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Take a walk around Mesier Park filled with artwork of local students

Annual Festival of the Arts May 13 in Wappinger Falls



Artwork of Wappingers Central School District students will be on display during the 73rd annual Festival of the Arts in Mesier Park in Wappingers Falls on May 13.

Pictured are "Birth" by Mary Elizabeth Boatey and "Goodness Gracious" by Jaime O'Neill.

-Courtesy images

By Kristine Coulter

The Wappingers Central School District (WCSD) Fine & Performing Arts Department will present the 73rd Annual Festival of the Arts. This year's festival will take place on Saturday, May 13 in Mesier Park in Wappingers Falls from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The inclement weather date is Sunday, May 14 from noon - 4 p.m.

Organizers stated the artwork of thousands of WCSD students (elementary through high school) will be on exhibit throughout the park.

Dr. Dwight Bonk, Superintendent of WCSD, said, "This event serves as one of our District Capstone Programs. Artwork that was created by thousands of our students will be on display throughout the

park as we are pleased to have this opportunity to showcase and recognize the many talents of our students from our 15 schools. In addition, the park will be filled with the music of our choral and instrumental ensembles and will feature student demonstrations and a variety of art-making activities."

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Four seek BOE seats in Wappingers school district

By Kristine Coulter

Registered voters in the Wappingers Central School District (WCSD) will have the opportunity to vote for Board of Education (BOE) members on May 16. They will also vote on the 2023-24 Budget and a Bus proposition. Polls are open from 7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

The four candidates are, in alphabetical order, Anthony Ciro DiLullo, Peggy Kelland, John C. Lumia, and Keith Odums. There are three seats (three-year terms from July 1 - June 30, 2026) that are open this year.

The four candidates who are running for the WCSD BOE were asked the following questions via email by Southern Dutchess News. The questions were:

1. Why are you running for the WCSD BOE?
2. What are your top 3 priorities?
3. What experiences will you bring if elected?

The candidates' responses follow, in alphabetical order, starting with those currently on the BOE.

Peggy Kelland, current Board of Education member

Why are you running for the WCSD BOE?

"I am running for reelection to the Wappingers School Board because I want to continue to provide a high-quality education in a fiscally responsible manner. Since I was first elected to the Board, we have reduced class sizes, upgraded facilities, improved scores on state exams, initiated career and technical programs, enhanced social/emotional support, and expanded extra-curricular offerings. All this was done with never exceeding the tax cap, and bringing in the last two budgets well below the tax cap."

What are your top 3 priorities?

"My priorities are: first, to ensure a safe and welcoming school environment for everyone. Second, to offer the best academic and career training for all students, whatever their different talents and interests. Third, to encourage participation by all students in the school community through a wide range of athletic and extra-curricular activities."

What experiences will you bring if elected?

"After earning my BA (Smith College) and MA (Teachers College,

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Winning ways keep Renegades atop division in early going

The Hudson Valley Renegades are finding all kinds of ways to win and maintaining their hold on first place in the division.

The Renegades scored single runs in the 7th, 8th, and 9th innings on Friday night, and beat Wilmington, 3-2, plus wins of 3-1 on Saturday to take four of the six games in the home series.

Alexander Vargas clubbed a go-ahead three-run home run in the seventh inning helping the Renegades down the Blue Rocks 3-1 on Saturday night.

The Renegades own first place in the North Division of the South Atlantic League with a 18-9 record.

On Friday, the winning run came home on a wild pitch.

In the ninth inning, after Aaron Palensky opened up

the frame with a leadoff single, Spencer Henson reached base on a fielder's choice. Henson advanced to second on a throwing error by Yoander Rivero on a fielder's choice groundball hit by Rafael Flores, who reached at first.

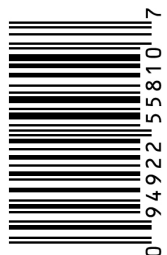
Jack Sinclair (2-1) struck out Grant Richardson for the second out of the inning before Henson stole third after Onix Vega threw down to second base on a pick-off attempt. Two pitches later, Henson dashed home on a wild pitch to win the game for the Renegades. It was the first walk-off win of the season for Hudson Valley.

Wilmington had tied the game in the ninth with a sacrifice fly from Vega against Juan Carela after James Wood tripled on a ball lost in the lights in the outfield.

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Congressman Pat Ryan nominates Town of Wappinger for **\$3.5M** Project to Improve Water Infrastructure on Rt 9

TOWN OF WAPPINGER, NY – Congressman Pat Ryan announced he had chosen the Town of Wappinger as one of his 15 Community Projects and submitted their request to the House Appropriations Committee. This highly selective process received over 100 applicants. The \$3.5M project will provide safe and clean municipally-sourced water to residential and commercial properties along the southern half of Route 9 in the Town of Wappinger.

Congressman Ryan recently met with Supervisor Thurston in Washington to discuss this and other projects.



“This is an incredibly competitive process, but I’ve worked with Supervisor Thurston for a while now, and I know how important this \$3.5M in federal funding will be to the Town of Wappinger,” said Representative Pat Ryan. “So when he laid out the case for this Community Project, the decision couldn’t have been easier. I look forward to continuing to work alongside Supervisor Thurston as we deliver safer and cleaner water for Wappinger families and businesses.

“This is a huge announcement for the people of Wappinger, who for too long have lacked access to clean and safe drinking water in several areas of the town, including along Route 9,” said Town of Wappinger Supervisor Richard Thurston. “This nomination for federal funding is an absolute game-changer, delivering tangible results for Wappinger families’ and businesses’ at a time when they need it most. I’m excited to work on this project with Congressman Ryan and continue to fight alongside each other for this community.

“On behalf of the Town of Wappinger Town Board and the residents and businesses along the southern Rt 9 corridor in Wappinger, I thank Congressman Ryan for choosing the Town of Wappinger as one of his 15 Community Projects.”

-Dick Thurston, Town Supervisor



Four seek seats on WCSD education board



Wappingers Central School District (WCSD) registered voters can vote on the 2023-24 Budget and for members of the WCSD Board of Education on May 16. Pictured are the four candidates running for the BOE, in alphabetical order, from left, Anthony Ciro DiLullo, John C. Lumia, Peggy Kelland and Keith Odums.

-Courtesy photos

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Columbia), I trained teachers as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Honduras. I taught social studies, elementary school, reading improvement, and math remediation on Long Island and western New York before working in Wappingers as a substitute and full-time teacher. Our children and grandson attended Wappingers schools. I was a PTA room mother and a parent representative on the Site Leadership Team at RCK. I also served as a Girl Scout Leader and Cub Scout Leader; and am Director of a non-denominational Vacation Bible School in Wappingers Falls.

"I have 35 years' experience on non-profit and public boards, including AAUW Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County Interfaith Council, League of Women Voters, Junior League of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess Child Care Council, Mid-Hudson Institute, Zion Episcopal Church, Town of Poughkeepsie Zoning Board, Dutchess County Planning Federation, and Dutchess County School Boards Association. I served on all Wappingers School Board committees, and was President (4 years) and Vice President (4 years)."

John Lumia, current member of the BOE

Why are you running for the WCSD BOE?

"I am running for a position on the Board

of Education because I want to make sure that students are provided with educational programs which meet their academic and career needs."

What are your top 3 priorities?

"As a board member, I want to make sure that funds are spent appropriately. I support a budget which is either at or below the tax cap, so as to minimize the tax burden on our taxpayers but at the same time ensure that student needs are at the forefront. Moreover, it is important that the Board supports the continued improvement of our infrastructure."

What experiences will you bring if elected?

"I have a BA from Marist College and a MA from St. John's University. I taught mathematics at Marist, Dutchess Community College as well as at Green Haven Correctional Facility. I also taught mathematics at RCK (Roy C. Ketcham High School) as well as coached X-Country and Indoor Track. I have served on the Board for the past 15 years and have been Board President for the past three years. Having served and chaired several committees, my educational background and my knowledge of district needs is an asset for me serving on the Board."

Keith Odums, current member of the BOE

As a candidate for the School Board, I'll continue to:

- Support employee recruitment strategies.
- Support resources for Student Support Services.
- Support Pre-Kindergarten program implementation.
- Support the District School Safety plans and infrastructures.
- Support district budgets which exclude community tax burdens.
- Approve resources to broaden district wide educational curriculums.
- Ensure policy governance is accurately implemented and monitored.

Anthony Ciro DiLullo

Why are you running for the WCSD BOE?

"Proverbs 22:6: Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

"After going through the plan-demic, we have witnessed how truly fallen this world

is. A massive fear campaign with propaganda and now our 'government' actively pushing for war, it is time to spread the Good News of the Gospel of Christ, especially to the youth.

"First, I am running to raise awareness of our Lord and our Savior, Jesus. I am running to bring prayer back and to bring the Bible back.

"Second, raising awareness on a massive \$286 million dollar budget.

"Finally, children should not be poisoned to attend school, ban the vaccine schedule."

What are your top 3 priorities?

"As stated above, first, I am running to raise awareness of our Lord, Jesus. I am running to bring prayer back and to bring the Bible back. To spread the Good News of eternal salvation that is available to all those who sincerely believe on Christ Jesus and believe in His Resurrection.

"John 14:6: Jesus saith unto him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me.

"Second, a \$286-million-dollar budget for one school year is theft. We are moving into recession, this budget is not sustainable. Families are already being squeezed by the corrupt federal reserve eroding our purchasing power through inflation.

"Finally, ban the vaccine schedule.

Children are not to be made life-long customers of pharmaceutical companies.

"Pharmacy comes from the Greek origin of Pharmakeia which means the use of drugs, potions, sorcery, witchcraft."

What experiences will you bring if elected?

"Prior to dedicating my work to be about the business of my Father, I was a Certified Financial Planner. I built financial plans as well as analyzed taxes.

"Currently, I do tax work with the business of my dad, who is CPA.

"Joshua 1:9: Have not I commanded thee? Be strong, and of a good courage, be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee, whithersoever thou goest.

"Through my Father, I am strong, I am of a good courage.

"I will boldly stand on my principles and be a good steward, to serve the children and the parents, then the staff of WCSD.

"The children and the parents always come first, then the district."

The link to the candidates' 120-word biographies is on the WCSD's website at: <https://www.wappingersschools.org/Page/34748>.

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WCSD Superintendent calls on Congressional representatives to make Federal funding available

The following letter was written by Wappingers Central School District Superintendent of Schools to Speaker of the House Kevin McCarthy, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, House Majority Leader Hakeem Jeffries, House Minority Leader Steve Scalise, U.S. Congressman Mike Lawler, U.S. Congressman Patrick Ryan, U.S. Congressman Marcus Molinaro, and U.S. Senator Kristen Gillibrand on May 4.

Dear Members of the United States Congress and Senate:

As Superintendent of Schools of the Wappingers Central School District, which is the 9th largest school district in New York State with over 10,200 students and 15 school buildings, I am writing this letter of correspondence to urge that Federal funding be made available immediately to enhance the health, welfare, and safety of our students throughout our schools. This will allow for the assignment of a School Resource Officer, as well as provide the much needed additional mental health and wellness supports necessary at ALL school buildings within our District. The addition of such positions that are federally funded is necessary as our country continues to grapple with the violence and mental health issues that has plagued school districts and has resulted in injuries and tragically, the loss of life. Unfortunately, the horrific events of school violence that have transpired in many schools throughout the Nation continues to create and manifest much anxiety for the families, students, and staff in my school district.

Clearly, much discussion has occurred and hopefully will continue to occur at the Federal level regarding the best ways to keep students and staff safe. An armed and trained uniformed School Resource Officer, who works at a State/County or local police department, will be one way in which immediate steps can be taken to begin to address this major concern. These trained officers will have the opportunity to develop positive relationships with our students and proactively help to mitigate potential conflict as well as respond to those incidents that impact the health, welfare, and safety of

others. Mental Health professionals will be able to serve similarly, by developing positive relationships with our students as well respond immediately to student mental health issues and possibly resolve issues prior to escalation. I personally have the utmost confidence in the seven municipal police departments within our school district, which include the New York State Police, The Dutchess County Sheriffs' Department, as well as the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health as we have worked collaboratively with them in the areas of school safety, mental health and wellness, and violence prevention. The presence of these trained professionals in ALL of our schools, regardless of grade level or enrollment, will help foster a school culture and climate that is safe and will allow teachers and students to focus on teaching and learning.

In the absence of Federal funding, many school districts may be forced to pay for such needed safety through their own school budget. As the safety and security of our staff and students is our top priority, we may face having to make difficult decisions that will either impact safety, our overall instructional program, or both! As a district with fifteen (15) schools, we currently allocate approximately \$1.8 million for School Safety and Mental Health Services. I am hopeful that federal funding will be made available for these most important positions as the ability to provide these necessary services should not be based on whether each local school district has the financial means to do so. This could be achieved by providing multi-year Federal Grants to school districts. It is my belief that we can all agree that everyone, regardless of the wealth or the ability of their School Districts to fund these services, deserves the safest school environment that promotes teaching and learning and provides students with opportunities to achieve their highest academic, social, and emotional potential. Thank you very much for taking the time to review this correspondence and I am hopeful this request will receive strong consideration.

Dr. Dwight Bonk
Superintendent of Schools
Wappingers Central School District

Community volunteers participate in National Rebuilding Day

National Rebuilding Day took place April 29 and three local Dutchess County homeowners received critical home repairs and/or accessibility modifications at no cost to them through Rebuilding Together Dutchess County's (RTDC) Rebuilding Day program. With the support of volunteers from four local organizations and businesses, and the generous donation of in-kind materials and services from five local businesses RTDC was able to make a positive difference within our community.

Approximately 100 community volunteers, RTDC staff and board members, elected officials, and Darcy McCourt, Executive Director of RTDC, were present. "We are privileged to make this day happen each year," she explained. "The homeowners and families are so appreciative and honored by the volunteers' attention and service to them and their homes."

Rebuilding Together Dutchess County provided roughly 70 different critical home repairs across the three projects on April 29th. The local recipients included Elizabeth, an 84-year-old widow of a veteran, who has lived in her Poughkeepsie home for 56 years. She expressed great gratitude for the work RTDC, the Central Hudson volunteer team and all their supporters managed to complete during the day. Other project sites that day included the home of Janet who has lived in her Wappingers Falls home for 50 years and the home of Ann, a 90-year-old widow of a veteran, who has lived in her Poughkeepsie home for 57 years. All three homeowners served on National Rebuilding Day have a desire to remain in their home



Homeowner, Elizabeth, and her daughter Deborah taking a breather during the National Rebuilding Day project with Central Hudson.

-Courtesy photo

independently for as long as possible. RTDC's Rebuilding Day program enables qualified low-income homeowners the ability to live in a safe and healthy home. Without such assistance, many of the homeowners RTDC serves would be forced to leave their homes or continue to be cost burdened by the needed critical home, safety and accessibility repairs.

The open application period for the RTDC home repair program runs from June through August. Applications received during this time are considered for service in 2024.

For more details, call 845-454-7310 or visit www.rebuildingtogetherdutchess.org.

DOT to present Open House May 17 on proposed changes to Hooker-Raymond intersection

The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) will host an Open House on Wednesday, May 17, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at Poughkeepsie Town Hall, to present proposed improvements to the intersection of Route 376 (Raymond Avenue) and Hooker Avenue (Route 983T). NYSDOT's preferred alternative is to construct a modern roundabout to replace the existing signalized intersection. In addition, this alternative will construct new buffered sidewalks and crosswalks with pedestrian refuge islands.

This event will highlight the conceptual plan and components of this project, as well

as the project schedule. The public will learn about the history, existing conditions, and proposed objectives of the project; and provide input on the vision, objectives, and aesthetics being proposed.

Town of Poughkeepsie Town Hall is at 1 Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie.

Those unable to attend can provide comments to:

Mr. Mark Kruk, P.E.
NYS Department of Transportation
4 Burnett Boulevard
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
mark.kruk@dot.ny.gov
845-431-5749.

CAMO to flush hydrants in Glenham, Beacon Hills May 15 - June 2

Residents of the Glenham Water District and Beacon Hills in the Town of Fishkill are being advised to limit water use.

CAMO Pollution Control, Inc. will be flushing hydrants between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. beginning Monday, May 15 through Friday, June 02.

During the flushing, residents may experience erratic water pressure and tur-

bid water conditions. This condition will only be temporary. At all times water will meet satisfactory sanitary quality, according to CAMO. The flushing will bring about long-term improvements in water quality.

If you have any questions, please call CAMO Pollution Control, Inc. at 845-463-7310.

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'James Madison' to be featured at Mount Gulian annual dinner in June

By Kristine Coulter

Make prepaid reservations before May 13 for the annual History Dinner at Mount Gulian Historic Site on June 3, from 4:30 – 9 p.m. This year's speaker will be "Father of the Constitution" James Madison, portrayed by John Zak, an actor with the American Historical Theatre.

The evening will showcase a catered affair, prepared by Bridgecreek Catering, which will include a four-course dinner based on some of President Madison's favorite foods, according to Elaine Hayes, who is the executive director of Mount Gulian. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served on the riverside lawn prior to dinner.

"We selected James Madison as the living history speaker at our Annual

Dinner because as a Founding Father of America, he is often credited as being the major contributor of the Constitution. And, considering all the disagreements in our nation today regarding Constitutional rights, we thought it would be interesting to go to a primary source of the document. Issues of voting rights, checks and balances, states' rights and others are all on the table at our event," explained Hayes.

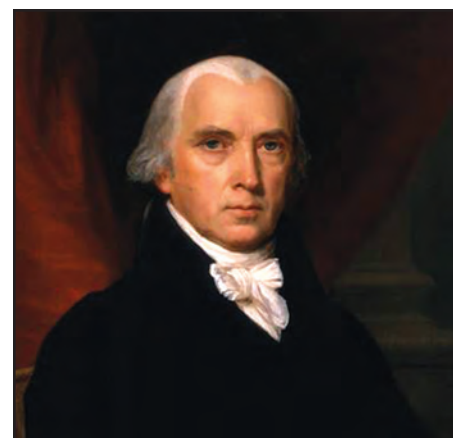
She continued, "Madison was our fourth President, between Jefferson and Monroe. He was an accomplished statesman and political thinker, an aide to George Washington and an important House of Representative member. Most surprising was his flexible, non-dogmatic thinking on many subjects. His

interest was in creating a practical document, a lasting blueprint for America."

"Our popular living history dinner includes a performance where the actor stays in character throughout the evening. The actor is skilled in history and researches the personage he depicts. Additionally, a four-course meal, based on the historical character's favorite recipes, will be served. On this year's menu is Dolley Madison's Cinnamon Woodbury Cake, a favorite of President Madison," said Hayes.

Tickets are \$175 per person. Prepaid reservations are required by May 13.

For an invitation and/or further information call 845-831-8172, email info@mountgulian.org or visit at www.mountgulian.org.



James Madison
Photo courtesy of White House Historical Association

Poughkeepsie Kappa Alpha Psi alumni chapter presents 2023 Lifetime Achievement awards

Three individuals were honored at the Poughkeepsie Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Scholarship Gala on April 22 at The Grandview in the City of Poughkeepsie. The event honored the organization's "Beyond the Dream Foundation," which provides area youth with college scholarships.

The 2023 Lifetime Achievement Awardees include Entrepreneur Sandra Jackson and philanthropists Nancy Kappler-Foster and Rendesia Scott.

Jackson, with over 20 years in the human resources realm, is the owner of Express Employment Professionals, a full-service workforce management company in Poughkeepsie and is committed to community service, serving in several capacities at the Grace Smith House, a member of the Dutchess County Women's Leadership Alliance and lifetime member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

"Being honored by the Beyond the Dream Foundation is meaningful to me as the owner of Express Employment Professionals," said Jackson, who noted her partnerships with local businesses to assist them with finding qualified employees. "We work with local Hudson Valley residents, providing them with resources, training and ultimately finding them good jobs."

Kappler-Foster has spent her life positively changing the communities where she has lived. Chairperson on the Board of the Hudson Valley Credit Union, where she started as a volunteer Kappler-Foster, is also President on the Board of Trustees at the United Methodist Church.

Described by Hudson Valley Credit Union Assistant Vice President, Lisa Morris, in attendance at the Gala, as

"always having the Credit Union's best interest at heart and looking for the good in people while ensuring they get recognition for their goodness, Kappler-Foster herself was humbled by the recognition.

"I was kind of surprised by the honor," said Kappler-Foster, who was not familiar with the Fraternity, but later learned two members of the Credit Union Board were members. "There are so many who could have been honored, but they chose me, and I'm very grateful they did."

Carrying a passionate desire and purpose to serve others, Scott also possesses a huge commitment to a belief in the power of education and its ability to transform lives. The Director of Business Advising at SUNY New Paltz, Scott is actively involved in her church community and alumnae chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. is the President of the Mid-Hudson Valley National Pan-Hellenic Council's Alumnae Chapter, establishing its Mid Hudson Valley Divine 9 Foundation, a 501(c)(3) which has assisted Dutchess County with securing laptops, school supplies, educational needs and arts exposure as well as formed integral partnerships with the Newburgh School District and The Boys & Girls Club.

"Service came to my husband and I in college through our organizations, and it never stopped. Why? Because there was always a need," said Scott. "I have always worked behind the scenes and had advocacy conversations behind closed doors because it was the right thing to do." Thanking her husband, Dr. David Scott for his guidance and continued support as well as 50 year Kappa Alpha Psi member, Wesley Lee, "for shining the light on the



The Poughkeepsie Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity honored the 2023 Lifetime Achievement award winners on April 22. From left are, Sandra Jackson, Nancy Kappler-Foster and Rendesia Scott.

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work done behind the scenes," Scott added, "Helping others is teaching them to do the same, and even though some learn, others tend to forget, but you never stop."



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	Hudson Valley NYY	18	9	.667	-	6-4	L1
	Greensboro PIT	16	11	.593	2.0	4-6	W1
	Jersey Shore PHI	12	11	.522	4.0	7-3	W2
	Wilmington WSH	12	13	.480	5.0	4-6	W1
	Aberdeen BAL	10	15	.400	7.0	5-5	L1
	Brooklyn NYM	9	14	.391	7.0	5-5	W1
SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE SOUTH		W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STRK
	Winston-Salem CWS	18	7	.720	-	7-3	L1
	Hickory TEX	12	13	.480	6.0	3-7	L2
	Greenville BOS	12	14	.462	6.5	7-3	W3
	Rome ATL	12	14	.462	6.5	6-4	L2
	Bowling Green TB	11	14	.440	7.0	5-5	W2
	Asheville HOU	9	16	.360	9.0	2-8	L3

Winning ways keep Renegades atop division in early going

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The Blue Rocks starter, Dustin Saenz, held the Renegades without a hit until a Flores leadoff single in the fifth. Tyler Schoff replaced Saenz in the seventh, and Henson clubbed his sixth home run of the season to tie the game at one.

On the second pitch of the bottom of the eighth, Ben Cowles crushed a solo home run over the right field wall to hand Hudson Valley their first lead of the game at 2-1. The blast was already Cowles' fifth of the season in his 16th game played, after he hit seven in 93 games in 2022.

Zach Messinger started the game for the 'Gades and struck out five in five innings of work. Carela (1-1) went the final 4.0 innings and limited the Blue Rocks to just two hits while striking out three and not allowing a walk in his first relief outing of the season.

The force was with the Renegades on Thursday night as they scored all their runs early in a 6-2 win over the Wilmington/

Aaron Palensky opened up the scoring with a solo home run off Andry Lara (0-3) in the second inning. Palensky is tied for the South Atlantic League lead with eight home runs.

The Renegades' lead didn't last long as Nick Shumpert crushed a solo blast off Tyrone Yulie on the first pitch of the third to

tie the game at one. Yulie allowed just one run in 4.2 innings while striking out five.

Hudson Valley responded with a five-run third inning to surge ahead 6-1. All the damage was done with two outs.

The Renegades split the first two games of the series, including a 9-4 win on Wednesday night. Again, it was a come-from-behind victory. For the second straight night, the Blue Rocks scored in the first inning. After a leadoff walk was issued to Nick Shumpert, Jacob Young bunted a ball down the third base line. Caleb Durbin fielded the ball but threw wildly to first, scoring Shumpert. Clay Aguilar retired the next three batters in order to limit the damage.

Wilmington added another run in the third on an RBI single by Trey Lipscomb off Harold Cortijo. In the bottom half of the inning, Aldenis Sánchez launched a one-out triple to right field and scored on an RBI groundout by Spencer Jones to cut the deficit to 2-1.

After that, there was all Hudson Valley. The team scored single runs in the 5th and 6th innings and, after briefly allowing Wilmington to retake the lead at 4-3 in the seventh inning, Hudson Valley erupted for six runs in the bottom half of the inning. The big hit was a two-run triple by Sanchez.

Players Statistics

PLAYER	TEAM	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
1 Aaron Palensky LF	HV	17	66	17	25	3	1	9	24	7	14	7	0	.379	.453	.864	1.317
2 Spencer Henson 1B	HV	19	67	20	19	5	0	6	17	8	19	1	0	.284	.375	.627	1.002
3 Benjamin Cowles SS	HV	18	67	12	18	3	0	5	9	4	26	1	0	.269	.329	.537	.866
3 Spencer Jones CF	HV	23	98	15	26	7	3	5	19	6	37	7	1	.265	.302	.551	.853
3 Alexander Vargas SS	HV	19	76	15	20	3	2	5	12	8	20	5	1	.263	.341	.553	.894
6 Marcos Cabrera 3B	HV	17	62	7	13	3	1	2	7	6	21	1	1	.210	.279	.387	.666
6 Anthony Garcia RF	HV	17	61	15	10	3	0	2	9	12	33	1	2	.164	.297	.311	.608
6 Ben Rice C	HV	15	44	15	15	2	0	2	10	18	10	3	0	.341	.559	.523	1.082
6 Grant Richardson RF	HV	13	49	8	7	1	0	2	8	6	17	4	0	.143	.250	.286	.536
10 Antonio Gomez C	HV	19	73	8	18	4	0	1	10	9	23	0	0	.247	.329	.342	.671
10 Aldenis Sanchez LF	HV	17	58	12	14	3	2	1	11	9	15	6	1	.241	.329	.414	.743
10 Luis Santos 2B	HV	11	29	4	7	0	1	1	4	8	10	3	1	.241	.395	.414	.809
13 Kyle Battle LF	HV	3	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	1	0	.000	.167	.000	.167
13 Juan Crisp C	HV	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000	.000	.000	.000
13 Caleb Durbin 2B	HV	22	78	20	26	5	0	0	8	14	9	15	1	.333	.464	.397	.861
13 Rafael Flores 1B	HV	17	63	7	20	5	0	0	10	7	15	1	0	.317	.380	.397	.777

Pitcher Statistics

PLAYER	TEAM	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	SO	WHIP	AVG
1 Drew Thorpe P	HV	1	1	4.56	5	5	0	0	0	0	25.2	26	17	13	2	0	12	34	1.48	.268
2 Zach Messinger P	HV	0	1	2.08	5	5	0	0	0	0	26.0	17	7	6	2	0	9	31	1.00	.183





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Letting young players be themselves is ideal philosophy for manager Santos

By Rich Thomaselli

Hudson Valley Renegades manager Sergio Santos has the ideal temperament for the game of baseball, and knows how to deal with his young players.

He lets them be themselves.

“This is a level where there is just as much teaching, if not more, than at every other level,” he said. “And we want them to succeed. Moving up a level is to reward for us. But there also comes a time when you have to let them be themselves. Most of these kids are at that age, where they just have to figure it out for themselves.”

His philosophy of hand-on and hands off, and knowing when the situation calls for which, has proven to be successful. As of this writing, the Renegades are in first place in the North Division of the South Atlantic League.

“Like I said, at this level you don’t think of it from a team standpoint,” Santos said. “We just want them to

move up and move on. Half of these guys won’t even be here at the end of the season. That’s just the nature of the beast at this level.”

Santos, 40, is a Former pitcher in the Los Angeles Dodgers, Chicago White Sox, Toronto Blue Jays and New York Yankees organizations. He was drafted out of Mater Dei High School in California in 2002. Santos gave it his best, but it is difficult to latch on to a team that is pitching rich.

But it wasn’t for a lack of trying.

“One thing I’ve learned from all my years in baseball, and I try to pass it along to these guys,” Santos said, “is that you have to be willing to put the work in. Sometimes it works out, and sometimes it doesn’t. But don’t let anybody accuse you of not trying your hardest.”

So does Santos also look to move up? Perhaps do the AA level in Trenton or Triple A in Scranton Wilkes-Barre?

“I’m not angling for it,” Santos said, “but I wouldn’t turn it down, either.”



Hudson Valley Renegades manager Sergio Santos concentrates on working with young players and helping them to advance to the next level of minor league baseball.

-Photo by Dave Janosz

TYSON’S TIDBITS!

The GM’s learning process and the value of good communication

Every week, reporter Rich Thomaselli sits down with Tyson Jeffers, the general manager of the Hudson Valley Renegade. These are his thoughts on the team in particular, and minor league baseball in general.

Have you learned anything new about the franchise since moving up to general manager?

I’d say that there are always lessons to be learned, no matter how long you’ve been involved with something. The good thing about Steve (Gliner, the former GM of the Renegades), and maybe he did this in anticipation of knowing that last year was his final year, was he pulled back the curtains for me and let me really get involved. He allowed me to get involved with a lot of things. So I really haven’t been shocked by anything.

What have you learned from minor league baseball in general, in the last

six months or so?

It’s really been communication. Talking with other GMs and league people, with Major League Baseball, with people from the Yankees. It’s really just communication and making sure you talk to people.

Steve Gliner has been a kind of de facto mentor for you. What have you learned from him?

Balance. I have learned from him how to balance my professional and personal life. Steve has a great way of stepping back and looking at things from a different perspective. I’m sure it has to do with his 30 plus years in the business, but that balance and sense of perspective is critical in a customer driven business. Nothing surprises him. Steve has taught me the ability to evaluate the situation, especially when it comes to customers.

Weather breaks help HV

By Rich Thomaselli

Even Hudson Valley Renegades general manager Tyson Jeffers will admit it.

“Oh, I’ll be the first to say that we’ve been very lucky with the weather,” he said. “Especially for April and, now, the beginning of May.”

The team has been able to avoid any postponements so far this year at Heritage Financial Park. In part, that has been due to the schedule. The Renegades have already had a 12-game road trip, with back-to-back six-game series’ in Georgia and South Carolina. The team does not have a 12-game homestand in Wappingers Falls at all this year.

There are ten consecutive home games at the end of July and beginning of August however.

And although the rain and cloudy skies were expected much of this week, the Renegades nonetheless completed a homestand with Williamsport and went on the road to Aberdeen, MD, this week. They do not return home again until Tuesday, May 16. In fact, the only rainout the Renegades have experienced this year came in Greenville, South Carolina, last week.

“We’ve been lucky with the weather, and even when the weather has hit us, we have been lucky with the schedule,” Jeffers said.

WCSD's annual Festival of the Arts May 13

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Christine Bunt, a teacher at Roy C. Ketcham High School, teaches Photography and Advanced Photography-Digital and Darkroom.

"Each year the Festival of the Arts brings together a community that covers 110-square miles and serves a suburban community with a population of approximately 75,000. We are one of the largest school districts in the state. This showcase of our students' work brings together our community and creates a culturally rich and diverse atmosphere. From pre-k to seniors in high school, our students are so proud to see their work on display and enjoyed by the public," remarked Bunt to Southern Dutchess News recently.

Jaime O'Neill, who is a junior, stated, "For this project I was experimenting with reflections and found fire to be a good object of study. Using a crystal photography ball, I enjoyed changing the angles and the level of contrast in order to build up the image. Through various trial and error attempts, I was able to take a picture which reflected the object at hand while changing the viewpoint it was seen at."

Jaime said, "Students hold an immense amount of pride toward the work they portray and are always grateful for the amount of support shown by the community. Students can use this opportunity to take inspiration from one another, but the festival especially allows for a look into the classroom that the community doesn't get to see every day."

Robyn Talbot-Howard teaches four levels of Photo Media at John Jay High School (JJHS).

"My students have learned a variety of technical skills involving shooting and editing strong imagery, but also a great deal about craftsmanship, artistic intent, working in a series, and how to discuss other's artwork in a safe environment," stated Talbot-Howard.

Madison Rodriguez, a student at JJHS, said about her artwork piece that will be

in the festival, "I particularly enjoy this photo because of the subtle patterns. In the background, you could see Earth's spots and dots on the rock and the millipede's black and red stripes on its body. If you take a closer look, you could even see its dozens of legs or possibly arms. Although it may seem like a gross bug to some, I hope they are given a reminder of our planet and the beauty of its creatures."

Madison, who is a junior, noted, "The Festival of Arts provides an insight into people's identities articulated through their work. I think there's something special and valuable about getting to know another being by scrutinizing their canvas."

Talbot-Howard was asked about what her students have learned from choosing pieces for the festival.

"My students have learned a variety of technical skills involving shooting and editing strong imagery, but also a great deal about craftsmanship, artistic intent, working in a series, and how to discuss other's artwork in a safe environment," said Talbot-Howard.

Mary Elizabeth Boatey is another student in one of Talbot-Howard's classes.

"My photograph 'Birth' is in conjunction with a series of other photographs in a portfolio titled 'Stains of Sentiment.' It's a very personal and symbolic piece as you're able to see the conjoinment of several pairs of hands that all surround a ripened pomegranate. That pomegranate holds two meanings as a symbol in literature referring to both Birth and Death," Mary Elizabeth explained.

Mary Elizabeth, who is a senior, said, "The Festival of the Arts is a joyful celebration of the work created by our dearest students throughout the district. Accompanied by music, several activities, and the beautiful area, it makes a beautiful representation of our district's art department and an enjoyable afternoon!"

Bunt remarked, "We encourage our students to not solely focus on the creation



The above picture is titled "Milipede" by Madison Rodriguez.

-Courtesy image

of their art but explore the art making process through analyzing and interpreting to enhance their awareness and understanding of the visual world."

"My favorite part about the Festival of the Arts is how many people come out to support young and growing artists from the Wappingers community. It is always a beautiful day, rain or shine, and is such a nice opportunity to learn about and take inspiration from pieces of work created by students you work side by side with on a daily basis," Jaime said.

Bunt also noted that the day brings the community together.

"Our younger students catch a glimpse of what they can look forward to in high school. Our seniors display years of hard

work and dedication to the Arts and our teachers connect with families, alumni and community members. Our courses are diverse and range from Ceramics to Darkroom Photography to Sculpture to Studio Art. It's nothing short of inspiring to see the levels of talent and creativity that our Wappingers students have," said Bunt.

Talbot-Howard added, "There are hundreds of different projects using a huge array of materials that are unique, charming, and contemplative. The scope of Kindergarten Art through advanced & AP (Advanced Placement) Artwork shows the journey these amazing students take involving both self and material exploration in addition to skill building."

Dr. Bonk remarked that he hopes "to see everyone there!"

Meat processing expansion grants now available through HVADC

The Hudson Valley AgriBusiness Development Corporation (HVADC) is now administrating the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets' Meat Processing Expansion Grant Program. Applications are now open for this program, and producers state-wide may apply through HVADC.

The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Grant program helps to fund projects to support the expansion or retention of existing USDA inspected meat processing facilities and the establishment of new USDA inspected meat processing facilities in the state to increase the capacity of New York sourced meat. This addresses the nationwide shortage of affordable meat available to consumers, including the availability of protein sources for schools and institutional facilities in the state. The grant program will make it easier for beef, pork, lamb, goats, poultry, and seafood farmers to process their products and get

affordable, local meat into a variety markets, strengthening New York's food supply chain and rural economies.

"Across the state, and in particularly here in the Hudson Valley, we have seen an increased demand for meat processing services as consumer demand for more locally sourced products has increased in the past three to five years," said Todd Erling, Executive Director, HVADC. "At times it has been difficult for farmers to find capacity at USDA inspected meat processing facilities, which has restricted getting product to market. This grant program will go a long way in bolstering market viability for livestock farmers across the state," he added.

For meat processors, this grant program is available for capital projects that can range from \$50,000 to \$250,000 on a reimbursement basis. For grants of less than \$100,000, a 10% recipient match is required. For grants of \$100,000 to \$250,000, a 20% recipient match is required. Grant funds may be used

for the acquisition and installation of machinery, equipment and fixtures, or installation, renovation/leasehold improvements to an existing building. Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis, and funding will be awarded on a competitive basis. Funds will be available until state funds have been exhausted.

To be eligible for the grant program applicants must be involved in the processing of meat products and be a legally recognized business entity organization in New York State in good standing. Those with current USDA inspection status or seeking to become a USDA-inspected processor may

apply. Applicants must submit a detailed project plan or proposal that outlines the expansion, retention or establishment of a USDA inspected meat processing facility in New York State, including a detailed budget and timeline for the project. They must also demonstrate how their proposed project will increase the capacity of New York State sourced meat.

To learn more about the Meat Processing Expansion Grant program, or to apply, visit <https://www.hvadc.org/nysmeat-processing-grant> or contact Duane Stanton, HVADC Business Services Coordinator at dstanton@hvadc.org.

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During a time when we read about the stresses on our youth, it is refreshing to see our young people have a place to learn and grow and one major influence can be found with 4-H.

Margot LaPorte, President of the Entomology Club of Dutchess County, has taken her sense of wonder and excitement about nature and encouraged others to learn about insects. The 4-H Dragons and Damsels Entomology Club, named for Dragonflies and Damselflies, was started by Maureen Calamari and her daughters to provide a place for youth that are passionate and curious about insects. The main focus of the Club is to learn about bugs, their life cycles and how they contribute to the environment. Club activities and outdoor exploration create space to explore and learn together and form lasting friendships.

Margot was welcomed into this club about 5 years ago and for the first two years she participated in the Club as a photographer and flag bearer. The chance to develop leadership skills came gradually, as did opportunities to use those skills. Margot is now President of Dragons and Damsels. She dedicates hours of time to the Club, leading meetings, teaching her

peers, and helping organize activities.

Epitomizing the tenets of 4-H, Margot regularly uses her knowledge to teach in 4-H programs and most recently shared information on insects "superpowers" to a local Girl Scout group to assist them in attaining their Bug Badge. Reaching out to the community is a foundation block of 4-H and one Margot loves.

In recent years Margot has exhibited at the Fair winning many blue ribbons. In 2022 she was awarded the highest distinction and a letter of encouragement from the New York State Fair Judges for her project depicting the life cycle of Ladybugs. Margot has participated in the LadyBug Project to support the repopulation of the Nine Spotted Ladybug in New York State. Another focus is the requirement for 4-H'ers to develop their presentations and public speaking skills, resulting in confidence and eliminating fears of public speaking.

Margot's determination paid off and she overcame a fear of speaking in front of others through practice and encouragement. This year she will compete at the South Eastern District 4-H Public Presentation Contest representing Dutchess County.

Master Gardener plant sale set May 19-20 at CCEDC


Spring is a time for fresh beginnings and that means it's also time for the annual Master Gardener Plant Sale! Master Gardener Volunteers and extension staff will be on site at the Dutchess County Farm & Home Center 2715 Route 44 near Millbrook for the plant sale on May 19 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and May 20 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Master Gardener Volunteers grow and sell a wide variety of annuals, perennials, vegetables and herbs. Some of these varieties are "tried and true" favorites; others are exciting new introductions. At this event, a Master Gardener Volunteer information booth will be set up. Volunteers are available to answer your gardening questions and to help you make your plant selections.

"We are so excited to see everyone in person and have fully stocked greenhouses ready for our annual sale," said Joyce Tomaselli, Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County Community Horticulture Resource Educator and program liaison.

Master Gardeners are a group of trained volunteers who work in partnership with Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County (CCEDC) to extend information and share skills throughout the county. The first Master Gardener volunteer program was started in Washington State in 1972. Dutchess County was the first county in New York State (1975) to train Master Gardener volunteers. There are currently more than 100 active Master Gardener volunteers in Dutchess County, and many will be available at the annual plant sale to provide free information and advice! The CCEDC Master Gardener Program is funded through volunteer fundraising efforts and from donations from the public like this event.

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Leader of the future – Charlotte Read is a shining example

A long-time 4-H'er and a keen scout, Charlotte Read has an amazing community service ethic. So, when she approached 4-H Leader Jane Rodd for ideas for her Eagle Scout capstone project, it was a wonderful opportunity to bring several community organizations together.

By connecting with them through 4-H, Charlotte received generous funding from Millbrook Garden Club to design, construct and install an arbor in the Millbrook Middle School garden. The goal: "To provide a quiet space where students, staff and parents can sit to relax, study and enjoy nature."

Millbrook Garden Club also supported the creation of this garden, which has been developed over the past two years and this year is expected to produce hundreds of pounds of fresh food to be donated to the community.

It will be managed by Millbrook Middle School Garden Club and the Blooming Kids 4-H Club, and the incredible John Mullins who leads the school maintenance team. Charlotte will be helping maintain this arbor for years to come. She is a shining example of how youth today are already showing themselves to be leaders of tomorrow.

Proud Public Presenters

Support from the Amenia Lions Club for the 4-H Public Presentation program helped us give 242 youth aged 5-18 the opportunity to improve their public speaking skills. Twenty youth progressed to District Public Presentations, which was held on April 29th at the lovely Dutchess Community College, Fishkill campus.



Charlotte Read received generous funding from Millbrook Garden Club to design, construct and install an arbor in the Millbrook Middle School garden. Courtesy photo

Obituaries

Linda Rohling



Linda Rohling was born in Poughkeepsie on January 25, 1961. Linda was a Registered Nurse who started her career at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady, NY, then Vassar Brothers Medical Center for several years. She then went to private practice before her employment at Downstate Correctional Facility in Fishkill for 30 years until her retirement.

Linda was an avid reader. She enjoyed baking and would often share her baked goods with co-workers and friends. She also enjoyed crafting and traveling. Linda was very generous to her family and friends. She was especially fond of her cats. Linda had been an aquarobics instructor at the YMCA in

Poughkeepsie and AllSport for several years.

She is survived by her father, Jerald R. Rohling of Wappingers Falls; her siblings and their spouses, Paul and Cathy Rohling of Hopewell Junction, Darlene and Jon Anderson of Hopewell Junction, and Carl and Annie Rohling of Glen Ridge, NJ; her nieces and nephews, Peter, Sophie, Thomas, Ashley, Jake, Henry, Hema and Heston; her cat, Ivory; and many cousins. Linda was predeceased by her mother, Catherine (McPherson) Rohling in 2021.

Per Linda's wishes, funeral services will be private. Arrangements are under the direction of the McHoul Funeral Home, Inc. Please visit her Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.

David J. Burke Jr.



BEACON - David J. Burke Jr., 83, a lifelong resident of Beacon passed away peacefully on April 27, 2023 at home with his loving family by his side.

David was born in Beacon on October 7, 1939 to Elsie Jones Burke and David J. Burke Sr. He held a special place in his heart for his family home at Hiddenbrooke. On February 8, 1964 David married Patricia H. Hopper at St. John the Evangelist Church in Beacon, NY officiated by Reverend Thomas Fenlon.

David is survived by his wife of 59 years Patricia, his daughter Erin VanBuren (Jim) of Beacon, NY, his son David J. Burke III (Maria) of Marlboro, NY. His grandchildren Mikalya and Patricia

VanBuren of Beacon, NY, Patrick Burke of New York City, and Isabella Burke of Marlboro, NY.

He is also survived by his brother William (Ginger) of Fishkill, NY, and his sisters Mary Murphy (Don) of Newburgh, NY and Bettye Gobbelet (Pete) of Hopewell Junction, NY. His brother-in-law John Hopper of Fishkill, NY and his sister-in-law Elizabeth Hopper of Beacon, NY and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents whom he adored, David J. Burke Sr. on December 1, 1996 and Elsie Jones Burke on July 26, 2006 and his father-in-law James J. Hopper on February 24, 1979 and mother-in-law Lilliam McGrath Hopper on January 15, 2000. He was also predeceased by his brothers-in-law James Hopper, Thomas Hopper, Raymond Champlin and his sisters-in-law Claudia Hopper, Kathleen Hopper, Barbara Hopper, and Anne Champlin.

After graduation from Beacon High School, David served in the US Navy and was honorably discharged in 1962. Following the Navy, he was employed as a manager at IBM. He then became the owner of Bob's Corner Store in Beacon, NY and finally went to work for Akima Services, LLC at West Point until his retirement.

David was a pilot and a member of the TwinCo flying club. Many Beaconites had the privilege to fly with "Captain Dave" in his Cessna. He loved the New York Giants, had season tickets with his buddies, and attended every home game tailgating with his travel trailer camper. He was so proud to be the founder of the Beacon LLABTOOF Club (which is football spelled backwards). The club was in existence for 33 years and they attended one away game each year experiencing over 20 NFL cities. In this club, he affectionately became known as the Irish Godfather. Around town everyone called him "Uncle Dave." He is also well known for his Davey's Dogs hotdog business and loved vacationing every year at his timeshare on Block Island.

David was a life member of St. Rocco's Society, Beacon Elks Lodge #1493, Beacon Engine, Mase Hook and Ladder, and a member for many years of both the Southern Dutchess Country and the Dutchess Boat Club.

However, what was most important to him was his family. He always wanted everyone to be together, and was so proud of his children and grandchildren. His legacy will be his gifts of generosity, kindness and love of family.

Visitation was held on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at the Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey Funeral Home, 2 Beekman Street, Beacon. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, May 3 at St. John the Evangelist Church, 35 Willow Street, Beacon. Burial at St. Joachim's Cemetery will follow. Details of the repast celebration of life will be announced at the burial. Donations may be made in David's memory to the Church of St. Joachim - St. John the Evangelist.

To send a personal condolence please visit www.riverviewbyhalvey.com.

Funeral arrangements are under the care of Patrick J. Halvey of Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, LLC.

Jan Cofer-Howard

FORMERLY OF BEACON - Jan Cofer-Howard, formerly of Beacon, NY, transitioned on April 12, 2023 in Union City, GA. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, U.S. Army veteran, & most memorably, an incredible musician. Jan spent most of her life singing and playing the piano and organ at various churches in the Hudson Valley and metro Atlanta, GA areas. She leaves to cherish her memory her beloved husband of 14 years Charles, her cherished daughter Elizabeth D. Cook, her sisters Danielle McCoy-Ramsey & Emily Singleton, and a host of other family members, church associates, and friends. A private committal service will be held at Georgia National Cemetery in May & then a celebration of life event will be held on a date to be determined in September.

Mental Hygiene Board to meet May 15

The Dutchess County Mental Hygiene Board will be holding its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 15, at noon at the Community Mental Health Center, at 230 North Road, Poughkeepsie. One may participate via Microsoft Teams Meeting or phone in by dialing 1-516-68-4602 and enter Conference ID number 261 140 008#.

Anthony J. 'Tony' Perpetua



BEACON - Anthony J. Perpetua, 93, entered into eternal rest at home surrounded by his family. Born September 30, 1929 in Beacon, he was the son of the late Cosmo and Margaret (Victor) Perpetua.

Anthony was predeceased by his beloved wife of 50 years, Diana (Sands) Perpetua. Together they created much love and many beautiful memories that will be cherished forever with their children Renae Perpetua, Wendi DeMarco, Roderick Perpetua, Michelle Frost (Eric), Erica Perpetua, and daughter in law Jennifer Spreer; grandchildren Alexandra Frost, Ryan Frost, Anthony Perpetua, Donald Perpetua and extended family Nicole, Ethan and Aidan Sullivan and Daniel Demers.

In addition to his parents, Anthony was predeceased by his siblings Patrick, Damon, Carmen and Maryann Perpetua and Sue Fitzgerald.

Anthony proudly served his country as a member of the United States Marine Corps. He then became a butcher by trade for over 50 years.

He was an avid bowler, enjoyed golfing and playing cards, and most of all spending time with family and friends. Anthony was a lifelong member of St Joachim-St John the Evangelist Church.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on May 5 at St John the Evangelist Church, 35 Willow Street, Beacon. Private cremation followed. Burial of Anthony's cremated remains with military honors was held on Saturday, May 13 at St. Joachim Cemetery, Beacon.

The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the VA at Castle Point and Hudson Valley Hospice for their dedication and compassion for Dad and family support.

To send a personal condolence please visit www.riverviewbyhalvey.com.

Funeral arrangements are under the care of Patrick J. Halvey of Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey, LLC.

Patricia M. VanVoorhis



POUGHKEEPSIE - Patricia (Pat) M. VanVoorhis, 75, of Poughkeepsie, NY passed away on May 4, 2023 with her daughter by her side. Pat was born in Beacon, NY on October 17, 1947. Survivors include her daughter, Jamie Lown of Poughkeepsie, NY; granddaughters Emma and Abby Lown of Poughkeepsie, NY; daughter, Kelly McDonald (Rob) of South Carolina; siblings Barbara Lamoree (Glenn) of Colorado; Jim VanVoorhis (Mareve) of Highland, NY; Jeff VanVoorhis (Leanne) of Wappingers, NY; Nancy Alfonso (Thomas) of Arizona; Steve VanVoorhis (Jill) of Connecticut and many, many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. She

was predeceased by her parents, James and Lucy VanVoorhis, her sister, Linda Marshall and her beloved son Damien Storzieri.

Pat loved her family and friends dearly. She had the kindest heart, and always saw the good in everyone. She left an impression on everyone she met and was always supportive. Grandma Patty adored her granddaughters and would do anything for them. You could always find her at one of their games or events. She never missed anything that Emma and Abby were involved in. When Pat wasn't busy with the girls, you could find her on the golf course. That was her happy place! She was also fortunate to have a "Hole in 1" twice!

Pat will be deeply missed by all who loved her and knew her. She was the greatest Mom, Grandma, Daughter, Sister and Friend.

Calling hours were Monday, May 8, 2023, at Wm. G. Miller and Son Funeral Home, Inc, 371 Hooker Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Mass was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at our Lady of the Rosary Church, 185 Hudson View Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that memorial donations be made to the charity of your choice. If you wish to send an online condolence, please visit our website at www.wmgmillerfuneralhome.com.

Reba (Beckey) Glunk



WAPPINGERS FALLS - Reba (Beckey) Glunk of Wappingers Falls NY, passed away in her sleep on May 3, 2023 surrounded by her children and grandchildren.

Beckey was born on July 17, 1951 to Helen and John McGarvey. Sister to Billy McGarvey (deceased) and John (Skip) McGarvey. Wife to the love of her life William Glunk (deceased). She is survived by her two daughters Amy Zort (Josh) and Wendy Glunk (Ken). As well as her five amazing grandchildren Emily Steinhauer (Zach), William Mott, Abby Mott, Genevieve Glunk (17) and Aidan Glunk (14).

Beckey will be remembered for her infectious laugh and

great sense of humor. She always was prepared with her own chair. She was an amazing example of strength and courage. She passed her time sitting on the back porch and watching all her deer friends, playing scrabble, and spearheading the neighborhood watch. She was always quick for a chat, a cup of coffee and a round of jeopardy. She loved playing Wii bowling and croquet with her grandchildren. Calling hours were Sunday, May 7, 2023 at Delehanty Funeral Home, 64 E Main Street, in Wappingers Falls 12590. In lieu of flowers please make donations to National Multiple Sclerosis Society, www.nationalmssociety.com, to help those fight as hard as she did.

Fishkill veterans to meet May 17

The Fishkill Veterans Committee will be holding its next meeting on Wednesday, May 17 from 5-6 p.m. at the Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, Fishkill. During this meeting, they will be selecting officers for the 2023-2024 year. They will be seeking a vice-chair, secretary and approximately three Directors. Members should be residents from the

Town/Village of Fishkill, however, they are open to including members from Beacon. This committee seeks to draw upon Fishkill's military contributions and draw attention to specific residents and historical events. Additionally, this committee seeks to continue weighing in on local government matters that affect veterans.

Creative Living

Garden club to host plant sale in time for Mother's Day



The Verplanck Garden Club will hold its annual Plant Sale on May 13 at the Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, in Fishkill.

-Courtesy photos

By Kristine Coulter

Stop by the Verplanck Garden Club's annual Plant Sale on May 13, the day before moms will be celebrated. The sale is scheduled for May 13, from 9 a.m. to noon, inside the Fishkill Town Hall, 807 Route 52, in Fishkill.

So, what can one find during the sale? There will be annuals, flowering baskets, and herbs. Members of the garden

club will also be selling some of the perennials from their own gardens.

"We have 69 official members, which has really grown in the past couple of years," said Prudy Robisch. Robisch is chairing the annual plant sale with Deb McLiverty.

McLiverty noted that during the sale there will also be "a lot of pollinator annuals."

"People are very passionate about native plants and pollinators," said McLiverty.

During the sale, one may also find other gifts for mom, or other special people in one's life. There will be artwork to peruse. Attendees can take part in the raffles that will be taking place.

There will be a local master gardener at the sale to assist attendees with any of

their questions or to offer ideas.

Suppliers from the local area will also be at the event.

As for why people keep attending the annual plant sale year after year, Robisch replied, "Our plants are very well priced. And they're very healthy."

For more information, visit The Verplanck Garden Club Facebook page.

Garden Conservancy presents Open Days program

The Garden Conservancy has announced the return of the Open Days program to Dutchess County for the 2023 Open Days season. Fueling America's passion for gardens, The Garden Conservancy's Open Days program annually celebrates the country's most exciting, creative, and innovative private gardens. We are pleased to present two Open Days in the month of May for Dutchess County. This perennially favorite program will return to the area on May 13 and May 21 with a collection of gardens to celebrate spring.

Open Days are special invitations to visit private gardens. The program is made up of a nationwide community of gardeners and garden enthusiasts teaching and inspiring each other and the public. The May 2023 Open Days program will first open Sharpstone Farm in Millbrook on May 13. Reflecting eighteenth-century English design sensibilities for long views and circular forms, Sharpstone Farm is a

stroll garden that incorporates meadows, a steep valley, streams, a waterfall, and a series of spring-fed ponds. The following week, Broccoli Hall - Maxine Paetro in Amenia will open on May 21. Starting in 1985 on bare earth, Broccoli Hall offers an apple tunnel, brick courtyard, and a lavish display of spring bulbs blooming with crabapples in May in addition to a tree house with long views and a secret woodland garden with a teddy bears' picnic. Through the Open Days program, The Garden Conservancy highlights America's diverse regional horticultural and stylistic expressions for all to enjoy.

Registration is \$10 per person, per garden, or \$5 for members of The Garden Conservancy. Children 12 and under are free when accompanied by a parent or guardian. All registrations must be processed online through The Garden Conservancy's website: <https://www.gardenconservancy.org/open-days>.

New guitar program for adults at East Fishkill library

Join this new guitar program at the East Fishkill Community Library on May 21. This program meets quarterly on Sunday afternoons from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Alley Room.

This is an adult group meant for guitar hobbyists to meet up and share their music and guitar geekiness together. While we may learn from each other, this will be more of a jam club than a group

lesson. Content will be group directed. Activities will include song circle, music swap, guitar care tips and general guitar geek chat.

Local resident Carol Morin will lead this group; drop-in and all levels of experience welcome; no guitar needed to attend (but bring one if you have one!)

Visit us at eflibrary.org or call 845-221-9943 for more information.

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by vicki frank day



Find your unwind

Freeing one's creativity can help reduce life's daily stresses.

What do you do to unwind? I ask because I'm just home after a trying day – well, a trying few weeks if I'm honest, and could do with a little pleasant diversion. Unless you're one of the lucky few who live stress-free, you probably have a thing or two you like to do to escape and decompress. These are things we turn to and even crave when the going gets rough, things that occupy our minds and hands and hearts to take us out of the rat race, even if only for a blissful hour or two.

I know some who like to paint, knit, go for walks or even do housework to lighten their mood, anything to get themselves out of their own heads. It's an unfortunate part of being human, I suppose, but not without great returns. I think for most of us it's being physically active that does the trick where stress is involved. Watching TV or reading have their places for shutting out the world, of course, but there's something soul healing in getting one's hands dirty and the blood pumping.

If you're like me you won't always feel it, or rather, feel like doing it, and that's okay, even to be expected. Think about it: you're stressed to the breaking point and your brain is doing all it can just to make it through. Not exactly a recipe for creativity, is it? But this too shall pass. In the meantime find something else, even if it

doesn't feel terribly creative. Sometimes any distraction is enough to give you the break and outlet you need.

I rather envy people who can access their creativity on command, something I've not had great overall success with. For me it seems the times I could use the distraction the most are when the creative angel on my shoulder takes a leave of absence. It wasn't always so. I suspect that, as life soldiered on and problems got bigger, any creative urges just shut down for a while, maybe so I could take some much-needed time to heal and rest my weary soul. Still, I would love to have the energy I once did even in the face of challenging times. Here's hoping that time will come again soon.

My creative endeavors run deep and I often overextend myself. Chalk it up to too many ideas, and no wonder they abandon me from time to time. Once I'm retired (I tell myself) they'll be back in force and, hopefully, move right on in and stay. 'Til then I opt for some less involved but no less therapeutic things to soothe me.

I highly recommend weeding as a cathartic endeavor to anyone with an outdoor inclination. There's something about being out in the fresh air and ripping things up by the roots that can work wonders after a challenging day. Plus the dogs

and I get some much-needed outdoor time after being cooped up inside, and there's the added benefit of sprucing up the yard for instant gratification.

I also love harvesting my perennial herbs. I have several well-established beds of different types of mint, thyme, sage and, my personal favorite, oregano, which is already up and thriving. From now until fall I'll be out there almost every day picking bunches to hang and dry for use all year. I use a lot. Knowing I always have them at the ready for when the urge for culinary creativity strikes is a comfort. It's a simple thing, but there's a certain magic to it and so that, too, feeds my soul. I can't recommend growing your own herbs highly enough!

And then there's cooking.

Obviously food plays a big role in my life and has for a long time. I admit I don't cook as often as I used to – see above paragraphs – but that's all about to change, I just know it. Already I find myself yearning to be in the kitchen, coming up with new ideas and going through the process of trial and error to get them just right and then write about them. No matter that I never went to school for it or even took a single cooking class (on my bucket list) or that I very likely do a lot of things wrong. It's kind of the point, really, that I throw myself into it and just try, working it out as I go based on little more than my love of food, the desire to create something good, a little knowledge from experience and a willingness to fail while I play. It's a formula that works for me and it's brought me out of many a funk. There's something so satisfying in getting an idea and working it out to the final – hopefully palatable – result that can turn a tough day right around to a happy ending.

It's also the reason that I write this column; anyone can do it. If you love food, you should make your own. Start small if you like: follow recipes to get the feel, then make them your own. Or go all in and go big. Tackle a dish you love but have never made because it seems daunting. You can do it! If you fail, you learn. Before you know it you've got it, and the rewards are too numerous to mention.

We're coming up on the season of locally and homegrown goodness, so it's the perfect time to start. Whether you go savory or have a sweet tooth that needs satisfying – or both – there's soon to be everything you could want growing close by, which is pure inspiration in my hum-

ble opinion. Besides, if you're just starting on your cooking adventure, there isn't much you can do to mess up fresh berries or salad greens. They don't need much to make them better, and you can start simple for greater success and more confidence.

My advice is to start with what you like to eat. It sounds obvious, but there it is. One of my signature recipes was born that way. My father and I love crême brulee but, although we always ordered it when we were out, it always lacked something. I made up my mind to try it for myself - with no idea how to do it, by the way - and voila! A favorite dish was suddenly at my fingertips for any time when the occasion or the mood s might strike. I don't even need to look at the recipe anymore. My hands, mind and heart know just what to do. I'd call that a win!

I guess as I sit here pondering my own stress-induced dilemma it occurred to me that I must not be alone in this. We all have bad days and stress just comes with life. It's however we chose to cope that counts as much as moving past it to the Next Great Thing. Tomorrow's another day, another opportunity to get it right, or at least better. As long as there is beauty and food, friends and family and a heart that beats, there's a promise of a willing spirit of creativity to feed the soul. That might be enough to turn any bad day around.

The dogs and I have been out, herbs and weeds picked and I've written a thing or two, so now, if you'll excuse me, I have a hankering to get to the kitchen to bake up a batch of brownies from scratch to give to someone who has helped me a lot recently. Cooking for those I love will always be the best incentive and stress reliever I could ever ask for. And with sweet rewards besides! Enjoy!

Vicki Frank Day is a graphic artist with more than two decades of experience in different aspects of the food service industry. She is the Content Marketing Specialist for Adams Fairacre Farms where she has worked for 25 years, with in-depth food research being an integral part of her marketing position. She believes that cooking is for everyone and should be a pleasurable journey, that food should be experienced, not merely eaten, and that special occasions can be an everyday celebration. E-mail her at vfrankday@adamsfarms.com.

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Icon of St. Anna at St. Gregory's in Wappingers Falls May 14

By Kristine Coulter

An icon of St. Anna, the Mother of Christ, will be at St. Gregory the Theologian Orthodox Church, in Wappingers Falls for Mother's Day weekend, May 14.

Fr. Eric Tosi is the rector at St. Gregory's Church. "[W]e asked for the icon to visit about nine months ago. There is a great demand for the icon to go on pilgrimage, so you need to request a visit way in advance. I have known for many years the abbot of St. Tokhon's Monastery where the icon resides and Fr. Sergius readily agreed, and we set a date," explained Fr. Eric.

The Monastery of St. Tikhon's of Zadonsk is in Waymart, PA.

"The Orthodox Church has a long history of miraculous and healing icons throughout the world. They are honored and venerated as a physical way to honor God who alone is worshipped. Very often we do not understand how and why they work and simply accept it as a blessing from God," stated Fr. Eric. "This icon, for example, wept myrrh (a sweet-smelling oil) at various times but is also specifically known for healing women and for those having difficult pregnancies. Others have various miracles associated with them and become places of pilgrimage."

According to the church's website, <https://www.sttikhonsmonastery.org>, "On May 9, 2004 – Mother's Day in the U.S. – an Icon of St. Anna, the Mother of the Holy Virgin Mary, located in the Russian Orthodox Church of Our Lady of Joy of All Who Sorrow in Philadelphia began to stream myrrh." It continues, "The Icon of St. Anna had been commissioned by Fr. Athanasys in 1998, in the Mount of Olives Convent in Jerusalem. He himself had served there in 1980-1981. In 1998, the Icon was completed,



The icon of St. Anna will be at St. Gregory's Church in Wappingers Falls May 14.

-Courtesy image

bleamed at the Sepulcher of our Lord in the Jerusalem Church of the Resurrection, and brought to Philadelphia.

"As of Fall 2012, the Icon resides at St. Tikhon's Monastery and has a wonderful heavenly fragrance but is not currently weeping. Assistance and healings are still wrought by the miraculous Icon of St. Anna and She continues to work wonders for those who approach with faith."

"Here in the Orthodox Church in America, we have been blessed with a few of them, this icon and Our Lady of Sitka in Alaska being notable. There are

others that at various times go on pilgrimage throughout North America or overseas as others from overseas may come here as well," said Fr. Eric.

Barbara Ponte, a local resident, said, "Icons are windows to heaven and can pierce our reality."

Some icons are "miracle-working icons" like the icon of St. Anna. The peaceful gaze of St. Anna brings stillness and peace to our soul and elevates our hearts."

"I cannot nor do I try to explain why they are and what they do other than thanking God when they are in our presence. Over the years I have had the privilege to venerate some very famous icons around the world and the best that I can explain is that there is a feeling of peace, serenity and holiness surrounding them. It pervades the worship space and is tangible in the very air you breathe." Fr. Eric continued, "It is what it is and I am thankful that we can bring this experience to many people so they too can experience this and offer prayers. It is there for people to come to believe, never to force people to believe. That is part of everyone's interaction with such holy items and places. As it says in the first chapter of the Gospel of John, 'Come and see.'"

As for the reason the icon will be in the area Mother's Day weekend, Fr. Eric replied, "I thought that Mother's Day was a perfect time since St. Anne is the mother of Mary, the Mother of Christ. Mary is called the "Theotokos" in the Orthodox Church which means "Mother of God." So, I felt this was a wonderful way to honor all the mothers, grandmothers and spiritual mothers of the parish and community. So, when we honor the mothers of the parish, we honor all the mothers in the community. This icon coming here on Mother's Day is a way to do just that."

East Fishkill Recreation

By Bill Green
East Fishkill Recreation Director

Red Wing Park season passes are now on sale at Lime Kiln. Complete information on Red Wing, including fees, is available in our Rec Guides.

We still have some openings for our May 21 bus trip to Resorts Catskills Casino. The fee is \$40 and includes round trip Coach Tours transportation, tip for driver, \$25 free slots play and a \$15 food voucher. You may register online or call 845-226-8395.

We are now signing up teams for our East Fishkill Co-Ed Sand Volleyball League. Include a team name, a roster, a contact person (email & phone) and a \$25 team registration fee. Call 845-226-8395 for complete information.

Our May and June Adult Golf lessons are filled. You may now sign up for our July session (7-11, 13, 18 and 20). The fee is \$100 each session and checks should be made out to Lisa Monaco.

You may sign up online for our Youth Golf Lessons (four sessions) which start the week of July 10 for 4 years old and up. The lessons will be at the McGrath Field with Thea Bjornson instructing. Classes for 4 & 5 years old are limited. Information on each session is on our website.

Our Pickleball Clinics scheduled for Lime Kiln for Saturdays May 13, May 20 and June 3 are filled!

Our youth volleyball clinics (May 6, 13 & 20) for grades 2-6 and grades 7-12 are under way. The fee is \$30 for residents and \$40 for nonresidents.

Our Mets trip on June 28 to Citi Field for the Brewers game is now filled.

The fee is \$80 and includes round trip Coach Tours transportation, tip for driver and reserved seating Section 129. Call to get on a waiting list.

We will be signing up residents for our July 26 trip to Yankee Stadium for the Yankees-Mets Subway Series game on May 22. The fee is \$150.

Town of Poughkeepsie Recreation

By Janet McHugh

Poughkeepsie Recreation Director

Spring, Sports, and Special events! It's all happening now in Recreation.

Join us on May 18th for "A Night on the Town" an event for adults and families alike. June 3rd We are "Running for the Hill of it" at the annual Peach Hill 5k.

June 20th Kick off summer with Magic & Milkshakes in the Park. June 27th Begins our Summer Nights Concert Series in the Park.

Registration is now open for our youth & adult Tennis Lessons. Registration is taking place for Summer Camp. Be sure to register by May 20th to take advantage of our discounted price.

Get all the details on our website at www.PoughkeepsieTownRec.com.

Our annual Spring Fest was a huge success and we want to thank everyone involved, especially Vassar College for letting us host the event on their beautiful campus, all of the Vassar student volunteers, the Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, the Town of Poughkeepsie Police Dept., Shop Rite of Poughkeepsie, the Hudson Valley Ghostbusters, Max's Melts, the Town of Poughkeepsie Highway Dept. and our incredible staff: Frankie, Mark, Edgar, Tina, Janice, Theresa, and Millie...you all rock!

TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE CLUB CLASSIC SENIOR CENTER NEWS Ruta Ronis

Mother Nature is awake and with that there's a renewed level of energy. Our Club Classic is "buzzing" with activity, so come on by any day or every day Mon - Fri 9 am - 2:30 p.m. We strive to offer something for everyone. There's Yoga on Mon and Wed. The Walking Club meets on Tues. There's

also an Exercise Group on Tues, and Bingo on Wed. Thurs. you're welcome to join our Watercolor Painting Class, and on Fri. our Crafty Crafters (knitters welcome).

May is another jam-packed month. Please sign up in advance either in person at 14 Abe's Way or by calling 845-462-0265.

May 10 - In House Antipasto Summer Salad Lunch by Millie (\$5)

May 12 - Club Classic Presents History of the Town of Poughkeepsie with H. Flad at noon.

May 16 - Indoor Volleyball Tournament - Come cheer the Club Classic Team and the Office for the Aging Team as they go head-to-head

May 18 - "Coffee With a Cop" - Come enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee and meet a Town of Poughkeepsie Police Officer or two

May 23 - Rover Bookmobile: Rover is open to everyone of all ages

May 25 - Lunch and Learn at 12:00 - Brian Jones, from the Office for the Aging, presents "Aging in Your Home." A complimentary light lunch will be served.

May 30 - Brain Games and More with Veronica

BUS TRIP! We're headed to KRUCKER'S GROVE for an OKTOBERFEST on SEPTEMBER 28! Yes, we're booking early because we have a reduced rate of \$50 for Town of Poughkeepsie residents (adults of all ages with proof of residency). Our day will include all things German from food to entertainment. Bavarian outfits and aprons are optional, but toe tapping to Polkas and "um-pa-pa" music will happen automatically. Seats are limited so check your calendar and sign up now at our Senior Center. Full payment is due at registration. Non-residents may join us at a charge of \$112.

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From left, the 2023 Ruge Family Scholarship Fund award winners are Alexis Kalafala, Blake Bulson and Kyran McCrudden.

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Ruge's Automotive recently announced the winners of the 2023 Ruge Family Scholarship Fund. The scholarship recipients were chosen following an application process with criteria stipulating that students must have plans to pursue further education or training in automotive studies or engineering, and in addition, demonstrate an ongoing commitment to community service.

Said Kristin Ruge Hutchins, owner of Ruge's Automotive, "We are so thrilled to provide these students with well-earned recognition as they pursue the next chapter of their lives. They all exemplify the work ethic and commitment to community that sets a great example. On behalf of our entire team at Ruge's, I want to publicly applaud them, and to wish all of our local graduates the very best as they celebrate commencement."

The 2023 Ruge Family Scholarship award recipients are as follows:

- Alexis Kalafala, Rhinebeck High School, who plans to pursue automotive technology at Columbia Greene Community College.
- Blake Bulson, Red Hook High School, who plans to pursue a program in High Performance Motorsports at University of Northwestern Ohio.
- Kyran McCrudden, Red Hook High School, who intends to study mechanical engineering at University of Vermont.

Ruge's Automotive has supported many initiatives over the years, including Northern Dutchess Hospital Foundation, American Legion Post 429, Rhinebeck Rotary, Taconic Little League, among many others.

For further information about Ruge's Automotive, visit rugesauto.com.

Mayfest returns to HV Rail Trail, Walkway Over the Hudson with 180 vendors, children's activities, live music

The Mayfest Farmers and Makers Market brings a curated selection of the Hudson Valley's finest producers – farms, distilleries, breweries, wineries, restaurants, artists, artisans, and more – to the Hudson Valley Rail Trail and west approach to Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park on May 20 and Sunday, May 21 from noon-5 p.m. More than 180 vendors will exhibit their wares for purchase, with many agribusinesses offering free samples or tastings.

For complete information about this showcase of the best of the Hudson Valley, visit walkway.org/mayfest.

General admission to Mayfest is \$5, with entry valid for either day. Admission includes full access to all vendors, samplings of wine, beer, and spirits from more than 25 area purveyors, a full day of live music and specialty performances, art installations, games and activities for kids, and much more. Walkway members and children under 12 are free. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Walkway nonprofit organization. To learn more about Walkway membership and to secure your complimentary Mayfest tickets, visit join.walkway.org.

"Now in its fourth year, the growth of Mayfest has been tremendous," said Lori Robertson, Executive Director, Friends of the Walkway Nonprofit Organization. "This year, we have more vendors and entertainment than ever, and we can't wait for everyone to come and enjoy everything we love about the Hudson Valley in one fantastic location."

For attendees 21 years of age and older, the chance to sample from more than 25 of the area's top wine, beer, cider, and spirits producers is included with every \$5 Mayfest ticket. Interspersed with all vendors, guests will find local favorites like 1857 Spirits, Hudson Whiskey, Benmarl Winery, Black Button Distillery, Brooklyn Ciders, Sloop Brewing, Nine Pin Cider, Freefall Sangria and more, offering bottles for purchase and tastings of their top products. And if you'd like a little more than a taste, stop by The Yard Bar presented by Romeo Auto Group for demonstrations and unique cocktails all weekend long.

Mayfest features many of the Hudson Valley's top food trucks and culinary offerings – including vegan, vegetarian, and gluten free! Mark Elia – a professor at the Culinary Institute of America – will be serving up his famous barbecue, you can sample eight different

types of knishes from The Knish, and then savor something sweet from Nancy's Artisanal Ice Cream among the more than 20 food vendors participating.

Children under 12 receive free admission to Mayfest and will find many engaging activities to ensure they have a memorable day out. Kids can meet a new furry friend with Parrots For Peace, the Dutchess SPCA, or Wayward Farm Family Sanctuary. Crazy For Art and Music For Humanity will help them tap into their creative side, while the Mid-Hudson Children's Museum and YMCA prove that learning can be fun too. And don't miss the chance to get your child's photo taken with his or her favorite superhero or princess that will be on site throughout the event.

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Live entertainment is a staple at Mayfest, with local favorites 7th 7eam playing rock, pop, and hip-hop on May 21, while Roadhouse 60s Band throws it back with your old school favorites on Sunday. DJ's from iHeart Media of the Hudson Valley will spin the hits in-between, with kids enjoying the dynamic Tiny Bubbles Ukulele. And don't miss pop-up dance shows and the special Hudson Valley Sustainable Fashion Show taking place both days.

The entirety of Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park will remain accessible at no cost throughout Mayfest. Parking is free along Haviland Road and in the Town of Lloyd lot (87 Haviland Road, Highland). Additional parking is available at the Napa Auto Care Center by Shamrock Square (3555 Route 9W, Highland), Ulster County Park and Ride (at the corner of 9W and Route 299 in Highland), and at the Poughkeepsie Metro-North Train Station. A shuttle will operate on a continuous loop between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. to transport guests to and from their vehicle.

Tickets are available now. To purchase and see a complete list of vendors, live music, frequently asked questions, and more, visit walkway.org/mayfest. Vendor space is currently sold out. To be added to a waiting list and receive notification about vending opportunities, contact Jami Anson at jami.anson@walkway.org.

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING, ANNUAL ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS, BUDGET VOTE AND REGISTRATION OF VOTERS WAPPINGERS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual budget hearing will be held for the residents of the Wappingers Central School District on Monday, May 8, 2023 at Roy C. Ketcham High School, 99 Myers Corners Road, Wappingers Falls, New York at 5:30 P.M. for the 2023-2024 school district budget.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that applications for absentee ballots for the School District Election and Vote may be obtained at the Office of the District Clerk, 25 Corporate Park Drive, P.O. Box 396, Hopewell Junction, New York or on the district's website (www.wappingersschools.org), and must be submitted to the Office of the District Clerk no earlier than April 17, 2023, and at least seven (7) days prior to the election, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or the day before the election, if the ballot will be picked up personally by the voter or their designated agent. Qualified military voters may request a military absentee ballot application from the District Clerk between 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M., and may indicate their preference to receive a military absentee ballot application via mail, facsimile or electronic mail. Absentee ballots for military voters shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of Section 2018-d of the Education Law and Part 122 of the Commissioner's Regulations. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, on May 16, 2023. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection in the Office of the District Clerk on each of the five days prior to the day set for the School District Election and Vote, weekdays, between 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. and Saturday, May 13, 2023, by appointment.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that a vote upon the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, exclusive of public monies, a vote upon any other proposition legally proposed, and the vote for candidates for members of the Board of Education will be held at the polling places hereinafter set forth on the 16th day of May 2023, on which day the polls will be kept open between the hours of 7:30 o'clock A.M. and 9:00 o'clock P.M., Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the following terms are to be filled on the Board of Education:

TERM	NAME OF PRESENT INCUMBENT
Three (3) years	Peggy Kelland
Three (3) years	John Lumia
Three (3) years	Keith Odums

Pursuant to proposition previously adopted by the voters of this District, the vacancies are not considered separate specific offices; however, a petition is required to nominate a candidate for election. The petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least one-hundred twenty-seven (127) qualified voters of the District, must state the residence of each signer, and must state the name, and residence of the candidate.

Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed not later than the 17th day of April 2023 with the Clerk of the District between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M., except that petitions will be accepted until 5:00 o'clock P.M. on April 17, 2023.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the polling places for qualified voters of the six (6) School Election Districts are as follows:

- School Election District No. 1 - Vassar Road Elementary School
- School Election District No. 2 - Wappinger Junior High School
- School Election District No. 3 - Fishkill Elementary School
- School Election District No. 4 - Fishkill Plains Elementary School
- School Election District No. 5 - Gayhead Elementary School
- School Election District No. 6 - Myers Corners Elementary School

The boundaries of the Election Districts are as follows:

DISTRICT NO. 1

BEGINNING at a point being the intersection of the northerly boundary of the school district and the center line of Route 9 (Albany Post Road), thence in a general southerly direction along the center line of Route 9 to the intersection of such center line with the center line of Spring Road, thence in a general easterly direction along the center line of Spring Road to the center line of Vassar Road, thence in a general northerly direction along the center line of Vassar Road to the center line of Jackson Road, thence in a general easterly direction along the center line of Jackson Road to the center line of the Wappingers Falls - New

Hackensack Road, thence still easterly along the center line of the Wappingers Falls - New Hackensack Road to the center line of Route 376, thence in a general easterly direction along the center line of Route 376 to the center line of Diddell Road, thence along the center line of Diddell Road in a line of Diddell Road, thence along the center line of Diddell Road in a general northeasterly direction to the center line of New York, New Haven and Hartford R.R. tracks, thence generally southeasterly along the center line of said tracks to the westerly line of the Town of East Fishkill, thence northeasterly with the Town line of the Town of East Fishkill to the northerly line of the Central School District, thence with the northerly line of the Central School District as it winds and turns in a northerly and westerly direction to the point or place of **BEGINNING**.

The territory lying within the above described boundary lines shall constitute and comprise election District #1.

DISTRICT #2

BEGINNING at a point being the intersection of the northerly boundary of the school district and the center line of Route 9 (Albany Post Road as it now exits), said point being also the southwesterly corner of Election District No. 1, thence with the southerly boundary of Election District No. 1, thence with the southerly boundary of Election District No. 1 in a general southerly direction along the center line of existing Route 9 to the intersection of such center line with the center line of Spring Road thence leaving the southerly line of District No. 1 and continuing in a general southerly direction along the center line of now existing Route 9 to the northerly line of the Town of Fishkill, thence westerly along the northerly line of the Town of Fishkill to the westerly boundary of the Central School District, thence with the westerly and northerly boundaries of the Central School District as the same winds and turns to the point or place of **BEGINNING**.

The territory lying within the above described boundary lines shall constitute and comprise Election District #2.

DISTRICT #3

BEGINNING at a point, said point being the intersection of the northerly line of the Town of Fishkill and the southerly line of the Election District #2 above described, said point lying in the westerly line of the present Central School District, thence in a general easterly direction along the northerly line of the Town of Fishkill and the southerly line of the Election Districts #2 and #6 to the westerly line of the Town of East Fishkill, thence with the westerly line of the Town of East Fishkill in a general southerly direction to the southerly line of the Town of East Fishkill and the northerly line of the County of Putnam with point is also the southeasterly corner of the Town of Fishkill, thence westerly with the southerly line of the Town of Fishkill to the westerly line of the present district, thence in a general northerly direction along the westerly line of said district at the same winds and turns to the point or place of **BEGINNING**.

The territory lying within the above described boundary lines shall constitute and comprise Election District #3.

DISTRICT #4

BEGINNING at a point in the westerly line of the Town of East Fishkill, said point being the intersection thereof with the center line of the Fishkill Creek, thence in a general northerly direction along the easterly line of the Town of East Fishkill to the northerly boundary of the present Central School District, thence along the northerly boundary of the present School District and generally in an easterly and southerly direction to the center line of the Fishkill Creek, thence southwesterly along the center line of the Fishkill Creek as it winds and turns to the point or place of **BEGINNING**.

The territory lying within the above described boundary lines shall constitute and comprise Election District #4.

DISTRICT #5

BEGINNING at the point in the westerly line of the Town of East Fishkill, said point being at the intersection thereof with the center line of the Fishkill Creek, thence in a general northerly direction with the center line of the Fishkill Creek as it winds and turns to the easterly boundary of the present School District, thence with the easterly boundary of said present School District, thence with the southerly line of said District and extending into the County of Putnam in a general westerly direction to the westerly line of said School District, thence northerly with the westerly line of said School District to the southerly line of the Town of Fishkill again in Dutchess County, thence easterly along the southerly line of the Town of Fishkill to the easterly line of the Town of East Fishkill, thence northerly along the southerly line of the Town of East Fishkill to the point or place of **BEGINNING**.

The territory lying within the above described boundary lines shall constitute and comprise Election District #5.

DISTRICT #6

BEGINNING at a point being the intersection of the center line of Spring Road and Route 9 (Albany Post Road as it now exits), said point being also in the easterly line of District #2, and the southerly line of Election District #1, thence in a general easterly direction along the center line of Spring Road to the center line of Vassar Road thence in a general northerly direction along the center line of Vassar Road to the center line of Jackson Road, thence in a general easterly direction along the center line of Jackson Road to the centerline of the Wappingers Falls - New Hackensack Road, thence still easterly and with the southerly line of District #1 along the center line of the Wappingers Falls - New Hackensack Road to the center line of Route 376, thence in a general easterly direction along the center line of Route 376 to the center line of Diddell Road, thence along the center line of Diddell Road in a general northeasterly direction to the center line of the New York, New Haven and Hartford R.R. tracks, thence generally southeasterly along the center line of District #1 and proceeding in a general southerly direction along the westerly line of the Town of East Fishkill to the northerly line of the Town of Fishkill, thence westerly along the northerly line of the Town of Fishkill to the intersection thereof with the center line of the existing Albany Post Road, said point being the southeasterly corner of District #2, thence with the easterly line of District #2 in a general northerly direction along the center line of existing Route 9 to the point or place of **BEGINNING**.

The territory lying within the above described boundary lines shall constitute and comprise Election District #6.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that

pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, of the State of New York, as amended, and resolutions of the Board of Education duly adopted, registration of voters is required, and no person shall be entitled to vote at said Special Meeting whose name does not appear on the register of said School District, or who does not register. Registration pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, as amended, shall not apply to any person registered to vote pursuant to the provisions of Article 5 of the Election Law of the State of New York.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that

qualified voters of the Wappingers Central School District may register at the office of the District Clerk of the Wappingers Central School District at 25 Corporate Park Drive, Hopewell Junction, New York, on any school day between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. prevailing time up until Thursday, May 11, 2023. At this time any person shall have their name placed on the election register, provided that at such time the person has proven to the satisfaction of the Clerk that he/she shall be entitled to vote. A qualified military voter who is not currently registered can request a military personal registration form during the same times and at the same locations as listed above. Additionally, qualified military voters can contact the District Clerk to indicate their preference to receive a personal registration application via mail, facsimile or electronic mail. The list of registered voters will be available for inspection in the Office of the District Clerk on each of the five days prior to the day set for the School District Election and Vote, weekdays, between 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. and Saturday, May 13, 2023, by appointment.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that

a statement of the amount of money which will be required for school district purposes during the 2023-2024 school year exclusive of public money (the school district budget) will be complete, as well as the Exemption Report, listing every type of exemption granted, as provided in Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law, and a copy available upon request to each resident of the District and at each school building in the District in which school is maintained and at the District Offices during the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. beginning on May 2, 2023.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER

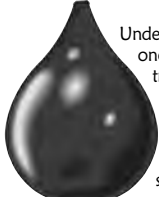
GIVEN that at said annual election to be held on May 16, 2023, the following propositions will be submitted:

Shall the Board of Education of the Wappingers Central School District, Putnam and Dutchess Counties, New York ("District"), be authorized to purchase student transportation vehicles at a maximum estimated sum of \$2,135,927; and said amount or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the District and collected in annual installments as provided by law, and for which obligations of the District may be issued?

Dated: March 27, 2023
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF WAPPINGERS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Alberta Pedro - District Clerk

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Who needs blood?



Under normal circumstances, every two seconds someone in America will need a blood transfusion. Blood transfusions are used for trauma victims - due to accidents and burns - heart surgery, organ transplants, women with complications during childbirth, newborns and premature babies, and patients receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer or other diseases, such as sickle cell disease and thalassemia.

The deadline for Legals is every Monday @ 12 noon for a Wednesday Publication*

*When a public holiday falls on a Monday the deadline becomes Friday at noon.

Aging with Grace program May 17 in East Fishkill

Come join this monthly program at the East Fishkill Community Library on Wednesday, May 17. This program meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 12:30-2 p.m. in the Cross Room. Local resident and educator Carole Penner will lead this group; drop-in and all are welcome to attend.

In Aging with Grace, we will have the opportunity to share those feelings and concerns in a safe, friendly, and welcoming atmosphere. We will trust each other

to honor those feelings and support one another in this next chapter of our lives.

Carole Penner has been a Special Education teacher for the past 35 years. She has an M.A. in Educational Theatre from New York University, an M.S. Ed. in Special Education from the City University of New York, a Graduate Certificate in Restorative Practice and is currently studying for a Masters in Restorative Practice at the International Institute for Restorative Practice in

Bethlehem, PA. Her training includes certification as a facilitator for Restorative Circles and as a Trainer for Restorative Practice. As a person of advanced years, Carole is interested in the important con-

versations regarding the aging process and how they affect quality of life.

Visit eflibrary.org or call 845-221-9943 for more information.

'Stoneco Revisited - The History of Clinton Point in New Hamburg' set May 21 in Wappingers Falls

The Wappingers Historical Society (WHS) is hosting a talk entitled "Stoneco Revisited - The History of Clinton Point in New Hamburg," presented by WHS Lifetime member John DiDomizio. Now known as Tilcon quarry in New Hamburg, attendees will learn about the history of Clinton Point and the Italian immigrant community once known as Stoneco.

DiDomizio will present on the history of Clinton Point and Stoneco covering the time period from 1609 to 1919, as well as his latest finding about the stone quarry along the banks of the Hudson River and

the community that preceded it.

This presentation will take place on May 21 at 3 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 7 Spring Street, Wappingers Falls. The presentation will begin immediately following a brief WHS business update. Wappingers Historical Society members and the general public are invited to attend. Light refreshments will be provided. Suggested donation of \$5 for non-WHS members. For more information, please call 845-632-1281 or email info@wappingershistoricalsociety.org.

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15 DELAFIELD STREET LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/26/2023. Office loc: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: John Becker, 15 Delafield St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.

Notice of Qualification of HYDE PARK MALL, LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/24/23. Office location: Dutchess County. LLC formed in New Jersey (NJ) on 04/20/23. Princ. office of LLC: 3999 Albany Post Rd., Hyde Park, NY 12538. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. NJ addr. of LLC: The Azarian Bldg., 6 Prospect St., Ste. 2A, Midland Park, NJ 07432. Cert. of Form. filed with State Treasurer, 33 W. State St., Fifth Fl., Trenton, NJ 08646. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

SOLID GROUND VENTURES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/25/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 496 Depot Hill Road,

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Poughquag, NY 12570. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LMDH Property Holdings, LLC Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company, ("LLC"), Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY ("SSNY") on April 28, 2023. Office location: Care of Corbally, Gartland and Rappleyea, LLP, 35 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601, Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any such process served to Care of Corbally, Gartland and Rappleyea, LLP, 35 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Purpose: to engage in any act or activity for which a LLC may be organized under the NY LLC Law.

25 Whinfield Street, LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/11/2023. City: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to PO Box 552, Milton, NY 12547. General Purpose

ADK Land Development LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/21/2023. City: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail

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process to 1158 Salt Point Tpke., Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. General Purpose

Hans Hardisty SRAM LLC Filed with SSNY on 4/29/23. Office: Dutchess County SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 4295 Albany Post Rd. Hyde Park, NY 12538. Purpose: any lawful

KATHLEEN BOWMAN, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 2/16/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 369 Main Street #145 Beacon NY 12508. Purpose: any lawful

BOWIE & LOVIN, LLC Art. Of Org. Filed Sec. of State of NY 4/21/2023. Off. Loc.: Dutchess Co. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY to mail copy of process to The LLC, 1475 County Route 19, Elizaville, NY 12523, USA. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

MUK REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/25/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 16 Hamlet Court, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

RES COMM VAN AND TRUCKS, LLC

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Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/1/23. Office in Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 41 Raymond Ave., Unit 3718, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603, which is also the principal business location. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

ALP Management New York LLC filed with SSNY on 4/30/23. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 146 Main Street Suite #2 Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful.

EM RETAIL 4, LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the SSNY on April 28, 2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 492 Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508, Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Mike's Firewood LLC. Filed 4/18/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 89 Dutchess Tpke, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: General.

Croom Construction LLC Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/03/2023. Office: Dutchess County NY. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be

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served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 52 Traver Rd. Pleasant Valley, NY 12569. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

MAINSTREETDUKE LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the SSNY on April 19, 2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 151 Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508, Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Regality Hair & Beauty LLC. Filed 3/13/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 28 Nichols Court, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). The name is Humble House LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of the State of New York ("Secretary") on 04/19/2023. Office of the LLC: Dutchess County. Secretary has been designated as agent for service of process upon the LLC. Secretary shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 74 Denings Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508. The purpose of the business of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity.

Notice of Formation of Supreme Vending LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with SSNY on

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01/19/2023. Office location: Dutchess. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 12 Merriam Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of ANY1410IS LLC. Arts. of Org. filed Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/04/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 93 Fraleigh Lane, Red Hook, NY 12571. Purpose: any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Alicia's Essentials and Care LLC. Articles of Organization filed with SSNY on 5/5/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Managing Member, Alicia's Essentials and Care LLC, 1 Zias Drive, Beacon, NY 12508. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice of Formation of Westerly Canteen, LLC. Articles of Org filed with SSNY on 06/09/2020. Office Location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Westerly Canteen, LLC, 5303 Rt 44, Amenia, NY, 12501. Purpose: any lawful purpose or activity.

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Worker Bee OT, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/03/2022. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Worker Bee OT, PLLC 12 Mockingbird Ct Hopewell Jct, NY 12533. Purpose: Occupational Therapy

Ginkgo Ridge Farm LLC. Filed with SSNY on 5/3/2023. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 52 Clearview Circle Hopewell Junction NY 12533. Purpose: any lawful

Faith & Knowledge Care LLC. Filed 2/17/23. Office: Dutchess Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 2600 South RD STE.125, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Non-Medical Homecare

Notice of Formation of HUDSON AVE CATSKILL LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/05/23. Office location: Dutchess County. Princ. office of LLC: 11 Rose Hill Ln., Tivoli, NY 12583. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK INDEX NO. 2022-51582 COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

Plaintiff designates DUTCHESS as the place of trial situs of the real property SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Mortgaged Premises: 21 EDWARD ROAD, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533 Section: 6456, Block: 04, Lot: 535442 LOANCARE, LLC Plaintiff,

vs. JAMES E. BRIEN; RAQUEL E. BRIEN, GABRIELLE KING AKA GABRIELLE OBRIEN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF GINA M. BRIEN, DAVID KING HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF GINA M. BRIEN, DANIEL KING HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF GINA M. BRIEN, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF GINA M. BRIEN, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; CITIBANK, N.A.; HUDSON VALLEY CREDIT UNION, JOHN DOE AS JOHN DOE #1 REFUSED NAME) "JOHN DOE #2" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last seven names being fictitious and unknown to plain-

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tiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint,

Defendants. To the above named Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$325,000.00 and interest, recorded on March 30, 2007, in Instrument Number 01 2007 4489, of the Public Records of DUTCHESS County, New York., covering premises known as 21 EDWARD ROAD, HOPEWELL JUNCTION, NY 12533.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

DUTCHESS County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer

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with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: April 13, 2023 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Nadine D. Smith, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE Index No. 2022-53734 Date Filed: 4/19/2023 Bank United N.A., Plaintiff,

-against- Keith Stroud, if he be living or if he be dead, his spouses, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; Christine Stroud; The United States of America acting through The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; State of New York, and "JOHN DOE", said name being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, and any parties, corporations or entities, if any, having or claiming an interest or lien upon the mortgaged premises,

Defendants. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 20 Townsend Road a/k/a 20 Townsend Extension, Lagrangeville, NY 12540 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons, exclusive

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of the date of service. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Christi J. Acker, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Dutchess County, entered April 18, 2023 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Dutchess County Clerk's office.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Consolidation and/or Modified Mortgage (hereinafter "the Mortgage") to secure \$244,781.11 and interest, recorded in the Dutchess County Clerk's Office on January 30, 2015, in Document Number 01 2015 598, which was re-recorded on March 26, 2015, at Document Number 01 2015 2000 covering premises known as 20 Townsend Road a/k/a 20 Townsend Extension, Lagrangeville, NY 12540 a/k/a Section 6659, Block 00, Lot 167487.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

Plaintiff designates Dutchess County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated.

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE COMPANY WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME.

SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: March 1, 2023 Frank M. Cassara, Esq. Senior Associate Attorney LEGAL GROUP LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (585) 247-9000 Fax: (585) 247-7380 File No. 22-090786 #100371

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK INDEX NO. 2022-53384 COUNTY OF

SUPPLEMENTAL ADMINISTRATION CITATION File No. 2022-135_ THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, BY THE GRACE OF GOD FREE AND INDEPENDENT TO: LEE JOHNSON PO Box 481, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

120 Broadway New York, NY 10271, as attorney for unknown heirs "RICHARD ROE" and "JANE DOE", the names "Richard Roe" and "Jane Doe" being fictitious, it being the intention to name and cite hereby the known heirs, Alix Cummings, Barbara Cummings, Celeste Cummings, Elaine Cummings, James Cummings, issue of Melvin Cummings, if any, Rhenae Thomison Cummings, Yelanda Cummings, Mary Duke, Kristopher Edmonds, Marshall Edmonds, Herbert Johnson, Jr., Karen Johnson, Andrew O. Jones, Vincent Jones, William B. Jones, Chante Vivas-Law, Steve Patterson, Melissa Turner, all of whom addresses are unknown and the unknown heirs at law, next of kin, legatees, devisees, distributees, representatives or assigns, and successors in the Estate of VIOLA LOUISE CUMMINGS, late of the Town of Washington, Dutchess County, New York, deceased, if any there be, if living, and if deceased, to their heirs at law, next of kin, legatees, devisees, distributees, representatives or assigns, and successors in interest, if any there be, all of whom cannot with reasonable diligence be ascertained.

In the Matter of the Estate of VIOLA LOUISE CUMMINGS, late of the Village of Millbrook, A petition having been duly filed by Robin T. Cummings who is domiciled at 101 County House Road, Millbrook, NY 12545 YOU ARE HERE BY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Dutchess County, at 10 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, on, June 8, 2023 at 9:30 o'clock in the fore noon of that day, why a decree should not be made in the estate of VIOLA LOUISE CUMMINGS lately domiciled at 101 County House Road, Town of Washington, in the County of Dutchess, New York, granting Letters of Administration upon the estate of VIOLA LOUISE CUMMINGS, the decedent, to ROBIN T. CUMMINGS or to such other person as may be entitled there to, without bond.

(State any further relief requested) Such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper

HON. MICHAEL G. HAYES, Surrogate

Kyle A. Steller Esq. Deputy Chief Clerk Dated, Attested and Sealed, April 12, 2023 Name of Attorney for Petitioner: _MACKEY BUTTS & WHALEN, LLP, ROBERT 8. DIETZ, of counsel. Tel.No. 845-452-4000 Address of Attorney: MACKEY BUTTS & WHALEN, LLP 319 Mill Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Note: This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney-at-law appear for you.

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DUTCHESS Paintiff designates DUTCHESS as the place of trial situs of the real property SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Mortgaged Premises: 9 DEPOT HILL ROAD, AMENIA, NY 12501 Section: 7167, Block: 14, Lot: 305355 N A T I O N S T A R MORTGAGE LLC Plaintiff,

vs. ANNE M. THOMAS, HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ES-TATE OF MICHAELS. M C G O V E R N ; AMANDA KING, HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL S. MC-GOVERN; MICHAEL MCGOVERN, JR., HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ES-TATE OF MICHAELS. MCGOVERN; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL S. MC-GOVERN, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or whom may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this ac-

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tion; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF

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AMERICA, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint,

To the above named Defendants

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$319,080.00 and interest, recorded on December 10, 2012, in Document Number 01 2012 13554, of the Public Records of DUTCHESS County, New York., covering premises known as 9 DEPOT HILL ROAD, AMENIA, NY 12501.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

DUTCHESS County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.

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and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action.

YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: April 24, 2023 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEIDER, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Matthew Rothstein, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-27-23 Dutchess County Jail Planning and Moving Services Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 12th day of May 2023 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite 2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website http://www.dutchessny.gov, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE

The Purchasing Agent, County of Dutchess, Poughkeepsie, New York, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for: Bid #RFB-DCP-34-23 Vehicle: 2023 or Newer Heavy-Duty Truck with V-Plow and Sander for DPW Highway Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. on the 17th day of May 2023 at the Dutchess County Division of Central Services, 378 Violet Avenue, Suite

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2, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained by visiting our website http://www.dutchessny.gov, selecting "Government", then selecting "Bidding and RFP Opportunities". For additional information, call 845-486-3613.

PUBLIC HEARING PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Milan Town Board will hold a Public Hearing on May 15, 2023 at 6:55 pm on the proposed Local Law # 3 of 2023 - amendment and addition to Chapter 67 (Procurement Policy). Said hearing will take place at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle. By order of the Milan Town Board Catherine Gill, Town Clerk

NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF SALE

UNDER SECTION 182 OF THE NY STATE LIEN LAW NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS CONTENTS OF STORAGE UNIT, WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE OR AUCTION AT:

A SPACE TO PLACE STORAGE - OWNED BY DBVAN PROPERTIES NORTH, LLC 4 MARSHALL ROAD - WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY 12590 DATE: Tuesday May 23, 2023 - TIME: 11:00 AM THE SALE OF SUCH PROPERTY IS TO SATISFY THE LIEN OF A SPACE TO PLACE STORAGE ON PROPERTY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF: UNITS 1041, 2270, 1158, 1133, 1110, 2294, 2186, 2152, 2181, 1188, 2208, 2322, 2027, 1121, 2111, 1277, 2141, 1306, 1074, 1071, 2049, 1078, 2210, 2077, 2006, 1209, 2192, 2167, 2259, 2071

At the May 3, 2023, Town of Fishkill Town Board Meeting, the Town Board voted to cancel the first meeting in June. Notice is hereby given that the June 7, 2023, Town of Fishkill Town Board Meeting is canceled.

TOWN OF FISHKILL, NY NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP 2023-01 REV 1 Request for Proposal The Town of Fishkill (Town) is soliciting Request for Proposals (RFP) to seal coat the area of four (4) Tennis Courts and two (2) Basketball Courts at the Town's Maurer Geering Park. The

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Town is converting the four (4) Tennis Courts into three (3) Tennis Courts and two (2) Pickleball Courts. The total area of the four (4) Tennis Courts is approximately 2534 Square Yards. The total area of the Basketball Courts is approximately 1311 Square Yards. The Town of Fishkill will not purposely eliminate any company from bidding, however, there are specifications that must be met. Taxes should not be reflected as the Town of Fishkill is tax exempt. Effective 9:00 AM, Tuesday May 9, 2023, a Request for Proposal (RFP) may be obtained either in person at Town Hall or electronically by emailing the Town of Fishkill Project Facilitators Joe DeFrancesco and Paul Bozek at jdefrancesco@fishkill-ny.gov and pbozek@fishkill-ny.gov

The requestor / proposer must provide the legal company name, address, telephone number, representative name and email address when either picking up in person or via email. The contractor may perform a pre-bid walkdown / site visit anytime during park hours at Maurer Geering Park located at 1 Geering Way, Fishkill, NY 12524. Any and all questions, clarifications, or requests shall be provided in writing to the Town of Fishkill Project Facilitators Joe DeFrancesco and Paul Bozek via email at jdefrancesco@fishkill-ny.gov and pbozek@fishkill-ny.gov

All questions, clarifications, and requests, together with answers, if any, will be provided to all firms that have indicated an interest or intention to submit statements. However, the names of any firms submitting any questions, clarifications, or requests will not be disclosed until after the deadline for submitting Proposals. The Town reserves the right to respond or not respond to any questions, clarifications, or requests. The data herein is provided without warranty or representation as to accuracy. Each proposer is directed and encouraged to make any and all examinations independently; to verify any and all examinations independently, and not to rely solely on the information stated herein, which is to be used only as a general guide. Sealed proposals will be accepted un-

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til Wednesday, June 1, 2023 at 2:00 P.M. at the Town of Fishkill Town Clerk's Office, 807 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524 and will be opened on the same day. No proposals will be accepted after the appointed time. No other distribution of proposals will be made by the Proposer. All Proposal copies must be signed in ink and in longhand by an official authorized to bind the Pro-

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poser. The Town of Fishkill reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, with or without cause. Awarding of the contract will take place at a regular monthly meeting of the Town of Fishkill. Should your firm be interested in submitting a proposal, submit the signed and sealed proposal with the requested / required information in the RFP, marked on the outer envelope as MAU-

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RER GEERING PARK SURFACE SEALING, and mail or deliver to: Becki Tompkins, Town Clerk Town of Fishkill 807 Route 52 Fishkill, New York 12524 (845) 831-7800 x3333 FAX (845) 831-6040 btompkins@fishkill-ny.gov

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Request for Proposals Town of Pleasant Valley, NY

Subject Tents for Pleasant Valley Weekend Date RFP released May 2, 2023 Services required Vendor will provide and install the following equipment for Pleasant Valley Weekend, September 8-10, 2023: * 1 - 20x20 Party Tent * 1 - 20x30 Party Tent * 1 - 20x40 Party Tent * 1 - 30x30 Party Tent * 1 - 40x80 Party Tent * 1 - 40x100 Party Tent * 7 - 4x8 Risers, 1 foot high * Lighting Location of service The event is located at Cady Field, 1548 Main Street, Pleasant Valley. How to submit a proposal Please submit a written proposal by May 12, 2023 to the Town Clerk's Office, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley or email at: townclerk@pleasantvalley-ny.gov. Proposals should include the company name, contact person, contact information, proposed price, and any relevant details about the service proposed. Contact for questions Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk 1554 Main Street Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 Phone: 845-635-1111 Ext. 201 NOTES: * The Town will select a contractor in accordance with applicable law and policies. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. * Before work proceeds, a contract will be negotiated. Contract terms may include, but are not limited to, insurance requirements, limitation on subcontracting, compliance with Labor Law and other applicable statutes, non-discrimination, indemnity, and conflict of interest provisions. Please inquire with any questions. * Proposals are considered firm offers that may be accepted within 60 days of receipt.

Request for Proposals Town of Pleasant Valley, NY

Subject Fireworks for Pleasant Valley Weekend Date RFP released May 2, 2023 Services required Vendor will provide a fireworks display on September 9, 2023. The display shall consist of a duration of 12 minutes. Location of service The event is located at Cady Field, 1548 Main Street, Pleasant Valley. How to submit a proposal Please submit a written proposal by May 12, 2023 to the Town Clerk's Office, 1554 Main Street, Pleasant Valley or email at: townclerk@pleasantvalley-ny.gov. Proposals should include the company name, contact person, contact information, proposed price, and any relevant details about the service proposed. Contact for questions Mary Beth Muir, Town Clerk 1554 Main Street Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 Phone: 845-635-1111 Ext. 201 NOTES: * The Town will select a contractor in accordance with applicable law and policies. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. * Before work proceeds, a contract will be negotiated. Contract terms may include, but are not limited to, insurance requirements, limitation on subcontracting, compliance with Labor Law and other applicable statutes, non-discrimination, indemnity, and conflict of interest provisions. Please inquire with any questions. * Proposals are considered firm offers that may be accepted within 60 days of receipt.

Diversions

SUDOKU

Sudoku requires no arithmetic skills.

The object of the game is to fill all the blank squares with the correct numbers.

Each row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

	2		8		9		4	
7		4		2				3
		8		7				1
	5		3			4		6
			2		4			
8		7			5			
9				5		1		
4				6		7		8
			9				5	

Suguru

1			5		5
3			1		
	2				
	4				

The heavy lines indicate areas, called cages, from one to five squares in size. Fill each cage with unique digits, counting up from 1. So for example a 2-square cage contains the numbers 1 and 2; and a 5-square cage contains the numbers from 1 to 5. Adjacent (touching) squares, even ones that touch diagonally, may never contain the same number.

ACROSS

1. Pricey accountant: abbr.
4. Crusty formation
8. Not live
13. Pasture sounds
14. Military force
15. Worship
16. Lacks accuracy
17. Asian nation
18. Of the proboscis
19. Relaxes for a while
22. Poet Eliot's monogram
23. Said
24. In front
26. Helper: abbr.
29. Stomach and heart
32. One who writes in a secret language
36. Beverages
38. Perched on
39. Assert
40. French impressionist
41. 100 centavos
42. City on the Brazos River
43. Space
44. Harass
45. Pitcher's specialty
47. Run one's words together
49. ___ Marshall
51. Sprung
56. Fan's shout
58. Dry one
61. Woman's name
63. Glide on air
64. "You wouldn't ___!"
65. Center remover
66. Lioness in "Born Free"
67. City NW of Oklahoma City
68. Letters
69. Establishes
70. Highway: abbr.

DOWN

1. Unit of weight
2. Winter item
3. Valuable
4. Slaws
5. Bad-tempered person
6. Love: Sp.
7. "...and two if ___..."
8. Large ship
9. City SE of Oklahoma City
10. Writes 3/1 on a 2/28 check
11. Times
12. Eliminate, for short
13. Takes a chance
20. Burn
21. "...a crowd, ___ of golden daffodils..." (Wordsworth)
25. Looking astounded
27. Ship's pole
28. Sounds
30. Word with dive or gay
31. Launderer's problem
32. Raucous noises
33. Zero's shape
34. Figures out what 32 Across has written
35. Wear away
37. Ring
40. River that was the site of two WWI battles
44. Southern California city
46. Walks into
48. Extremists
50. Hai and si
52. Rapidly growing tree
53. Seedling
54. Creepy
55. ___ Scott case
56. Test of speed
57. Uproars
59. Lacquered metalware
60. Oven
62. ___ Majors

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The solutions to the Sudoku, Crossword puzzle and Suguru can be found on the next page

get growing!

by mark adams



The Wildflower Island

Mark and Sue tour two acres of spring wildflowers at Teatown Lake Reservation.



Pictured above are Yellow Lady's Slipper.

-Photos by Mark Adams

Wildflower Island curator Matthew McDowell with trillium.

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Faithful readers of this column (there are a few) know where to find the early spring wildflowers, or “ephemerals” that burst into bloom just before the trees leaf out in May. Dutchman’s breeches, spring beauty, trout lily and wood anemones are common examples in the Hudson Valley.

Last week Sue and I took a walk in one of our favorite spots to see ephemerals, but we were too late. The trees had already leafed out, and the only flowers still blooming at Creekside Park, along the Wappingers Creek near Eastdale, were common violets, blue, white and even yellow ones, beautiful but nothing to write home about.

So I booked us a tour of The Wildflower Island at Teatown Lake Reservation, a 1,000-acre nature preserve in Ossining. Last Sunday’s hour-plus walk on the two-acre island revealed a wealth of wildflowers that bloom after the ephemerals have melted back into the forest floor:

- **Wild Geranium** – Almost all wildflowers – obviously they are native – are herbaceous perennials, meaning that they die back to the ground in winter and re-emerge from their hardy underground roots in the spring. Wild geranium, or “cranesbill,” is a wonderful flower for a perennial garden, blooming from May through June.

- **Marsh Marigold** – An ephemeral still in bloom on May 8. The native marsh marigolds are getting crowded out by the look-alike invasive lesser celandine, which is lower-growing and sports golden blossoms with nine petals instead of the five on marsh marigolds. Wildflower Island is actually the only place I’ve seen

real native Marsh Marigolds.

- **Swamp Rose** – Our guide, Wildflower Island curator Matthew McDowell, is in a constant tug-of-war with invasive species trying to take over the island. The white-flowered multiflora rose is a case in point, crowding out the pretty pink-blossomed native swamp rose. Discussing non-invasive but non-native flowers like zinnias, petunias or cuphea, I pointed out that pollinators love to visit them. Matthew came back with the point that caterpillars of these pollinating butterflies need native plants to feed on. For example, even though monarchs visit zinnias, the caterpillars need native milkweed to survive.

- **Trillium** – Three native trilliums inhabit the island, all blooming in May. The red wake robin made famous in the writings of naturalist John Burroughs was not one of the three, but the rosy trillium was new to me, and a welcome shade of soft pink.

- **Lady’s Slipper** – Native orchids are the holy grail of Hudson Valley wildflowers. The Wildflower Island is home to the rare and protected pink and the yellow lady’s slipper orchid, as well as an almost extinct winter blooming orchid called puttyroot.

- **Bloodroot** – The blossoms of this ephemeral have faded, leaving the seed capsules. Matthew explained that a sweet coating on the seeds encourages ants to carry them underground where they can easily sprout. So the bloodroot is myrmecochorous, a new word I learned describing a plant whose seeds are dispersed by ants.

- **Wolfbane** – Another new word I learned during the trip to Wildflower Island is lycanthropy – werewolfism. We saw some wolfbane plants, which bloom in October. They were once used to bait wolf traps, and rumor has it that wolfbane causes lycanthropy. Sue couldn’t stop me from tasting it.

- **Snakeroot** – You wouldn’t notice this ordinary-looking wildflower which is a common roadside attraction. But when cows eat it, which evidently happened a lot in colonial times, their milk becomes poisonous. Abraham Lincoln’s mother supposedly died from “milk sickness.”

The Wildflower Island at Teatown Lake Reservation is open by reservation only, weekends through September. Take extra time to visit the wildlife exhibit, home to a menagerie of rescued birds.

Www.teatown.org.

Mark Adams is an agricultural advisor to the Dutchess County Executive, Dutchess County B.O.C.E.S. and Cornell University.

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this week’s puzzle solutions

SUDOKU

This week's answer

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Suguru solution

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1	4	1	5	1	5

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Tomato Green Zebra
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Tomato Red Pear
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Tomato Yellow Pear



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Tomato Golden Girl
Tomato Golden Jubilee
Tomato Husky Red
Tomato Jet Star
Tomato Little Sicily
Tomato Mountain Fresh
Tomato Parks Whopper
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Tomato Supersonic
Tomato Supersteak
Tomato Tumbler

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Tomato Cocoa
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Tomato Large Cherry Red
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Tomato Sun Gold
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Tomato Super Sweet 100
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Basil Licorice
Basil Lime
Basil Mammoth
Basil Minette
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