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# Sullivan Hires Deputy County Manager



Monticello, NY - Sullivan County Manager Josh Potosek is pleased to welcome John Liddle as Deputy County Manager. Liddle's appointment by Potosek was confirmed today by the Legislature, and he will begin on April 1.

on April 1. "John's incredible experience, professionalism and collaborative ambition set him apart and will provide Sullivan County with top-notch leadership," Potosek said. "He's an innovative thinker, a quick learner and an accomplished veteran of the armed services, both at sea and on land."

A native of Pottsville, Pa., Liddle just retired from the U.S. Navy with the rank of Lieutenant Commander. During two decades in the Navy, he served on the USS Princeton during the post-9/11 Operation Enduring Freedom, on the USS Mason during two narcotics interdictions and the release and return of a freighter and 24 hostages seized by Somali pirates, and on the USS Hue City during a major fire that was extinguished while at sea, without injury to the crew. (Contd. Pg. 12)

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# Tri-Valley Secondary School Presents "Mary Poppins" A dazzling theatre production by Patrick Kelly



Grab your umbrellas and take a jolly holiday down to Tri-Valley Secondary School to see "Mary Poppins the Musical"! "Mary Poppins" is a story about the Banks family, Jane, Michael, George, and Winifred, and there fantastical adventure involving magical nannies, living toys, and dancing chimney sweeps!

The musical features some of the classic movie scenes we all know and love, as well as some characters and scenes from the famous books by P.L. Travers, all lovingly recreated by Tri-Valley students.

Enjoy some of the Sherman Brothers original compositions and some new songs that will leave you singing all the way to the steps of St. Pauls. Featuring high quality dancing, acting, and supercalifragilistic singing.

The play will be coming in on the east wind on April 5th at 7:00 pm and April 6th at 2:00 pm.

You can purchase tickets at the box office the day of or purchase the tickets online at https://trivalleycsd.seatyourself.biz. You may call Regina Hartman at 845-985-2296 x4154 for more information.

Five New Deputy Sheriffs Join the Ranks of the Sheriff's Patrol.



Five brand new Sullivan County Deputy Sheriffs graduated from the Orange County Police Academy on March 15th, 2019. They will now move on to the field training phase under the guidance of experienced deputies. If everything goes well, they will be ready to patrol on their own, just in time for the summer season. In the photo from left to right,

Sheriff Russell Corley, Deputy Sheriff William Fernandez, Deputy Sheriff Matthew Robbins, Deputy Sheriff Shawn Sinistorie, Deputy Sheriff Connor Alvarez and Sheriff Michael Schiff.

# TV Lions Club Receives \$2,000.00 Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation Grant for the Trail Project atBenjamin Cosor Elementary School

The Tri-Valley Lions Club applied for and has received a \$2,000.00 grant from the Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation for the Trail Project located at the Benjamin Cosor Elementary School in Fallsburg, New York. The trails coordinator, Leah Exner, is a long time teacher at the school and a 20 year member of the Tri-Valley Lions Club.

This grant has a matching donation of \$2,000.00 from the Center for Discovery. The trail is nearly complete and will be open to all residents of Sullivan County for use during non-school hours. For more information, please contact the BCES at 434-6800.



At Benjamin Cosor Elementary School on 3/18 - BCES Principal Mary Kate Stinehour; Mamakating Lions President, Lions District 20-0 2nd Vice Dist. Gov. & Dist. 20-0 BMYF Rep. James Eggleton; TV Lion & BCES Teacher Leah Exner; Lions Immed. Past Dist. Gov. & Lions Zone A Chair Ilene Wizwer; TV Lions President Donna Schick; TV Lions Board Member Fran Fuller; Fallsburg School District Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz.



At SC Lions Sight & Hearing meeting in March, TV Lions Board Member Fran Fuller; Lions SC Sight & Hearing Chair and TV Lions Vice Pres. Stephen Miller; TV Lions President Donna Schick; Bethel Lions President & SC SEE Coordinator Al Frangipane; TV Lion & BCES Teacher Leah Exner; District 20-0 2nd Vice Dist. Gov., Mamakating Lions President & District 20-0 BMYF Rep. James Eggleton; Lions Immed. Past District Governor & Lions Zone A Chair Ilene Wizwer

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Deadline for all submissions is 3:00 p.m. Friday. NO EXCEPTIONS. Due to recent postal regulation changes - all fliers received after 3:00 pm on Friday will not be inserted until the following week's edition.

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear. 1 John 4:18

**OBITUARY** 



William V. "Bill" Scully, former resident of Grahamsville, passed away in peace on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at the age of 87 at Gulfside Center for Hospice Care at Heather Hill in New Port Richev. Florida Port Richey, Florida. Survived by his wife, Martha of 22 years. Former husband of Ruth Green. Loving step-father of Lynn (Clinton) Graves, Victoria (John), Magazie and Murzon (Tony)

Graves, Victoria (John), Mosack and Maureen (Tony) Daniel. Proud step-grandfa-ther of Kathleen (David) Navarro and step-great-grandfather of Julia Anne Navarro. Further survived by nieces and nephews and friends. Bill will be fondly remembered by his family and friends as a loving father, distinguished civil engi-neer, proud patriot and U.S. Navy Veteran. Private family services were held

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Condolences may be sent to: Thomas R. Dobies Funeral Homes & Crematory New Port Richey, Florida

**Dorothy May Houghtaling Conklin**, passed away on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at the Sullivan County Adult Care Center. She was 93.

She was the daughter of the late Oscar and Gladys (Dice) Houghtaling, born on August 30, 1925 in Halls Mills, NY

Dorothy was a hard working woman who wore many hats during her younger years, she waitressed in Liberty and at the original Blue Hill Lodge in Claryville; she also cleaned houses for many families in the area and was a housekeeper for the Frost Valley YMCA from 1976 until 2013. She made many friends over the years and was well liked and loved by all. She enjoyed snowmobiling, riding her tri-sport three-wheeler, and going to the stock car races, she particu-larly loved watching her son Steve race and hardly ever missed a race. She loved being outside camping and spending time with her friends and family playing card or board games with everyone. She loved taking pictures of our provide and spending. She was a life pictures of everyone and everything. She was a life member of the Claryville Fire Department and the Dutch Reform Church in Claryville. She was a loving

Dutch Reform Church in Claryville. She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She will be deeply missed and fondly remembered. She is survived by her sons, James Ackerley (Barbara), Steve Conklin (Donna), granddaughter Shona Lapalt (Skip); great-grandchildren, Courtney and Cassandra, Jason Ackerley (Elisa); and great granddaughter, Corrina; a sister Thelma Cole (Ray); as well as many nicces, nephews and cousins

as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her husband, Benjamin Conklin who passed away in 1996; her parents; her brothers, Norway, Virgil, Donald and Bradley as well as her sister Isabelle.

A visitation and funeral service, officiated by Rev. David Coon was held on Sunday, March 24, 2019 at Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, 396 State Route 52, Woodbourne, NY 12788.

Arrangements under the direction of Colonial Memorial Funeral Home, For further information call 845-434-7363 or visit www.colonialbryantfuneralhome.com

York Magnolia Illing, of Lackawaxen, PA formerly of Woodbourne, NY, passed away on March 20, 2019. She was 31.

She was the daughter of William H. Illing and Bobbie Sue Allees, born on December 6, 1987 in Harris, NY.

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# **Days of Yore...** Today's History

### March 23, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eck and family attended a farewell party for her brother, Melvin Lievre and his family at Sundown on Saturday night. Mr. Lievre has re-enlisted in the Army as a Warrant Officer and will leave for Fort Lee, Virginia, next week.

With the trout season near at had, fishermen in Sullivan County this week were elated to learn that a goodly number of 10,994 trout released in the Neversink and Mongaup were legal size.

Lee Denman, who is attending college in Springfield, is spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Denman.

### April 1, 1959

Mr. Charles Levin, the Superintendent of the new Tri-Valley Central School building project and representing the Rocklyn Construction Corporation moved his offices and headquarters to the campus of the school on Monday of this week. Mr. Levin announced that heavy equipment for excavations and preliminary ground work will move into action the latter part of this week. It is also expected that the old Annex Building will be demolished within the next two weeks. Since, via contract agreement, the permanent fixtures of the building belong to Rocklyn Construction Corporation, Principal Ross suggests that parties interested in securing this equipment should contact Mr. Levin before the demolition occurs.

Charles Greenhall, who just received his discharge from the U.S. Navy was with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Greenhall at Lake Paradise for the weekend.

#### March 26, 1969

Tri-Valley Central School Board met on Monday night to hear a comprehensive report from Dr. Kenneth Humphries representing the consultant firm of Englehardt. Englehardt, and Leggett. Dr. Humprhries evaluated the present building facilities and reported that as of now, the building is approximately ten percent over capacity. He also indicated that a conservative projection of school population shows that in 1974 the estimated enrollment will be 1022 students. The present population is 860. The report projects a need for sixteen additional classrooms. Other modifications suggested by the consultant involve extension of science facilities, library and special education features in keeping with the demands of today's programs.

Members of the Claryville Ladies Aid met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Ackerley, Sr. on Wednesday for a quilting bee.

### March 22, 1979

Dave Pettis left Monday for Ft. Dix, N.J., where he will train as a cook with the U.S. Army. After he has completed his training in September he will be transferred to Frankfurt, Germany for duty with the 5th

Corp. The ladies of the Dennis Ackerley Memorial Post #80-48 of Neversink are pleased and honored to announce that they received their State Charter on March 9. This Auxiliary was instituted by the N.Y.S. Ladies Auxiliary President Leota Herman of Callicoon on October 7, 1978.

Elyse Hornbeck, Howard and Isabelle 'O'Berntstein'' dressed in colonial garb and played with the fife and drum Corps that marched with the County Cavan group along 5th Avenue on Saturday in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Manhattan. The Finns also march on the 16th when they honor St. Urho, the man, according to legend, rid Finland of a plage of grasshoppers. The color worn on **St. Urho's Day** is purple.

# Sullivan County Audubon **1st Spring Meeting**

Thursday, March 28 Sullivan County Audubon 1st Spring Meeting will take place at 6 pm, Rm B113 in



SUNY Sullivan County Community College (112 College Rd., Loch Sheldrake, NY 12759)

A light supper of pizza and salad will precede the program. There will be an update on the Saw-whet Owl banding project. This will be fol-

lowed by the showing of Member Photos. This is a free event and all are invited to attend!

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### **A Round About Tri-Vallev** Carol Furman

Sympathy is extended to the Laurence Van Wagner family. Laurence passed away on March 12th at the age of 76. He was born in the Town of Denning and resided with his wife, Donna, in Ellenville.

The Sullivan County Democrat announced their 2019 Alpine Skiing All-Stars. Congratulations to Tri-Valley students, Brendan Pavese, Drew Hartman and Austin Hartman who were included as All-Stars.

Loretta Ackerley of Grahamsville is sporting a new hairdo - it looks great!

Racers and walkers braved the snow and wind on Saturday, March 9th to participate in the "Celebration of Life" half marathon held in Rock Hill. Three local residents, Barry Lewis, Lynn Moore and Sue Sheeley were among the top ten walkers crossing the finish line.

There was a wonderful story about Dr. Emmett Bassett in the Times Herald Record on March 14th. Emmett was a neighbor of ours on Glade Hill since the 60's. His widow, Priscilla, still lives on the Hill. Emmett was born in Virginia in 1921, and went to school in a segregated one-room school house. He went on to become a professor of microbiology at Columbia and later taught at the New Jersey College of Medicine and Dentistry. He passed away at the age of 92 in 2013. Art Force 5, a group of Alfred University students, alumni, SUNY Sullivan students and community members got together and used their artistic skills to inspire discussion on topics of equality and social justice and to create a tile mosaic of Dr. Bassett. Each painter had their own tile to paint and when they were combined, they had created an image of Dr. Bassett. The mosaic honors Dr. Bassett, a true human rights leader.

The 8th grade "Poetry Slam" was held in Tri-Valley's Bernstein Theatre on Wednesday, March 20th. According to teacher, Matt Haynes, who organized the "Slam", there were sixty-two 8th graders who wrote, memorized and presented their original poems. For many of the students this may have been the very first time they stood and recited before a large audience. Congratulations to Anna Streimer who was declared the winner of the "Slam". The 8th graders really deserve a lot of credit for their efforts and for being so supportive toward their classmates! Mr. Rusin, guest poet, also did a great job!

There are some local maple syrup producers in the area who are participating in maple weekend on March 30 and 31st. Catskill Mountain Sugar House in Grahamsville and Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville are inviting visitors for a tour on those dates. I believe that Justus Asthalter Maple Syrup.located in Parksville. held their tour on March 24\* and 25th. I haven't, as of yet, heard anything about Muthigs in Parksville. They also

produce maple products. "April" - from the Latin word, "to open" (bud), because plants begin to grow during this month. My snowdrops and crocus are blooming. Dates to remember:

March 31- - Pancake breakfast at the Neversink Fire House from 7:00 am - Noon. April 5th and 6th - Tri-Valley musical production of

"Mary Poppins" at the Bernstein Theatre.

Words of Wisdom: Who wants to reach the end of their life in a perfectly preserved body?

The scars and the crinkles and the cracks are what make us interesting. (Bear Gryllis, Adventurer)

There are two kinds of people: the givers and the takers. The takers eat better, but the givers sleep better, (anon)

# The Red Shed is Open

When the Grahamsville UMC asked for volunteers to help with the Thrift Ministry, members of our community responded to the call. We now have enough members to be able to receive clean, usable items in the red shed by the church social hall.

We are **<u>not</u>** accepting the following:

Cracked or chipped dishes, pottery, or glassware Dirty, torn, or stained clothing (these items can be left in the textile recycling containers near the Tri-

- Valley administrative building)
- Personalized items of any kind, including clothing Furniture
- Car seats and cribs
- Books
- Electronics
- Stuffed animals

We will continue to gratefully accept donations of clean clothing, housewares, and other useful items in good condition.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding, The Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Ministry Team

# **Town of Neversink** SPRING CLEANUP 2019

Spring Cleanup will be held on April 27, May 1, 4 & 2019. The Transfer Station will be open during normal business hours. Residents with Purple 2019 permits will be allowed 2 loads which must be brought during the Spring Cleanup dates. Permit cards will be punched for each load.

TVs and other electronic items can be disposed of with payment being made by SW coupons. Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers and air conditioners require a Freon removal fee of \$15.00 per item. Each permit holder is entitled to four free car tires. Scrap metal can be taken anytime throughout the year without charge. Due to the high volume of traffic during spring cleanup, residents are asked NOT TO bring any of these items during Spring Cleanup. Please bring these items at a later date.

The Town of Neversink Transfer Station is open only to those persons who have their household and generate their waste material in the Town of Neversink. Ownership of vacant land does not qualify for use of the facility. The Municipal Cleanup Initiative Program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature.

### **No Music and History Program** This April, - But Still Plenty to Enjoy at County Museum

Hurleyville, NY - The First Sunday Music and History Program began a year and a half ago, in a small side gallery of the Sullivan County Museum. The Sullivan County Historical Society and the County invited some special guitarists who performed '60s music and talked about their personal experiences in the Woodstock. By the third month, First Sunday had become so successful that it moved to the Museum's main auditorium.

There will be no April program, however. The BOCES children's art exhibition has filled up the auditorium and runs through April 9. The good news is that First Sunday will continue in May and the rest of the year.

The Historical Society has meanwhile mounted a special Red Cross exhibition, which includes antique prints, photographs and items from personal collections of Sullivan County residents.

And finally, in cooperation with the Historical Society, County Historian John Conway will offer a sixweek course titled "The History of Sullivan County, Part III." The class is a completely new curriculum, beginning Wednesday, April 10 from 6-7:30 p.m., running at the same time for the following five Wednesdays, through May 15.

As this program is a fundraiser for the nonprofit history education group The Delaware Company, the cost is \$60 for 6 classes or \$10 per class - pre-registration by March 31 is required. The classes will be held at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main Street, Hurleyville.

For more info, call 845-434-8044, or email iconway52@hotmail.com.

Don't forget to check out the Museum's gift shon there's an extensive collection of Sullivan County history books for sale.

### Join Sullivan 180 for a return engagement with Dr. Joel Fuhrman

Join Sullivan 180 for a return engagement with Dr. Joel Fuhrman, board-certified family physician, nutritional researcher and six-time New York Times best selling author who has appeared on Dr. Oz, Good Morning America and PBS

- This event will be held on Monday, April 22, 2019 at the Event Gallery at Bethel Wood Center for the Arts.
- Doors Open 5:30 p.m. | Program Begins 6:00 p.m. This is a free event ... Bring your friends and family. Healthy refreshments will be served.
- Pre-registration is suggested. Please register at

https://bit.ly/2W286tw

or call (845)295-2680

Nature Column - Linda Comando A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman Ladies that we have lost and loved so much... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall, Polly Hill, Joyce Lockhart, Jean Helthaler, Karen Curry and Barbara Slater.

### Pussy Willows and Their Furry Coats

Keep your eyes open, as it won't be long before we will see those furry little catkins - Pussy Willows - who are telling the other flora, trees and bushes, "It's time to wake up!

This week all the Pussy Willows (Salix discolor, a member of the willow family, the Salicaceae) that I have seen still have their hard exterior, the bud scale. This is the protective covering for the young leaves and flowers inside the bud. The leaves are oval shaped and come after the catkins have bloomed.

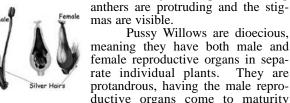
A pussy willow is a catkin, a tightly bunched arrangement of stamens or carpels.

The catkin is the "fur coat", that is a tightly bunched arrangement of stamens or carpels that helps keep the developing reproductive parts of the Pussy Willow warm through winter and early spring. When the sun shines, the temperature of the center of the catkin can rise above air temperatures by trapping the heat from the sun with it's insulating hairs. This additional warming aids in the development of the pollen within the anthers and of the ovules

when the yellow pollen-bearing

They are

within the carpels. The willow flowers are fully "open"



before the female, that means the buds, or "catkins," on the male pussy willow shrubs usually appear earlier than do those on the females. Chances are that if

you encounter a stand of pussy willows in late winter or very early spring, it's the male catkins that you are seeing. The catkins of males yield

numerous tiny staminate flowers typically consisting of a pollencontaining anther and a filament, later in spring. The female catkins will bear pistillate flowers, comprising the stigma, style, and ovary.

Pussy willow is highly variable in its identifying characteristics. Typically it grows as a shrub or small tree that may reach heights up to 30 feet. Willows, in general, grow rapidly and produce extensive root systems. Pussy willow trunks may be single or clustered with stout ascending branches and branchlets. Bark is slightly fissured and ridged. First-year pussy willow twigs are hairy but become glabrous or smooth with age. Pussy willow leaves are deciduous meaning they shed their leaves annually. The leaves are simple, and alternate. Leaf shape varies from oblong to elliptic, and blades are typically 2 to 5 times as long as they are wide.

Pussy willow trees are native to wetlands in the Catskills. They regenerate asexually by sprouting and sexually through seed production and germination. Pussy willow flowers are insect and wind pollinated as the small willow seeds are easily dispersed by wind.

Now that it looks like the weather will be more springlike, if you can get out for a walk and find some Pussy Willows, take a moment to examine their furry flower buds. Then try to plan another walk to return when the "flowers" are open.

How many of us remember seeing a large vase overflowing with pussy willow branches sitting on the dining room table and waiting for the furry coats to appear. To most of us picking a bunch of Pussy Willows (or buying a spray in the supermarket or at the florist) is an enduring rite of spring!

### **Household Hints**

#### **Can't Wait for the Real Thing?**

If you want to brighten your home with some spring colored silk flowers, salt is a great medium for keeping artificial flowers in the arrangement you want. Fill a vase or other container with salt, add a little cold water, and arrange your artificial flowers. The salt will solidify, and the flowers will stay put.

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**Unforsaken** Book review from author Manuel Ramos author of *The Golden Havana Night* 

Unforsaken is a bullet packed with gritty characters and explosive action.

John Dwaine McKenna skillfully takes readers to the untamed Southwest at the beginning of the Twentieth Century. The Wild West is past its heyday.

Locomotives have replaced horses. Bandit gangs are a vanishing menace, yet outlaws still prowl the dusty streets looking for easy marks. The lone and honorable lawman is on the verge of extinction. Men and women crave stability as they carry on their often desperate and risky lives. The old morality codes are forgotten, forsaken. There is no honor among thieves, but there is corruption in the Marshall's office. Into this simmering mix, McKenna throws a veteran Texas Ranger, a frontier woman with more than one secret of her own, a violent murdering cowboy gangster, Mexican revolutionaries, Mormon legends, and more, much more. Unforsaken will satisfy any reader looking for firmly-etched characters, an exciting story line, and a cold, hard look at humanity under pressure. For die-hard western fans, *Unforsaken* is just what the Doc ordered.

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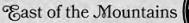
By the year 1901, the Old West was just a memory and the new century only a promise. That's when a Texas woman's search for her missing brother draws the attention of a hard-boiled Texas Ranger who's on the trail of a notorious outlaw and murderer. When they realize they're both looking for the same man, Ella Stringfellow and Boyd Pirtle's lives intersect as they uncover a conspiracy which impacts the whole nation. At the same time, Pirtle works to unravel and solve a twenty year-old murder that has little evidence and few clues . . . a mystery which ultimately leads to a shattering confession and stunning conclusion . . . and only one of the three will still be alive to tell the tale!

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# Book launch and Author signing

April 6, 2019 12:00 Noon to 3:00 pm Hooked on Books 12 E. Bijou St. Colorado Springs, CO





and West of the Sun





# The Olive Jar- By Carol LaMonda Movies in the Mind

"Never trust anyone who has not brought a book with them."

– Lemony Snicket, Horseradish

A friend of mine posted a picture of her niece reading; well, not really reading but holding a book open and chattering away pretending to be reading. She was imitating a reader. Reading is the best thing we can do for our children because they will model what we do. There is nothing more delightful than an adult reading to a child because that means that child will associate love with knowledge.

Books are doorways to culture. They allow us to travel places and meet lives without having to leave home. Anna Quindlen said, "Books are the plane, and the train, and the road. They are the destination, and the journey. They are home." Each experience adds to our lives making us more tolerant and aware of the diversity and bonds of humanity. Ben Okri says, "Reading is an act of civilization; it's one of the greatest acts of civilization because it takes the free raw material of the mind and builds castles of possibilities."

I have friends who are avid movie and television show watchers. Most are voracious readers also. Even though a movie is based on a book or play, a movie is someone's interpretation of the original story; it is a perception of the plot, setting, theme and characters the original author designed. We are watching someone's ideas about the book. Even the reader becomes an interpreter of the book adding personal experience and preferences to the words on the page.

What I like about a book club is that we can share our views and understanding of the book we read in common. For example, my club just read <u>Where the Crawdads Sing</u> by Delia Owens. We gathered around a table at Ole Savannah down on the Strand to tie in with the marsh setting of the south. We were excited to know that Reese Witherspoon will be producing the movie of this bestseller, and our conversation about the book made me realize that the best thing about reading is the piece the reader brings to the story. We could picture the Marsh Girl. We could design the wardrobe and pick the location for filming. We could add or delete passages to accentuate the themes of love, friendship, independence, and family relationships. The reader is producer, casting director, wardrobe designer, prop and set locator. Reading allows us to have movies in our mind, free of cable charges, subscriptions, or admission prices.

### **APW TU March Meeting**

New York's opening day of trout season less than a week away, the APW TU held their meeting on March 27th at the Boiceville Inn on NY 28 and discussed fishing. Below is someone's secret spot?



Olivia Bernard, of the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development, addressed members about Trout Tales 2019 and the featured speakers were Leslie Zucker, Program Leader of the Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program (AWSMP), and Adam Doan, Project Manager Ulster County Soil and Water Conservation District.

The chapter's 31st Annual Conservation Dinner is scheduled for April 13th. **DINNER RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY April 5th**. You still have time, but act now.

Order tickets here:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trout-unlimited-31st-annual-fundraising-banquet-tickets-57876901370

The dinner is open to everyone--- all chapter members, guests, and the general public. For information on this event, call Tony Cocozza at 845-657-6044.

#### Ed Ostapczuk

# News from SUNY Oneonta

**Christopher Kovalcik** serves and learns in Puerto Rico over spring break Christopher Kovalcik of Ellenville, NY, was one of eight SUNY Oneonta students who traveled to San Juan, Puerto Rico over spring break to continue Hurricane Maria cleanup efforts through NECHAMA, a volunteer-driven nonprofit.

The students cleaned, swept, hammered, painted, worked on roofs and more to help improve the area. They were accompanied by Associate Professor of Biology Sean Robinson and Center for Social Responsibility and Community Director Linda Drake.

Students stayed in an Airbnb with other NECHAMA volunteers, got to see the lush flora and fauna of the island, went on some very muddy hikes, and did some sightseeing in Old San Juan.

Kovalcik is studying Biology at SUNY Oneonta.

**Carla Medina** of Hurleyville, NY, was one of 16 Geology and Earth Science majors who journeyed to Death Valley over spring break to develop geologic field mapping skills. Led by their professor, Dr. Les Hasbargen, the students gathered at the lowest dry point on the North American continent at Badwater, hiked into deep narrow canyons and over colorful badland divides in Golden Canyon and Gower Gulch, and explored a deep crater left by a violent volcanic eruption at Ubehebe Crater.

Medina is studying Geology at SUNY Oneonta.

The capstone course required the students to describe the rocks and types of environments in which they formed, and to map out how plate tectonic activity has shifted, tilted, broken and deformed those rocks. The students camped in tents and experienced a rare flash flood which came through camp early one morning. The rising waters drenched some gear.

It was an eventful, mostly sunny and hot experience in one of the driest places in North America!

More than 300 graduates were recognized at SUNY Oneonta's Winter Commencement on December 2, 2018. Students who completed the requirements for bachelor's degrees, master's degrees and certificates of advanced study in the Dewar Arena of the Alumni Field House. Among those students were:

Jonathan Griesbeck of Liberty - Bachelor of Arts, Music Industry

Bridget Kackos of Neversink - Bachelor of Science, Communication Studies

A Better Home for Turtles On March 8, ECOs Jacob Jankowski and Michael



Wozniak responded to a report that a two-foot-long, 50pound snapping turtle was being kept illegally in poor conditions in a home in Manhattan. An elderly woman had taken the turtle in as a pet 20 years ago, and was no longer able to care for it. She had planned to have someone help her release the turtle into a nearby city pond. It is illegal to keep native wildlife without a permit from DEC. The officers also found four red-eared sliders, a semiaquatic turtle, living in plastic totes. Red-eared sliders are legal to possess in New York as pets and are commonly found in many pet stores. However, these turtles are an invasive species and should not be released into the wild. The ECOs gave the woman a warning and explained the laws regarding wildlife being kept as pets and releasing invasive species into the ecosystem. The turtles were seized and turned over to the Animal Care Centers of New York City, an adoption agency that takes in homeless and abandoned animals and works with wildlife refuges and rehabilitators to find homes for injured animals and other wildlife.

### Injured Bald Eagles -Delaware and Dutchess Counties

On March 10, ECO Nathan Doig received a call from NYC Department of Environmental Protection Officer Brad Sherburne reporting an injured



Center for rehabilitation. On March 16, ECO Zach Crain responded to a report of an injured bald eagle at a dairy farm in Dover Plains. With help from the farmer, ECO Crain captured the bird and transported it to Green Chimneys Wildlife and Education Center. The staff at Green Chimneys determined the eagle was a fullgrown adult female at least five years old, which had likely suffered a fracture in its right wing. Both eagles



will be cared for while they recover and will be released back into the wild when they regain full strength.



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Adele B. Reiter, Acting County Executive

"The Young Adult Job Fair is a great opportunity for our young people to find work in Ulster County. It is often difficult to know where to start when looking for employment and this wonderful event makes it much easier by having so many employers who are interest-ed in hiring all in one place. Whether seeking a full-time, part-time or summer job, I encourage you to register and attend the fair and meet the many businesses and organizations who are participating," said Acting County Executive Adele B. Reiter. "In addition, to be sure you put your best fact forward, places the advantage of our Parfectly ut your best foot forward, please take advantage of our Perfectly put your best foot forward, please take advantage of our reflecting. Polished event which will help you prepare for the world of work with career ready clothes and grooming at no cost. I want to especially thank People's Place for making this possible - it is very important and it is greatly appreciated.'

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to the workforce on a productive career path as well as a wonderful array of summer and part-time jobs. Who knows? They may find something they didn't even know they were looking for.' Acting County Executive Reiter continued, "The Young Adult Job fair is organized by an Ad Hoc Committee of the Ulster County Workforce

Development Board, with staff support from Ulster County's Office of Employment and Training. We are so proud of this great event and thank all who have worked so hard to make it successful. We are

hopeful that as many young people as possible take advantage of this opportunity." Young adults should bring copies of their résumé if they have one. If they do not have one printed out, resumes on a USB drive or emailed to themselves can be printed onsite.

Businesses wishing to participate in the job fair should call: Ulster County's Office of Employment and Training (845) 340-3170. For a list of businesses attending the job fair visit: https://www.ulsterworks.com/youth-and-young-adults.

#### The Marywood University Chamber Singers at The Cooperage

On Saturday, April 6, 2019 enjoy a lovely afternoon performance at The Cooperage by The Marywood University Chamber Singers! Let their amazing harmonies carry you away! The doors will open at 1:30pm, with the performance starting at 2:00pm. Donations will be collected at the door.

The Marywood University Chamber Singers, a 24-voice ensemble based in Scranton, Pennsylvania, is featured on an annual PBS broadcast and has performed on music series throughout the northeastern United States. Recent concert venues have included St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral in New Jersey, First Church and Faneuil Hall in Boston, Yale University's Marquand Chapel, Notre Dame Basilica in Montreal, and St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York, as well as several locales in California, Florida, and Georgia. The group was one of eight finalists across the United States for the 2012 American Prize in Choral Performance, and a featured choir at the 2018 American Choral Directors Association Pennsylvania Conference.

The Marywood University Chamber Singers at The Cooperage -- 1030 Main Street, Honesdale, PA Saturday, April 6 | 2:00pm, doors open at 130pm Donations collected at the door



# Acting Ulster County Executive Adele B. **Reiter Announces the 11th Annual Ulster County Young Adult Job Fair - April 34d** Additional Career Ready Event- Perfectly

Additional Career Keady Event- Ferfectly Polished - March 28th Kingston, NY -Acting County Executive Adele B. Reiter announces that the 11th Annual Ulster County Young Adult Job Fair is being held on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 from 11:30 am to 5:00pm at the Kingston Center of SUNY Ulster, 94 Mary's Avenue in Kingston. More than 40 businesses from every corner of the county are attending this event to promote in backford parking recreation ratio and promote jobs in healthcare, banking, recreation, retail and manufacturing. Full-time, part-time and summer jobs are all available. The job fair is open to young people ages 16 to 25. Everyone pre-registered for the job fair is also eligible to win door prizes that have generously been donated by local businesses. Pre-registration is required at: www.ulsterworks.com/job-seeker-registration.

works.com/job-seeker-registration. In addition, new this year, the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training in conjunction with People's Place will be holding an event to prepare to meet the busi-nesses at the Young Adult Job Fair called Perfectly Polished. This is an amazing opportunity for young people ages 16-25 to find the perfect clothes for a summer, part-time or full-time job as well as get their hair cut and styled for FREE! Perfectly Polished is being held on Thursday, March 28 from 2:30-4:30 at People's Place, 17 Saint James Street, Kingston. To attend, you must be registered for the Young Kingston. To attend, you must be registered for the Young Adult Job Fair.



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### **Memories of the Past; Plans for the Future**



Vikki and Tony Siciliano of Grahamsville have been hosting a NYC child for a summer vacation through the FreshAir Fund for more than seven years.

Kialie, a Brooklynite,



has become part of the Sicilian's family since their youngest daughter, Lily had become the only one of their children still at home.



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MARCH 7, THURSDAY: Blues, R&B (C) Slam Allen: NY Blues Hall of Fame master blues guitarist

MARCH 16, SATURDAY: Eastern European (M) Madárka: Klezmer, Balkan, Romanian & Russian folk music

APRIL 4, THURSDAY: Pipe Organ (C) Hudson Valley's Boyd Herforth in recital

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JUNE 6, THURSDAY: Soul (C) Gus Mancini's Sonic Soul Band: from funk to Monk, blues & rock

E 15. SATURDAY: Salsa An evening of Latin salsa and dancing

JUNE 20, THURSDAY: Big Band Sound (C) Tim's Big Band featuring big band music of the 40s & 50s

SEPTEMBER 14, SATURDAY: Classical & Rock Frets Pipes & Keys, the new Hudson Valley duo

SEPTEMBER 19, THURSDAY: Percussion (C) Nexus: "one of the world's most influential percussion ensembles"-NYTimes

OCTOBER 3, THURSDAY: Americana (C) Saints of Swing: an encore performance

CONCERT TIMES: Thursday & Saturday, 7:30pm Sunday, 4:00pm TICKET PRICES: Church (C) Thursdays: Adults, \$15; seniors/student, \$10; children 12 & under, free. MISU coffeehouse Saturdays: \$10. Early Bird Concerts (C) Sundays: \$10 w/refreshments pre-concert. Children's Concerts (C) Sundays: Adults, \$10; families, \$5 each person; kids under 3, free. St. John's Episcopal Church 40 Market Street Ellenville, NY 12428 845-377-3727

> They call Kialie their "city daughter" This year's visit includes plans for her to spend time at a nearby camp to help foster her love of horses which grew from

> her Sullivan County summers. Families can choose to host a boy or girl ranging in age from 7-13 for the first visit, and then re-invite the same child into the future or host new children. First vis-its usually last a week (at set times in either July or August) and Fresh Air Fund transports the kids to the area to meet their host families. (Contd. Pg. 15)



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The Mashers: an encore perfor

OCTOBER 17, THURSDAY: Cecily Fortesque Benefit (C) Local composers in world premiere with VIOLent PERseCutION

NOVEMBER 7, THURSDAY: Classical (C) Hudson Valley String Quartet

**NOVEMBER 9, SATURDAY: Contra** An evening of Contra folk dancing with a live caller

NOVEMBER 21, THURSDAY: Stan Getz Jazz (C) Saxophonist Dan Shaut & Friends: Stan Getz's Focus 2000

**DECEMBER 19, THURSDAY: Holiday Concert (C)** 13th annual event with SUNY Ulster & MISU Ensembles & guests

JUNE 23, SUNDAY: Early Bird Concert (C) Pianist John Simon & the Great American Songbook AUGUST 25, SUNDAY: Early Bird Concert (C) Vitalis Im: operatic voice & piano recital **DCTOBER 27**, SUNDAY: Early Bird Concert (C) New York String Trio featuring Mozart

MARCH 24, SUNDAY: Children's Concert (C) SUNY Ulster Percussion Ensemble led by Chris Early MAY 26. SUNDAY: Children's Concert (C) Ferdinand the Bull, the timeless children's classic SEPTEMBER 22, SUNDAY: Children's Concert (C) Aesop's Fables by the Ellenville Chamber Ensemble

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# Frost Valley YMCA's Little Rainbows Daycare is Now Accepting **Childcare Subsidies**



CLARYVILLE In response to the c o m m u n i t y ' s growing need for quality, affordable daycare providers, Frost Valley YMCA opened Little Rainbows Daycare to serve Frost Valley staff members and their families, and the local community. Little Rainbows is a fully licensed daycare through the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, serving

infants through pre-K. Currently only a few spots remain, and the program is now more affordable for qualifying families.

Little Rain-bows is now accepting daycare subsidy as one of its tuition payment options. If parents interested in enrolling their child are currently receiving a subsidy from the county they live in, they simply need to provide a copy of the acceptance letter from the Department of Social Services. Families who wish to receive a subsidy but are not currently receiving one, can apply through the Sullivan County Childcare Council by calling (845) 292-7166 or through the Ulster County Childcare Council by calling (845) 331-5197.

Located in Frost Valley's newly renovated cottage on Frost Valley Road in Claryville, Little Rainbows is open from 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Three- and five-day pro-grams are available with rates starting as low as \$117 for three days a week. Healthy meals and snacks are included in the tuition. Little Rainbows' staff members have college degrees in early childhood development. Little Rainbows provides a developmentally appropriate, educational, and values-driven curriculum for children of varying ages and skill levels.

The daycare staff is M.A.T. Certified to administer both over-the-counter and prescription medications with a physician's instructions. There is also medical staff on site. The health and safety of the children are a priority at Little Rainbows daycare.

For more information visit frostvalley.org/daycare, call Angel Morton, Little Rainbows Child Care Administrator at (845) 985-7343, or email amorton@frostvalley.org. Interested parents are urged to register right away since there are only a few spots remaining.

# The Ethelbert B. Crawford Library Presents Big Sky Productions' in "Shorts & Sweets for April Fools"



Cookie House

Lois "Cookie" House will provide the readings, while special guest Patti Greco Sunshine will treat the audience to some

Following the show, enjoy some sweet treats provided by the Friends of the Library. The performance will take place in the Robert D. Norris Community Room of the

Ethelbert B. Crawford Library located at 479 Broadway in Monticello. Admission is free.

For additional information, call the Library

at 845-794-4660.

silly (and perhaps a few risqué) songs.

MONTICELLO, NY: Celebrate April Fools Day with laughter as the Ethelbert B. Crawford Library in Monticello hosts Big Sky Productions for a hilarious evening of "Shorts & Sweets for April Fools.<sup>2</sup>

This evening of wild and crazy jokes and short stories for an adult-only audience will be performed on Monday, April 1 at 6 p.m.



Patti Greco Sunshine



# Forest Bathing Workshop at The Cooperage, April 4

On Thursday, April 4, 2019 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm join The Lodge at Woodloch's Certified Forest Bathing experts, Joshua Heath and Derrick Braun, for an introduction to the philosophy of Shinrin-Yoku, or Forest Bathing at The Cooperage in Honesdale. Learn how slow and contemplative walks through the forest (something you may have been doing all of your life) can help to focus your body and mind. Learn how to be in the present while learning techniques for deep breathing, mindbody awareness as well as taking note of the little miracles of the forest. Shinrin-Yoku, otherwise known as Forest Bathing was coined in Japan and growing research shows that there is a marked decrease in stress-related hormones, a decrease in heart rates and lower blood pressure among other monumental benefits. Come and enjoy the healing powers of the nature that surrounds us. Donations will be collected at the door.

Forest Bathing Workshop at The Cooperage located at 1030 Main Street, Honesdale, PA will be led by Joshua Heath & Derrick Braun of The Lodge at Woodloch. Donations collected at the door



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The Scene Too By Jane Harrison



The fundraiser for the SPCA on Tuesday March 16 at the Brew in Rock Hill was a rousing success. I was able to meet Dharma the Wonder Dog and owner Jefferey of the River Reporter. Dharma is a service dog, alerting of an onset of an epileptic event. And Dharma is just as cute as can be! This fundraiser was in part to help fund the rescue of 64 puppies from horrific circumstances. I'm a cat person myself, but it felt really good to be a part of this. Thanks to Joanna Gass, Steve Schwartz, Kenny Wendheim and Bill Pascal (THE SEARCH AND RESCUE ORCHESTRA) for providing great music, helping organize and get the word out.



Looks like HEARTBEAT the Music Hall of Grahamsville will be opening sooner than I had expected with SOUTHERN FRIED SOUL letting me know they will be there Saturday, April 13. I'm certainly planning on being there and here's hoping the weather holds at 'Spring'.

And now on to the most egregious con yet around the Bethel 'whatever they are calling it this week' celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the original 1969 Woodstock festival. Some Rockland county resident named Steve Gold CLAIMS to have the original stage from the original festival and is willing to part with pieces of it for a mere \$99 to \$499 as reported in a full page article in the Bergen Record's Sunday Arts and Leisure section written by Jack Howland whose website traces to the Poughkeepsie Journal. Gold also claims that these pieces of the stage were used, after the festival, to create a paddle ball court in an unnamed bungalow colony in an unspecified area of Sullivan County.

Those of us who live here know what happens to wood exposed to 50 years of weather. And how suddenly!! the stage is "discovered" NOW. I'm highly skeptical, but apparently Wade Lawrence of Bethel Woods does not. Apparently, some of these 'boards' will be used in the building of a mock stage on which mannikins with vintage instruments will be displayed behind glass. They didn't want to cough up money for the music, but I'll bet they paid well for this. My thoughts are that this Gold's Certificate of Authenticity", (you know, like the Bradford Exchange) is worth exactly what the cost of the paper is. Seriously dude?

Check it out for yourself: Peaceofwoodstockstage.com or Peace of Woodstock Stage on FaceBook

Many thanks to my best buddy Bob Petch for alerting me to this. Bob can be seen on any one of the numerous videos as one of the first to break down the snow fence that made the original concert 'free'. That was before he became part of the iconic Ohio Express as their bass player.

### Coming up this week

HAVEN FOR HUMANITY; 108 Main St., Wed: Livingston Manor; come see what they are all about! 6-8

OPEN MIC hosted by FISHER & KEAN, Thurs: Cabernet Frank's, 38 Main St, Parksville; 6pm-9

Sunday: OPEN MIC, DeFillipi' Bakery; 506 Broadway, Monticello: 11am-1ish

Monday: OPEN MIC, Dutch's, 204 Rock Hill Drive, Rock Hill; 7pm-11

# The SUNY Sullivan Theater Program is proud to announce performances of **POLAROID STORIES and THE ROVER** by Naomi Iizuka and Aphra Behn, respectively

POLAROID STORIES, directed by Nick López, Adjunct Professor of Theater at SUNY Sullivan and THE ROVER, directed by Jessica López-Barkl, Associate Professor of Theater and Speech at SUNY Sullivan.

This will be the third and fourth productions of our 2018-2019 Women Playwright's Season, highlighting the first female professional playwright (Aphra Behn) and a play written by Latino/Asian-American playwright, Naomi Iizuka, that explores teen drug, homelessness, and prostitution culture through the lens of an updated version of Ovid's METAMORPHOSES.

In a world where female customers account for 65% of ticket revenue, but only 39% of actors, 36% of directors, and 28% of writers of plays, we must do better to educate our emerging theater artists and audiences of the work of female theater artists. Studies have shown only 1 in 5 productions produced in regional theater are written by women. Therefore, this year, SUNY Sullivan will be producing a diverse array of plays written by women.

When: The two plays will perform in repertory, April 11-21, 2019 Thursdays- Saturdays at 8pm, Sundays at 2PM. THE ROVER will play April 11, 13, 19, and 21. POLAROID STORIES will play April 12, 14, 18, and 20.

How: E-mail for reservations at jbarkl@sunysullivan.edu and/or drop-ins are permitted.

Where: The Seelig Theater, Sullivan County Community College, 112 College Road, Loch Sheldrake, NY, 12759 Please Contact Jessica López-Barkl with any questions jbarkl@sunysullivan.edu

# **POLAROID STORIES Synopsis**

(From the Dramatic Publishing website)

A visceral blend of classical mythology and real life stories told by street kids, Naomi lizuka's Polaroid Stories journeys into a dangerous world where myth-making fulfills a fierce need for transcendence, where storytelling has the power to transform a reality in which characters' lives are continually threatened, devalued and effaced. Not all the stories these characters tell are true; some are lies, wild yams, clever deceits, baroque fabrications. But whether or not a homeless kid invents an incredible history for himself isn't the point, explains diarist-of-the-street Jim Grimsley. "All these stories and lies add up to something like the truth." Inspired in part by Ovid's Metamorphoses, Iizuka'sPolaroid Stories takes place on an abandoned pier on the outermost edge of a city, a way stop for dreamers, dealers and desperadoes, a no-man's land where runaways seek camaraderie, refuge and escape. Serpentine routes from the street to the heart characterize the interactions in this spellbinding tale of young people pushed to society's fringe. Informed, as well, by interviews with young prostitutes and street kids, Polaroid Stories conveys a whirlwind of psychic disturbance, confusion and longing. Like their mythic counterparts, these modem-day mortals are engulfed by needs that burn and consume. Their language mixes poetry and profanity, imbuing the play with lyricism and great theatrical force.

### **POLAROID STORIES Playwright:**

Naomi Iizuka's most recent play, 17 Reasons (Why), was roduced at Campo Santo + Intersection for the Arts and pubished by Stage and Screen in the anthology Breaking Ground: Adventurous Plays By Adventurous Theatres, edited by Kent Nicholson. Her other plays include 36 Views; Polaroid Stories; Language of Angels; War of the Worlds(written in collaboration with Anne Bogart and SITI Company); Aloha, Say the Pretty Girls; Tattoo Girl; and Skin. Ms. lizuka's plays have been produced by Actors Theatre of Louisville; Berkeley Repertory Theatre: Campo Santo + Intersection for the Arts in San Francisco; the Dallas Theatre Center and Undermain Theatre in Dallas; Frontera@Hyde Park in Austin; Printer's Devil and Annex in Seattle; NYSF/Joseph Papp Public Theatre, GeVa Theatre, the Brooklyn Academy of Music, Soho Rep, and Tectonic Theatre in New York; San Diego's Sledgehammer Theatre; Northern Light Theatre in Edmonton, Alberta; Alternate Theatre in Montreal; and the Edinburgh Festival. Her plays have been workshopped by San Jose Rep, GeVa Theatre, Bread Loaf, Sundance Theatre Lab, A.S.K. Theatre Projects, the McCarter Theatre, Seattle's A Contemporary Theatre, the Bay Area Playwrights' Festival, Midwest PlayLabs, En Garde Arts/P.S 122, and New York Theatre Workshop.

Language of Angels was published in TheatreForum; War of the Worlds and Aloha, Say the Pretty Girls were published by Smith and Kraus; Tattoo Girl is included in From The Other Side of the Century, published by Sun and Moon; and Skin is included in Out of the Fringe, published by TCG. Polaroid Stories is published by Dramatic Publishing, andLanguage of Angels, Aloha, Say the Pretty Girls, Anon(ymous), and Tattoo Girl are published by Playscripts, Inc. 36 Views was published in



American Theatre and has since been published by Overlook Press

Ms. Iizuka is currently working on commissions from the Guthrie Theater, Actors Theatre of Louisville, the Kennedy Center, the Children's Theatre of Minneapolis, and the Mark Taper Forum. She is a member of New Dramatists and the recipient of a Whiting Award, a Rockefeller Foundation MAP grant, a Gerbode Foundation Fellowship, an NEA/TCG Artist-in-Residence grant, a McKnight Fellowship, a PEN Center SA West Award for Drama, the Stavis Award from the Vational Theatre Conference, Princeton University's Hodder Fellowship, and a Jerome Playwriting Fellowship. Ms. lizuka has taught playwriting at the University of Iowa and the University of Texas, Austin, and currently teaches at the University of California, anta Barbara

#### THE ROVER Synopsis

(From the Royal Shakespeare Website) Passion. Heat. Sex.

Amid the fast and furious world of the South American carnival, three wandering cavaliers roam in exile whilst three women looking for love and fighting for a little freedom explore this vibrant, frenzied, dizzving world. In a fusion of sights and sounds, whirling music, cultural tension, dubious romance and dilapidated beauty

During the exile of Charles II, a band of Cavaliers, including Colonel Belvile and Captain Willmore, travel to hot foreign climes during carnival season: one in search of love and the other a good time.

#### THE ROVER Playwright: (From the BBC website)

Behn was the first professional woman writer in English literature, best known for her plays and her novel 'Oroonoko'.

Aphra Johnson was born near Canterbury in 1640, and baptised on 14 December of that year. She is thought to have spent some of her youth in Dutch Guiana in the West Indies. In 1664, she married Johan Behn a merchant of Dutch or German parentage, but the marriage is not thought to have lasted very long. She is known to have acted as a British spy in Antwerp in 1666. Imprisonment for debt led her to write for an income.

Behn wrote a series of successful plays. Her first, The Forc'd Marriage' was produced in 1671. 'The Rover' (1681), her most successful, was produced in two parts and included in its cast Nell Gwyn, mistress of Charles II. Among Behn's sources was the Italiancommedia dell'arte (improvised comedy), which she used in her farce 'The Emperor of the Moon' (1687), forerunner of the modern-day pantomime.

Behn's novel 'Oroonoko' (1688) was the story of an enslaved African prince and is now considered a foundation stone in the development of the English novel. As well as plays and prose Behn wrote poetry and translated works from French and Latin. In her time she was a celebrity, unusual for her independence as a professional writer and her concern for equality between the sexes

Behn died on 16 April 1689 and was buried in Westminster Abbey

### **County Responds to Health Rankings Report** Officials Vow to Continue Efforts to Improve Outcomes

Liberty, NY - Sullivan County leaders responded today to the release of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's County Health Rankings and Roadmap report for 2019.

"I am hopeful that we are headed in the right direction, because there are so many positive things happening that will help improve overall health and quality of life in the County in the long run," stated Public Health Director Nancy McGraw. "It takes many years of targeted focus and investment in a variety of community initiatives to change overall health rankings, but we are already starting to see some of the underlying statistics, which drive the rankings, improve. In fact, a 'Health in All Policies' approach continues to build momentum. These efforts, over time, will help to keep the momentum going in the right direction, but it takes a few years for the data to catch up with current efforts.

'Our work with our partners comes together through our Public Health Department and the Sullivan County Rural Health Network, to collaboratively improve breastfeeding rates, improve access to dental care, address the opioid crisis and access to treatment, and reduce re-hospitalization rates for asthma and diabetes; these are some of the positive areas where there is progress. And we continue to work on reducing adult smoking rates, which is down to 18%, a marked improvement from prior years," she added.

"The important thing is that Sullivan County residents and leaders are taking action to improve their health, no matter what our ranking is," McGraw said. "It's not a race to the top. It is

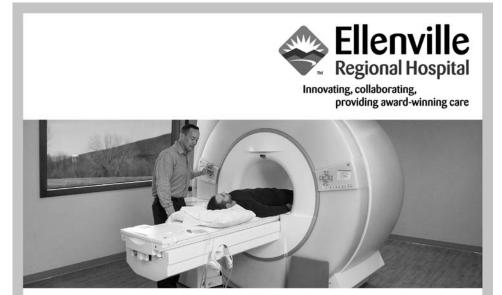
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about progress toward better health."

"This is not an event - this is a process," agreed Health & Family Services Commissioner Joe Todora. "As with any process, it requires ongoing, sustained effort, and I'm confident that this County and its partners are committed to raising the rankings no matter how long it takes.

Together, the consortium of folks in Sullivan County working with residents towards collective wellness has grown tremendously over the last few years. Projects run the gamut from peer support, increasing access to care for the mobilityimpaired, building outdoor recreational facilities, getting more fresh local produce into schools and communities, and capitalizing on each other's strengths to have the greatest impact over time," noted Colleen Monaghan, executive director of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County, a key collaborator. "We are not discouraged. Rather, we continue to be inspired and energized to work together to improve the Sullivan Catskills' health outcomes.

While the County's health ranking has not moved yet, Sullivan's economic indicators are clearly improving," said Freda Eisenberg, commissioner of the Division of Planning. "The County led New York State last year in private employment growth, with an increase of 9.3 percent. Sales tax, tourism visitation and spending, housing development - these are also on the rise. Community revitalization will support health improvement in a variety of ways such as reducing financial stress, improving living conditions, and bringing overall quality of life enhancements.'



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"The RWJ ranking comes out once a year and is a marker for us to check in. It has shown that collaboration is not only helpful, but critical to establishing programs and initiatives; and to taking on larger policy issues," explained Denise Frangipane, executive director of Sullivan Renaissance, another key collaborator. "Working with these partners, Sullivan Renaissance brings resources to the table in the form of grants, technical assistance and experience with community development and organizing, which translates into projects that engage communities and volunteers of all ages. It is very grassroots.

"While disappointing, I agree with the others that it is a marathon, not a sprint, so it will take time to move things in a more positive direction, but I'm absolutely convinced we are collectively making a difference and Sullivan County is moving toward building a sustainable culture of health," observed Sandi Rowland, executive director of Sullivan 180, a nonprofit focused on turning around health and wellness in Sullivan County

She added, "Here are a few of the initiatives in Sullivan County I think are making a difference:

A robust worksite wellness program including dozens of local businesses and hundreds of workers throughout the County

Sullivan 180's community health champions who are working with groups and communities, coaching them to adopt healthier lifestyles

Maternal and child health-focused programs such as training of certified lactation consultants, introducing a centering prenatal care model to reduce low birth weights, and engaging womenfocused community health workers

Cornell Cooperative Extension's Healthy Schools and Communities program, which is teaching children and families healthy eating habits, andPRASAD's Children's Dental Health

Program, which offers in-school dental treatment via a mobile van.

"It's a struggle, no doubt," remarked District 2 Legislator Nadia Rajsz, chair of the Legislature's Health & Family Services Committee. "But that makes it all the more important to keep going. This Legislature, this County and its partners are not giving up. We have work to do."

# **CWC Annual Meeting is**

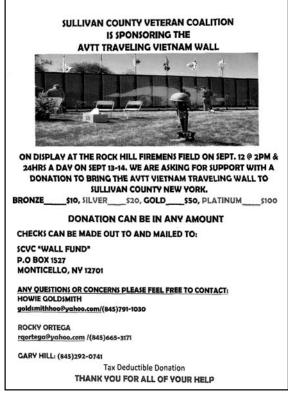
**CWC Annual Meeting Is April 2** MARGARETVILLE Mar. 18, 2019 - The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) will hold itsAnnual Meeting of member towns Tuesday, April 2 at 1 p.m. at the Corporation's offices, 905 Main St., Margaretville Margaretville.

Results of the election of three representa-tives to the CWC Board of Directors from Greene, Sullivan and Ulster Counties will be announced. There will be a video slide show of CWC's activitiesover the past year, and the Annual Report for 2018 will be distributed.

The floor will then be open for questions and comments from representatives of 39 membertowns and villages, and the general public.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will be held immediately following theAnnual Meeting. Agendas can be found after March 22 at cwconline.org. The public is cordially invited to attend both meetings. Inquiries are welcome at 845-586-1400.

The CWC is a non-profit, Local Development Corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River.



# **Sullivan Hires**

### **Deputy County Manager**

(From Pg. 1) Liddle also served at the Pentagon as Technical Support Officer and Operations Briefer to the Chief of Naval Operations. During this time, he completed a Master's in Strategic Communications and Leadership from Seton Hall University, bolstering a Bachelor's in Political Science earned at the U.S. Naval Academy. At the same time, he completed a second Master's, in National Security and Strategic Studies at the Naval War College

After the Mason, Liddle served as Counterterrorism and Personnel Recovery Section Chief at U.S. Central Command Headquarters, earning the Defense Meritorious Service Medal. He later became Executive Officer of Naval Support Activity Washington at the historic Washington Navy Yard in Washington, DC. As part of those duties, he helped lead the recovery from a nationally known workplace shooting.

Liddle completed his Navy tenure as Executive Assistant to the Commander of Navy Installations Command, establishing the Commander's Action Group.

"Much of my career has been spent leading and coordinating the crews of entire installations and ships, including mentoring and motivating staff, developing and following budgetary limits, and creating and executing innovative programs," Liddle said.

I recently completed a very successful three-year tour as the Executive Officer for Naval Support Activity, Washington, DC. In this capacity, I supervised all aspects of running a military base, including fire, police, emergency management, public works, and Sailor and Family Services. Because of that experience, I was asked to complete my final tour of military duty by providing executive communications and decision support to Vice Admiral Mary Jackson, who is responsible for the safe and effective operation of all 71 Navy bases (valued at \$259 billion) around the world.'

Liddle plans to bring his communication and teambuilding skills to his role as Deputy Sullivan County Manager, overseeing all aspects, functions and personnel of County government.

"I am thrilled to be a part of a rapidly growing region in a momentous time, and I look forward to contributing my skills to the continued revitalization of Sullivan County," he affirmed. "I consider myself a servant leader, defining my success by the success of those on my team, and I guide all of my management decisions by three words: rigor, transparency and accountability.

Liddle is relocating to Sullivan County from Virginia with his wife Laura and their two daughters, ages 12 and 8, who will attend local public schools. Both he and Laura come from small towns in eastern Pennsylvania and are eager to return to a more rural way of life close to their extended family.

"We're looking forward to starting the next chapter in our lives by getting back to the mountains in an area that already has much to celebrate ... and is on a bright path to becoming far more," he noted.



# **LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES:**

The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is seeking to retain a consultant to provide professional services for completion of flood mitigation feasibility studies for selected structures as requested by property owners during the term of the agreement. Responses must be received at CWC by 4:00 PM, April, 19, 2019. For bid documents please contact John Mathiesen or Timothy Cox at 845-586-1400. EOE.

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The Catskill Watershed Corporation is soliciting bids for portable toilets for boat launch sites on the Cannonsville, Neversink, Pepacton, and Schoharie Reservoirs. Bids must be received at CWC by 4 PM, April 19, 2019. For bid documents please contact Barbara Puglisi or Timothy Cox at 845-586-1400. EOE

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### **ROAD CLOSURE**

Westbrookville, NY - The Sullivan County Division of Public Works is closing a portion of Pine Kill Road in the Town of Mamakating to replace County Bridge 269. County Bridge 269 is located approximately 1.5 miles north of the intersection of David Rhodes Road and Pine Kill Road in Westbrookville. This section of Pine Kill Road is scheduled to be closed to all traffic starting 8:00 AM, Monday, April 1, and will remain closed for approximately 5 months.

### Letter to the Readers:

It's estimated that almost a third of the food we eat every day relies on pollinators, mostly bees, but also birds, butterflies, bats, beetles, moths, and flies. Bees and other pollinators are vital to stable and plentiful food supplies, a healthy environment, and a strong economy.

But populations of New York State honeybees and other pollinators are crashing at an alarming rate. The causes include the use of harmful pesticides and fungicides, the spread of viral pathogens and parasitic mites in beehives, loss of habitat, and the effects of climate change. If we don't act right now to address this collapse, it will soon be too late.

Mountainkeeper is rising to the challenge with our pollinator protection work, which seeks to reverse the decline of New York State honeybees and other pollinators, and to drive the changed needed to make sure they not only survive, but thrive. And right now, one of our generous donors has offered a challenge grant that will provide funds for all new, and increased, donations

The stakes are high. Honeybees and other pollinators are crucial to New York's food supply. Many of our state's leading crops-like apples, cabbage, berries, and pumpkins-rely heavily on bee pollination. Bees also pollinate clover and alfalfa-an important feed used by cattle farmers-so this crisis also affects all milk products, yogurt, cheese, butter, ice cream as well as the beef we eat. If honeybees vanish, so will a way of life that has held strong for many generations of farmers here in the Catskills.

Mountainkeeper is taking action by:

Advocating in Albany for the Birds and the Bees Protection Act, a proposed NY State law that bans the use of certain neonicotinoids, a variety of pesticide that poses such an acute risk to honeybees that the European Food Safety Agency has banned their use for 2 years;

Spreading the word about easy ways for people to make their gardens pollinator friendly; and

Shining a bright light on the problem facing bees in New York State, and helping people take action-both at the state level, and in their own back yards.

We can't do any of this important work without the support of Mountainkeeper's friends, so I hope you'll consider a generous donation today. No amount is too small and, if you have not supported our work in the past, there could be no better time to think about making your first gift: an anonymous donor has issued a generous challenge grant that will match all new--or increased--donations to Mountainkeeper during the month of March. I hope you'll help us advantage of this great opportunity to leverage additional support for Mountainkeeper's urgent work to protect bees and other pollinators

Thanks for helping Mountainkeeper stay strong, and best wishes,

Ramsay Adams **Executive Director** 

### News from the CWC

**Annual Meeting** 

The CWC will hold its annual meeting of member towns Tuesday, April 2 at 1 p.m. at CWC Offices, 905 Main St., Margaretville. The public is welcome at the meeting, and at the monthly Board of Directors meeting to follow. Agendas may be found at http://cwconline.org/cwc-board-agendas/

Local Government Day is Coming Back! Save the Date! CWC is bringing back Local Government Day, to be held Friday, Oct. 18 at Catskill Mountain Foundation facilities in the Village of Hunter. Speakers and workshops will address various aspects of rural transportation needs and solutions. Municipal officials, organization and agency representatives, as well as interested citizens are welcome to attend. Registration information will be announced in the coming months. Mock Town Hall

Science teacher Katie Edwards listens as students from Tri-Valley Central School in Grahamsville and Columbia Secondary School in Manhattan confer on their presentations prior to a mock town hall event debating whether a city reservoir should be built in the Catskills. The 8th graders played the roles of Watershed residents, workers, city officials and city residents before a panel of historians and agency representatives on February 28 at Tri-Valley. The annual event was part of a 3-day visit by Columbia students at nearby Frost Valley YMCA, funded in part by the CWC in partner-ship with the NYC DEP.

#### Call for Abstracts

Presentation abstracts are being sought for the 2019 NYC Watershed Science and Technical Conference to be held Thursday, Sept. 12 at Diamond Mills Hotel, Saugerties. Abstracts should be submitted electronically on the New York Water Environment Assoc. (NYWEA)website. Deadline for submission is May 31.

### **CWC Headquarters Construction Progress**

Front wall footings for the new CWC office building on County Route 38 near Arkville were being poured in this photo taken March 6. A week later, the foundation for the entire structure was complete. Steel begin to rise on the site March 18. Site work on the 8-acre parcel began in early October by Smith Site Development of Binghamton.

# Catskills Great Outdoor Expo March 30

The CWC and NYC DEP will be on hand at theCatskills Great Outdoor Expo Saturday Mar. 30 from 10 to 5 at the Best Western Hotel and Conference Center, 503 Washington Ave., Kingston. Find out about boating on NYC reservoirs in the region and get your free recreation access permit on the spot! More than 60 guides, outfitters, businesses, and nonprofit organizations will be at the Expo with information on hiking, horseback riding, paddling, biking, camping, fishing, birding, skiing, and natural history. There will be presentations, demonstrations and local products for purchase. The Expo is organized by the Catskill Center.

### **SUNY Sullivan Receives Truth Initiative Grant and Pledges to go Tobacco Free**

SUNY Sullivan was one of 48 colleges and universities to be awarded a grant from Truth Initiative® to adopt a 100 percent tobacco- or smoke-free campus policy. The effort is part of a national movement among students, faculty and administrators to address smoking and tobacco use at college campuses throughout the U.S.

We are truly excited to make SUNY Sullivan a safe, healthy and productive environment through this grant funding," said Jay Quaintance, President. "The health benefits of reducing secondhand smoke exposure are invaluable and could also help students prepare for the workforce where smoke-free policies are already the norm.'

Ninety-nine percent of all smokers start smoking before the age of 26, making college campuses a critical part in the fight against youth tobacco use. Since 2015, the Truth Initiative Tobacco-Free College Program, in partnership with CVS Health, has awarded more than \$1.8 million in funding to 154 colleges and universities to prevent young adults from starting tobacco use, help tobacco smokers quit and reduce everyone's exposure to secondhand smoke.

"Our goal is to make campus environments healthier places to live, work and learn," said Robin Koval, CEO and president of Truth Initiative. "We are proud to continue to build relationships and provide grants to minority-serving institutions, HBCUs, women's colleges and community colleges to give them the tools to go tobacco free and be the generation that ends smoking.

SUNY Sullivan's efforts are part of a growing trend to clean the air on campuses. Currently, more than 2,342 higher education institutions in the United States have gone smoke- or tobacco-free.

Besides helping to reduce smoking rates, smoke- and tobacco-free policies also change attitudes toward tobacco products and address emerging products such as e-cigarettes. Ecigarette use has surged over the last year, especially among young people. Nearly seven percent of college students ages

19 to 28 reported having used an e-cigarette that contains nicotine in the past 30 days and one study showed that 66 percent of college students are in favor of policies prohibiting e-cigarette use on campus. The spread of e-cigarettes risks a reversal of the progress made in reducing smoking over the last two decades given that young people who vape are four times more likely to begin smoking cigarettes in the future. Instead of fueling adults to quit, e-cigarettes may be turning back the clock on progress in the fight

against tobacco and addicting a new generation to nicotine. These latest data show, 38 million Americans ages 18 and above still smoke and tobacco use remains the number one cause of preventable death in this country. Research also shows that Secondhand smoke exposure causes cancer and cardiovascular disease among other secondhand smoke diseases, which are responsible for more than 41,000 deaths among nonsmoking adults in the U.S.

Of the roughly 20 million college and university students in the U.S., more than 1 million have been projected to die prema-turely from cigarette smoking and its effects. Over the next 16 months, SUNY Sullivan will form a campus task force that will assess tobacco use behaviors and attitudes, identify a treatment plan for current smokers and develop a tobacco-free policy. Two tudent leaders will also develop and lead educational efforts to build a movement to become a tobacco-free campus. After partic-ipation in the program, the institutions are poised to join a growing movement that will protect more than 1.3 million students and

285,000 employees in over 39 states. "The grant from Truth Initiative has set us up for success, and I'm certain that we can achieve our goals," said President Quaintance. "We are going to hit the ground running with our plan so that facul-ty, staff, students and visitors alike will breath nothing but fresh air on our campus.' Background:

A 100 percent tobacco-free policy prohibits the use of any tobacco product, such as cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, small cigars, pipes, hookah, smokeless tobacco (otherwise known as dip, chew, snuff, spit and snus) and other smokeless products and e-cigarettes. A comprehensive tobacco-free policy could also address tobacco sales, marketing, sponsorship and investments at colleges. A 100 percent smoke-free policy is one that prohibits the use of smoke-producing tobacco, such as cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, small cigars, pipes and hookah, as well as e-cigarettes. Both policies apply to anyone on campus and on any campus property. For more information on model campus policies, visit the American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation.

# **Rep.** Antonio Delgado Holds First Meeting of 19th Congressional District Agriculture **Advisory Committee**

First committee meeting focused on ways to empower small farms through investing in infrastructure

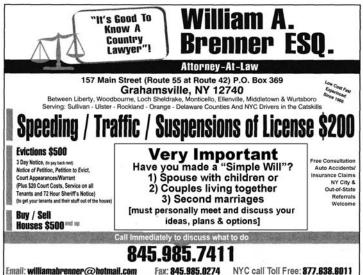


J.S. Representative Antonio Delgado (NY-19) held the first meeting of his newlyestablished 19th Congressional District Agriculture Advisory Committee. The committee is made up of a diverse group of family farmers, agriculture professors and experts, representatives of local agriculture

nonprofits, sustainable farming advocates, and representatives from county Farm Bureaus. The committee includes members from all 11 counties that make up the 19th Congressional District.

"I see my role in Washington as a champion for our small, family-owned farms," Delgado said. "At a time when concentrated wealth and a more globalized market can squeeze the life out of our local farmers, I want to hear directly from members of the farming community about ways to empower their livelihood.'

The first meeting of the committee focused on localized infrastructure and what can be done to better tap into unmet demand. (Contd. Pg. 15)



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8:00 PM "ANNA CHRISTIE" (drama, 1930); 9:45 PM "ANNA KARENINA" (romance, 1935) 11:30 PM "CAMILLE" (romance,

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