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### Public Invited to TVCS Students History **Presentation October 4th**

Two short DVDs will be shown in the Daniel Pierce Library Community

Two short DVDs will be shown in the Daniel Pierce Library Community Room on October 4th highlighting TVCS student projects completed in 2012. This is a first public showing for these projects. The program, which begins at 7:00 pm and lasts about an hour, is free and open to the public.

The Junior History Researchers produced a DVD titled "The First Class of Tri-Valley". This project consisted of research and interviews about the first graduating class of Tri-Valley. The 7th grade group is sponsored by the Time and the Valleys Museum with Tyler Eckhoff as their advisor and with support from museum trustees, Kathy Denman, Lynn Priebe and Carol Smythe.

Christian Reynolds, TVCS June 2012 graduate, had taken many photos of the Hurricane Irene flood and its effect in Peekamoose, Sundown and Lows Corners. His Senior Project was a DVD incorporating the flood photographs, interviews with different residents of that area and his own commentary regarding the event and the impact on the area. Jeanne Fiedler of TVCS was his advisor for the project.

For further information, call Historian Carol Smythe at 985-2452.



# UC Comptroller's URGENT Plea; A Call to Preserve Order in a Law & Order Program

Not having the opportunity to review UC Sheriff Van Blarcum's address to the UC Legislature prior to the September 19th meeting, Ulster County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach was disturbed by the reaction from Sheriff Paul Van Blarcum to the comptroller's report that questioned some provisions of new operating agreements for the county's anti-drug/anti gang task force. (Contd. Pg. 4)

### SC Shields Donates \$500.00 to Canine Fund



Wednesday September 19, 2012, The Sullivan County Shields gave a \$500.00 donation to the Refreshments will be served. Sullivan County PBA. The money will go toward the upkeep of the Sullivan County Police Department's 9 1/2 month old donated German Shepherd.

Pictured in the photo is Undersheriff Eric Chaboty of the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, John Ryan , President of Sullivan County Shields,

who is handing the donation to Deputy Kyle Muthig, President of Sullivan County PBA and Deputy Eric Briehof, Canine Handler Sullivan County Sheriff's Office.

Anyone interested in donating to the Canine Fund can contact Kyle Muthig at The Sullivan County PBA, PO Box 526 Rock Hill, NY 12775, 845-866-1650.

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual UlsterCorps Service Sprint

Third Annual UlsterCorps Service Sprint will be held at Williams Lake, Rosendale on Saturday October 27, 2012 Be spirited away on a five kilometer trail winding its way through the spooky woods, tun-

nels and caves of Williams Lake. Runners in the Zombie Escape will be given a health flag belt (two flags each just like flag football) - avoid the zombies and get through the woods with at least one flag and all your brains intact and you win. Top finishers will receive certificates in gender and age group categories. Special awards will be given to Best Individual Costume



and Best Group Costume. Form a team to represent your favorite local agency or

Online registration now available!

Volunteer zombies and other helpers needed - contact Beth at volunteer@ulstercorps.org or (845) 481-0331.

# 4-H Teen Group Recruiting New Members



HARRIS, NY- The Sullivan County Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program Teen Group invites new members to join them on October 13th, 2012 as they kick off a new year of activities and service projects. (Contd. Pg. 3)

# Ellenville Regional Hospital Auxiliary Announces Grand Opening of New Gift Shop Ellenville

The Ellenville Regional Hospital and the Hospital Auxiliary are pleased to announce the grand opening of the new hospital gift shop. The event will take place on Monday, October 1, 2012 at 10:a.m.

The ceremony will be held in the hospital lobby. The public is invited.

# Livingston Manor Alive with Birds of Prey

Livingston Manor, NY - Excitement is building for Livingston Manor's first Bird of Prey Day on Saturday, September 29 at the Livingston Manor Central



Chiavaro and female Peregrine Falcon

School (LMCS). The event is hosted by Peter Chiavaro, a general falconer and resident of Livingston Manor. Dozens of bird of prey are expected to be on hand for the event, including falcons, hawks and owls.

"Bird of Prey Day could be a once in a life time opportunity for people to experience the world of raptors first hand. Licensed falconers will be on hand to answer questions and introduce the public to their birds," said Bird of Prey Day host Chiavaro.

The public is invited to get close to these wild and powerful birds of prey throughout the day. A

Birds of Prey Tent will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Demonstrations will be held in the LMCS gymnasium at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. There is also a not to be missed flying event scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on the field. (Contd. Pg. 3)

# Thieves Break into Narrowsburg Church

"I'm upset, but I'm glad that no one was in the office at the time this happened," said the Rev. Phyllis Haynes, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Narrowsburg, NY. A break-in took place between the evening of Wednesday, September 19th and early morning on Thursday, September 20th, at the church on Erie Avenue. (Contd. Pg. 4)

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ON THE FRONT BURNER: Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. James 3:13

### **OBITUARIES**

**David Halbe Brown,** 76, a former resident of Frost Valley YMCA in Denning, NY, died on September 13, 2012 after a lengthy illness.

He was born on February 26, 1936 in Youngstown, Ohio, to Reverend Thomas and Helene (Halbe) Brown. He grew up with six siblings and maintained strong connections to them and their families throughout his life. He was actively involved with the Youngstown YMCA as a youth and young adult. He graduated from Youngstown State University and began a career with the YMCA that spanned nearly a half-century. For most of his life, he was known as "Halbe".

Halbe married Jane Ann Norris of Youngstown, Ohio on March 14, 1958. In 1966, they moved to the Catskill Mountains in New York, where he served as executive director of the Frost Valley YMCA for 35 years.

Halbe was an inspirational and visionary director, and under his leadership, the Frost Valley YMCA grew from a small summer camp to a year-round camp and conference center which is recognized as a national and international leader in the camping industry. Frost Valley is known for its innovative programs and partnerships, including a longstanding partnership with the Tokyo YMCA.

Halbe was dedicated to the YMCA ideals of developing a healthy body, mind, and spirit in every camper, counselor, and family who came to Frost Valley. Over the decades, he mentored numerous YMCA executives, including son, Jim, of Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA, in Becket, Massachusetts.

In 2003, Halbe was inducted into the nation-

al YMCA Hall of Fame.

Halbe was an active member of the Claryville Reformed Church in Claryville, New York and the Barre Congregational Church (UCC) in Barre, Vermont. In 2001, he retired to South Barre, Vermont, where he and Jane delighted in hosting family gatherings including grandchildren Ellie, Kai, Laura, Becca, Grace, Hana, Halbe, Sarah, Sam, Alex, Laura, Ben, and Isabel. In 2009, they moved to Northampton, Massachusetts, to be closer to their children and siblings.

Halbe was a strong believer in the inherent goodness of all humanity, and he lived a life of generosity, humility, and altruism. He will be remembered for his unselfish dedication to his family, community, church, and the YMCA.

His wife of 54 years, Jane, survives him. He is also survived by children Jeffrey David (Wendy) of Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming; William Thomas (Katherine) of Canton, New York; James Norris (Fumiko) of Westhampton, Massachusetts; David Halbe (Diane) of Denali National Park, Alaska; and Jennifer Lynn Bickart of Elmore, Vermont; 13 grandchildren; 11 nephews and nieces; and siblings Virginia (Richard) Gamble of Youngstown, Ohio; Thomas (Lynn) Brown of Old Greenwich, Connecticut, Helene Sano of Alliance, Ohio; Mary Ellen (William) Webster of Northborough, Massachusetts; Paul Brown of Claryville, New York; and Paula (Thomas) Holland of Duxbury, Massachusetts.

He was predeceased by his parents Thomas and Helene Brown, son-in-law Jeffrey Bickart, brother-in-law David Sano, nephew David Sano, and nephew Thomas Sano.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 14, at Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville, New York.

Friends and family can honor Halbe's life through gifts to the "Halbe Brown Memorial Fund" at the Frost Valley YMCA.

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

October 1, 1952 - Mr. and Mrs. Edward O'Dea of Lackawack are the proud parents of a baby girl born Saturday at Hamilton Avenue Hospital

Lackawack are the baby's grandparents.

The garage being built by the Albert Roses on the Woodbourne Road is coming along quite fast. Soon they will be open for business.

Strange reflections were noted on a wooded hillside near Grahamsville shortly after noon on Saturday. Observers then turned to the sky which was extremely clear and cloudless and saw what appeared to be silver discs near the sun. Some seemed to float, others travelled at very high speeds in different directions. The discs apparently disappeared to be replaced by others. Bars of silver and thin silvery cobwebs were observed at the same time. These strange phenomena were observed only very high in the sky in the vicinity of the sun and continued about an hour according to the observers.

September 19, 1962 - Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Lievre of Sundown wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Dian to Mr. Alan Petrozak, son of Mrs. Alice Petrozak of Middletown. Both Dian and Alan are students at Orange County Community College. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maier of Slate Hill are the parents of a daughter, Cindy Ann, born at Goshen Hospital on September 17th. Cindy weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz. Mr. Eber Black is the paternal grandfather and Mrs. Elwood Velie is

the maternal grandmother.

Miss Loretta Low has been appointed Director of Nurses at Beth Israel Hospital in Passaic, New Jersey and started at her new position there last week. She had been at Hamilton Avenue Hospital in Monticello for 15 years and was Director of Nurses there when she resigned this summer.

October 11, 1972 - Debbie Curry of Tri-Valley Central School is to have her "Hire the Veteran" poster entered in a statewide competition as the result of it having been adjudged the best in Sullivan County. Miss Curry was awarded \$75 in Savings Bonds.

Jack Frost made a sneak preview this week, and 25-30 degree weather was prevalent all through the area. Hopefully, this is a temporary "sneak" and the brilliant colors of the leaves will blind Jack and send him off for another month or so.

Linda Holmes is a beginning teacher at Tri-Valley Central School. She is employed as an elementary physical education teacher. Miss Holmes is a resident of South Fallsburg.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kuis who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on October 4th. Also to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Briggs who celebrated their 30th anniversary on October 11th.

September 30, 1982 - Sunday evening, September 26th, the Grahamsville Methodist Church officially welcomed and dedicated its new organ with a brief service and a beautiful concert. Isabelle Bernstein, regular organist, was unable to attend but the church's four other organists performed masterfully. Evelyn D. Huntsberger, Hattie Stailing, Cheryl Sheibe and Cathy Shick each performed classical music and hymns. Larry Ballestra, instrumental music teacher at Tri-Valley Central School, taped the program so that a copy could be sent to Dr. and Mrs. Granatelli, whose generous gift of this magnificent instrument made this all possible.

Richard and Melissa Schmitz and daughter, Tiffany are visiting in the area; currently with his mother, June Schmitz. All friends are wel-

Tanya formerly of Hasbrouck and Troy Allen Moore were married Sunday, Sept. 26th in Poughkeepsie.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kuis will be celebrating their 35th Anniversary on October 4th.

Tri-Valley CS Girls and Boys Cross **Country News** 

Last weekend at the Queensbury Invitational the State ranked Girls team place 6th with the Boys 5th. The Girls were led by outstanding improving Frosh, Autumn Bender who placed 5th followed by Brooke Gillette 25th, Danielle Graham 27th, Ali Reynolds 51st, Keira Mchugh 70th and Alex in Monticello. Mrs. O'Dea is the former Trinka Brooks 71st. The boys were led by Junior Justin Mr. and Mrs. Albro Brown of Weintraub 14th, Brendan Hasbrouck 29th, Hauk Boyes 32nd, Aidan Woolsey 34th, Sowoo Chon 45th, Josh Winters 84th and Nat Tompkins 97th. Good luck to both teams Saturday at the Great Adventure Invitational in New Jersey.

### SEARCHING FOR OUR ROOTS

-- Historian Carol Smythe

Mike Dean stopped at the museum booth during the Grahamsville Fair and explained how he and Horace Sheeley transported the old merry-go-round to Smith's Cove/Museum Village in Monroe. And now another piece of information falls in place. One can only wonder where those wonderful hand carved horses went from there.

Got an update on the Halls Mills Covered Bridge and it is all good news. Have spoken with Janet Carey who keeps an eye on the bridge progress as she drives back and forth from her home in Halls Mills. She and Donna Freeland, president of the NYS Covered Bridge Society filled me in with some of the details. NYS stepped in and funded the missing piece that was needed to get the FEMA funds. A contractor has done some work. An essential first piece was pouring some concrete as a buffer to the pier in case a bad storm came raging down the Neversink before the work was completed. (I'm told that is exactly what happened when that heavy, heavy rain came to the Frost Valley, Claryville area this week.) The NYS Covered Bridge Society is to be commended for their continuing support to HM Bridge and all the others in the state.

There will still be a centennial party but the bridge may be 101 years old before the party takes place You can keep buying those Halls Mills bags because there will always be the need for some funds. If you haven't got yours, Neversink Town Hall has some for

sale - \$20 each.

Bob LaPolt's new book is out and history buffs are showing a lot of interest. It is for sale at the Time and the Valleys Museum for \$20. Bob will be talking about the book and doing a book signing on November 4th in the Daniel Pierce Library reading room. The museum is sponsoring the event. Bob's first book on the LaPolt Family and the Rondout Valley area is in a second printing.

The new book about the 143rd Regiment of Sullivan County is a must read. This is an excellent resource for Civil War buffs. This "new" book is a reproduction of the original, which was published in 1909. It is for sale at the Hurleyville Museum. Title is "History of the 143rd New York Volunteer

Infantry" and it sells for \$19.95.

Congratulations to the Junior History Researchers who just received Certificates of Merit from the 2012 NYS Archives Student Research Award competition. This group of TVCS 7th graders devoted a lot of time and effort to their project "The First Class of Tri-Valley". Please join them for a first-time local screening of their DVD on October 4th at 7 pm. Among those interviewed by the group were Ray Denman, Polly Hill and Gloria Stevens

Christopher Reynolds' very timely Senior Project DVD on the flooding of Peekamoose, Sundown and Lows Corners will also be shown. He created a DVD using his photos of flood damage when Hurricane Irene hit the area, interviews of local people and his

own commentary.

### Raffle Tickets on Sale Now! For the Daniel Pierce Library's 27th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party & Children's Parade

Raffles are a great way to make any party a little more exciting. The Daniel Pierce Library's 27th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party is even more exciting this year with a chance to win any of the 63 giant raffle prizes! All 63 spectacular prizes are donated by the generous community. Be a part of this event and take a chance to win many beautiful prizes including a fabulous weekend's lodging for four at Frost Valley , or an original hand knit Irish sweater for an adult or a child by Rosemary Mierop. Each sweater is a different pattern and no pattern is repeated. How about a magnificent 6' table with benches beautifully crafted by Grey's Woodwork. These are only a few of the prizes because others include afghans, original prints, photographs, watercolors, pottery, jewelry, yoga lessons, medical massages, gift baskets, gift cards, cash, savings bond and gift certificates. Raffle tickets may be purchased for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5 at the Daniel Pierce Library or from any Board Member in the community. The winner need not be present to win! Funds raised will be used for the Children's Program Room and to purchase automation equipment and needed books for all age groups. The Giant Pumpkin Party and Children's Parade, Saturday, October 6, at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds from 9 am to 5 pm. Free Admission, Rain or Shine. The parade begins at 9 am and line up is at the Tri Valley School. Children assemble on the library lawn. For more information call 845- 985-7233 or visit on the web at www.danielpiercelibrary.org. It's going to be a great party!

4-H Teen Group Recruiting New Members (From Pg. 1)

The meeting will convene at 10:00 am at the Woodland Wildings Garden at Catskill Regional Medical Center where teens plan to work on the 4-H sponsored Pearl Gold Memorial site. A business meeting will follow thereafter in the garden gazebo, weather permitting. To join, or to receive more information about the 4-H Youth Development Program of Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County, please call Marylin Jones at 292-6180.

Any county youth 13-19 years old is welcome to join the group to share in developing skills in team building, leadership and civic engagement. The theme of "Giving Back to our Community" has been the Teen Group's most recent goal, and the project has included food and coat drives, community beautification, and fundraising \$462 for the Sullivan County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA). New members are welcome to bring their ideas as the teens set their new goals for the 2013 program year.

Livingston Manor Alive with Birds of Prey

(From Pg. 1) A variety of craft and food vendors will be on the grounds at LMCS. Many businesses on and around Main Street will also be offering special events and offers for Bird of Prey Day including the CAS Arts Center, Flour Power Bakery & Café, the Livingston Manor Library, Madison's Main Street Stand, Main Street Farm, Morgan Outdoors, The Plunk Shop, Rolling River Café and Gallery, Wildlife Gift Shop and Willow and Brown.

Sponsors include Jeff Bank of Livingston Manor, the Livingston Manor Chamber of Commerce, the Livingston Manor Community Center, Willow and

Brown and All American Event Rentals.

Admission to the event is \$3.00 per person. Funds raised will benefit low income families of the

Livingston Manor School District.

For more information, please go to www.livingstonmanor.org to download a parking map and find more details regarding special "Bird of Prey Day" events and offers in Livingston Manor.

Simple Sewing with Felt at Cornell Cooperative Extension

LIBERTY-"Second Saturdays" craft classes return to Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County on November 10th 2012 at 10 am. Learn how to create hand-stitched felt ornaments and explore techniques in embellishment using beading, ribbons and more. Class will be held from 10 am-12 pm at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. A \$3.00 fee covers the cost of supplies. Pre-registration by November 7th is required to participate, by calling 845-292-6180. Contact Marylin Jones with questions at mlr34@cornell.edu.

This 4-H class is open to all community youth age 5-19, but children under 10 must bring an adult to assist them. Parents and youth group leaders are

also welcome to attend.

Cornell Cooperative Extension in Sullivan County provides equal program and employment opportunities. Please contact the Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County office if you have any special needs.

TRIAD Hosts Third Annual Senior Safety Day Conference

As part of their focus to help Sullivan County seniors remain safe, prevent abuse or other forms of violence and to help maintain the quality and integrity of their life, Sullivan County TRIAD (incl. Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County) will host the third annual Senior Safety Day on Wednesday, October 17 from 10 to 1pm in the Monticello Neighborhood Facility (2 Jefferson Street, Monticello). The conference immediately follows the Office for the Aging Annual Public Hearing

(registration begins at 9 am).

Four speakers will address various topics to help Sullivan County seniors avoid abuse and preserve their safety. The first lecture What is Emotional Abuse? is by Tracey Siebert-Konopko, LMSW from Lifespan of Greater Rochester Inc., an agency in the forefront of current elder abuse advocacy and research. The next lecture will be on Animal Hoarding & Safety by Sull. Co. SPCA Animal Cruelty Investigators Jose Velasco & Frank Mirakaj. Animal hoarding impacts senior safety and general living conditions. There will be a presentation by Liberty P.D. Det. Steven D'Agata and Fallsburg P.D. Det. Brandon Pavese on Don't Be A Victim - Scam & Fraud Tips and then Cindy Neff, Program Manager from Missing Persons Clearinghouse will share information on NYS Missing Vulnerable Adults Program.

Guests will receive a YELLOW DOT packet for their car, intended to help save time in life-threatening situations, such as a motor-vehicle accident. A Senior Resource Fair will also be held during the course of the day with representatives from government organizations, health-based entities, law enforcement, long-term care and not-for-profit organizations.

The full morning of presentations will be followed by a free buffet lunch and door prizes. Individuals are strongly encouraged to register at 807-0241 at the Office for the Aging to plan for ade-

quate lunch arrangements.

JAPANESE KNOTWEED

quickly overtop native plants.

By Peggy DeWire
While driving around Grahamsville have you
noticed roadside bushes capped with

white foamy flowers? Have you wondered what they are?

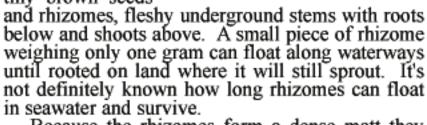
My friend Louise recently brought me a large spray of the foamy white flowers and asked me what it was, as she has noticed they are appearing more and more along the roadsides around the area.

It's Japanese Knotweed (Fallopia japonica), an escaped ornamental in the 1980's, but now a noxious weed east of the Mississippi River. It grows very fast on wetlands into bushes ten feet high that

Japanese Knotweek (Polygonum cuspidatum) of the buckwheat family is also called Japanese Bamboo because the woody stem has swollen joints

and looks like a bamboo fishing pole. Very pretty green leaves and a spray of tiny white flowers also grow from these nodes. In Japan this is the first plant to colonize lava slopes of volcanoes.

Japanese Knotweed spreads from hundreds of tiny brown seeds



Because the rhizomes form a dense matt they crowd out all native vegetation. Any drifting fragments become bushes downstream. They've been found pushing up through two inches of asphalt

road!

I've never seen a deer or livestock eating Japanese Knotweed, but the young stems are edible as a spring vegetable, with a flavor similar to extremely sour rhubarb and can be pickled. Japanese knotweed is an important concentrated source of resveratrol and its glucoside piceid. Many large supplement sources of resveratrol now use Japanese Knotweed and use its scientific name in the supplement labels.

John Murray, an English flower garden expert warned that "this plant is easier to grow than to get

rid of in your garden - so beware."

By 1981 Japanese Knotweed had spread so aggressively in most states, even to Alaska, which has very few exotic alien plants, that the Environmental Protection Agency passed the Wildlife and Countryside Act that tagged this alien as a "waste plant" to be controlled by two methods: apply the pesticide Roundup to cut stumps and stems and spray foliage with a 2% solution of gyphosate. All Japanese Knotweed debris must be burned or buried five feet deep in landfills.

Another name is 'fleece flower' which perfectly describes the beautiful spray that Louise brought to me to identify as the alien called Japanese

Knotweed.

### **Household Hints**

Use Vinegar for Fall Cleaning and Getting Ready for the Holidays Ahead

To clean windows, spray with half vinegar, half water. Wipe clean with either newspapers or cloth.

To clean silver, pewter, copper, or brass, dissolve 1 teaspoon salt in one cup vinegar. Add flour to create a paste (1/4 cup or more). Apply the paste to the metal item, and let stand for at least fifteen minutes. Rinse with warm water and polish with a soft cloth.

No-wax floors can be cleaned with a solution of 1 cup vinegar per gallon of water for a shinier sur-

face.

Mysterious Book Report No. 68 by John Dwaine McKenna



There's gonna be a big party at our house tonight, stop by if you got a chance. Why are we having a shindig in the middle of a work week, you ask? Well, no sniggering or guffawing out there . . . but the reason we are throwing a big bash is because it has finally rained in Colorado Springs. Not some little old shower for fifteen minutes of thunder and lightning either. Nope. It started precipitating just before dawn, about 6 a.m., then continued all day and most of the following night before it quit. Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah and thanks to old mother nature for the relief. It's been parched out here: year-to-date precipitation six inches . . . our normal is fourteen and our reservoirs are only 57 percent full instead of the usual 83 percent. It's been so dry out here that every known frog in the state has moved to Minnesota. It's been so dry that rattlesnakes have to carry canteens and travel in squads . . . and one of 'em had better be a doctor. Yessir. And that's a fact.

So, this week's MBR No. 68 is about water. In this case it's too much water . . . which caused crop failure and famine in Ireland during the mid to late 1840's. A famine of such massive proportions in Western Ireland that, combined with the exportation of foodstuffs and livestock to England by absentee British landlords and the gross evictions of a tenant farmers, it caused mass starvation. It's called the Great Famine of 1847 . . . and diaspora of the Irish peoples to Australia, Canada and the United States began. And so they sold what possessions they had, headed for the nearest part of embarkation, children in hand, old folks and relatives, the sick and the dying all left behind, while those still able-bodied enough begged, borrowed or stole their way onto the aptly named coffin-ships; sail and steam powered side-wheelers, where large numbers of them died of dysentery, typhus, or drowning . . . as many of the ships were lost at sea

driving the three-week crossing.

Those of you who, like me, are proud of and interested in the Irish heritage . . . as well as the poor souls not fortunate enough to have been born Irish . . . should get their hands on and read this week's book. It's called *Star of the Sea*, (Harcourt, pap.2002, \$14.00, 401 pages, ISBN 978-0-15-602966-9) by Joseph O'Connor, an Irish writer who lives in Dublin. A New York Times notable book, it has been widely lauded in Ireland, Britain and the United States. Star of the Sea is historical fiction at it's very best, combining meticulous research and attention to period details with a thrilling murder mystery involving a woman with a terrible secret, a bankrupt English lord and a diabolic, unknown killer bent on revenge who stalks the ship full of suffering refugees trying to make it to the promised land. Whether you're a dedicated reader or just looking for a great yarn, I cannot recommend this one highly enough . . . it's that damn good! One of my best books of the year. Star of the Sea may require some effort to find. Audio editions we're available on Amazon as I wrote this, (9-12-2012) but I'm certain copies are available at your local library through the inter-library loan program. Make the effort. You'll be richly rewarded.

You'll be rewarded with insight, information and knowledge . . . and modesty too . Don't forget to get a signed copy of The Neversink Chronicles at Cannie D's, the Time & the Valleys Museum Store, and now at Peter's Market in Naponach. The Whim-Wham Man, a coming of age and murder mystery that takes place in 1940's Colorado is now out and the reviews are great! More information next week

Remember, you must read or surrender to ignorance. - Confucious It was true in 200 B.C. and it's still true today. Think about it, and have a great week. --JDM

UC Comptroller's URGENT Plea (From Pg. 1) In a response, Auerbach stated, "It appeared out of character for the Sheriff and contradictory to both the chain of events and the joint memo the Sheriff and the District Attorney sent to the Legislature on September 18th, regarding a memorandum of understanding for the ULSTER REGIONAL GANG ENFORCEMENT NAR-COTICS TEAM (URGENT)."

"My Office, at the request of the County Attorney's Office and prompted by a letter from the City of Kingston, was asked to review finances as they relate to forfeitures and assets of URGENT, an Ulster County law enforcement initiative. The program had come under scrutiny of late when it was discovered that nearly \$200,000 worth of county issued checks written to an URGENT team member and Kingston City Police Officer were part of a fraud investigation led by the FBI."

"After a preliminary review by the Director of Internal Audit and Control, a CPA, the Deputy Comptroller, an attorney, and a Senior Auditor, a DRAFT REPORT was presented to all parties (the DA, the Sheriff and the City of Kingston) for review and comment. Each party was told that their written comments would be attached to the FINAL REPORT, and any material corrections were to be made by our office before release. The Sheriff submitted brief written comments to the draft report of which he was so critical on the floor of the legislature. However, contrary to his inflammatory comments on the 19th, in his written comments he merely offered some additional facts which will be helpful in finalizing the report, and in fact, he generally was supportive of the report, making his comments on the 19th even more surprising."

"As our investigation unfolded it was clear that there was an opportunity to "shore up" the soon to be considered memorandum of understanding. We identified language that needed clarity and would protect the interests of all parties, including the sheriff. There were several attempts by our office to promote a one month postponement which finally resulted in our memo to the Legislature in which we made specific comments on the proposed agreement."

Comptroller Auerbach continued, "In response to our memo, both the DA and Sheriff agreed and went on record to say: "Deputy Comptroller Eriole has written suggesting that a resolution to adopt a MOU regarding URGENT be adjourned to enable his office to complete their report. We agree. We are confident any questions raised by Mr. Eriole can be quickly resolved and that, if need be, a slightly modified MOU can be submitted for your review in advance of your October meeting on the 16th. In the meantime, if you have any questions concerning this matter you may reach me at my office or Paul at his office, 340-3303."

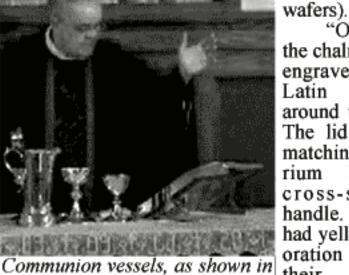
Auerbach concluded, "Given the sheriff's written comments to our draft report and his written agreement with our position on the proposed MOU, we were disappointed with his contradictory comments to the legislature."

Thieves Break into Narrowsburg Church (From Pg. 1)

Thieves left the church office in disarray and made their way into a locked room where valuable communion ware was stored. The thieves stole four silver chalices, one silver plate (paten), one silver pitcher with a hinged lid (flagon), and one ciborium (shorter chalice-shaped vessel with a separate lid

which holds the communion

"One of the chalices was engraved with words Latin around the rim. The lid on the matching ciborium had a cross-shaped handle. Both had yellow decoration around their stems," Pastor said Havnes.



this photo, were stolen from St. Paul's Lutheran church in Narrowsburg.

Church members at St. Paul's receive communion on a weekly basis at its Saturday evening and Sunday morning worship services. For now, Pastor Haynes will be distributing communion with vessels bor-

rowed from nearby churches.

"I am really annoyed that someone would break into the church and steal communion ware," said the pastor, "but it is wonderful how our neighbors are stepping in to help us." If you have any information regarding the break-in, please contact the New York State Police and St. Paul's Church (845-252-3919).

Ulster County Offices for the Aging's Annual Public Hearing & Expanded Outreach Efforts - The Office for the Aging Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, October 18th at 10 AM in

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and the Ulster County Office for the Aging invite all interested Ulster County residents to attend the Office for the Aging's Annual Public Hearing at the Hudson Valley Mall Conference Room on October 18, 2012 from 10 to 11:30 am.

the Hudson Valley Mall Conference

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"The Annual Public Hearing provides Ulster County's seniors with the opportunity to comment on current programs, offer suggestions for improving services and share ideas for additional programs that could be valuable to Ulster County seniors. Ulster County is fortunate to

have a vibrant senior community with a great deal of experience and I look forward to receiving input and to benefiting from their wisdom," said County Executive Hein.

The guest speaker, Coordinator for the Health Insurance Information Counseling Assistance Program (HIICAP) Bob Meci, will provide current information on Medicare open enrollment, which begins on October 15. Representatives from several Ulster County departments who will be present to discuss services offered to seniors and will be available

to answer questions.

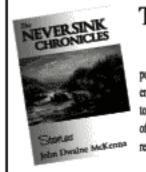
For those seniors who cannot attend the Annual Public Hearing, the Ulster County Office for the Aging will host three additional information/outreach sessions on November 5, 6, and 7, 2012 on WGHQ. Seniors and other interested citizens can call in and speak with Office for the Aging representatives regarding aging concerns. Radio listeners will also learn about the 2012 Survey results and the Ulster County 2012-2016 Service Plan update, which is a requirement of the New York State Office for the Aging.

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein emphasized, "Using the radio in this way is a unique opportunity designed to increase participation. We want the most input from the most people, so we are making it as accessible to everyone on the radio."

For additional information, please call the Office for the Aging at (845) 340-3456 or 1-877-914-3456.

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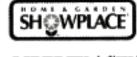
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# The Olive Jar - Carol LaMonda

As American as Apple Pie

As the nights turn colder and the leaves turn and flutter to the ground, I begin to think of apples. Our old farmhouse had an apple orchard, so over the years I perfected my recipe for apple pie. I thought it would be fitting to share it this week.

Pie Crust: Sift a cup and a half of flour with 2 tablespoons of sugar and a scant teaspoon of salt. Cut in 3/4 of a cup of Crisco or sold vegetable shortening. Add 1/2 cup of iced cold water. Roll out two crusts.

Place bottom crust in pie plate.

Pie Filling: Peel and cut slices around the core into a bowl of salted (1 teaspoon should be enough) water. The salt (or lemon juice) keeps the slices from browning. Six good apples should make four cups or so. Add 1/2 cup white sugar and 1/4 cup of brown sugar. Sprinkle in cinnamon (1 tsp.), all-spice and nutmeg (1/2 tsp. each). Dump into pie shell, sprinkle a bit of extra flour on top and dot with butter.

Pie: Add top crust, crimp edges to bottom. Brush top crust with a tablespoon of milk and sprinkle a bit more sugar, or cinnamon sugar, on the crust. Cover edges with aluminum foil. Bake at 350 degrees for 50

While the pie is baking, sit in a lounge chair and watch the leaves turn their colors. The bonus is that the house will be filled with such delicious smells that no one will notice that you sat and relaxed instead of dusting or running the vacuum. Enjoy the fruits of fall.



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Greetings! Well, it's been a pretty uneventful week for me. I tried to go to the Rosendale Zombie Festival, but we got rained out, so I spent the night eating chili with my friend Jeff. Didn't make it to any of the shows I recommended, but I hope to make up for it this week and next. We've got some great music coming your way!

But first, one of the 35 friends who told me they'd give or send me the Keith Richards autobiography, "Life", finally did, and I just finished reading it. It's a fabulous, fast, addicting (no pun intended), read, and I heartily recommend it! I discovered that Keith and I share some of his strange idiosyncrasies. Such as "only eating when I feel like it" and "quite solitary eating habits at odd hours". LOL. There are some others, but I can't tell you about them because they're all illegal. JUST KIDDING! Some jokes at Keith's expense are hard to resist! There were some other quirky traits we share, but I can't remember them. Anyway, once you get past his childhood, it's hard to put it down! It's in paperback now, so you can probably buy it on the internet for 2 cents. LOL.

I did my first guest spot on John Madeo's "Little Delaware Jam" radio show, and I think it went very well. John kept me on for a half hour, and I could have gone another half hour. For now, I'll be on every other Monday night, but John has been asked to go to a weekly show. Call or email him at the station and tell him he should do it! The show is broadcast on WIOX, 91.3 FM and www.wioxradio.org. The next one will

be October 1.

The Love for Levon benefit is coming up at the end of the week, on October 3. The line up is too extensive to list in detail and always subject to new additions, so if you want more information, go to www.loveforlevon.com.

And now for this week's live music picks.

Wednesday, September 26 - DAVID BYRNE, the force behind Talking Heads, concludes a two day engagement at The Beacon Theater in Manhattan.

Thursday, September 27 - DAVID GRAY makes his first appearance at the newly reopened Capitol Theatre

in Port Chester, NY.

Friday, September 28 - My first Pick of the Week arrives in the form of LARRY CAMPBELL AND TERESA WILLIAMS at The Bearsville Theater. Larry, as everybody knows, has been Levon's musical director, multi-instrumentalist, co-producer, and friend, for many years. Before that, he served the same function for Bob Dylan (minus the friend part). During his stint with Levon, he also found the time to tour with Phil Lesh, and E Street Band member, Patti Scialfa, Bruce Springsteen's wife. And produced CD's for Jorma, Hot Tuna, and 3 GRAMMY winners for Levon! And that just scratches the surface of Larry's long, brilliant, musical career! Teresa is also a Levon Band, and Phil and Friends band member, a wonderful, powerful singer, and Larry's wife. Adding icing on this cake is the opening act, MIKE AND RUTHY, another married couple who make beautiful music together! See you there!

However, if you can't make it, there is another amazing show tonight. RORY BLOCK, pulls into the extremely intimate Rosendale Café tonight. Ms. Block is a 5 time WC Handy award winner in the Traditional Blues Female Artist category, and a 3 time winner in the Acoustic Blues Album of the Year category. She is widely regarded as the top female interpreter and authority on traditional Country Blues worldwide!

This is also gonna be an amazing show! Further north, Big Easy guitarslinger, LANGHORNE SLIM, is at Club Helsinki in Hudson. In Manhattan, the highly recommended NORTH MISSISSIPPI ALL

**RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES-** STARS are at Irving Plaza, and something billed as Fred Perry-Owner of Reservoir Music Center "PATTI SMITH, ANDY WARHOL" is at the Grace Rainey Rogers Auditorium at 1000 Fifth Avenue. That's gonna be a neat trick, if Andy shows up! Tickets are \$218, so I suppose it's gonna be a ritzy affair!

Saturday, September 29 - At The Andes Hotel tonight, ESQUELA and WHITEY MORGAN AND THE 78'S hold court! Esquela is a band put together by Chico Finn, who throws the best party of the year, Livestock, on his spread in Bovina. Guest appearances have been made with members of The Georgia Satellites and others. Whitey Morgan and The 78's recorded their CD at Levon Helm Studios with Larry Campbell producing! That right there tells you something about this band! This's gonna be a goodun! This is an afternoon gig that starts at 2 o'clock. RORY BLOCK makes another area appearance in the lobby of The Ritz Theater in Newburgh, roots rockers, THE BODEANS, ride into The Bearsville Theater in Woodstock, and STEVE EARLE is at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts. In the city, JACK WHITE of The White Stripes is at Radio City Music Hall, DAVID BYRNE is at Williamsburgh Park, original British punk band, THE VIBRATORS are at Bowery Electric, and there's an insane line up in Central Park tonight - NEIL YOUNG, FOO FIGHTERS, THE BLACK KEYS, and BAND OF HORSES. These bands need no introduction! Will Neil jam with Foo Fighters? Go and find out! This has to be my second Pick of the Week! Tickets range from free to \$390!

Sunday, September 30 - The only show in town tonight is STEVE EARLE at The Bardavon Opera House in Poughkeepsie, but this ain't a default show! First of all, The Bardavon is a beautiful, centuries old building, that has the best sound around. There's a reason Bob Dylan rented the place to rehearse for a week, twice! And Steve is always one of the year's best shows, so that all kind of makes it

Wednesday, October 3 - Tonight the LOVE FOR LEVON benefit is at the IZOD Center in East Rutherford, NJ! More information about the star studded line up can be found www.loveforlevon.com. They just added ROGER WATERS!

In Brooklyn, JAY-Z opens the brand new Barclay Center. Jay is one of the more sophisticated and musical rappers, this is his house, and he's gonna

And upstate, the hilarious Margaret Cho is at The Egg.

Thursday, October 4 - Up and coming new band, THE ALABAMA SHAKES, make their first Manhattan appearance at Terminal 5.

That's it. Have a great week!

Music Reigns at The Pine Hill Community Center; Concerts, workshops, drum circles and just playing for fun are all on the calendar. Saturdays, September 29 - November 17. 1-3

pm. Song Stage. - This is a fantastic opportunity for anyone interested in writing and performing their own music. Elly Wininger, award-winning songwriter and performer (see her here at the PHCC with The Cupcakes on Oct. 13th) will lead this 8-session series of free workshops that will culminate with live performance opportunities including Catskills Cabaradio and other regional Open to all ages and skill Tevels. venues. (845) 254-5469 or Registration requested. info@pinehillcommunitycenter.org.

Monday, October 8, Noon -4 pm. Potluck Pickin' Party- Bring a dish to pass and an acoustic instrument and join with others to make a joyful noise. John Jacobson of the Tremperskill Boys will lead the jam. All instruments, all levels (845) 657-8873

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Saturday, October 13, 7 pm. Club Cabaradio. Your second and last opportunity to see the Catskills Cabaradio crew shine as the star performers they are. Singer/songwriter Dave Kearney, Elly Wininger and The Cupcakes and Play, Mars, & Francisco offer up an evening of very special music. Doors open at 7, concert at 7:30. Light refreshments. (begin or end your evening with dinner/drinks at The Pine Hill Arms). \$5,00

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### SUNY Sullivan to Present Delaware Valley Opera's Performance of Mozart's "Abduction from the Serglio"

Loch Sheldrake, NY (September 14, 2012) - SUNY Sullivan is pleased to be teaming up with the Delaware Valley Opera to present the company's production of Mozart's Abduction from the Seraglio. The Sunday, October 28 performance will take place at 2:00 pm in SUNY Sullivan's Seelig Theater.

SUNY Sullivan presents excellent opera performances throughout the academic year and summer as a partner in the Met Opera Live in HD Series. With its 2012-2013 Met schedule set to kick off in October as well, the college is very excited to have this live stage production by the Delaware Valley Opera coming to its state-of-the-art theater.

Hailed as a "delicious comic/drama," Abduction touches on the themes of love and forgiveness as it tells the story of the young Spanish woman, Konstanze, her maid, Blonde, and servant, Pedrillo,



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### 2nd Annual Village of New Paltz Local Food Week Celebration

October 1st will mark the beginning of the Second Annual Village of New Paltz Local Food Week. This year's celebration will culminate on October 7th with "Eat in the Street," a festival on Church Street in downtown New Paltz with live music, vendors and plenty of local fare.

The first week in October was officially declared Local Food Week by the New Paltz Village Board last year through an initiative brought forth by Village Trustee Ariana Basco. The event is designed to recognize and celebrate area farmers and local food producers and the restaurants that serve food using local ingredients. "Area farmers play an important role. They not only provide us with food, but they support the local economy and protect the rural character of our community" said Basco. "We want to recognize the restaurants that support our farmers by using local ingredients in the dishes they serve."

Last year twenty Village eateries participated in the inaugural event by featuring local food items on their menus and offering local food specials during the entire week. Customers were encouraged to patronize participating restaurants and to express their appreciation for foods grown right here in our own region. (Contd. Pg. 10)Three restaurants were

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"Selected Works" by Gloria Bernstein
Local artist Gloria Bernstein will present "Selected Works" in an October exhibition at the Old Stone House of Hasbrouck, NY.

The exhibition opens with a public reception on Saturday, Oct. 6, from 2-4 pm. Thereafter, the show is open on Saturdays

and Sundays, 1-4 pm, through Oct. 28. Gloria, who holds a Master of Fine Arts from the State University in New Paltz, has her studio in Woodridge, NY. She

is working on a group of new paintings, some of which will be on exhibit in the show.

She has had many group and one-woman shows both locally, and in New York City galleries, and received awards from the National Association of Woman Artists, Inc. Her most recent show was "Holocaust Remembrance; The People" in 2008, and she held a retrospective show of her work, "Landscapes & Others," in 1999, plus shows in NYC galleries in 2002-2004.

A lifetime of painting has resulted in works of different styles and media from abstract to surreal, dream-like to stark realism. She hopes others will view her works and relate to them in a deeply personal and profound way.

Gloria's work can be viewed on her website: www.gbern-

stein.com.

The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck, at 282 Hasbrouck Rd., Hasbrouck, NY 12788, is a community and arts center conveniently located near Ellenville, Grahamsville, Monticello and information Liberty. There's more www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org.

# "The Continuing Line," an exhibit of paintings and works on paper by Elise Freda

"The Continuing Line," an exhibit of paintings and works on paper by Elise Freda opens with a reception on Friday, October 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Delaware Arts Center's Alliance Gallery in Narrowsburg, NY. The exhibit will be on view through October 27, 2012.

"My paintings and drawings have long been both abstract and based in nature. They begin with observation. I find my shapes, colors, spaces, textures and line in the trees, plants,

fields, mountains and skies that surround my studio in Callicoon's rolling Beechwoods," explains painter Elise Freda.

The title of this exhibit, "The Continuing Line," evolved from Freda's recognition that line has been a constant in her work since 1980. "The line starts as part of the underpainting, weaves through the building of layers, and ends up on the sur-



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face of my paintings and works on paper."

Freda's paintings explore a world of contrast: light/dark, warm/cool, surface/depth, and organic/geometric. Her work is process oriented, and she finds her image during the process of making it. "All of the changes, additions and subtrac-tions become part of the finished work," she

explains. "I enjoy the mystery of abstraction, the unknown eventually evolving in to the known."

Freda came to the Upper Delaware River Valley from New Jersey in 1965 when her parents, Fred and Helga Andkjar, both artists, bought a farmhouse with land and a born for a studie in Callisson "It amounts are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about the exhibit call (845) 252-7576 or visit www.ArtsAllianceSite.org.

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Website with land and a barn for a studio in Callicoon. "It was a good place to grow up as the outdoors played The Delaware Highlands Conservancy a major role, and the Delaware River was a perfect and Catskill Mountainkeeper, in partnership playground," she recalls. She and her husband Joe returned to the river valley in 1993 when Elise became Gallery Director for the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance. Her work has been exhibited extensively in group and solo shows throughout New York State, Pennsylvania, and across the United States; her work has been reviewed in The New hiking trails and public lands in Sullivan York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Boston County, NY with easy-to-read, easy-to-Globe and The Brooklyn Rail.

Since 2005 she has divided her time between paint- guides to hiking safety. ing and selling real estate. "I have become adroit at quickly changing hats, and it has forced me to their hiking legs for the first time, from become productive in the studio in shorter periods of moms with babies in backpacks to senior cit-

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time," she savs.

"Free and open to the public, the exhibit is sponsored by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, the Arts Council for Sullivan County, NY, and is made possible in part by a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

Alliance Gallery is located at the Delaware Arts Center at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Hours are Tuesday

# Trailkeeper.org Launches

The Delaware Highlands Conservancy with Sullivan County Division of Planning & Environmental Management, the Sullivan County Visitors Association and Morgan Outdoors, are pleased to announce the launch of TrailKeeper.org.

TrailKeeper.org is a one-source outlet for

From serious hikers to beginners testing





izens to seasoned hikers looking for a challenge, TrailKeeper.org provides access to trail information that matches hiker to trail.

TrailKeeper.org gives hikers the information they need about locations, routes, and facilities to make hiking safer, more accessible, and more fun.

"Trailkeeper.org is a unique partnership that brings together a diverse group of local organizations, businesses, and agencies to promote and celebrate the beauty and character of Sullivan County," explains Emily Deans, Agricultural Coordinator at Catskill Mountainkeeper. "We are excited to launch this comprehensive, easy to use website. TrailKeeper.org is a great resource that will encourage and inspire residents and visitors alike to get out and explore this special part

TrailKeeper.org connects residents and visitors to information about the shops, lodgings, and other local businesses of Sullivan County and provides

news about upcoming events, activities, and attractions in the region.

TrailKeeper.org promotes and supports the complete Sullivan County experience. When people go out to hike, they stop for breakfast, lunch, or dinner, they shop at local outdoor stores and stop by other local businesses, and if they're

from out of town, they may stay overnight.

"TrailKeeper.org inspires people to get outside and connect with the hiking trails of Sullivan County," states Melinda Meddaugh, Land Protection Coordinator for the Delaware Highlands Conservancy. "To borrow a phrase from the TrailKeeper website, 'look where we live!' We have incredibly healthy lands and beautiful clean waters that people can see, enjoy, and experience when they're out hiking these trails. TrailKeeper.org makes it easy to experience the lands, communities, and local businesses that make Sullivan County so special."

Trailkeeper.org is the result of a partnership between the Delaware Highlands Conservancy, Catskill Mountainkeeper, the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management, the Sullivan County Visitors Association, and Morgan Outdoors, with support from the Upper Delaware Council, Sullivan Renaissance, the New York New Jersey Trail Conference, the National Park Service, Sullivan County Community College Hiking Class, and

Join the Partners for our first TrailKeeper.org sponsored event, a Fall Hike at Crystal Lake Wild Forest in Fremont, NY, October 14, 10am-12pm. Visit

www.DelawareHighlands.org for more information.

For more information on TrailKeeper.org, email info@trailkeeper.org or contact Emily Deans, Catskill Mountainkeeper at 845-482-5400 or Melinda Meddaugh, the Delaware Highlands Conservancy at 845-583-1010.

### Tusten Theatre Offers All-Star Fall Season

The Tusten Theatre in Narrowsburg, NY offers an all-star fall season, welcoming jazz & blues vocalist Catherine Russell with pianist Mark Shane on October 6, The Delaware Valley Chamber Orchestra's "Narrowsburg Music Day" on October 13, and the iconic John Hammond on October 20.

"We are thrilled to have performers of this caliber," says DVAA Executive Director Elaine Giguere. "I was listening to Catherine Russell on NPR just a month ago, and now she'll be here in person. Delaware Valley Chamber Orchestra's "Music Day in Narrowsburg" follows a tradition, started 22 years ago by DVAA, of presenting regional composers ("Green Sneakers"), and our concluding fall concert couldn't be in better hands than John Hammond's."

On Saturday, October 6 at 8 p.m. jazz and blue vocalist Catherine Russell who can sing virtually anything, will open the Tusten Theatre fall season with pianist

Mark Shane. Tickets are \$27.

Saturday, October 13, Delaware Valley Chamber Orchestra partners with the Tusten Historical Society and local businesses to present Narrowsburg Music Day, including Allen Brothers Band at 2 p.m. and baritone Jesse Blumberg and the Voxare String Quartet performing Ricky Ian Gordon's "Green Sneakers" at 5

Rounding out the season on Saturday, October 20 at 8 p.m., 2011 Blues Hall of Fame inductee John Hammond will perform classic blues combining powerful guitar and harmonica playing with expressive vocals and a dignified stage presence. Tickets are \$30.

For reservations call the Tusten Theatre box office at 845-252-7272.

For more information, visit www.ArtsAllianceSite.org.

### Ask the Book Doctor

An evening for writers to ask anything they want to know about book publishing but didn't know whom to ask hosted by Sandi Gelles-Cole on Wedneday, October 17, at 7:00 p.m. at the Arts Society of Kingston, 97 Broadway in the Rondout Section of Kingston

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Over the last 30 years Sandi has worked with best-selling novelists as well as first novelists, concretizing their ideas and helping maximize those ideas into books. By answering your questions extemporaneously she can help you pick out what is the best concept in your material; problems with plot can be straightened out by running them past her, decisions you are struggling over regarding the process of publishing can be answered for you. Come for the evening and ask.

The evening will be designed for one question per author with a limit of three minutes to present each question. The cost of the program is \$10. For reserva-

tions, phone (845) 338-0331.

Sandi Gelles-Cole has worked with authors and their projects such as Christiane Northrup's Women's Bodies; Women's Wisdom (Bantam Books,1st ed.); Governor Ann Richards' I'm Not Slowing Down (Dutton); Richard Simmons' Never Give Up (Warner); Alan Dershowitz's novel The Advocate's Devil (Warner Books); North of Montana by Law And Order writer April Smith (Knopf).

Gelles-Cole worked at the David McKay Company and Dutton/NAL. She helped found Rawson Associates, where she discovered and produced titles including Games Mother Never Taught You by Betty Lehan Harragan, a classic book for women now 30 years in print, and then joined Dell Publishing, where she acquired and edited major properties, including 10 of Danielle Steel's phenome-

She has spoken before such groups as the 92nd Street Y of New York City and the American Society of Journalists and Authors. She is a charter member of the Consulting Editors Alliance of New York City and has been on panels for the SELFPUBBOOKEXPO conference since its inception in 2009. She has been a judge for Next Generation Book Awards 2011 as well as Books for Better Living, 2010 and 2011.

Gelles-Cole is the co-host of the radio show Ask the Book Doctor on WBCR, a call-in show for authors.



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UC Exec Mike Hein Announces 50Week Job Help Program to be Offered in Ellenville During October Job Help Program offered by the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training and Ellenville partners provides basics in resume preparation, job search, and interviewing techniques

A 5-session Job Help Program at the Ellenville Public Library will offer basic work readiness assistance to Ulster County 's job seekers. This program, provided by the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training with the ULSTER WORKS OneStop, Community Action of Ellenville, Ulster BOCES and the Ellenville Public Library is designed to provide the

skills needed to successfully find work.

According to County Executive Mike Hein, " Assisting Ulster County residents with their employment-seeking efforts is a priority of my administration. This program is a great example of the many ways Ulster County government is partnering with other organizations to provide our citizens with more opportunities in the most cost-effective and resourceful manner."

Nancy Schaef, Director of the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training concurred, "At the direction of County Executive Hein, the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training has been seeking opportunities to collaborate in new and innovative ways, in order to better deliver services to County residents. This partnership will help to provide Ellenville's residents with techniques and the needed skill set to successfully search the job market."

An Orientation Session on Tuesday, October 2 2012 from 10 am to noon at the Ellenville Public Library Community Room will introduce participants to the employment counselors who have developed the curriculum. At that time, interested persons can sign

up for the program, which will include:

Tuesday, October 9, 2012 10 am- Noon Resume Preparation - at Ulster BOCES Computer Classroom Center

Tuesday, October 16, 2012 10 am- Noon On-Job Search - at Ulster BOCES Computer Classroom Center

Tuesday, October 23, 2012 10 am- Noon Mock and Dress Success Interviewing Dos and Don'ts - at Ellenville Public Library Community Room

Tuesday, October 30, 2012 10 am - Noon Final Overcoming Session: Barriers/Gathering Resources - at Ellenville Public Library Community Room

Those interested can register for this program is at the Ellenville Public Library or by calling 845-647-

The Job Help Program will provide hands-on training to help long-term unemployed residents learn the techniques needed to get back to work. A "Certificate of Completion" will be granted to each participant who

completes the 5-week sessions. Ulster BOCES in Ellenville will provide a computer room behind the Ellenville Elementary School for two of the sessions, where basic computer training will be provided for the job seekers. Following the sessions, participants who have completed the program will be given follow-up services with trained employment counselors at the Ulster Works OneStop Center on Albany Avenue in Kingston.

### A.G. Schneiderman Shuts Down Websites For "Work At Home" Scam "Mystery Shopper" Scam Targeted Individuals Looking For Income In Tough Economic Times Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today

announced he has shutdown two websites as part of a "work at home" scam involving a mystery shopper program, which is used by legitimate retailers who hire marketing research companies to evaluate the quality of service in their stores. The websites, www.idealcorp.net and www.survsonl.com, operating as T. Crefideal Corp, lured consumers into becoming mystery shoppers to gather information anonymously about the customer service of a particular store, but instead of getting paid, they were duped into paying the scammers thousands of dollars. Attorney General Schneiderman also offered tips to protect consumers from work at home frauds.

"These scams are particularly insidious because they target individuals looking for ways to bolster their income in today's challenging job climate," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "While legitimate 'work from home' opportunities do exist, scammers who are simply stealing money under the guise of offering employment are on notice. Our office will continue to protect consumers and shut these bad actors down."

In this version of the scam, consumers were asked to log onto www.idealcorp.net or www.survsonl.com with a "job number." Upon entering the job number, the victim was given a work assignment as a "secret shopper" for Western Union. The victim was sent a

counterfeit check for \$2,000 and told to keep \$300 as payment. The victim was then instructed to wire the remaining \$1,700 to someone overseas and evaluate Western Union employees during the process. After doing so, the victim's bank identifies the now deposited check as counterfeit and takes \$2,000 back out of the victim's account. Instead of making \$300, the victim loses \$1,700.

Federal regulations require banks to make deposited funds available to a customer within a specific amount of time usually significantly shorter than the amount of time it takes for the bank to determine that a check is forged. This scheme exploits that delay. Wired funds typically cannot be recovered or traced. The only record kept by the money transfer company is of funds being transferred from one of their accounts to another. While each transfer request is logged electronically, once the funds are in a central account, the actual money can be picked up at any office covered by that account, by any individual presenting the specified identification, which itself may be forged, leaving the victim with little or no recourse for recovering the wired funds.

Previous mystery shopping scams have typically involved using newspaper ads and emails to promote websites where consumers can "register" to become a mystery shopper. Once lured to the website, a victim is shown a list of reputable companies, asked to pay a fee for information about a certification program and then guaranteed a job.

The Attorney General urges you to protect yourself from this scam by learning to recognize the warning signs:

· Be suspicious of any checks or work-at-home opportunities that come to you unsolicited via mail or email.

Promises of easy money are almost certainly scams. · There is virtually no legitimate reason for anyone to give you a check or money order and in turn ask you to transfer funds via Western Union, MoneyGram or any other wire service. No legitimate company conducts business in this manner.

 Mystery shoppers set up through legitimate companies are generally paid after completing their assignments and returning their evaluations to the companies that hired them. They do not receive checks up front.

 Individuals hired as mystery shoppers are often provided gift cards to the specific retail locations they are being asked to review. Any out-of-pocket expenses are nominal, and reimbursed by the employer.

A familiar name does not guarantee legitimacy. Scammers often pose as representatives from wellknown, reputable companies or the Mystery Shopping Providers Association (MSPA) itself to lull their victims into a false sense of security. Research the company independently and contact them directly if you wish to verify job listing information.

For more information about fake check scams, please visit: www.FakeChecks.org, the website created by the National Consumers League (NCL) in collaboration with the Alliance for Consumer Fraud Awareness. If you think you have encountered a mystery shopping scam, or other similar fake check scam, contact the money transfer company immediately to report the fraud and file a complaint.

### Ulster Legislature Pulls Resolution on Providing Fracking Info to Municipalities

KINGSTON - Ulster Tegislators were not ready to vote on a resolution directing the clerk of the legislature to post information that would assist municipalities in enacting local ordinances prohibiting hydraulic fracturing.

Most lawmakers are on record opposing fracking in the county, but they could not come to agreement on whether the resolution on the agenda was quite ready for prime time.

Democrat Richard Parete said it wasn't. "This didn't go through committee. It's really embarrassing to be sitting here discussing a resolution, adding lines and talking about it; things that should be done in committee. If it didn't go through committee, then let's just abolish the committee system," he said.

Republican Robert Aiello, who brought the resolu-

tion to the floor, was also frustrated.

"My intent was simply to be able to assist the towns, whether it be through the executive's office, environmental department, or whether it be through the clerk, and separately, as a body, to take a position on whether you're for, or you support, or don't support the practice of fracking. And I don't see where that's all that difficult," Aiello said.

A motion to amend the resolution to more clearly

define fracking was defeated.

After a discussion, the legislature voted to send the resolution back to committee.

**Emaciated Horse Leads to Cruelty Charges** Against Phonecia Resident

On September 6th, 2012 Ulster County Investigators, along with Shandaken Police executed a Search Warrant at 775 Rte 214, Shandaken NY.

Following a year long investigation into the welfare of two horses believed to be owned by caretaker Randy Ostrander, SPCA Officials removed the surviving horse to a foster home. Mr. Ostrander was subsequently arraigned in Town of Shandaken Court on one count of 'Failure To Provide Proper Sustenance', a misdemeanor under NYS Agriculture and Markets Laws. Senior Investigator David Fix reports that experts estimate the horse, a Belgium Draft, to score a 2.5 on the Henneke scale, falling some 800-1000 lbs short of his ideal body weight, a condition likely caused simply by insufficient or improper food.



The UCSPCA is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to preventing cruelty to animals in Ulster County. Donations may be sent to UCSPCA 20 Wiedy Rd. Kingston, NY 12401.

### 4th Annual Kathy McMichael Memorial Golf Tournament

CALLICOON-- Local families who have been struck with catastrophic illnesses will become the beneficiary of the 4th Annual Kathy McMichael Memorial Golf Tournament scheduled for Sunday, October 7 at the Villa Roma Golf & Country Club located near Callicoon, NY

The Kathy McMichael Memorial Foundation is now officially a foundation under "The Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan," and they serve families in need in Sullivan County who have a family member with a catastrophic ill-

ness.

The Sullivan County BOCES family continues to express their sincere thanks for helping continue Kathy McMichael's legacy and noted that "through Kathy's inspiration, courage and love of life, Kathy influenced our hearts to help those in need and that she was an outstanding colleague, a devoted mother, daughter, sister and a loyal friend."

Kathy was a teachers assistant at Sullivan County BOCES for six years and passed away on May 5, 2008 after a long battle with cancer at the young age

of 41.

Tournament chairman is Jeffrey Molusky. Platinum division sponsors give outstanding community support to this event. Interested sponsors can contact Molusky at 845-702-2373 or 570-224-5027 or at molusky21@hotmail.com

Tournament registration will take place at noon

with a shotgun tee off at 1 p.m.

The \$75 per player fee includes 18 holes of golf with cart, dinner, prizes, contests and raffles. The dinner fee only is \$15. Paid reservations for golfers must be made by October 1. Tournament information is available at the above noted email or telephone numbers.

### 2nd Annual Village of New Paltz Local Food Week Celebration (From Pg. 7)

Three restaurants were recognized as "Local Food Leaders" for their outstanding commit-

ment to local growers. Last year's winners were the Village Tea Room Restaurant and Bake Shop, Main Course Farm to Table Foods and Catering and Karma Road Organic Cafe, all of which regularly include locally grown items on their menus.

Part of the intent of Local Food week is to strengthen mutual support among community members and businesses," stated Basco. "Being able to provide for ourselves and support one another is a way to achieve food security and to transition to a

truly sustainable food system.'

New Paltz residents have shown considerable support for local agriculture. The area boasts a number of successful Community Supported Agriculture farms, farmers markets and farm stands. Many area restaurant owners have also demonstrated a willingness to use fresh, local, healthy ingredients instead of the standard goods distributed through multi-national wholesalers shipping in food from as far away as China. Organizers hope that participating restaurants will use Local Food Week as an opportunity to explore ways to expand local offerings. There are now more distributors who can supply restaurants with locally sourced ingredients, thus providing ways to build upon community and business ties.

Gillibrand Teams up with Civil Rights Leader Rep. John Lewis to Introduce Empowerment Act in Senate- Comprehensive Legislation Originally Introduced By Rep. John Lewis In The House Of Representatives Would Strengthen Federal Law On Voting Rights

Washington, DC - U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand today teamed up with Rep. John Lewis, a nationally recognized leader often called "one of the most courageous persons the Civil Rights Movement ever produced," by introducing companion legislation in the Senate of the Voter Empowerment Act, authored by a collaboration between Majority Whip Steny Hoyer and Assistant Leader Jim Clyburn, and Reps. John Lewis, Jim Brady, and John Conyers. The House version of the bill was introduced earlier this year. At a time when numerous states have passed restrictive voter laws, this comprehensive legislation would strengthen federal law on voting rights by modernizing voter registration, ensuring equal access to the ballot box for all Americans and prohibit deceptive practices that predominantly disenfranchise Americans from minority communities.

"We've come too far in our nation's history to refight old battles over voting rights that already have been won," said Senator Gillibrand. "Instead of adding new burdens on voters, we should be giving them new protections. Ensuring that every vote counts is a cornerstone of our democracy that should be embraced by both sides of the aisle. I am honored to work on this bill with a true American hero like Congressman Lewis to ensure that voting is accessible and every American's

voice is heard."

"It should be easy to vote, as simple as getting a glass of water, in a society that believes in the immutable right of every human being to determine his or her own future," said Rep. Lewis. "We must eliminate every barrier and impediment to the electoral process to make voting fair, accessible, and an accurate representation of the will of the people. The vote is the most powerful non-violent tool we have in a democratic society to build."

Over the past two years, numerous states have passed restrictive voter laws, including limiting early voting, purging voter registration lists, and new voter identification requirements. With a pivotal election just weeks away, access to voter registration and to the ballot remains a problem of great concern. Approximately three million Americans were turned away from the polls in the 2008 Presidential election alone due to voter registration problems. One in four voters - an estimated 51 million Americans eligible to vote - are not regis-

The Voter Empowerment Act would modernize voter registration, ensure equal access to the ballot box for all Americans and prohibit deceptive practices and voter fraud that keep people from exercis-ing their constitutional right to vote. The legislation contains three main sections: improving access to the ballot, protecting the integrity of voting systems, and ensuring accountability in elections.

Specifically, the legislation would: Open access to the ballot box by:

Modernizing the voter registration system

Authorizing an online registration option

Authorizing same-day registration and permitting voters to update their registration data onsite

Providing additional tools to alleviate any addition-

al burdens for people with disabilities

- · Requiring all universities that receive federal funds to offer and encourage voter registration to their stu-
- Simplifying registration and ensuring that ballots from all military personnel serving overseas are

Ensure integrity of process by:

- Authorizing funds for training poll workers and setting standards for polling place practices
- Requiring provisional ballots be available and counted at all polling places
- Prohibiting voter caging and designating it as a
- Protecting against deceptive practices and intimidation

Protect accountability of result by:

- Establishing a national voter hotline to ensure timely reporting and corrective action of voting related
- Setting standards for voting machines to ensure accurate tabulation and confirmation of voter intent paper copy verification

 Reauthorizing the Election Assistance Commission to ensure that the highest standards are being met

nationwide to guarantee fair elections

The Voter Empowerment Act is supported by civil rights groups across the country including the NAACP, Project Vote, DEMOS, National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty, FairVote, Common Cause, and National Association of Social Workers.

ULSTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH 2012 FLU & PNEUMONIA CLINIC SCHEDULE

Date Time Location Fri., 09/21/12 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. VFW Post 8645 101 Rte. 208 New Paltz, N.Y. 12561

Fri., 09/28/12 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Hurley Reformed Church 11 Main Street Hurley, N.Y. 12443

Fri., 10/05/12 10 a.m.- 12 p.m. Saugerties Senior Center 207 Market Street, Saugerties, N.Y. 12477 Wed., 10/10/12 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. UCDOH 230 Aaron Court Kingston, N.Y. 12401

Tues., 10/16/12 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Rosendale Rec. Center Rte. 32 Rosendale, N.Y. 12472

Fri., 10/26/12 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Senior Center 1 Town Hall Rd. Lake Katrine, N.Y. 12449 Tues., 10/30/12 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Town Hall, Port

Ewen 174 Broadway Port Ewen, N.Y. 12466 Mon., 11/05/12 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Wallkill Fire Department 18 Park Avenue Wallkill, N.Y. 12589 Wed., 11/14/12 10 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Trudy Resnick Farber Bldg. 50 Center Stree Ellenville, N.Y. 12428 Mon., 11/19/12 10 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Woodstock

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Investigation Found Ex-President Aldon James of American life and often directly benefit huge cor-Exploited Club For Personal Benefit; Lawsuit Seeks Restitution And To Bar James From Running Charities

NEW YORK - Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman announced today that he has filed a lawsuit in New York State Supreme Court against Aldon James, the former president of the National Arts Club, for years of self-dealing and mismanagement that resulted in more than \$1.75 million in lost income to the institution. James served as President and as a member of the Board of the Club from 1986 until his ouster in March 2011. The National Arts Club is a century-old charity

located on Gramercy Park in Manhattan.

The Attorney General's 18-month investigation found Aldon James systematically abused his authority in order to reap substantial personal benefits principally for himself and his twin brother, John James. As alleged in the complaint, Aldon James took advantage of his control of the Club to commandeer more than a dozen apartments, offices and other rentable Club spaces, which he and his brother used for years without paying any rent. His conduct deprived the Club of at least \$1.5 million dollars in rental income it could have obtained in the past six years alone.

"For years, Mr. James took advantage of his role as the leader of the National Arts Club to deprive the organization of valuable assets that should have been used to advance its charitable mission. The time has been reconstituted, yet corporations had pushed the come for real accountability," said Attorney General Schneiderman. "This lawsuit demonstrates that my Who funds ALE office will not tolerate leaders of charities abusing their position for personal gain. Our message is loud sources other than legislative dues, such as corpora-

tion isn't there to serve you."

Aldon James routinely treated the Club's bank ration participates in any of the nine task forces, accounts as his own. Over the course of years, Aldon James freely used Club funds to go on personal shopping sprees at antique shops, flea markets and vintage clothing stores, and used the Club spaces he commandeered to hoard the huge quantities of items he and his some of the biggest foundations funded by corpobrother acquired. Mr. James also regularly used Club rate CEOs in the country, such as: the Koch family funds to pay for his personal meals, and for personal car service and taxi rides to shuttle him around the comes from "Membership Dues" of \$50 per year City. These expenses totaled at least \$250,000 since

hold James accountable for the \$274,000 that he ing here. improperly removed from Kesselring Fund, a restrict-ed endowment of the Club intended solely to support the dramatic arts. In total, the Attorney General seeks to compel James to repay the Club over \$2 million, and to prevent him from serving again as an officer or ship positions. ALEC members, speakers, alumni, director of any New York not-for-profit corporation.

In a related development, the Attorney General has reached a settlement with the National Arts Club that will allow the Club to transition to a new chapter in its history, with a new Board of Governors and stronger governance and financial controls. As part of its settlement with the Attorney General, the Club will be required to continue the reform process it has begun, including establishing a new Audit Committee with direct responsibility for financial oversight; making Club apartments equally available to members at no less than fair market value; and subjecting the expenses of senior Club officers to regular Board scrutiny. The Club also has agreed to complete the process of reconstituting its Board of Governors. Three-quarters of the Governors who served at the time the Attorney General commenced his investigation have stepped down or been replaced; the remaining Governors, including current Club President Diane Bernhard, will step down at the end of their terms next May.

The National Arts Club was founded in 1898 to stimulate, foster and promote public interest in the arts. The Club is located in the landmarked Tilden Mansion at 15 Gramercy Park South in New York City. The Club's Membership has included three former Presidents \_ Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson and Dwight D. Eisenhower - and some of the most important artists and arts patrons in America.

This matter is being handled by Charities Bureau Enforcement Section Chief David E. Nachman and Assistant Attorney General Barbara L. Quint, under the supervision of Jason R. Lilien, Chief of the Charities Bureau, and Executive Deputy Attorney General for Social Justice Janet Sabel.

### POLITICAL SLANT -Frank Comando

THE CENTER FOR MEDIA AND DEMOCRACY Through ALEC, Global Corporations Are Scheming to Rewrite YOUR Rights and Boost THEIR Revenue.

Rescue Squad Rte. 212 Woodstock, N.Y. 12498 Through the corporate-funded *American* Fri., 11/30/12 10 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Shandaken Town *Legislative Exchange Council*, global corporations and state politicians vote behind closed doors to try to rewrite state laws that govern your rights. These so-called "model bills" reach into almost every area porations.

> In ALEC's own words, corporations have influence on specific changes to the law that are then proposed in your state. DO YOU?

ALEC is not a lobby; it is not a front group. It is much more powerful than that. Through ALEC, behind closed doors, corporations hand state legislators the changes to the law they desire that directly benefit their bottom line. Along with legislators, corporations have membership in ALEC. Corporations sit on all nine ALEC task forces and vote with legislators to approve "model" bills. They have their own corporate governing board, which meets jointly with the legislative board. (ALEC says that corporations do not vote on the board.) Corporations fund almost all of ALEC's operations. Participating legislators, overwhelmingly conservative Republicans, then bring those proposals home and introduce them in statehouses across the land as their own brilliant ideas and important public policy innovations-without disclosing that corporations crafted and voted on the bills. ALEC boasts that it has over 1,000 of these bills introduced by legislative members every year, with one in every five of them enacted into law. ALEC describes itself as a "unique," "unparalleled" and "unmatched" organization. We agree. It is as if a state legislature had

Who funds ALEC? More than 98% of ALEC's revenues come from and clear: You serve your organization; the organizations, corporate trade groups, and corporate foundan isn't there to serve you." tions. Each corporate member pays an annual fee of between \$7,000 and \$25,000 a year, and if a corpoadditional fees apply, from \$2,500 to \$10,000 each year. ALEC also receives direct grants from corporations, such as \$1.4 million from Exxon Mobil from 1998-2009. It has also received grants from to name a few. Less than 2% of ALEC's funding paid by state legislators, a steeply discounted price 2006, the Attorney General's investigation found.
In addition, the Attorney General's lawsuit seeks to

CMD's special report on ALEC funding and spendthat may run afoul of state gift bans. For more, see

Is it nonpartisan as claimed?

ALEC describes itself as a non-partisan, nonprofit organization. The facts show that it currently has one Democrat out of 104 legislators in leaderand award winners are a "who's who" of the extreme right. ALEC has given awards to: Ronald Reagan, Margaret Thatcher, George H.W. Bush, Charles and David Koch, Richard de Vos, Tommy Thompson, Gov. John Kasich, Gov. Rick Perry, Congressman Mark Foley (intern sex scandal), and Congressman Billy Tauzin. ALEC alumni include: Speaker of the House John Boehner, House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, Congressman Joe Wilson, (who called President Obama a "liar" during the State of the Union address), former House Speaker Dennis Hastert, former House Speaker Tom DeLay, Andrew Card, Donald Rumsfeld (1985) Chair of ALEC's Business Policy Board), Governor Scott Walker, Governor Jan Brewer, and more. Featured speakers have included: Milton Friedman, Newt Gingrich, Dick Cheney, Dan Quayle, George Allen, Jessie Helms, Pete Coors, Governor Mitch Daniels and more. What goes on behind closed doors? For full article go to http://www.alecexposed.org/wiki/ALEC Exposed

Catskill Churches Celebrate the Harvest Season

A lively concert of music, drama, and dance will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Liberty, NY, on

Sunday, October 7, 2012 at 3:00pm in the afternoon. The

program will include piano and organ music, instrumental and voice solos, a skit, choral pieces, and audience partic-

ipation (hymn-singing). Light refreshments will be

served following the concert. There is no admission

charge for the concert, but donations of money and non-

Sundown WSCS Ladies

Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon

### Community Health Improvement Forum

WHEN: Thursday, October 4th from 6-8 pm WHY: Participate to help the county be healthier! Help our friends, our parents, our children! Speak up!

WHERE: 'Ted 'Stroebele Center on Jefferson Street in Monticello

5:15-6:00 pm

Refreshments & visit the tables of many agencies; Learn about programs; Pick up giveaways; Network with friends and neighbors

6 pm: Health Forum-Highlights

- Unnatural cause 5 minute video: "Is Inequality Making us Sick?"
- Recognition honoring Dr. Kathryn Siebert
- County Health statistics: Be prepared to be shocked!
- Time to have a discussion: Hearing from YOU: This will be the bulk of the Evening DOOR PRIZES

Grahamsville Reformed Church Chicken & Biscuits Dinner Saturday, October 13, 2012

4 pm-7 pm

Menu: Chicken & Biscuits, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Salad, Breads, Assorted Pies & Drinks Adults: \$12, Child 5-10 \$5, under 5 free

· Takeouts Available! •

Gahamsville Reformed Church Hall 845-985-7480

God Bless you and thank you for your support

2012 Season: Open Noon-4 p.m. Thurs.-Sun. and by appointment

332 Main St., Grahamsville

Price: \$2, \$1 ages 6-15; free age 5 and younger

Call: 985-7700

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TIME & THE VALLEYS

Sept 29, 2012
9 a.m.- 3 p.m.

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The Hurleyville and Woodridge United Methodist Churches invite you to weekly worship:

> 9 am in Hurlyeville, 10:30 am in Woodridge.

For more information, call Pastor Susan Woodworth 985-2283



### ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION

The Little Church with the Big Heart

### Sunday, 8:15 am Service of Holy Communion

Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner Coffee hour follows service All are welcome!

5277 State Rt. 42 South Fallsburg 845-887-4742

Rev. Ninon Hutchinson

www.standrewsepiscopalmission.org

### Monday Night Home Bible Study 7 pm Tuesday Night Youth Home Bible Study 7 pm Friday Youth Night 7 pm

Sunday School 9:30 am

Service Times

Sunday Worship

Children's Church

Service/

10:30 am

year for anyone to research.

### Sundown United Methodist Church

Email:

Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am

### Grahamsville United Methodist Church

Sunday Worship Service 10:30am 985-2283

# RAMSAY'S FUNERAL HOMES, INC

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66 John Street, Monticello, New York (845) 794-2700 275 S Main Street, Liberty, New York (845) 292-7100 Route 55, Kauneonga Lake, New York (845) 583-5445

### Loucks Funeral Home

Geoff and Heather Hazzard & Anthony Perito

> 79 North Main Street Ellenville, New York (845) 647-4343

### Clargoille Reformed Church

Claryville Road Claryville, NY 12725 845-985-2041



Bible Class 9:00 am Worship Services @ 10:00 am Rev. Paul Nulton John Bult, Organist

### CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

(embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)

6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY

Weekend Mass schedule: Saturday afternoon: 5:00.

Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Holy days of obligation: as announced in church bulletin.

Daily Mass schedule:

Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:50 am

Saturday afternoon confessions: 4 to 4:45.

Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

perishable food items will be accepted to benefit the needy in the communities of Liberty, Ellenville and Narrowsburg. St. Paul's is located at 24 Chestnut Street in Liberty. Free parking is available in several locations: behind the church, in the post office parking lot next door, in the municipal lots on Darbee Lane (one block from the church), and on the street. For information, contact the church at 845-292-4626. The event is sponsored by the Catskill Area Lutheran Churches, a fellowship of three congregations (St. Paul's-Liberty; Christ Lutheran-Ellenville; St. Paul's-Narrowsburg) working together to make a difference.

### SLAC

Senior Legislative Action Committee of Sullivan County Monthly meeting,

Friday, September 28, 2012 at 10 am in the Legislative Hearing Room at the Government Center in Monticello.

A Legislative Representative of Senator Kirsten Gillibrand will be the guest speaker and also the bi-annual election of officers will be held.

For further information call: 807-0260/985-7901.

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### St . Augustine's Chapel

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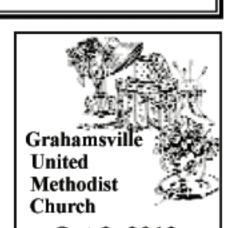
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Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor



S:30 pm Sundown United Methodist Church

at the Sundown Church Hall



Oct 2, 2012 Thrift Sale 9am-1 pm Luncheon 11am-1 pm

> Thrift Sale Only Oct 20, 2012 9 am-1 pm

# Grahamsville Reformed Church Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

Worship Service 9:30 A.M.

Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor

845-985-7480

### LEGALS/PUBLIC NOTICES

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing, pursuant to Section 276, Town Law, on the application of Phil Coombe, Jr. & Richard I. Coombe for the purpose of a 2 Lot Subdivision located at South Hill Road & Broadhead Road, Grahamsville, New York (SBL#45.1-7.2). Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, N.Y. on Wednesday, October 03, 2012, at 7:30 P.M. at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD TOWN OF NEVERSINK JAMES STANGEL, CHAIRMAN

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Town of Neversink Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing, pursuant to Section 276, Town Law, on the application of Thunder View Farms, LLC for the purpose of a 2 Lot Subdivision located at 407 South Hill Road, Grahamsville, New York (SBL#33.-1-16.2). Said hearing will take place at the Neversink Town Hall, Grahamsville, N.Y. on Wednesday, October 03, 2012, at 7:30 P.M. at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF THE PLANNING BOARD TOWN OF NEVERSINK JAMES STANGEL, CHAIRMAN

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**BE IT RESOLVED** that pursuant to Section 176(23) of the Town Law, the Claryville Fire District, Town(s) of Denning and Neversink, Counties of Ulster and Sullivan, State of New York does hereby declare the following items of equipment, apparatus or personal property is no longer necessary for the purposes of the Fire District; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 176(23) of the Town Law the Claryville Fire District is authorized to dispose and sell the following equipment of the Claryville Fire District subject to the bidding requirement set forth in Article 18 of the General Municipal Law. All bids should be submitted by October 27, 2012.

1976 GMC 6500 Stored inside for 36 years Previous fire truck, Now half completed conversion to ramp truck. Would make great race car hauler. Frame, running gear & cab in excellent condition. less than 11,000 original miles, 427 cu. in. gas engine, 5speed standard trans. Good tires.

Claryville Fire District reserves the right to reject any, or all bids. TRUCK IS BEING SOLD AS IS CONDITION and can be inspected at CVFD firehouse. call chief Michael Larison at 985-0169 with any questions.

Take the Eco-Bot Challenge with Sullivan County 4-H

Help celebrate 4-H National Youth Science Day by trying the 4-H Eco-Bot Challenge on October 12th at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County 4-H Connects Meeting. Interested youth 5-19 years old are invited to join 4-H Educators Nikki Olsen and Marylin Jones in working on this year's National Science Experiment. 4-H Connects meetings are free and open to the public. The meetings are held bi-monthly and begin at 6:30 pm, generally ending by 8:00 pm, at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Rd in Liberty, NY. Interested youth must sign up for the October 12th meeting to insure that we have supplies for every participant. Please register by noon, October 12th by calling 845-292-6180. Direct questions to Marylin Jones at mlr34@cornell.edu.

In this year's experiment, the 4-H Eco-Bot Challenge, youth will enhance their engineering skills by learning to think like a robotics engineer, assembling their own robots, also known as Eco-Bots, and control surfaces in order to manage an environmental clean-up. Youth will then test the interaction between the Eco-Bot's environmental engineering design features and various control surface configurations to determine the most effective environmental clean-up solution for a simulated toxic spill.

This October, millions of young people across the nation will become scientists for the day during the Fifth Annual 4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD). NYSD is the premier national rallying event for year-round 4-H Science programming, bringing together youth, volunteers and educators from the nation's 111 land-grant colleges and universities to simultaneously complete the National Science Experiment.

# Snowmobile Safe Operator's Course for Youth

LIBERTY-Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County 4-H Youth Development Program will host a Snowmobile Safe Operator's course for youth on Sunday, November 11th from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. To earn this certificate and gain valuable knowledge about the safe operation of motorized vehicles, call 845-292-6180 to register. This class is limited to 30 registrants, ages 10 to 17, so please register early to ensure a spot! Youth must be age 10 as of 11/11/12 (date of class) in order to enroll. There is no fee to participate in the 4-H Snowmobile Safety Course. A parent or guardian must sign a parental consent form for youth to participate. Each participant is expected to bring a bag lunch and a pencil.

New York State Law requires that children ages 10 - 17 earn a snowmobile safe operator's certificate to operate a snowmobile independently. This certificate must be with the child at all times when operating a snowmobile without the supervision of an adult.

Caregiver Resource Center present Mobility, Safety and Fall Prevention

On Tuesday October 2 at 4:30pm (at Cornell Cooperative Ext.) the Caregiver Resource Center will welcome Dr. C. McGinnis, PT, DPT & Dr. M. Parlapiano, PT, DPT to present Mobility, Safety and Fall Prevention. This is a great opportunity to learn from two experienced and well-trained professionals on how you can assist your loved one with reduced or impaired mobility in the home.

Have you had difficulty getting your care receiver in or out of bed, transferred into a chair (or wheelchair), in or out of a car or worried they are going to fall at any minute? Are you worried YOU are going to be injured in the process of assisting your aging or disabled loved one get about the house or while on a trip to the physician? Dr. McGinnis and Dr. Parlapiano can give you tips to save your back or prevent your own injury.

Moving about safely at home is an important issue for the individual requiring care and the caregiver. Falls are the leading cause of injury death for older Americans, threatening seniors' safety and independence and generating enormous economic and personal costs. In January 2010, the NYS Bureau of Injury Prevention reported that on any given day two older New Yorkers die because of a fall and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that the financial toll for older adults is expected to reach \$54.9 billion by 2020!

Register for this free lecture with evidencebased information!

Please call 292-6180 (Cornell Cooperative Extension Sull. Co.) and speak to Cindy.

# Group Plans to Help with Broadway Tree Maintenance

LIBERTY - Sullivan County residents interested in caring about public trees were invited to join the new "Tree Keepers" organization at a meeting held this past on Monday, in the CVI Center in Liberty. The group is planning its first community project in October to assist with maintenance of the street trees on Broadway in Monticello.

The organization is also developing a tree census form to inventory trees in other communities. And it is developing an action plan that is reasonable and supports individual efforts in each of communities represented.

This initiative is being sponsored initially by Sullivan Renaissance, Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) of Sullivan County and individuals concerned about protecting public and private trees.

As part of this effort, CCE has held two sets of "Tree Steward" classes in August and September. Each were two-day training that included eight hours of hands-on instruction on how to identify, plant and care for trees, followed by ten hours of community service.

Cornell Cooperative Extension is a statewide educational organization funded by national, state and county governments - that helps New York residents put research-based knowledge to work. For information visit http://blogs.cce.cornell.edu/sullivan/ or call 845-292-6180.

Sullivan Renaissance is a beautification and community development program principally funded by the Gerry Foundation. For information call Sullivan Renaissance at 845-295-2445 or visit www.sullivanrenaissance.org.

Fall Class Schedule at the CAS

Livingston Manor, NY - Catskill Art Society (CAS) is offering the following classes at the CAS Arts Center this fall. Workshops are available for children and adults at all levels of experience. Space is limited and advance reservations are required.

The CAS Arts Center is located at 48 Main Street in Livingston Manor, NY and fully wheel chair accessible. Please contact the CAS Arts Center: 845-436-4227 for more information or visit catskillartsociety org

catskillartsociety.org

Hey Kids, Let's Get Creative! (Six Sundays)

Sundays, Sept 30 & Oct 7, 14, 21 & Nov 4, 11, 11:30am-12:30pm

Artist Instructor: Betsy Woolf Fee: Member \$85, Non-Member \$100

Calling all creative kids: ages 7-10! Join us for this six week series of workshops that focus on drawing, painting and collage, and express your imagination! Each week, you'll learn one or more new art techniques while we focus on a different project. We'll create folk art by drawing from a bird's eye view and make mandalas, puppets (complete with personalities), totems and more to take home. Come explore who you are and learn more about the world around you. One hour of guaranteed fun! \*All supplies included.

Bring a bag lunch and stay for another hour of fun with pottery at 1:00 p.m.

with pottery at 1:00 p.m.

Kids Wheel Throwing Clay Class (Six Sundays)
Sundays, September 30 & October 7, 14, 21 &
November 4, 11, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Artist Instructor: Jesse Spaeth

Fee: CAS Member \$70, Non-Member \$85
In this wheel thrown pottery class for ages 7-10, students will learn how to center the clay on the wheel and then form it into vases, mugs and bowls. We will also work on adding the finishing touches to the piece by trimming to form a foot ring and adding handles.

The students will then be able to glaze their pots in

the last two lessons.

Pots for Tots (Six Sundays)
Sundays, September 30 & October 7, 14, 21 &
November 4, 11, 2:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Artist
Instructor: Jesse Spaeth Fee: CAS Member \$70, NonMember \$85

This fun class is for ages 4-7 and will explore the world of hand-building pottery with clay. Jesse will teach students how to hand build their own pots. We will make slab and coil built dishes, including plates, bowls and mugs. The students will then be able to glaze their pots in the last two lessons.

BOTANICALART: Drawing & Watercolor (Three Saturdays) Saturdays, October 6, 13, 20, 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Artist Instructor: Roberta Rosenthal Fee: CAS Member \$140, Non-Member \$155

Drawing in graphite, watercolor pencils and painting in tube watercolors, students will learn how to depict native plants, local flowers and foliage. Subjects will include botanical fall flowers, fruits and vegetables. For teens and adults.

DRAWING AND PAINTING: Still Life and the Clothed Figure (Six Saturdays) Saturdays, October 6, 13, 20, 27 & November 3, 10, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Artist Instructor: Helena Clare Pittman Fee: Member \$210, Non-Member \$230

In this workshop we'll alternate between still life: objects, flowers and fruit; and drawing from the clothed figure. Our models are dancers. The poses are graceful and full of movement. We'll work with light and shadow, line, form and composition, gesture and proportion. We'll approach the work from exercises which facilitate the freedom to draw, during short and long poses. Bring thick vine charcoal, an eraser, a rag and an a8X24 newsprint paper pad, and anything else you like to work with. This workshop serves beginners and experienced artists.

# Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department

www.townofneversink.org (845) 985-2262 extension 312

Shopping Colonie Center, Albany, NY Friday, November 16. Leave the Town Hall at 8 am return to the Town Hall at approximately 7 pm. \$21 residents and non-residents must be paid by October 16.

Transportation to NYC Saturday, December 1 Drop off near Times Square. Leave Town Hall at 8 am, return at approximately 8 pm. \$21 residents & non-residents must be paid no later than November 8.

Permission slips can be downloaded from our website:

www.townofneversink.org or picked up in the Parks and Recreation office in the Town Hall on Tuesdays from 3 pm to 6 pm. For more information call 985-2262 ext. 312 or email racerj12d@aol.com.

FREE FUN every FRIDAY afternoon 1-4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.

Walking Club Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 Grahamsville Fairgrounds



Daniel Pierce Library hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011. Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday and Monday: Closed If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.

VETERANS always Free search of the Archives for family or history of Sullivan County at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY. For information call 845-434-8044.

### AL-ANON MEETINGS -

http://www.al-anon.alateen.org Mon- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty Thurs- 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne Sat- 8:00 p.m. United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty



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WSCS Ladies Annual Harvest Fair & Luncheon 9am-3pm Sundown Church Hall

9/29/12 9/30/12 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Poker Run 10 am- 3 pm - Grahamsville Fairgrounds

10/2/12 Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale (9am-1pm) & Luncheon (11am-1pm)

Town of Denning Town Board Meeting - Sundown Church Hall - 7:00 pm Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting - 7:30 pm 10/2/12

10/3/12

10/6/12 Daniel Pierce Library 27th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party & Children's Parade

10/6/12 Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper - Church Hall 5:30 pm

10/9/12 Claryville Fire District Meeting 6:30 pm

10/9/12 Town of Denning Audit Meeting - Denning Town Hall 7 pm

10/8/12 Town of Neversink Holiday - COLUMBUS DAY 10/10/12 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm

10/10/12 Claryville Fire District Meeting - 6:30 pm -Regular meeting & Public Hearing Budget 10/11/12 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.

10/13/12 Grahamsville Reformed Church Chicken & Biscuits Dinner 4-7 pm 985-7480

10/16/12 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 PM, Public Meeting at 8:00 PM

10/16/12 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm

10/17/12 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM

10/13/12 Grahamsville Reformed Church Chicken & Biscuit Dinner - 4-7 pm 985-7480

10/20/12 Grahamsville UMC Thrift Sale only - 9 am - 1 pm

10/20/12 Claryville Reformed Church Roast Pork Dinner - 4 -7 pm 10/30/12 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec Advisory Bd Meeting - 7 pm Neversink Town Hall

Save the Dates!

Sept 30 - Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Poker Run October 6 - Daniel Pierce Library 27th Annual Giant Pumpkin Party & Children's Parade Saturday, May 4th, 2013 for the Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk in the Townsman

-- in memory of Donald Ter Bush, Charter Member and President of the Tri-Valley Lions, who passed away July 16, 2012. Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

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**TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS** ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Town of Olive Board Auditing Meeting every second Monday of each month. This meeting is open to the public and all bills being reviewed are available for the general public to see.

<u>Town Board</u> meets <u>every second Tuesday of each month.</u> Both meetings begin at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY.

<u>Town of Olive Planning Board</u> meets the <u>first and third Tuesdays of each month.</u> Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY. You can contact the Town Building & Zoning Department to confirm a meeting date if you would like to attend at 657-2015. If there is nothing on their agenda, they will cancel meetings.

### Vendors Wanted

3rd Annual Sportsmen's Flea Market, sponsored by the Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club, Inc. Sept. 29, 2012 · 9:00 am to 5:00 p.m. Table Space • \$15. Extra table \$10

For information call: Gary Castle (845) 985-0292 or Mike Depuy (845) 985-2693

# O, Beautiful End - Memorial Poems By

Geoffrey Shugen Arnold

Join us for this very special public reading and signing at the Phoenicia Library on October 14th, 2012 at 4PM at Phoenicia Library, 9 Ava Maria, Phoenicia NY.

This is the first time we have hosted one of the teachers from Zen Mountain Monastery, just down the road from the library a few miles from the library in Come learn about poetry, litur-Mount Tremper. gy, the creative process and Zen. There will be time for question and answer, as well as an opportunity to purchase a copy of the book and have it personally signed by Shugen Sensei.

Shugen Sensei's book O, Beautiful End: Memorial Poems encourages us to turn our attention to the vast and fragile nature of this life and look deeply into our own solitude and the loving embrace of our lives together. This moving collection of memorial poems is both celebratory and elegiac. The poems' real power lies in their ability to give voice to the most fundamen-tal questions about the nature of impermanence, life and death, delusion and enlightenment.

Seating is Limited. Please call or email the library to reserve a seat. Call 845-688-7811 to pre-register

Geoffrey Shugen Arnold received dharma transmission from John Daido Loori in 1997. He is the Head of the Mountains and Rivers Order, abbot of the Zen Center of New York City, and director of the National Buddhist Prison Sangha. His teachings have appeared in various Buddhist journals and in *The Best Buddhist* Writing, 2009. www.mro.org/firelotus.

The Truth About Mormonism

A bible study called "The Truth About Mormonism" will be presented Oct. 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Lighthouse Ministries located at 5 Triangle Road opposite Alberts Liberty House Restaurant.

Pastor Rich Ienuso will give the presentation and everyone is invited.

For information call 845-985-7026.

### 1st CCE Outdoor Club Hike Rescheduled

The first scheduled hike that was scheduled for September 18, 2012 for the CCE Outdoor Club has been POSTPONED until Tuesday, October 2nd at 5 pm, due to the inclement weather conditions.

Please email Nicole Slevin at nas96@cornell.edu or call 845-292-6180 with any questions. Thank you.

### Unlimited: Ashokan-Pepacton Trout Watershed Chapter; Ramblings of a Charmed Circle Flyfisher: Lecture and Book Signing with Ed Ostapczuk

On Wednesday, September 26th, the Ashokan-Pepacton Watershed Chapter of Trout Unlimited hosted a lecture and book signing with Ed Ostapczuk, author of the recently released Ramblings of a Charmed Circle Flyfisher.

Ed is a longtime member of our Chapter and brought his special perspective to tales of Cecil Heacox and the famed Charmed Circle of the Catskills. Touching on fishing narratives from the Beaverkill, Willowemoc, Neversink, Esopus, Schoharie, Rondout, and Delaware Rivers, Ed also brought a copy of Heacox's noted articles "Charmed Circle of The Catskills" which appeared in the 1969 March and April issues of Outdoor Life and greatly influenced his life on our streams.

For more information, please visit: www.apwctu.org

### Mt. Airy Casino/Crossings Premium Outlets Bus Trip

A bus trip is being planned for November 10, 2012 to Mt. Airy Casino/Crossing Premium Outlets. The bus will leave behind Provident Bank in South Fallsburg at 8:45 am and arrive at Mt. Airy Casino at approximately 10:30 am. They will leave the casino at 3:30 pm and head to Crossings Premium Outlets. The cost is \$40.00 per person.

You will receive \$25.00 in free play, and \$10.00 for food. Those who have been on a previous bus trip with Regina, will receive a discount. All proceeds from the event will go to the Diabetes Organization. For more information call Regina at 434-9064.

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### HELP WANTED

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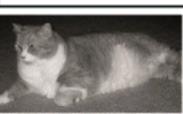
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Knarf's Movie Trivia FOUR FEATHERS (Adventure 1939) In England's never ending quest to rule the world a disgraced British officer risks his life to help the friends he grew up with, Friends who are now in battle during the English rape of India. Directed by Zoltan Korda, Starring,

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I. Who played General Burroughs?"

2. Who played the young Harry Faversham?

What's going on in the Gnome Gneighborhood<sup>TM</sup> this week?

GRAHAMSVILLE - It's time for the Daniel Pierce Library's Twenty-Seventh Annual GIANT PUMP-KIN PARTY and Children's Parade Saturday October 6, 2012, 9:00 Am - to 5:00 Pm Free Admission "Don't Miss It'

<u>SUNDOWN -</u> CHURCH BAZAAR & LUN-CHEON

Needle Work, Baked Goods, Christmas Table White Elephant Sale, Homemade Candy! SEPTEMBER 29, 9:00 am - to 3:00 pm Sundown Community Hall In the heart of Sundown

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