.

Regardless of the color of the mayfly in its adult or dun stage, a number of species will appear 'rusty-colored' after undergoing their metamorphosis to the spinner stage, thus the name and color of the spinner fly. According to an article written online by Rusty Dunn, of the Southern Wisconsin Chapter of Trout Unlimited, these types of spinner flies have been tied by fly-fishers since the Middle Ages! Many have been credited for tying the first 'official' Rusty Spinner, but Dunn relates a great and colorful story crediting George E.M. Skues, an Englishman, who, while traveling by train along the River Itchen, discovered a Blue-Winged Olive spinner that had landed on his window.

Skues took out his portable fly-tying kit and began to choose materials from the kit to tie up an imitation. According to Dunn's story, he placed a hook into his vise and proceeded to attach a blend of seal's fur to match the reddish-brown color of the spinner fly, tying the dubbing on with orange thread "which glows faintly through the dubbing and gives a fiery translucence much like that of his traveling companion." Skues names and documents the fly as the "Rusty Spinner" in his book *The Way of a Trout With a Fly*, first published in 1921. And the fly is obviously still popular today and is a good choice to use during a spinner fall.

Judy Van Put is a long-time member of the NYS Outdoor Writers Association, and is the recipient of the New York State Council of Trout Unlimited's Professional Communications Award.



Cosmos and I certainly didn't regret completing our training runs last week when we crossed the finish line of the Lake Placid Half Marathon on Sunday!

more likely to hit personal bests or just end up feeling great.

History definitely repeated itself, and once we got to the gym and started running, we had one of our best runs of the entire training program. Once we were done, we both agreed we were happy we stopped procrastinating and got our

run in. We even ended up going to bed at our normal time. Our minds like to play tricks on us to keep us in our comfort zone. Staying home after dinner on Wednesday would have been very comfortable, just as not completing my programmed workouts on Monday and Tuesday was. But the truth of the matter is that as much as it's comfortable in the moment, not doing what we said we were

excuses for how late it was because we knew that we would be happy with our decision to actually complete the run instead of putting it off for another day.

We only had the ability to make this decision because of our past experiences in this situation. Time and time again, the workouts we feel the least like doing always end up being the most fulfilling and rewarding ones. They are also the ones where we're

going to do brings on more discomfort later.

Although I would have been comfortable in my pajamas and in bed, not completing my scheduled training runs would have left me feeling disappointed in myself and very sluggish on race day. As tempting as the immediate gratification of skipping sounds, it doesn't make me feel my best in the long run.

When you're in the moment of making the decision of whether or not to complete your workout, think back to previous times you've had to make this decision. Have you ever regretted a workout you completed? My guess is that you haven't.

On the flip side of that, have you ever been disappointed with yourself for not doing something you said you were going to do? My guess is that, like me, you have.

It's beneficial for us to tap back into our past experiences and look for evidence of how it worked out last time. If you don't have any past experience with this of your own, you can borrow mine. I've never regretted a workout, I'm always happier when I do what I said I was going to do, and I bet you'll feel the same.

Xoxo  
Coach Maggi

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## FINALE: County athlete results from states

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-worthy time of 12.36. To vie at states is a testament to uncanny hard work, persistence, and commitment. To be present on the starting line or prepared to engage in a throwing or jumping event is proof of being a standout among the vast legion of young men and women that participate in HS track and field across the state.

Track and field involve more athletes than any other sport in the state canon. Yet, for all its remarkable feats, heroics and intensity, it is sadly under-reported in the triage of high school athletic headlines and stories.

These kids are warriors who are building character and acquiring lessons that will endure long after their sports careers end. In short, they are experiencing the opportunity to become the best version of themselves.

Tri-Valley junior Craig Costa also ran in the 3200 championship. He finished 13th among the D2 contend-

ers, and 30th overall with a time of 9:46.23 in the downpour that arrived just in time for the start of the race. T-V junior Amelia Mickelson was 22nd in the 3000 with a PR of 11:07.10. She finished 35th overall.

Athletes who come to states learn first-hand what the best of the competition looks like. Those who get to come back the following year know first-hand how hard they must train to move up in that daunting hierarchy if they want to medal.

That lesson also befell T-V phenom Van Furman in the 3000 steeplechase, an event the young standout was confident about prior to the race. Furman's style which has served him superbly in cross-country and indoor track as well as in spring track against much less talented competition, has been to hang back and pick off the people in front of him one by one. But in this race that strategy was ineffective.

Furman's slow start allowed the speedy runners

to widen the gap in front of him from start to finish. Next year, Furman will be on the attack and use his deft skills and speed to inhabit the front of the pack instead of the back. He finished 9th among the D2 contenders and 21st overall with a time of 10:10.76.

His disappointed countenance notwithstanding, his future in all three running seasons is brighter than bright.

T-V's girls qualified for the 4x800 relay championship. Clearly, they were going to be overmatched by the field but their effort as well as their future prospect is noteworthy for track and field state first-timers. Kudos to Em Richardson, Mya Ibarra, Amelia Mickelson and Brynn Poley.

Their time of 10:38.51 and their 15th place among D2 (29th overall) now becomes a baseline from which to work as they prepare to hopefully vie at states next year at Cicero North High School in June of 2024.



MIDDLETOWN – With exemplary performances including the evincing of two national fastest times, a panoply of sterling medalists and countless personal records, the NYSPHAA track and field championships were unquestionably the zenith of the 2022-2023 high school sports array.

Over the course of the two days, onlookers bore witness to NY's best runners, jumpers and throwers. To appreciate what transpired one needs to understand context.

It's one thing to be tops in a school or section, but quite



another to compete at the state championships against the public high school elite and beyond that for the most talented, the champions from the top contenders from the NYSPHAA, NYC's Public School Athletic League (PSAL), the Catholic High School Association (CHSAA) and the Independent Schools (AISAA) in the Federation Championships.

Sullivan County sent nine athletes to states this year and three of them came home with medals. Monticello senior Taina DeJesus finished fourth in the D1 400 Intermediate Hurdles with a PR of 1:03.67 and then came back in the Federation championship to claim sixth with yet another PR of 1:03.62. Her graceful and speedy performances were beyond the pale, her radiant



# Fantastic finale

STORY AND PHOTOS  
BY RICHARD A. ROSS

*Adam Furman, Taina DeJesus and Gabriela Almonte medal at states*



1. Monticello senior Taina DeJesus gracefully clears a hurdle in the 400 intermediate hurdles championship to garner her second medal of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHAA) track and field championships. She finished fourth in the Division I race and sixth in the Federation Championship race setting personal best times in both races of 1:03.67 in the D-1 race and 1:03.62 in the Federation race.

Mickelson braves the rain and the daunting competition to garner a personal best time of 11:07.10 in the 3000-championship race. She also ran a leg in the 4x800 relay along with teammates Em Richardson, Mya Ibarra and Brynn Poley.

2. Tri-Valley senior Adam Furman on his way to a second-place finish among the Division II entrants in the 1600 championship race. He also finished second among D2 entrants in the 3200-championship race with a PR time of 9:11.15 which broke the school record again which he had shattered earlier this spring. That record, and the one he broke in the 1600, dated from 1990 and were set by Christian Agnew. In that rain-soaked event, he also earned a Federation medal. All in all, he left states with three medals.

4. Tri-Valley's Mya Ibarra passes the baton to Brynn Poley in the 4x800 championship race.

5. Homestead Collaborative College freshman Gabriela Almonte finished fifth in the Division II 100-meter dash, thereby earning a medal.

6. Tri-Valley junior Craig Costa strides valiantly in the 3200 Championship amidst a downpour. He finished 13th among the Division II contenders with a time of 9:46.23

7. Tri-Valley sophomore Van Furman sails over the barrier to the water pit in the 2000 steeplechase championship race. He finished 9th among the Division II contenders with a time of 10:10.76. A change in strategy next year will no doubt lead to a faster start using his speed and skills.

3. Tri-Valley junior Amelia smile at winning two medals will be long emblazoned in the memory of her coaches

and family. Tri-Valley senior Adam Furman competed in a rainy

3200 Federation Championship on Friday night and finished second among D2 competitors with a PR of 9:11.15. He was seventh overall in the race, thus claiming medals for his D2 and Federation placements. Homestead freshman Gabriela Almonte took fifth in the D2 100 with a medal

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## Parting Words

This was also the final sports event of this writer's 21-year career as both a wordsmith and photographer. I am truly grateful for my fledgling years at The River Reporter and even more so for my treasure trove of stories and photos that made it to the pages of the Sullivan County Democrat. I am also indebted to the schools and communities, coaches and parents for the opportunity to bring my love and passion for sports to bear on celebrat-

ing the outstanding deeds of young men and women across the county and Section IX in the rainbow of sports in all three seasons. Sports is indeed the theatre of life, and it is a stage on which young athletes not only perform, but mature and grow. Its value is enormous and life-changing and the cogent stories that have appeared in this paper have emphasized the lifelong relevance of many things athletes experience.

# County kids clean up in local Soap Box Derby

STORY AND PHOTOS  
BY DEREK KIRK

LIBERTY – Head down, break up, go fast.

These three tenants of soap box car racing were pertinent as the racers took their mark atop the hill of Upper Main Street in Liberty on June 3.

The annual races, put on by the Sullivan County Soap Box Derby invited 39 kids of various ages to put their wheels to the pavement and descend the hill using gravity to beat the competitors.

Parents, family and friends of the racers gathered on the sidewalks with tents and lawn chairs to cheer on the box cars as they sped down the hill.

In total, there were 19 drivers in the stock division, 15 in the superstock division, and five in the masters division.

In the Stock Division, the standings landed with first place going to Steven Padin, second place to Jayden Green, and third place to Lilith Lynker. The Super Stock Division heralded Hudson Danzilo in first, Cody Winters in second, and Phillip Kolarik in third. The Master Division saw Mason Smith win



first place, Emma Gaebel take second, and Shane Graham take third.

The event included sponsorships from Rolling V Bus Corp, ShopRite of Liberty, and Harris Funeral Home.

Some racers met each other with hugs and shook hands at the bottom

of the hill, solidifying a community of soap box racing that has been alive in the county since its beginning in the area around 12 years ago.

First place winners will take their cars and their skills to Akron, Ohio, for July 16 through the 22, for the World Championships.

Clockwise from left: A foot race to the top of the hill is the first order of business for the Sullivan County Soap Box Derby!

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