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Fire destroys PA business

BY LILLY PARNELL

HONESDALE, PA – A fire broke out at ProJan Professional Cleaning & Restoration on the corner of Dennis Rd. and Cochection Turnpike in Honesdale early Thursday morning, reducing the business to rubble.

There are no injuries and all eight employees were at home at the time the fire was reported. As of presstime, the fire was ruled as accidental, and it remains under investigation by the fire marshal.

"By the time we arrived, the building was fully engulfed in flames," said Assistant Chief of the Equinunk Volunteer Fire Company Dan Gill, "we got the call at around 1:30 a.m. and it wasn't completely put out until around 5:30 this morning."

Assisting the Equinunk Volunteer Fire Company at the scene or on standby were Damascus EMS, the Honesdale Fire Department, White Mills Fire Department, Prompton Fire Company, Seelyville Fire Company, Callicoon Fire Department, Lake Huntington Fire Department, Hortonville Fire Company, Pleasant Mount Emergency Services,

Beach Lake Fire Company, Wayne County EMA, Hancock Fire Department, and the White Lake Fire Company. The Equinunk Volunteer Fire Company also thanked Rutledge Excavating for use of their excavator.

ProJan has been a family-owned business for over 40 years. They specialize in cleaning and restoring items that are damaged by fire and

water. The team plans to resume their projects as soon as possible, helping community members also affected by fires. Managerial tasks will be conducted remotely until they rebuild.

"We are all in shock," said ProJan Project Manager Chad Kihullen. "We lost absolutely everything, but we are going to get through this as a team."



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE EQUINUNK VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

The fire fully engulfed ProJan Professional Cleaning & Restoration by the time emergency services arrived at 1:30 a.m. Thursday morning. The fire was ruled as an accident.

Fire displaces fourteen

KIAMESHA LAKE — At 1:40 p.m. on Monday, Monticello firefighters were dispatched to a structure fire with reported entrapment at 428 Fraser Road in the Kiamesha Lake section of the Town of Thompson.

Enroute Monticello Engine 22-14 requested a second alarm for a working structure fire in an occupied three-story multiple residence building at the corner of Route 42 and Fraser Road.

Firefighting efforts were hampered by a broken fire hydrant near the scene. Initial attack by firefighters reported heavy fire in a second floor apartment extending upward to the third floor.

Firefighters searching the building rescued an occupant from the third floor and extricated the victim through a third floor window into the bucket of Monticello Tower 22-41. The victim was treated by Mobilemedic and transported to Garnet Health



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE MONTICELLO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Multiple fire departments battled a blaze in Kiamesha Lake on Monday.

Medical Center-Catskills with smoke inhalation and flown by Medivac to Westchester Medical Center. No other injuries were reported.

Engines, rescues and manpower were requested from Rock Hill, Wurtsboro, White Sulphur Springs, Liberty Truck 17-41 and Silver Lake Truck 160, as well as Town of Bethel FAST Team. Hurleyville was on standby in Monticello's Station, Livingston Manor in Liberty's Station and Woodridge for all calls in Rock Hill.

Monticello was assisted at scene by Sullivan County Bureau of Fire, Sullivan County EMS, Mobilemedic

EMS, Catskill Hatzolah, Sullivan County Sheriff's Department, New York State DOT, Town of Thompson Code Enforcement, Sullivan County Fire Investigators and NYSEG for a power cut.

Sullivan County Red Cross was on scene to assist displaced residents. In total 14 residents were displaced. All units were back in service by 7:11 p.m.

As of presstime, the Sullivan County Division of Health and Family Services was providing emergency housing to eight individuals and one family of three who were displaced because of the fire.

Report slams Cuomo

BY JOSEPH ABRAHAM

SULLIVAN COUNTY – Local officials are once again calling for New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo to resign following a press conference by New York Attorney General Letitia James on Tuesday. Independent investigators appointed by James, led by Joon Kim and Anne Clark, released their report into the multiple allegations of sexual harassment by Governor Cuomo.

A press release from the AG's office summarizing the report said, "After nearly five months, the investigators concluded that Governor Cuomo did sexually harass multiple women, including former and current state employees, by engaging in unwanted groping, kissing, and hugging, and making inappropriate comments."

"Further, the governor and his senior staff took actions to retaliate against at least one former employee for coming forward with her story," the press release continued. "Finally, the Executive Chamber fostered a

'toxic' workplace that enabled 'harassment to occur and created a hostile work environment.' The investigators find that Governor Cuomo's actions and those of the Executive Chamber violated multiple state and federal laws, as well as the Executive Chamber's own written policies."

The investigation was conducted after, on March 1, 2021, the Executive Chamber made a referral, pursuant to New York Executive Law Section 63(8), for Attorney General James to select independent lawyers to investigate "allegations of and circumstances surrounding sexual harassment claims made against the governor."

Kim and Clark were chosen to lead the investigation on March 8, 2021.

Starting in December 2020, multiple women came forward with allegations that Governor Cuomo sexually harassed them.

The report said that over the course of the investigation, the investigators interviewed 179 individuals and

Gunther, Martucci call for his resignation

reviewed over 74,000 pieces of evidence.

To read the full press release summarizing the report, visit ag.ny.gov/press-release/2021/independent-investigators-find-governor-cuomo-sexually-harassed-multiple-women.

Local reaction

New York State Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther and New York State Senator Mike Martucci have been outspoken about Governor Cuomo in recent months amid multiple allegations of sexual harassment.

"As I called for months ago,

PLEASE SEE CUOMO, 3A

Helping those most in need

STORY AND PHOTO BY LILLY PARNELL

MONTICELLO – Director of the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless, Kathy Kreiter, announced at press conference on Wednesday August 4, a fund designated to help residents most affected by the pandemic.

New Yorkers who lost significant income because of the pandemic and were not eligible for unemployment or other federal relief benefits are now able to receive

aid through the Excluded Workers Fund (EWF). This fund allocates benefits to those who earned less than \$26,200 in the 12 months before April 2021 and who lost significant income between March 27, 2020 and April 1, 2021.

"If you lost 50 percent or more of your weekly work income because you lost your job, lost hours at your job, became unable to work because of illness from the virus, became responsible for your household because the head of household died

or became disabled, or were not able to receive unemployment because of an issue with your immigration status, you may be eligible for a payment from New York State," said Kreiter.

The New York State Department of Labor and the Federation for the Homeless contracted for the one-time payment to those who qualify. This amount is designated into a two-tier system, dependent on the amount of work proof pro-

PLEASE SEE HELP, 3A



Director of the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless, Kathy Kreiter, held a press conference at the County Government Center in Monticello on Wednesday to announce the Excluded Workers Fund. She also announced a series of community outreach events that will attempt to spread the word further.

COVID-19 Update

- Current Active Cases: 107; up from 72
 - Deaths: 78; up from 77
 - In Quarantine: 169; up from 110
 - Total Confirmed Cases: 6,843; up from 6,783
 - Hospitalized: 4; same
 - On Ventilation: 0; same
 - First Dose of Vaccine: 38,477; up from 38,300
 - Completed Vaccine: 34,979; up from 34,824
- These are the latest numbers from Sullivan County Public Health Services as of Thursday, Aug. 5.

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CLARIFICATION

In our Friday, July 30 edition we published a story entitled "Office for the Aging, Sullivan 180 launch 'OFA on Wheels'" (2A). We'd like to clarify that the bus is owned and operated by Rolling V transportation. It is still used as a Mobile Classroom. The bus was offered to any community organization for their use. It is provided through a partnership between Rolling V, Sullivan BOCES, Sullivan 180, and Assemblywoman Gunther's office.

MEETINGS

MONDAY, AUGUST 9
Western Sullivan Public Library, Board of Trustees Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Delaware Free Branch, 45 Lower Main St., Callicoon.
Town of Fallsburg, Town Board Meeting, 6 p.m., 19 Railroad Plaza, South Fallsburg.
Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District, Monthly

Tick-Transmitted diseases rising

Public Health urges awareness and prevention

LIBERTY – Lyme Disease and other tick-borne illnesses continue to be a health concern in Sullivan County. "While Lyme Disease remains the prevalent tick-transmitted disease in the County, we are seeing a dramatic rise in the number of cases of anaplasmosis, another tick-borne illness," notes Public Health Director Nancy McGraw. "In all of 2019, Sullivan County had 653 cases of Lyme and 32 cases of anaplasmosis. In the first half of 2021, there have already been 322 cases of Lyme and 32 cases of anaplasmosis."

Lyme Disease and anaplasmosis both can be transmitted through the bite of the black-legged tick, or deer tick. They can cause symptoms such as fever, muscle aches and pains, headache and sometimes insomnia. "But while Lyme Disease can sometimes cause the characteristic 'bullseye' rash, anaplasmosis does not cause any rash whatsoever," explains Public Health Educator Jill Hubert-Simon, well-known as the County's "Tick Chick." "Even if you have not seen a tick, if you are feeling any of these symptoms, please reach out to your health care provider to dis-



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Ticks which carry Lyme Disease can be exceedingly tiny, so pay close attention when checking for them.

cuss both Lyme Disease and anaplasmosis testing. These illnesses can be successfully treated with antibiotics if diagnosed early."

The best defense against all tick-borne illnesses is prevention. Ticks live in shady, moist areas at ground level. They will cling to tall grass, brush and shrubs, usually no more than 18-24 inches off the ground. They also live in lawns and gardens, especially at the edges of woods and around old stone walls. To decrease the number of ticks on your yard, make sure the grass is cut, and remove any leaf litter and other litter. Also, keep the area under birdfeeders clean to minimize the number of rodents who will visit the yard.

There are some easy ways to protect yourself from tick bites and tickborne illness:

- Wear light-colored clothing with a tight weave to spot ticks easily.
- Wear enclosed shoes, long pants and a long-sleeved shirt. Tuck pant legs into socks or boots and shirt into pants.
- Check clothes and any exposed skin frequently for ticks while outdoors.
- Consider using insect repellent on the skin.
- Consider treating clothes with permethrin.
- Stay on cleared, well-traveled trails. Walk in the center of trails. Avoid dense woods and bushy areas.
- Avoid sitting directly on the ground or on stone walls.
- Keep long hair tied back, especially when gardening.

• If possible, remove clothes prior to entering the main part of the house to prevent ticks from coming into the home. As an alternative, use a lint roller over clothes prior to coming into the home to remove any ticks which may remain on clothing and skin

• Bathe or shower as soon as possible after going indoors (preferably within two hours) to wash off and more easily find ticks that may be on you

• Do a final, full-body tick check at the end of the day (also check children and pets), and remove ticks promptly.

For more information, call Sullivan County Public Health at 845-292-5910, ext. 2243 or visit the following websites:
www.sullivanyny.us/Departments/PublicHealth/HealthEducation
www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/lyme/
www.cdc.gov/lyme/faq/index.html
www.tickcounter.org/

Fire causes traffic jam

A vehicle fire on Route 17 eastbound on Sunday around 12:30 p.m. reportedly backed up traffic from Exit 110-114. According to Wurtsboro Fire Chief Dustin Graham, when firefighters arrived the vehicle was fully engulfed. The Wurtsboro Fire Department and the Bloomingburg Fire Company responded to the fire and were on scene for 35-40 minutes. No one was injured.



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A life of service

Ralph Liff remembered

BY PATRICIO ROBAYO

WHITE LAKE - Sullivan County and the White Lake Fire Company family have lost long-time firefighter and community member Ralph Liff.

Liff, who turned 103 years young this year, has lived a life of service to the fire company and his family as he led by example to put others before himself.

Joining the fire company in 1954 while working at the dairy farm and at a swimming pool company during the day, Liff told the Democrat last year his reason for joining was simple — they needed firefighters.

Born in Ohio on May 7, 1918, Liff's family made their way to Sullivan County when he was just one year old. He saw the many changes of Sullivan County during his years here, from the rise and fall of the Borscht Belt hotels, Woodstock's celebration and many more.

He was born into the dairy farming life, all while keeping a full-time job at Quickway Metal.

His family said, "Ralph did whatever was needed to provide for his family the best he could. This very busy life continued until he fi-

nally sold the cows and decided to retire from the farm. At that time, he and his wife Lenore were able to start leading a more 'normal life.'"

According to Liff's family, he enjoyed an active life in Florida during the winters attending dances, sing alongs, movies, bingo, and hitting the gym every other day.

When he made his way back home to Bethel, he could often be found working his property, either mowing the lawn or tractor-ing the fields.

The White Lake Fire Department said in a statement, "The Liff name is a staple in the White Lake Fire Company, and Ralph is an inspiration to so many. We wish our sincerest condolences to his son and past chief Ira 'Moose' Liff and the entire Liff family. Rest easy Ralph. We will take it from here."

Bethel Town Supervisor Dan Sturm said, "Ralph Liff was an extremely well-liked, respected, long-time honorable member of this community. In my experience



DEMOCRAT FILE PHOTO
Ralph Liff, a 67-year member of the White Lake Fire Company, passed away on July 31.

with him, he was always gracious and had great words of kindness and encouragement. He will be sorely missed, and we are grateful for all his many years of service, and our prayers are with his family at this time."

Funeral services will take place for immediate family to avoid public safety issues, but a celebration in Ralph Liff's honor will be held at a later date.

CUOMO: Asked to resign by local officials

FROM FRONT PAGE

the Governor must resign," said Gunther. "The details of these allegations are horrifying. The Attorney General's conclusion that the Governor violated state and federal laws is unambiguous. If he does not resign by the end of the day, the Assembly must reconvene in special session immediately to begin impeachment proceedings."

On Tuesday, Gunther told the Democrat that, "I hope anybody that serves in public office or in any position of power, will realize that this kind of behavior is just not tolerated in any part of society."

Martucci in a statement on Tuesday reacting to the report said, "The disturbing evidence of sexual harassment detailed by the Attorney General and her investigators at today's press conference confirms what I already believed to be true — Andrew Cuomo is utterly unfit to continue to



FILE PHOTO
A report released by the NYS Attorney General's Office on Tuesday slammed Governor Andrew Cuomo.

serve as Governor of our great State. If he has any shame he ought to resign immediately. If he refuses to do so, the State Assembly must finally do its job and impeach him.

"Make no mistake, the Governor's conduct broke Federal and State laws. He even sexually harassed a State Trooper assigned to his protection detail," Martucci continued. "This is someone who would have taken a bullet to protect him. Members of the Legislature were elected to uphold the laws and Constitution of our State.

Failure to remove Andrew Cuomo would be a dereliction of that duty, and I don't intend to shirk mine."

Martucci thanked the Attorney General and special investigators, and also recognized the "courage and bravery" of the women who spoke out.

"Justice demands that we honor their bravery by ensuring that justice is done on Governor Cuomo," he said. "Our state must finally turn the page on his corrosive and corrupt leadership. The time is now."

HELP: On the way for those who need it

FROM FRONT PAGE

vided when these documents are submitted. Excluding taxes, tier one offers a payment of \$15,600 while tier 2 gives \$3,200 to those who need it.

"At the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless, we are going to provide di-

rect assistance for those seeking EWF benefits," said Kreiter. "We will assist people in collecting and submitting their documents."

Due to a multitude of circumstances, such as not having access to a phone, the Internet, or devices that scan documents, the Federation

for the Homeless is offering aid to those who want to apply but may not have the means of doing so. Kreiter encouraged those who are seeking aid to contact the Federation's Case Manager Ruby Ehlers.

The documents required for these benefits will only be used to prove an applicant's identity, status as a New York resident, and information about their work history. The Federation for the Homeless promises to not share this information unless required by law.

Applications are available starting this month. For more information, call Ehlers at 845-794-2604 or visit the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless at 9 Monticello St. in Monticello.

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Livingston Manor - 568 Old Rt. 17. worship at 9:30 a.m.
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Jeffersonville - St. George's, Saturday Vigil Mass, 4 p.m. Sunday Mass 7:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
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Youngsville - St. Francis, Sunday Mass 9 a.m.
Yulan - St. Anthony's Church - Sat. Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m., Sunday Mass 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
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Callicoon - St. James Episcopal Church, 17B. Saturday Service 10:00 a.m. 887-3201.
Monticello - St. John's Church, St. John Street. Sunday Service at 9:30 a.m. 887-3201.
South Fallsburg - St. Andrew's, The Little Church with the Big Heart, 5277 Rt 42. Service: Sunday at 8 a.m. 845-887-3201.

INDEPENDENT BAPTIST

Damascus, Pa. - First Baptist Church of Damascus Home of Damascus Christian Academy. Sunday School for all ages 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting & Youth Groups 7:00 p.m. Phone (570) 224-4929.

JEWISH

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LUTHERAN

Ellenville - Christ Lutheran Church, 105 Center St. - Sunday Worship Service 11:15 a.m., Holy Communion twice a month. Pastor Peter Rustico 845-647-9054.
Liberty - St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 24 Chestnut St. Worship Schedule Sunday morning worship with Holy Commu-

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METHODIST (UNITED)

Barryville - 3405 Route 97, Barryville. Worship 9 am. Charles Perez, Pastor 557-6216. BarryvilleUMC@Frontiernet.net, www.Facebook.com/BUMCNY.
Fosterdale - Rt. 17B near Hwy. 52. Worship 10 a.m. Pastor Bill Hagerty, 845-866-6757.
Hurleyville - Main Street, 845-434-5097, until further notice, Hurleyville joins Monticello UMC for Virtual Worship every Sunday at 11:00 am thru Face book Live / Monticello UMC. Pastors: Jorge Lopez (794-6325) and Walter Haff (631-680-1010).

Jeffersonville - Maple Ave. Sunday Worship service 10:30 a.m. Pastor Paul Thompson, 845-283-4690.
Kauneonga Lake - Sunday Worship and Sunday School at 10 a.m. Pastor Paul Minton, 701-0545.

Kenoza Lake - Old Taylor Rd across from fire dept. Worship & Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Pastors Bridgette LeConey and Bud LeConey 482-3405.

Liberty - 170 N. Main St. Sunday morning Worship 9 a.m. Holy Communion 2nd Sunday of each month. Fellowship Coffee Hour 8:30 am. Come and Worship with us. Handicapped accessible. Pastor Bridgette LeConey. 292-6243.

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Woodridge - Sunday Service 9:30 a.m. Reverend Walter Haff Pastor and Reverend Jorge Lopez Pastor 796-3833. Open Communion first. Open Communion first Sunday. Handicap Access.

Callicoon - Now meeting in person on Sundays at 9 am. August 8 - Pastor Paul Thompson from the Jeffersonville UMC will be the guest Pastor. August 15 and August 22 services will be by ZOOM. (Zoom.us, Meeting ID-917-417-1539, Password -758844). Pastor Bruce Anspach 845-887-5112.
Hankins - Until further notice the Callicoon United Methodist Church is meeting via ZOOM @ 9 a.m. Join meeting at ZOOM.US with ID# 917-417-1539 password 758844. To join by phone dial 1-646-558-8658 & enter ID & password when prompted. Bruce Anspach, Pastor.

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HOPE FOR THE DAY

DIANE HOUGHTALING • HOPE MINISTRIES

Background filler days

This summer as I've gone on my walks, I've been so blessed to see such an abundance of wildflowers. There even seems to be some that I've never noticed before and I don't know what they are.

Lately I've seen many stalks with tiny, individual flowers on them, sometimes hundreds of the miniature beauties clustered on the stalks. These behind-the-scenes fillers come in many colors - from white, yellow, orange and blues, to various shades of pinks and purples, even some greens. They are easy to pass by as they do not take center stage like large, showy flowers.

In a flower arrangement, the Dahlias, Lilies, Gladiolas and Roses are the prominent show pieces, with greenery and smaller flowers as background fillers. But instead of just walking past the tiny filler flowers, I've been stopping to look closely at them. On close inspection, each individual miniature flower is beautiful on its own. If one could greatly magnify them or blow them up in size, they too could take their place among the show case giants.

I've heard this before, but it came to my attention again one morning before I went for a walk. Robert Brault said, "Enjoy the little things, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things."

So this, too, prompted me to stop and enjoy the tiny filler flowers that we normally pass by with only a token glance. I believe that if we would take more time to smell the flowers, more time to enjoy the little pleasures in life, they would add up to greater joy in our lives.

Just as the large, showy flowers take center stage in a

flower arrangement, so do the special, big events and celebrations that are few and far between take center stage in life.

The weddings, graduations, births of children and grandchildren, vacations - these are the events that require much planning and preparation that we may anticipate for years. Like the huge Dahlias, these occasions draw the most attention and anticipation.

But then there are all the other days, the mundane days, the ordinary, routine days, the days that make up the fillers between the grand days.

We tend to skip through these days, doing what we need to do, busying ourselves with the cares of life. These days come and go as in a blur, and once in a while we stop to think about the next big event, the next celebration we can look forward to and start planning for.

We need to start taking notice of the filler days. We need to begin enjoying the little things, the tiny blessings God has bestowed upon us even in the mundane.

For indeed there are many, and each filler day has a beauty of its own if we would stop to look for it.

The little joys and blessings of everyday life are really the big things that stay with us. These tiny blessings all clustered together become the joy that keeps us going, the memories that stick with us. They are truly the big things that life is made of.

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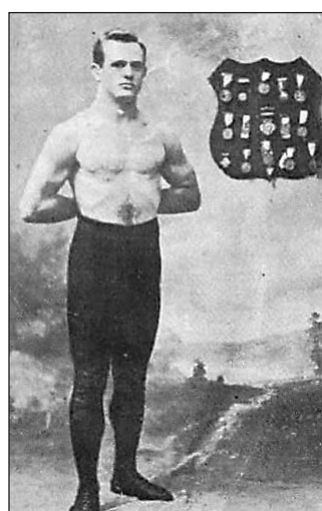
JOHN CONWAY

Sullivan County's Gold Medal Winner

Now that wrestling is underway at the Tokyo Olympics after having been spared the intended axe as a contested sport, it seems an appropriate time to discuss its Sullivan County connection—a link that goes beyond the fact that medal favorite Kyle Dake was spotted along the Delaware River eating ice cream with his family a short while back.

The success of Dake—the Cornell legend who is the only man to ever win four NCAA wrestling titles in four different weight classes-- at this year's games notwithstanding, the county's connection to Olympic wrestling goes back a bit further in time. In fact, it goes all the way back to 1904, the very first year freestyle wrestling was included in the summer games, when Isidor "Jack" Niflot, then of New York City, but later a longtime Sullivan County resident, won a gold medal in the bantamweight division.

Isidor Gadar Niflot—he was almost always known as Jack-- was born on April 16, 1881 in Poland. His father, Adolph, had been born in Russia and brought the family to America when Jack was still a youngster. Adolph was a learned man who liked to read the Bible in Hebrew and to invent ingenious gadgets to solve longstanding problems just for the pleasure of solving them. Even after capturing his Olympic gold, Jack lived with his father and many



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Isidor "Jack" Niflot

siblings in a small second-floor flat at 208 West End Avenue in Manhattan.

A New York Times reporter visited the flat for a story he did on Adolph Niflot when he invented a method of exhausting fumes and furnishing fresh air to New York City's subways in May of 1906, and found the trophies Jack had amassed on display throughout the modest home.

"What spare room in the little flat that is free from gold medals and bronze and silver and gold trophies, is now taken up with an eight-foot working model of the Subway," the paper reported in its May 25, 1906 edition, noting that Jack was at that time on his way back to the United States after competing in Athens, Greece.

By that time, he had already won six consecutive U.S. Amateur Athletic Union

ON THE ROAD WITH ROGER BAKER

Where are we? No. 244



So, do you know where we are? If you know, please email editor@sc-democrat.com by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 11. Last week's Roger Baker quiz (at left) was a tough one as we only had 2 correct answers. Anna Puleo knew it was the Community Church on Sullivan Street in Wurtsboro. Good going!

Good luck this week!



championships, the last in 1905, as well as the Olympic gold medal. And the strange circumstances surrounding the Olympic competition in 1904 should not in any way tarnish his victory.

That year—the first for the freestyle version of the sport in Olympic competition--the summer games were scheduled to be held in Chicago, but because the World's Fair was being held that year in St. Louis, the Olympics were switched to that city at the last minute. Travel difficulties and tensions caused by the Russo-Japanese War kept many countries from competing that year, and in some sports, wrestling included, only athletes from the United States competed.

Niflot won the gold medal at 125.5 pounds, the third lightest weight at the time, with three consecutive falls over his fellow countrymen, thereby capturing the national championship and the Olympic gold medal in one fell swoop.

Following a storied ama-

teur wrestling career, Jack became a professional wrestler, touring the world giving exhibitions. As a professional, he would often wrestle against opponents who were considerably heavier, and despite the weight disadvantage, he more than held his own. Contemporary accounts of his bouts would often include references to his opponents having an advantage in weight or in strength, but invariably mentioned Niflot's superior technique and his scientific approach to the sport.

Niflot also served as the wrestling instructor at Columbia University for a time, and later worked in the same capacity at Princeton and at the New York Athletic Club. He could also occasionally be seen in the role of referee at various matches.

By 1920, Niflot had moved to Queens, and by 1930 he was living in Long Eddy in Sullivan County, where he promoted and would occasionally appear on local

wrestling cards at the Western Hotel in Callicoon, at North Branch and Fremont Center, never once losing a match despite nearly always giving away 20 or more pounds to his opponent.

Isidor Niflot died on March 29, 1950 when he suffered a heart attack while purchasing a magazine at Bennett Brothers Drug Store in Callicoon. He was buried in the Rock Valley Cemetery. His son, John "Jack" Niflot, was a longtime pressman at the Sullivan County Democrat newspaper, a town of Fremont councilman, and active member and president of the Basket Historical Society, where he founded and edited the society's newsletter, The Echo. John Niflot died in 2013.

John Conway is the Sullivan County Historian. Email him at jconway52@hotmail.com. On Tuesday, August 17 at 6:30 p.m. he will present "The Castles of Sullivan County" live at the Liberty Public Library and via ZOOM. Contact the library for more information.

BRIEF

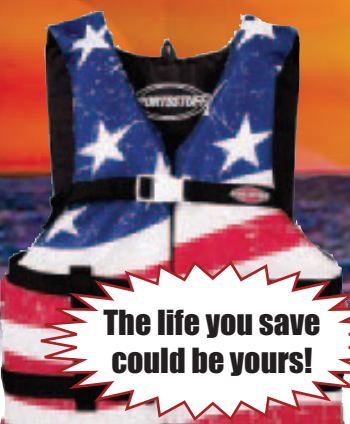
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EDITORIAL

Cuomo cannot stay

Back in 2013, Governor Andrew Cuomo posted on twitter that we should have “a zero tolerance policy when it comes to sexual harassment [and we] must send a clear message that this behavior is not tolerated.”

We agree with him. Therefore, Mr. Governor, the time has come for you to resign.

A multitude of media outlets, lawmakers and even President Joe Biden have called for Mr. Cuomo to step aside following New York Attorney General Letitia James office’s investigation which determined the governor sexually harassed multiple women in and out of state government. As a matter of principle, we feel it’s necessary to add our voice to this growing chorus.

“Whether you’re governor of a state or president of the United States - no one is above the law.”

The allegations levied months ago against the governor were very troubling to read. Like many others at the time, we believed a fair and thorough investigation should run its course. Now that course has been run and the findings are quite damning. Accounts of the eleven women who accused the governor were found to be credible and corroborated by eyewitnesses and digital communications. Enough said.

We need a governor who can dedicate himself completely to serve the people of New York and uphold its laws, not violate them through abuse of power and then try to intimidate those who go public, as the Attorney General’s office has determined.

Gov. Cuomo can no longer be trusted to conduct the business of this state while under the cloud of scandal. If the governor refuses to resign then the State Legislature must begin impeachment proceedings. Even State Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie has said that the time has come when Cuomo can no longer remain in office.

And this is not the end of investigations into our embattled governor. Attorney General James announced back in January that the governor’s office understated the number of COVID-19 related deaths in state nursing homes by as much as 50 percent.

The Guardian reported in March that a federal investigation into whether Governor Cuomo improperly used the power of his office to shield nursing home executive political donors from COVID-19 lawsuits is ongoing.

A person with such a track record of lies and unethical behavior does not deserve to lead this state.

As we stated in our editorial back in January regarding the deliberate deception of COVID-19 deaths in New York state nursing homes - what’s wrong is wrong no matter what political party you belong to. Whether you’re governor of a state or the president of the United States - no one is above the law.

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The Best of Nellie

Reprinted from August 7, 1952

My Dear Mr. Editor:

Today you asked if I would write the Kettle a little early this week and did I have an idea for one. Well, sir, I guess you didn’t look at the calendar or perhaps your memory is bad! Today, my dear companion in marriage, is August 5, 1952. Does that strike a chord in your heart or mind? Reverse the last two figures, Mr. Editor, and you will have August 5, 1925. Is that a significant date to you, sir?

Why is it that women hold such things so dear to their hearts? A woman’s mind is a great army of memories any of which can be alerted at a moment’s notice. She remembers each minor detail of her wedding day. She remembers when each baby got his or her first tooth. She recalls their first little steps and their first words. She remembers incidents in their lives, perhaps not always the exact day but the right year. For instance I remember in 1927 Anne rode her kiddie car down the long flight of stairs leading to our apartment. I remember the agony we felt until we could reach her and learn that she had only minor bruises. I remember, with pride, the summer of 1931 when she played at her first piano recital. I remember in 1932 when Sonny fell and cut his chin so that we had to have the doctor take stitches in it, and in 1937 when he held a fire cracker too long, and 1940 he and I went fishing for bass the first time. I remember a winter day in 1934 when I presented you with your second son and the summer of 1937 when our third son was born. I remember little details in each of their lives too numerous to mention.

That space shows the passage of time while I answered the telephone. So, you did remember! Well, happy anniversary, my dear.

— N.C.S.

SEND US A LETTER

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Snake in the grass

This water snake picked a good spot to blend in, hiding in some grass behind the Sullivan County Democrat’s Callicoon office on Main St. Despite looking like a water moccasin snake, which is venomous, water

snakes are not. However, a bite from it still probably wouldn’t feel too pleasant. If you have a scenic you’d like to submit for consideration, email the photo and a brief description to nyssa@sc-democrat.com.

Digging my kitchen

LIFELINES

KATHY WERNER

I have discovered the amazing amount of stuff I have in my kitchen because it is all now sitting in boxes in my living room.

Like many in the pandemic world, I decided to embark on a home improvement project. Unlike so many, however, I am not a regular viewer of all the home improvement shows, so I depend on my daughter Liz and her husband Peter to keep me “au courant.”

My chosen project was replacing the doors on my kitchen cabinets which necessitated the removal of everything that’s been hiding in my cabinets for some time. It was like an archeological dig.

Among these artifacts I found boxes of matches that I have picked up over the years at various restaurants (remember when restaurants used to give away matches?). A few of these restaurants have been closed for twenty years. Some of these matches may predate the invention of the electric light.

Then there is the glassware. I still have a few of the wine glasses that my grandmother bought me for my wedding, some random glasses that my kids used when they were kids, and lots of “branded” glasses and cups that my dear late husband John picked up at all his Chamber

of Commerce events. The corporate giveaway drinkware must go.

And dishes. I have a set of white dishes for every day, but along the way I’ve collected various mismatched serving dishes that add to the clutter. Coordinate or begone, I say!

Oh, don’t forget the salt and pepper shakers. There’s the set of Irish Belleek shakers I bought in Bermuda on our honeymoon.

Then there’s the set from our trip to the Greenbriar in West Virginia. Another set is from my sister-in-law Susan from her trip to San Francisco, in the shape of a cable car. Then there are the teddy bear shakers my mother-in-law painted for us in her ceramics class in Arizona. I’ve also saved a pair from the set of dishes that my daughter bought for us while she was still in college. I know, I know, who needs so many sets of salt and pepper shakers, especially when we use salt and pepper grinders on the table now. But they are all dear memories of happy times. I can’t let them go, can I?

And let’s not get into the amount of random bakeware that has been stuffed into my cabinets over the years. I once apparently purchased a tin to bake muffin tops. I have held onto a springform pan though I haven’t made a cheesecake in years.

Also, there are lots of baking dishes that can hold anything from brownies to scalloped potatoes. Then there are the piles of ramekins, purchased during the time when Liz and Peter were making their delicious crème brûlée for every holiday meal.

I even unearthed the tiny ramekins that we used for melted butter the year we had lobster tails for Christmas. I thought they were gone forever. Turns out they were deep in the back of one of the cupboards.

At any rate, tomorrow the new doors will be hung, and my kitchen will have its update. Then the real work will begin for me as I sort through the piles of boxes and decide which artifacts will earn their way into my new cabinets and drawers. Wish me luck!

KATHY WERNER is a three-time National Newspaper Association Award winner for the Democrat, and a true member of the family.

Frozen Key Lime Pie

COOKING IN THE COUNTRY

CLAIRE STABBERT



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This frozen key lime pie was hands down the best dessert I have had all summer.

- 1 (14 oz) can sweetened condensed milk
 - 2 tablespoons grated lime zest
 - 3/4 cup freshly squeezed lime juice (4 to 5 limes)
 - For the decoration:
 - 1 cup (1/2 pint) cold heavy cream
 - 1/4 cup sugar
 - 1/4 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
 - Thin lime wedges
- Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
For the crust, combine the graham

Last weekend I had the pleasure of attending my cousin Michael’s 40th birthday held at my Aunt Kathy’s house. The great thing about any party at the Werner’s is you know there will be plenty of laughs and amazing food.

My cousin Liz, Michael’s sister, was in charge of the food, and boy, was there plenty of it. The menu ranged from homemade flatbreads on the grill served with hummus and tzatziki, to homemade macaroni and cheese, filet mignon, halibut, and a to-die-for frozen key lime pie for dessert, recipe courtesy of Ina Garten.

This was hands down the best dessert I have had all summer. I’m not much of a dessert girl if you couldn’t already tell from all of my savory recipes, but this had the perfect tang after a heavy meal, sort of like a sorbet to cleanse the palate.

It’s nice and light and will go well with any summer meal. Not to mention, it’s served partially frozen to cool you down!

- For the crust you will need:
- 1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs (10 crackers)
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter (melted)
- For the filling:
- 6 extra large egg yolks at room temp.
- 1/4 cup sugar

cracker crumbs, sugar, and butter in a bowl. Press into a 9-inch pie pan, making sure the sides and the bottom are an even thickness. Bake for 10 minutes. Allow to cool completely.

For the filling, beat the egg yolks and sugar on high speed in the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with a paddle attachment for 5 minutes, until thick. With the mixer on medium speed, add the condensed milk, lime zest, and lime juice. Pour into the baked pie shell and freeze.

For the decoration, beat the heavy cream on high speed in the bowl of an electric mixer fitted with the whisk attachment until soft peaks form. Add the sugar and vanilla and beat until firm. Spoon or pipe decoratively onto the pie and decorate with lime wedges. Freeze for several hours or overnight.

Note: Remove the pie from the freezer fifteen minutes before serving. This is a dessert everyone will love!

CLAIRE STABBERT is an accomplished cook who loves to try new recipes. While she does enjoy eating at restaurants, she also loves to whip up a good meal at home. Claire gets some of her cooking inspiration from her grandfather and grandmother, Fred and Shirley Stabbert as well as Great Grandma Nellie. Claire can be reached at cmh08343@gmail.com.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

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Thumbthing else

We have been dealing with this virus for a very long time. Just when we thought we were on the verge of controlling it, variants have caused a spike in the numbers.

In response to the increasing number of new covid cases, New York City instituted a vaccine mandate. To be allowed entrance to gyms, restaurants and entertainment centers you must show proof of vaccination. If successful, that type of mandate might be adopted by other locales.

When the country opened up months ago, restaurants, ballparks and concert arenas were packed with people happy to be out of isolation. In most cases, people had to show proof of vaccination or at least a recent negative covid test to enter. Showing that proof is a time-consuming process.

The problem is the oversized vaccination card. When the card was on the drawing board, didn't the designer realize that it should easily fit into the standard wallet? Instead of fitting in a wallet like your driver's license or credit cards, many of us must fold it in half and force it into a compartment. At the venue, you dig out your wallet, find your vaccination card and then present it to security to be examined. It is a time-consuming process that frustrates you, the security guard and the grumbling people on line behind you.

Another problem with the vaccination card is the ease of counterfeiting it. Anybody with a home printer can do a two-sided copy of a card after whitening out the scribbled information. Since there is no universal government stamp to show the type of vaccine and date of vaccination, handwritten notes are scribbled on the card. Maybe it is time to do away with the vaccination card to speed up the process of entering places and insuring viability.

We all carry a possible solution in the palm of our hand. Well, not in the palm but in close proximity. I propose the whole vaccination identity system be given a big thumb's up by replacing the proof of vaccination card

with a thumbprint!

The accuracy of using thumbprints for identification has evolved over the years. Once used solely by law enforcement, now your thumbprint can be used to unlock both your car and your cell phone. Some upscale hotels have replaced the standard key lock or card swipe with a pad that recognizes your thumbprint. Thumbprints are so individual that in many cases, given the proper technology, they are accepted to replace a signature on contracts.

Those of us who have already been vaccinated, would be required to go to a location and have a thumbprint taken by a standardized machine. That print would be stored in a central computer supervised by the government. The thumbprint would not be used for any function other than proving vaccination.

Those who have not yet been vaccinated can have their thumbprint stored at the time of their injection. If the CDC decides that eventually booster shots are necessary, that data can be updated by computer at the vaccination sites.

The ease of showing vaccination with a thumbprint may reduce some of the anxiety associated with covid. The device that would read a thumbprint would have a simple way of displaying if a person was vaccinated. No need for a lengthy LED readout of dates or type of vaccine. Since the prints would be stored in a nationwide system, the only readout would be either a green or red light. Green means go and that your proof of vaccination allows a speedy entrance.

To convince the public to appreciate the thumbprint identification scanner system maybe there should be an ad campaign with a memorable slogan. I envision sports figures, film stars and other celebrities doing public service ads showing them displaying a thumb. In fact, I suggest we call the new campaign's slogan "Give A Thumb's Up!"

Hudson Cooper is a resident of Sullivan County, a writer, comedian and actor.

To the editor:

Tuesday's (August 2, 2021) top story in the Democrat confirmed what I've been saying for more than a year now. There is nothing wrong – and everything right – with considering the fiscal status of a long-term care facility when you're the one operating it.

Garnet Health Medical Center – Catskills CEO Jonathan Schiller put it right out there in "Skilled Nursing Unit in process of shutting down".

"We're just not in a position to be able to continue to do it [run the Skilled Nursing Unit (SNU) at the Harris hospital]. One of the learnings we had as a result

of the pandemic is that we just can't continue to use the hospital revenues to make up for the shortfall [at the SNU]..."

If that sounds familiar, it's because you probably heard me say it about our Care Center at Sunset Lake. Like Garnet, we've been losing millions of dollars a year operating our long-term care facility, with no indication that revenues will outpace expenses anytime soon.

So with the consent of the majority of my fellow legislators, I had County staff seriously research leasing the Care Center to a private operator, and our Sunset Lake Local Development Corporation is just

about ready to sign an operating contract with Infinite Care Management.

This is not "profits before people," a cliché that ignores the fact that "the people" – taxpayers and/or facility residents – pay for the care being provided one way or another. It's about fiscal responsibility, taking into account the cost of the care, not solely the quality or quantity.

We all want top-notch care for our loved ones (and for ourselves, considering one day most of us will be receiving long-term care). But none of us have unlimited budgets, especially organizations like the hospital and County government, which are man-

dated to provide other, often very costly services. And in the County's case, we have taxpayers to answer to – all of whom are expecting their elected leaders to run government in a cost-efficient, accountable fashion.

Your Legislature chose early on not to close the Care Center. We wanted to preserve jobs and provide better care for residents. We also wanted to spend tax dollars wisely (still do), and I'm confident that's exactly what you'll see in the months to come.

Robert A. Doherty
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Sullivan County Office for the Aging and Sullivan 180 are proud to announce the **OFA on Wheels!**, a mobile resource for Seniors in Sullivan County. Through funding from Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther's office, Sullivan BOCES and Rolling V Transportation were able to retro-fit a school bus with laptops and internet connection to create the 'Mobile Classroom.' And while school is out for the summer, the bus will be brought to local towns across the County to allow Seniors to get help accessing and signing up for resources and benefits.

The **OFA on Wheels!** will be manned by Sullivan 180's Project Intern and local EMT, Samantha Dorn, to help Seniors sign up for Office for the Aging services, register for their COVID-19 vaccine if needed, and receive their farmer's market coupon booklets. Seniors will be able to have their blood pressure checked and complete a pre-diabetes risk assessment if they would like. Also, every Senior, age 55+, who visits the bus will get a free tote bag full of gifts from our partners.

Other local organizations who will be joining us on the bus are Action Towards Independence (ATI), Independent Living, and Sullivan County Public Health Services.



Back row: Dr. Robert M. Dufour, BOCES District Superintendent; Simmie Williams, BOCES Board Member; Susan Horton, BOCES Board Member; Dr. Kenneth Hilton, BOCES Board Member; Nick Vallone, Rolling V Bus Company. Front row: Carol Park, BOCES Board Member; Aileen Gunther, Assemblywoman; Linda Berkowicz, BOCES Board President; Amanda Langseder, Director Sullivan 180; John Redman, Area 9 Director for The New York State School Boards Association; Carol Bliefernich, BOCES Board Member; Cathy Russo, BOCES Board Member; Linda Fisk, BOCES Board Vice President.

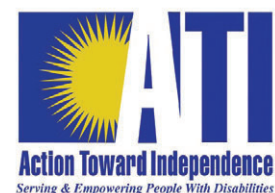
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- August 12 & 13 in Liberty (at the Sullivan BOCES Parking Lot, across from the Liberty Diner)
- August 19 & 20 in Livingston Manor (at the Fire Dept. Parking Lot)
- August 26 & 27 in Narrowsburg (Location TBD)
- September 2 & 3 in Neversink (at the Fire Dept. Parking Lot)
- September 9 & 10 in Roscoe (at the Roscoe-Rockland Fire Dept. Parking Lot)
- September 16 & 17 in South Fallsburg (at the Fallsburg Fire Dept. Parking Lot)
- September 23 & 24 in Wurtsboro (at the Fire Dept. Parking Lot, on the corner of Pine and Canal Street)

For more information about the **OFA on Wheels!**, please email Samantha Dorn, Project Intern, at sdorn@sullivan180.org, call 845-295-2680 or visit www.Sullivan180.org/initiatives/ofa-on-wheels. To contact the Sullivan County Office for the Aging, please call 845-794-3000 Ext. 0241 or visit their website at www.sullivan180.org/Departments/Aging.

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To learn more, contact Sullivan BOCES at (845) 295-4043 or email communications@scbores.org.

HEALTHY EATING

Curried Chicken with Raisins and Mushrooms

- Ingredients**
- 1 1/2 teaspoons olive oil (extra virgin or virgin)
 - 2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts (about 12 oz, diced into 1 inch cubes)
 - 2 cups sliced fresh white mushrooms
 - 2 cups sliced cremini mushrooms
 - 1/2 medium red bell pepper (cut into 3/4" squares)
 - 2 cups low sodium chicken broth
 - 1 cup raisins
 - 2 cups instant whole-grain rice
 - 1 1/2 tablespoons curry powder

- Directions**
1. Heat olive oil in large sauté pan.
 2. With heat on medium-high, place chicken in pan and cover with lid.
 3. Cook chicken about 5 minutes.
 4. Add mushrooms and peppers to pan and sauté 3-4 minutes.
 5. Add chicken broth.
 6. Gently mix in raisins, rice, and curry powder; bring to boil, reduce heat and cover.
 7. Simmer until rice is done; fluff with fork and let sit 3-5 minutes before serving.

Savory chicken and mushrooms balanced with the sweetness of raisins and red bell peppers will make this curried one-pan recipe a family favorite.



Notes
Serving Suggestions: Add a side salad with light dressing and an 8 oz glass of fat-free milk.
Time Saving Ideas: Purchase sliced mushrooms, fresh or frozen bell pepper strips, and pre-cooked, diced chicken.

4 Servings
Nutrients: Total Calories 440; Total Fat 6 g; Saturated Fat 1 g; Cholesterol 55 mg; Sodium 410 mg; Carbohydrates 71 g; Dietary Fiber 6 g; Total Sugars 24 g; Protein 27 g



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COMING UP

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

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

Friday, August 6

159th Wayne County Fair. Aug. 6 - Aug 14th. Monster Trucks, 4H/FFA Livestock Shows, Harness Racing, Demolition Derbies, and Truck & Tractor Pulls will return to the Dyberry Township fairgrounds this August. More info on the Wayne Co. Fair social media pages and waynecountyfair.org.

Science with Frank: Is Water Important? 12:30 - 2 p.m. Please call 644-5014 to register. Mamakating Environmental Education Center, 762 South Rd, Wurtsboro.

Callicoon Station performs at Rafter's Tavern 7 -9 p.m. Rafter's Tavern, 28 Upper Main St., Callicoon. rafterstavern.com.

Saturday, August 7

Military Breakfast 8 - 11 a.m. Military style chow line prepared and served by Veterans. All proceeds support programs for Veterans throughout Sullivan County. \$8 at the door. Call 888-4958 or 888-2535 day of. American Legion Post 1266, 92 Pine St., Wurtsboro.

Giant Tent Sale 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. We will be selling under the BIG tent for two Big days, Aug. 7 and 14. We have it all! (Antiques, Collectibles, Clothing, Toys, etc.) Come and see for yourself! Roscoe Presbyterian Church, 1955 Old Route 17, Roscoe.

Rummage Sale 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Rummage sale to benefit Sullivan St Tammany Chapter 298 OES. More info call Sharon at 439-3102. Masonic Lodge, Livingston Manor.

Wurtsboro Art Alliance presents "Yart Sale" 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. A member's only, gallery fundraiser event featuring prints, photographs, watercolor, oil and acrylic paintings, pastels, fiber art, collages, and 73 Sullivan Street, Wurtsboro. For info visit waagallery.org.

2nd Annual Sunshine Hall Free Library Treasures and Trinkets sale 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Collectibles, camping gear, appliances, tools, artwork, jewelry, small furniture, children's toys and much more will be available at bargain prices. Rain or shine and light refreshments will be available. For info contact: kari@margolismethod.org or 428-0179.

St. Joseph Parish Annual Art Show 12 - 8 p.m. Artists can sell their work by Silent Auction or just display their work. Admission is free to the public; Refreshments, raffles and 50/50 will be sold. Prizes will be awarded to winners voted on by attendees. Event is sponsored by the Ave Maria Guild. St. Joseph Parish, 180 Sullivan St., Wurtsboro.

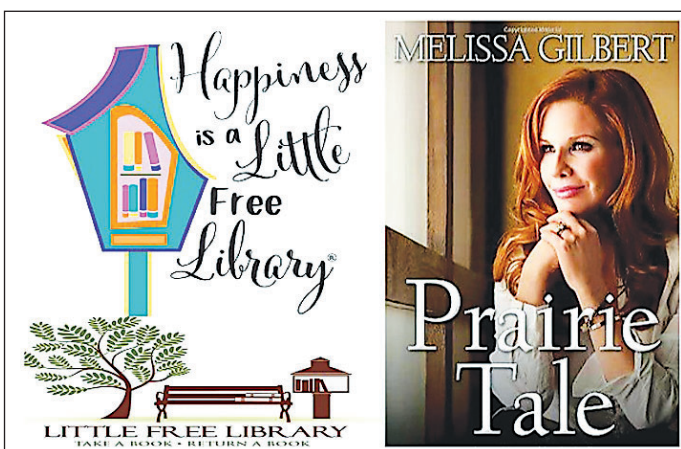
SomeWhereCo + 2 Queens High Tea In The Backyard 2 - 4 p.m. Cost \$55. High Tea In The Backyard by SomeWhereCo + 2 Queens. A traditional afternoon tea with live classical music by special guests The Ladybug Quartet. For more info go to the website- some-where.co or @somewhereco on instagram. 26 Erie Ave, Narrowsburg.

Opening reception Samuelle Green and Kathleen Anderson at DVAA 2 - 4 p.m. The visual language of paper will adorn the Alliance Gallery, whilst the language of abstraction will fill the Loft Gallery. "In the Absence of Gravity and Other Restraints" by Samuelle Green and "Tuning Compositional Strategies" by Kathleen Anderson will be on view through September 19 and are free and open to the public. DVAA, 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg.

Neversink Fire Dept. Chicken BBQ 4 - 7 p.m. Cost: \$13 adults, \$7 ages 6-12, under 6 free. Neversink Fire Dept., 7486 State Rte 55, Neversink.

Poplar Grove Cemetery presents 6th Annual "Grateful we're not Dead" Concert in the Cemetery 5 p.m. Come join our fundraising efforts for a night of Tunes among the Tombs. Food and beverages available for purchase. Poplar Grove Cemetery, 180 Phillipsport Road, Phillipsport. Off of Rt. 209 - 1 mile north of Phillipsport Post Office.

Shandelee Music Festival's 28th concert season opening show 7 p.m. Broadway star Michael Winther graces the stage to open the Shandelee Music Festival's 28th concert season. Along with pianist Art Hirahara, Winther will perform works from the "American Song-



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Local favorite author, actress, and community activist Melissa Gilbert Busfield of Highland will lead the attendees in the inaugural book swap.

Melissa Gilbert and the inauguration of the Little Free Library

ELDRED - On Sunday, August 8 starting at 2 p.m. there will be a special dedication of the very first Little Free Library site in Eldred.

The Little Library was designed and built by Art Petersen to resemble and pay homage to the historic Burnbrae Mansion built at the turn of the century in Glen Spey.

The Little Library is being installed in the community to honor the 80th birthday of Patricia Fraysse. Lou Monteleone of the Corner and the Pizza Piazza has generously donated a permanent

spot for the Little Library on the lawn at the Piazza.

Local favorite author, actress, and community activist Melissa Gilbert Busfield of Highland will lead the attendees in the inaugural book swap and musician Rich Fry will be on hand with some live music.

There will be free hotdogs for everyone and don't forget to bring a favorite book for the Little Library and start swapping books at the event. Everyone is welcome to stop by, have a hot dog, get a new book to read, and wish Patricia a Happy Birthday!

book," at the Arnold House Barn and Greenhouse. Performance begins at 8 p.m. Admission prices are \$50 for adults, \$45 for Shandelee Music Festival members, and \$10 for students 17 and under (with a valid ID). For the first time in its 28-year history, the Shandelee Music Festival will simulcast its concerts for those who cannot attend the in-person event. Virtual attendance tickets are \$20. The Arnold House Barn and Greenhouse, 839 Shandelee Road, Livingston Manor. Tickets for both the in-person and virtual event are available at shandelee.org, or calling 439-3277.

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Saturday, August 14 - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. - Yard Sale - Phillipsport Community Center. Fund Raiser for ongoing Charitable Activities. Wide ranging selection of antiques, collectibles, books, DVDs. Vintage Items, kitchen items, and other great stuff. Historical Schoolhouse

(657 Red Hill Road, Phillipsport), Next to White Church just off Route 209, 5 miles North Wurtsboro. (Call Bill Lucas 917-804-6723 for more information or to rent space at sale)

Monday 8/16 to Friday 8/20 - Vacation Bible School - August 16-20. Location: First Presbyterian Church, Jeffersonville, NY. Theme - Grown with God down on the Farm. Hands on with animals/stories from the Bible. Registration call (845) 482-5549, leave a message or email Brandi - brennar222@gmail.com.

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Common Snakes of the Hudson Valley 1 - 2:30 p.m. Snakes, fascinating and sometimes misunderstood, play an important role in maintaining a healthy ecosystem. Join naturalist Pam Golben to learn about the natural history of snakes found in the Hudson Valley as well as how to identify them. As a bonus, you'll get to meet a live snake! This program is sponsored by the Bashakill Area Association so it's FREE! Registration is required. 20 Maximum Participants. Please call 644-5014 to register. MEEC, 762 South Rd, Wurtsboro.

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A sort of homecoming:

43rd Monster Classic returns to where it all started



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President of NY Resorts World Casinos Bob DeSalvio and Vice President of Government Affairs & Community Relations Meghan Taylor participated in the race. At the end, the casino increased their initial donation to the Sullivan County Veterans Coalition by \$2,000 for a total of \$5,500. Pictured from left are Taylor, Monticello Rotary Club President Jeff Weinstein, DeSalvio, Sullivan County Veterans Coalition Chairman Howie Goldsmith and Monticello Rotary member and Monster Classic Co-Chair Les Kristt.

STORY AND PHOTOS
BY PATRICIO ROBAYO

MONTICELLO—For 43 years, the Monticello Rotary Monster Classic 5k/10k has been a staple of racing in the Sullivan County Catskills, one of the first annual races. And this year, the run/walk has returned to where it all started.

This year's race, after being virtual previously, took place at the Resorts World Catskills Casino. The casino was built on parts of the land that once housed the famous Monster Golf Course, which gave the race

its name.

The sun was shining, and the skies were blue for the over 300 runners and walkers who took to the track around the casino to benefit the Sullivan County Veterans Coalition, raising approximately \$11,785 for the local organization. The race also took part on Sullivan County Patriots Day.

Les Kristt, Co-Chair of the Monster Classic, said you couldn't ask for better weather on race day, and added, "Last year, we had a virtual race, it is just nowhere near the same thing, of course. This is just

fabulous ... so many people that seem to be so happy with what's going on. Everybody is in a very positive mood," added Kristt.

Daniel Rush, from Grahamsville, won first place in the 5k overall. Before he made it to the finish line, he could be seen aiding second place winner Martin Morales from Fleischmanns to the finish line. Rush said he was happy to win.

Rush is a Tri-Valley alum who was very active in track. Coincidentally enough, Tyler Eckhoff, a track coach at Tri-Valley, won the 10K in 37:10. Morales, who took second

place in the 5K said this is his first race in nine years. He said he was happy he returned and was able to place second. "I'm still here," said Morales.

Jeff Weinstein, President of the Monticello Rotary Club, said the day was amazing along with the support that the community has shown.

"It's been a tough year for a lot of people," said Weinstein. "Being isolated is tough for everybody, a lot of loss, so being able to celebrate and be together is wonderful."

Lori Orestano-James said the last time they were at the Monster Golf Course, was in the late 90s. She said once they started construction, they had to move the race to another location.

"This is our fourth reincarnation of the course," said



Above: Ashlen Sigelakis of Jeffersonville was all smiles as she crossed the finish line.



Orestano-James. Orshii Boldiis, Co-Chair of the Monster Classic, said it feels so warm to have everyone back where it all started. "Everybody's back and enjoying themselves," said Boldiis.

Being a race director for the past 20 years, Boldiis said the past year was very hard not to have it in person.

But now seeing everyone, he said, "It feels very uplifting to see everyone."

Daniel Rush (right) from Grahamsville, who won the 5K, helped Martin Morales from Fleischmanns to cross the finish line.

Monster Classic 5K/10K Road Races Results



5K RUN RESULTS

- TOP TEN**
- Daniel Rush 20:30
 - Martin Morales 20:33
 - Mordechai Pacifici 21:50
 - Thomas Houghtaling 22:57
 - April Rutledge 23:03
 - Matthew Sze 23:46
 - Kristy Sigelakis 23:49
 - Yovanni Fields 23:53
 - Adam Smith 24:00
 - Abe Piekarski 24:25

- FEMALE OPEN**
- April Rutledge 23:03
 - Kristy Sigelakis 23:49
 - Idy Judowitz 24:47

- FEMALE 12 AND UNDER**
- Lila Kubenik 30:37
 - Gabby Cohen 34:38

- Paige Sigelakis 36:20

- FEMALE 13 TO 15**
- Diya Patel 28:19
 - Abby Morse 30:35
 - Megan Bastone 39:25

- FEMALE 16 TO 19**
- Amelia Tremper 30:02

- FEMALE 20 TO 29**
- Miriam McCallion 25:53
 - Mae Bonnaci 29:23
 - Tegan Jones 29:57

- FEMALE 30 TO 39**
- Brittany Melchick 25:57
 - Dina Silber 26:12
 - Mindy Robenzel 30:25

- FEMALE 40 TO 49**
- Shaina Rotter 31:25
 - Debrah Drimmer 32:15

- Ashlea Prouty 33:49

- FEMALE 50 TO 59**
- Donna Ackermann 27:07
 - Karen Gorr 30:58
 - Hope Silverman 35:44

- FEMALE 60 TO 69**
- Marie Fitzmaurice 35:35
 - Jennifer Lim 42:21

- FEMALE 70 AND OVER**
- Vicki Greffrath 51:09
 - Kathleen Davies 52:29

- MALE 12 AND UNDER**
- Aidan Dusenbury-Dalto 28:45
 - Nelson Dyer 29:04
 - Kevin Kubenik 35:56

- MALE 13 TO 15**
- Thomas Houghtaling 22:57
 - Evan Huber 53:36

- MALE 20 TO 29**
- Matthew Sze 23:46
 - Yovanni Fields 23:53
 - Abraham Morales 25:43

- MALE 30 TO 39**
- Adam Smith 24:00
 - Jermaine Ferguson 25:41
 - Blake Starner 28:55

- MALE 40 TO 49**
- Abe Piekarski 24:25

- Pete Dworetzky 26:50
- Avi Hornstein 27:36

- MALE 50 TO 59**
- Michael Williams 34:19
 - Benjamin Lloyd 37:28
 - Seth Cohen 56:49

- MALE 60 TO 69**
- Geroge Ackermann 27:08
 - Gary St.onge 28:32
 - Bob Desalvio 40:12

- MALE 70 AND OVER**
- John Mochak 32:48
 - Arch Seamans 52:40

10K RUN RESULTS

- TOP TEN**
- Tyler Eckhoff 37:10
 - Robert Roach 38:24
 - Suzanne La Burt 40:22
 - Marc Gamss 41:03
 - Joe Yabra 41:18
 - Paul Rush 41:35
 - Avi Prow 42:25
 - Steven Weber 42:54
 - Mike Kresge 43:08
 - Graham Gardner 43:27

- FEMALE OPEN**
- Suzanne La Burt 40:22
 - Rivky Orlow 50:38
 - Julia Spriggens 52:42

- FEMALE 30 TO 39**
- Chloe Halpin 53:12
 - Candice Roach 54:41
 - Kelly Irving 55:07

- FEMALE 40 TO 49**
- Erin Alvord 57:01
 - Karen Holden 1:02:54
 - Elaine Keating-Brown 1:12:30

- FEMALE 50 TO 59**
- Dana Herm 54:00
 - Baila Miller 54:46
 - Miriam Wielgus 55:39

- FEMALE 60 TO 69**
- Marian Harrison 56:27
 - Linda Hulse 1:05:00
 - Fran Pantano 1:07:52

- MALE 13 TO 15**
- Jacob Edwards 1:21:04

- MALE 16 TO 19**
- William Weinberger 44:17
 - Ben Edwards 1:03:56

- MALE 20 TO 29**
- Avi Prow 42:25
 - Edwin Soto 53:44

- MALE 30 TO 39**
- Joe Yabra 41:18
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- MALE 60 TO 69**
- Edward Fitzmaurice 45:12
 - Douglas Carter 49:19
 - James Harrison 51:53

WALK RESULTS TOP TEN

- Martin Nowak Jr 32:38
- Derwin Rivera 38:56
- Barry Lewis 38:59
- Karen Ufret 41:22
- Tzipora Hornstein 41:22
- Tova Hornstein 41:23
- Helen Rados 41:24
- James Carr 45:50
- Luis Garcia-Colotta 45:51
- Robert Vanderveer 45:51

August 6 - A Jeffersonville Community Blood Drive will be proudly sponsored by Saint George's Church in their Community Hall (on the side of the church) at 97 Schoolhouse Road in Jeffersonville on Wednesday, August 18th from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

This important event was moved from the 1st Presbyterian Church due to the large number of wonderful people donating their life-saving blood. Many thanks to all that have participated and continue to sign up!

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to

make your lifesaving appointment today! Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients. If you are an eligible type O, B-or A-donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

More news from Saint George's RC Church, Fr Vu retired on July 1st and moved to Arlington, TX to be near his family. He served the Catholic parish of St George-St Francis in Jeffersonville and Youngsville for 17 1/2 years, and will be sorely missed.

Their new pastor, Fr

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Roland Antony Raj, comes to them originally from India, but for the past six years served at Blessed Sacrament Church in Staten Island. We hope that he receives a warm welcome, not only from the parish, but from the entire Jeffersonville community as our newest neighbor!

Exciting news!! The creamery at Myers Century Farm is

open and in full swing offering ice cream - delicious flavors, vanilla bean, chocolate, maple cream, cookies & cream and cookie dough too as well as assorted ice cream Cookie sandwiches! Just starting so will add more flavors soon. Milk is also offered in chocolate, maple, coffee and, of course, white A2A2 and a cream line. WOW!!

Freezers are stocked and pick up is available from 1-4 p.m. on Saturdays at 112 Earl Myers Road in Jeffersonville. They have an online store at www.myerscenturyfarm.com, their email is myerscenturyfarm@gmail.com and the farm number is (845) 482-3053! Contact them today and enjoy some fresh farm treats!

Sullivan Allies Leading Together (SALT) are inviting youth, 11-18 years old, to participate in a New York State TikTok talent show. The local program preventing substance abuse by offering alternative recreational local activities, wel-

comes all talents (must be in video form), no prior experience necessary. \$1000 prize and additional offerings for runners up.

Starting July 1, submit to IG, FB, TikTok and be sure to hashtag #nytakesovertiktok. If you live in Sullivan County, also use #saltdfctiktok to win local prizes. Voting begins on August 20th with a winner announced on August 27th. More information at saltcares.com. Adults and youth: get involved or offer support by contacting tb363@cornell.edu.

Please let me know if you have any news to share!

Ralph Liff

July 31, 2021 ~ May 7, 1918

Ralph Moses Liff was born in Ohio on May 7, 1918 and passed on July 31, 2021 with his loving family by his side. He moved with his family to the farm in Bethel when he was 1 year old. There he grew up and stayed until now at the age of 103.



Ralph Liff

He was born into the dairy farm life, milking daily, cleaning the barn, haying the fields, all while working a full-time job at Quickway Metal in Monticello. Ralph did whatever was needed to provide for his family the best he could. This very busy life continued until he finally sold the cows and decided to retire from the farm. At that time, he and his wife Lenore were able to start leading a more "normal life".

They traveled, spent lots of time with their extensive family, and in his 90's bought an apartment in Boca Raton, Florida. There they made a wonderful life. They were always seen bustling about, keeping busy with activities at the clubhouse, and attending shows with their many friends. An article was written in the Century Village paper titled "Are they Coming or Going?" highlighting the active life they lead.

Ralph spent 68 years married to Lenore before her death in 2016. He then managed to stay busy and active at Century Village attending dances, sing along, movies, bingo, shows, and the gym every other day. As a snow bird he returned to his home in Bethel where he mowed the lawn, drove the tractor in the fields, and weed whacked no matter what the weather. One of his many pastimes which he actually enjoyed was collecting bottles for their deposit and saving the money for Florida activities. Ralph continuously gave back to his community in many ways. He donated parcels of land to the synagogue and made land available for the local youth to use for Little League. He was an active member in the congregation Temple Beth-El in Kauneonga Lake along with his family. In addition, he was a lifetime member of the White Lake Fire Department since joining in 1954.

Ralph will be greatly missed by his son Ira Liff and wife Vivian, daughter Janice Gray Wasserman and her husband Tom. Grandchildren: Samantha Garchik and her husband Eric, Justin Gray and his wife Lindsay, Meredith Gray, Andrew Liff, and great-grandchildren Julian and Ava Garchik, brother and sister-in-law Bernard and Edith Hiller, many wonderful and loving nieces, nephews, cousins and lifelong dear friends. He was predeceased by his wife Lenore, brother Ben and sisters Ida and Rebecca.

The family would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts and condolences. Funeral services will take place for immediate family to avoid public safety issues. A celebration in Ralph's honor will be held at a later date.

Donations in Ralph's honor can be made to Temple Beth-El in Kauneonga Lake or to the White Lake Fire Department, White Lake, NY.

Funeral arrangements are honorably entrusted to the Joseph N. Garlick Funeral Home - 845-794-7474 or www.josephngarlickfuneralhome.com.

George R. Ehrets

May 14, 1925 ~ July 27, 2021 • Forestburgh, NY

George R. Ehrets of Forestburgh, a retired self-employed logger and lifelong resident of the area, passed away peacefully at Achieve Rehab and Nursing Facility in Liberty on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at the age of 96.

The son of the late Arthur G. Ehrets and Nellie Kinnie Ehrets of Forestburgh, he was born May 14, 1925 in Monticello. He was a veteran of the United States Army serving in World War II from 1943 to 1946.

He is survived by a daughter: Marie Livingston of Eldred; a son: Carl Ehrets of Forestburgh; a granddaughter: Laurel (Jim) Rourke of Connecticut; a grandson: Russell (Gabby) Ehrets of Virginia Beach; a great-granddaughter: Emilia Rose Ehrets of Virginia Beach; a nephew: Fred Schreiber; and a daughter-in-law: Carol (Fred) of Forestburgh. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his wife of 67 years, Alice Ehrets in 2020; and a son: Walter Ehrets of Forestburgh.

Burial will be made in the Sullivan Co. Veterans Cemetery in Liberty. Funeral services will be private and at the convenience of the immediate family.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, www.stjude.org.

Arrangements are under the direction of the VanInwegen-Kenny, Inc. Funeral Home of Monticello, NY; for additional information or to send an online condolence, please visit www.kennyfuneralhome.com.

Memorial Notice for Neil Rapkin

A Memorial will be held for Neil Rapkin on Saturday, August 14 at his home 312 Old Danzer Road, Youngsville, NY. If you plan to attend please call 845-482-5752.

Exhibits open at DVAA starting August 7

NARROWSBURG - The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA) warmly invites the public to two upcoming exhibitions in its galleries, beginning with an opening reception on Saturday, August 7 from 2-4 p.m.

The visual language of paper will adorn the Alliance Gallery, whilst the language of abstraction will fill the Loft Gallery. "In the Absence of Gravity and Other Restraints" by Samuelle Green and "Tuning Compositional Strategies" by Kathleen Anderson will be on view through September 19 and are free and open to the public.

Beloved for her walk-through "Paper Caves" installation in Honesdale, Pa., Samuelle Green's body of multidisciplinary work all has a common thread. Her paintings, drawings, sculptures, and installations reference the interaction between human-made and non-human visual languages.

artist, drummer, and certified Jin Shin Jyutsu practitioner living and working in upstate New York in a homemade house from reclaimed materials. Her work encompasses drawing, sculpture, sound, bodywork and earth tuning.

The Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is located at 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg. Walk-ins are welcome (no advance registration is required for these shows). Gallery hours are Thursday - Sunday, 11am - 4pm and by appointment.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

This year, we had red foxes at the Otto household. Here is one of the pups that we have named Blondie. Blondie has gotten friendly and even posed for a picture.

KENOZA LAKE

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August 6 - Faithful readers of the Kenoza Lake news know that almost every summer, the Otto household winds up with some type of animal or bird, making frequent appearances at our Pucky Huddle Road residence, that I write about.

I am a serious recycling person, and we have a healthy compost pile for our table scraps (that I use to create healthy dirt for my flower beds and pots.) Eventually, a critter discovers the compost pile and soon, we get a repeat wildlife visitor to the compost pile (unless the crows discover the scraps first).

A few years ago, we, of course, had Rudy, the orphaned, rescued baby raccoon, who grew up and returned for at least three years. (Not sure if he is still around or not. Rudy tended to make more of an appearance in the fall, as he was putting on the pounds for winter months.)

We have this scampy small skunk who likes the cat food. Kind of friendly, rarely sprays and is fun to watch as he bounces up the hill. We have two mother turkeys with nine poults. They have been around most of the summer, as they have discovered some of the bird seed that gets knocked out of the bird feeder by the blue jays.

For a few summers, we had a gray fox named Fred. He made frequent summer evening appearances and then come September, he would vanish. Last year and this year, no gray foxes, however, we had red foxes.

Back in May, right around the time the fawns were born, three baby red foxes were living right across from the Otto household driveway, in the culvert pipe of our neighbor Phyllis Walters. The parents seemed to go out hunting and would shuttle food to the pups. The pups hung out right on the road! One time I found a fawn leg by the den entrance, right at the time that fawns were being born. Mother nature can be so cruel.

So over time, the red fox parents seemed to have disappeared as did one of the pups and instead, there were two pups left. One red fox with a large white tip on her tail, whom we named Blondie, (as her coat was kind of blonde) and her brother, who we call Donny.

We are not sure of their sexes, just what their behavior is seems that Blondie is the female and Donny the male. They come and go. Sometimes we don't see them for a couple of days or so. Over time, Blondie has gotten friendly and will even pose for a picture.

My husband Ray and I have three wren houses on our front porch. This year we had a pair set up house in the wren house that the late Cliff Horton made. Most years the wrens have two batches of babies but this year, only one

batch. The Canada Geese are done molting and are on the move.

The red-winged blackbirds and barn swallows are still around. As it is August, I am on the lookout for the Great Egret who normally pays us a brief visit, either at the Albert Thony farm or on Kenoza Lake, at the former Mouthrop residence.

Earlier this week, I set the alarm clock for 4:45 am and watched live on my computer, Simone Biles compete in the one Olympic event that she ended up competing in. I was very happy that she did that and that she won a medal. In my humble opinion, she made a very brave decision to withdraw from the other Olympic events. I thought that if she didn't compete in at least one event, that this decision could haunt her for the rest of her life. I was never a gymnast.

I don't know what the "twisties" are but it sounds reasonable that someone could get them and that one could die or be injured from them.

While watching Simone Biles, I was reminded of one of the best songs ever written and that song about the Olympics was Whitney Houston's ONE MOMENT IN TIME, that was the official song of the 1988 summer Seoul, South Korea Olympics.

If that song doesn't inspire you, I don't know what song does. Check out the official VEVO video on You Tube with Whitney Houston singing. Turn up the volume as loud as you can and watch it until the end. I am sure you will have a tear or two in your eyes.

SMALLWOOD-MONGAUP VALLEY

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Autumn is afoot but so are we

August 6 - We are now, astounding, at the halfway point of the 2021 summer season in this part of New York State. Many of us, sick of rainy days, foggy nights, and general thunder, feel that Nature has robbed us of the hot sunny summer that we have come to love and expect here in Sullivan.

Each day now is beginning to shorten at quite a breathtaking rate: we are losing two minutes of sunlight per day and soon it will be three minutes per day. In a single week, we lose a quarter hour of sunlight right now, and in a month, by the beginning of September we will have lost a whole hour. Autumn is afoot.

All the more reason, Dearies, to be yourself afoot and accomplish good things. While at it, let's do it together! -- I received an email the other day from Tim Morey, President of the Smallwood-Mongaup Valley Fire Department. Tim informs that the FD's wonderful chicken BBQ -- Take Out will be held next Saturday, August 14 at the Smallwood-Mongaup Valley Fire House at 181 Ballard Road starting at 2:00 PM.

For only \$13, hungry visitors will receive a complete BBQ chicken dinner along with red potatoes, corn on the cob, cold salad, water and dessert!!! Yummy yummy!!! Come get your lunch early because the FD will sell out!

Also coming up: Smallwood Day is almost here. Association members are invited to participate in this event, planned (like the FD BBQ) for August 14th. (Do you live in Smallwood, but are not yet a member of the SWCA? Why are you excluded-

Smallwood-Mongaup

FD's wonderful take-out chicken BBQ will be held August 14

ing yourself from so much fun???? Please Google the Association website and join.) Smallwood Day, which begins at 4:00 PM, starts on the Association beach and will then evolve into an evening of family fun.

There will be lots of wonderfully tasty food, live music, lighting of the new fire pit, and finally a nighttime swim with lifeguard coverage. Look up from the water and see the stars shimmering down on you and Mountain Lake!

Finally a note about the third General Membership Meeting of the SWCA of 2021, which will take place inside at the Association Lodge on August 7th at 10:00 am. Please note that you will need your membership card to enter the meeting as it is important for the SWCA to know who is there and whether or not quorum has been attained.

Because of the increasing risks associated with the spread of the Delta variant of the Corona virus - Sullivan is a very high risk area for Covid - masks are required to enter the meeting.

If you cannot attend or do not wish to wear a mask, the SWCA will also be broadcasting the meeting via Zoom. Please visit the Association website for more info.

A Memorial for **Neil Rapkin**

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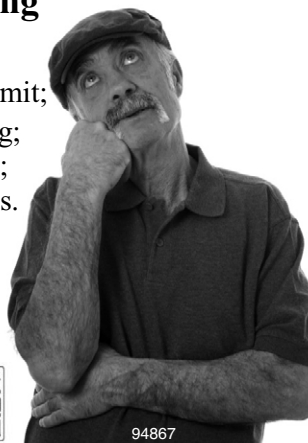
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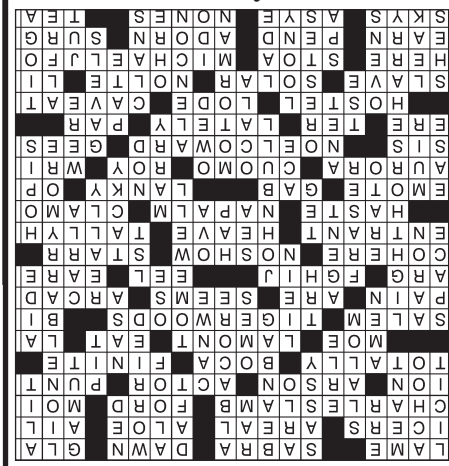
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- Charged particle
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- Entertainer
- Arenas, Chile
- Without exception
- Raton lead-in
- Having limits
- Curly's friend
- Cranston aka The Shadow
- Bolt down
- Testing spot
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- A Masters champ
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- Boardwalk feature
- S.A. country
- E trailers
- Shocking swimmer
- Like some seals
- Stick
- Truant; absentee
- Sir Ringo
- New member
- Hurl
- Huntsman's cry
- Recklessness
- Incendiary fuel
- Din
- Chew the scenery
- Chew the fat
- Hardly obese
- Locka, FL
- borealis
- Mario or Andrew
- Dale's saddle mate
- Court order
- Leia to Luke informally
- "Private Lives" dramatist
- Foolish ones
- Before, to Byron
- Lobs ending
- Not long ago
- Average
- Inn
- Comstock
- Warnings
- Work hard
- Kind of energy
- Nick of Hollywood
- Number in Caesar's deck
- Roll call response
- Portico
- "Spin City" star

DOWN

- Allowed
- Sneeze
- Denoted
- Flub
- Hardly polite
- Woody's son
- Chair of the '60s
- Aries
- Tuna
- Loony
- Snobbish
- Not at peace
- Sparks or Rorem
- Whole range
- Ethel and John's brother
- Landed
- Creme
- Crepe
- Skiing race
- Gardner of mystery
- "talk?": Rivers' query
- Peach center
- Prayer ender
- Cockney abodes
- Final Frontier org.
- one's teeth: tells a whopper
- "The Seven Year Itch" star
- Staff member
- Wasn't colorfast
- Part of 37 Down
- Composer Copland
- Robert E. Lee's father
- Regal abbr.
- Verb ender
- Representative
- No kidding!
- "Cheers" waitress
- Author Dame Antonia
- The English personified
- WWII landing craft
- Poet's muse
- Expanse
- Hazardly start?
- Eggs, to Cato
- Lacking style
- Young sheep
- Pueblo people
- Take the stump
- Tie the knot
- Loosen
- Naturalist John
- Crackerjack
- Silent assent
- Work without: take risks
- Florida citrus center
- Conductor
- Saw red?
- "The Way We"
- Electra's brother
- Fine lace
- Attention-getters in court
- Literary inits.
- Party paste
- Microwaves
- Not all there
- Highland groups
- Actress Woodard
- River at Corning, NY
- Cager from Philly
- Women
- Security problem
- Put cargo aboard
- Czech river
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LEGAL NOTICE The Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District monthly Board of Directors meetings are held on the second Monday of every month. For the remainder of 2021 the meetings will be held at 6:00 p.m. instead of 8:00 pm at the Cornell Cooperative Extension, 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Lib...

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erty, NY. This meeting is open to the public. 94885

LEGAL NOTICE

COUNTY OF SULLIVAN Sealed bids for the following will be received by the Director of the Department of Purchasing and Central Services at the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello, New York 12701, (845) 807-0515, until 1:00 P.M. on Friday, August 20, 2021 at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

1. Tires for the Division of Public Works (B-21-48) 2. Copy Paper (B-21-49) Bid Forms, including specifications, may be obtained from the Director at the above address, and all bids are subject to the terms and conditions therein set forth. Dated: August 6, 2021 94798

LEGAL NOTICE

Village of Woodridge NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the Village of Woodridge Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on August 16, 2021 at 12:30 pm at the Village Hall, 2 Dairyland Road, Woodridge, NY 12789. The topic of discussion will be the proposed Local Law 2, 2021; Late penalty provision of the Sewer Ordinance. Any resident of the Village of Woodridge is entitled to be heard upon said Local Law at the public hearing. Copies of said Local Law are available for review at

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the Village Clerk's Office, 2 Dairyland Road, Woodridge NY 12789. By Order of the Village of Woodridge Board of Trustees Dated: July 19, 2021 Myra J. Bennett Village Clerk 845-434-7855 94777

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION Name of limited liability company (LLC): Milk Homestead Holding Company LLC. Date of filing articles of organization with secretary of state: July 22, 2021. County in which office of LLC is to be located: Sullivan. The secretary of state has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her is: 426 Arlyn Milk Road, Long Eddy, New York 12760. Purpose of business of LLC: any lawful purpose. The term of the LLC is perpetual. 94657

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Sullivan Quality Contracting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 06/30/2021. Office location: 7014 13th AVENUE, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 165 Dexeimer Road, Narrowsburg, NY 12764. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 94345

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VILLAGE OF WOODRIDGE, NEW YORK

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 2, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Woodridge, in the County of Sullivan, New York, adopted a resolution amending the bond resolution adopted by said Board of Trustees on August 3, 2020, which bond resolution, as amended, is entitled:

"Bond Resolution of the Village of Woodridge, New York, adopted August 3, 2020 and amended August 2, 2021, authorizing the construction of improvements and an addition to the Highway garage, including engineering and planning expenses, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$1,200,000, appropriating said amount for such purpose, and authorizing the issuance of bonds in the principal amount of \$1,200,000 to finance said appropriation,"

an abstract of such bond resolution concisely stating the purpose and effect thereof, being as follows:

FIRST: AUTHORIZING the Village of Woodridge to construct improvements and an addition to the Highway garage, including engineering and planning expenses; STATING the estimated maximum cost thereof, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$1,200,000; APPROPRIATING said amount for such purpose; and STATING the plan of financing includes the issuance of bonds in the principal amount of \$1,200,000 to finance said appropriation, and the levy of a tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and interest thereon;

SECOND: AUTHORIZING the issuance of \$1,200,000 bonds of the Village pursuant to the Local Finance Law of the State of New York (the "Law") to finance said appropriation;

THIRD: DETERMINING and STATING that (a) the period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which the bonds are authorized is fifteen (15) years; (b) the proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized; and (c) the proposed maturity of said bonds will exceed five (5) years;

FOURTH: DETERMINING that said bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes shall be general obligations of the Village; and PLEDGING to their payment the faith and credit of the Village;

FIFTH: DELEGATING to the Village Treasurer the powers and duties as to the issuance of said bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, or the renewals thereof; and

SIXTH: DETERMINING that the bond resolution is subject to a permissive referendum.

DATED: August 2, 2021

MYRA BENNETT Village Clerk

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VILLAGE OF WOODRIDGE, NEW YORK

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 2, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Woodridge, in the County of Sullivan, New York, adopted the bond resolution entitled:

"Bond Resolution of the Village of Woodridge, New York, adopted August 2, 2021, authorizing the acquisition and installation of a generator for Village Hall, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$40,000, appropriating said amount for such purpose, and authorizing the issuance of bonds in the principal amount of \$40,000 to finance said appropriation,"

an abstract of such bond resolution concisely stating the purpose and effect thereof, being as follows:

FIRST: AUTHORIZING the Village of Woodridge to acquire and install a generator for Village Hall; STATING the estimated maximum cost thereof, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$40,000; APPROPRIATING said amount for such purpose; and STATING the plan of financing includes the issuance of bonds in the principal amount of \$40,000 to finance said appropriation, and the levy of a tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and interest thereon;

SECOND: AUTHORIZING the issuance of \$40,000 bonds of the Village pursuant to the Local Finance Law of the State of New York (the "Law") to finance said appropriation;

THIRD: DETERMINING and STATING that (a) the period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which the bonds are authorized is ten (10) years; (b) the proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized; and (c) the proposed maturity of said bonds will exceed five (5) years;

FOURTH: DETERMINING that said bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes shall be general obligations of the Village; and PLEDGING to their payment the faith and credit of the Village;

FIFTH: DELEGATING to the Village Treasurer the powers and duties as to the issuance of said bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, or the renewals thereof; and

SIXTH: DETERMINING that the bond resolution is subject to a permissive referendum.

DATED: August 2, 2021

MYRA BENNETT Village Clerk

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AGENDA

TOWN OF FALLSBURG PLANNING BOARD MEETING August 12, 2021

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Planning Board meeting of Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 7:00 pm will be held in person at 12 Laurel Avenue, South Fallsburg. The public can attend via telephone by dialing 929 205 6099 (New York) meeting ID# 95452661458 via Zoom. PLANNING BOARD DISCUSSIONS WILL BE HELD ON THE FOLLOWING:

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 1. HAMLET OF LOCH SHELDRAKE - SBL# 18-2-12.1
2. MURRAY'S CHICKEN - SBL# 52-7-8/21
3. CONGREGATION KOLLEL OF SOUTH FALLSBURG - SBL# 56-1-64.5
4. ROCKWELL REALTY GROUP LLC - SBL# 24-1-7
5. LUXOR JUNIOR - SBL# 12-1-41.5

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. CABANA SANDS - SBL# 20-1-4.1/4.2 - Requests a 6 month extension of a previously approved site plan.
2. CONGREGATION KOLLEL OF SOUTH FALLSBURG - SBL# 56-1-64.5 - Requests site plan approval for a home based business for a prayer room and 20 x 25 covered deck. Zone: HR. Acres: .35. Location: 187 Lake St., South Fallsburg. Cross Roads: DogPatch Rd.
3. ROCKWELL REALTY GROUP LLC - SBL# 24-1-7 - Requests site plan approval for automobile sales. Zone: B. Acres: .21. Location: 468 SR 52, Woodbourne. Cross Roads: SR 42.
4. LAUREL OF FALLSBURG - SBL# 48-3-2.1 - Requests site plan review for multi-family housing development. Zone: R. Acres: 21.80. Location: off Laurel Ave., South Fallsburg. Cross Roads: Elm Dr. & Park Place.
5. EMPIRE HOLDINGS OF NY - SBL# 18-3-8.1 - Requests site plan review for parking for multi family housing. Zone: B. Acres: 1.355. Location: Old Factory Road, Loch Sheldrake. Cross Roads: SR 52.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. 4 HASBROUCK DRIVE - SBL# 22-2-14 - Review of conditional approval from last year. Zone: MX. Acres: 1.17. Location: 4 Hasbrouck Dr., Woodbourne. Cross Roads: SR 42.
2. HAMLET AT LOCH SHELDRAKE - SBL# 18-2-12.1 - Continued review for a townhouse development. Zone: MX/B. Location: SR 52, Loch Sheldrake.
3. Murray Bresky "Murray's Chicken" - SBL: 52-7-8/21 - Requests

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Continued Review of site plan for Trailer Storage in the parking area. Zone: B. Acres:1.85. Location: 4 Trolley Rd. 4. LUXOR JUNIOR - SBL# 12-1-41.5 - Requests continued review. Zone: PUD. Acres: 41.62. Location: Maplewood Ave., Loch Sheldrake.

Denise Corbett, Clerk, Town of Fallsburg Planning Board

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LEGAL NOTICE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF ACPM PRIME ALAMOSA 2018 TRUST,

SUMMONS Index No. E2019-2044

Plaintiff,

-vs-

UNKNOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO THE ESTATE OF RICHARD A. SIMMONS; KATHLEEN T. SIMMONS; MICHELLE WAYCHOFF; KRISTIN SIMMONS; AARON SIMMONS; SHANE SIMMONS; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA O/B/O INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNKNOWN HEIRS TO THE ESTATE OF RICHARD A. SIMMONS; RMH ASSOCIATES, LP; L & F ENTERPRISES, INC.; "JOHN DOE #1-5" and "JANE DOE #1-5" said names being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants, tenants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises being foreclosed herein,

Defendants.

Mortgaged Premises: 169 HURLEYVILLE MAIN STREET HURLEYVILLE, NY 12747 A/K/A 169 MAIN STREET HURLEYVILLE, NY 12747 A/K/A 1 COLUMBIA DRIVE HURLEYVILLE, NY 12747

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S):

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

NOTICE

YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME

If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing an answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home.

Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property.

Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action.

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

SULLIVAN County is designated as the place of trial. The basis of venue is the location of the mortgaged premises.

Dated: August 20, 2019

SIMONE SEBASTIOAN, ESQ. FEIN, SUCH & CRANE, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff 1400 OLD COUNTRY ROAD STE C103 WESTBURY, NY 11590 Telephone No. 516/394-6921 BSIN148

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on the 2nd day of August, 2021, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village, of Woodridge, in the County of Sullivan, New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

MYRA BENNETT Village Clerk

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF WOODRIDGE, NEW YORK, ADOPTED AUGUST 2, 2021, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF AN ELECTRONIC SIGN FOR VILLAGE HALL, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$25,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT FOR SUCH PURPOSES, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$25,000 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

The object or purpose for which the bonds are authorized is the acquisition and installation of an electronic sign for Village Hall at the estimated maximum cost of \$25,000.

The amount of obligations to be issued is \$25,000.

The period of probable usefulness is five (5) years.

A complete copy of the bond resolution summarized above shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the Village Clerk, at the Village Hall, 2 Dairyland Road, Woodridge, New York.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Goldsmith Industries LLC. Arts. Of Org. were filed with NY Dept. of State on 03/23/21. Office location: Sullivan County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: 130 Lee Ave. #401 Brooklyn NY 11211 Purpose: any lawful purpose. 94314

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 17B Cottages LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State on 03/23/21. Office location: Sullivan County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is: 112 Ballard Road, Mongaup Valley, New York 12762. Purpose: any lawful activity. 94480

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of 19 FRED HES-SINGER LLC Appl. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of

NY (SSNY) on 07/07/21. Office location: Sullivan County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 07/01/21. Princ. office of LLC: 19 Fred Hesser Rd., Callicoon Center, NY 12724. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. DE address of LLC: 251 Little Falls Dr., Wilmington, DE 19808. Cert. of Form. filed with Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: Real estate holding. 94285

Read the Legals!

Callicoon Station to perform at Rafter's Tavern

CALLICOON - "Tune in" and "roll into" Callicoon Station performing again at Rafter's Tavern on Friday August 6 from 7-9 p.m.

Chip Forelli and the Goddess of Guitar, Elizabeth Rose (who on Sundays 3-6pm is also the grand hostess of our Open-Mic) will rock your socks off!

of any guitar player heard on the Rafter's stage yet today. She may be tiny, but she is mighty!

Bumping up the sound to a higher echelon in more ways than one is her husband, Don Castellow. Whether on sax, clarinet, or the low whistle of his own design, he is a crowd-pleasing shoo-in!

Performing a variety of tunes both original and popular, the audience will appreciate their dynamic harmonies (Suite: Judy Blue Eyes, right on!), and will be jumping out of their seats to dance along to their upbeat groove.

In favorable weather, performances generally will take place in The Nest, the outdoor performance area at Rafter's Tavern. In inclement weather, performances will take place inside at Rafter's Tavern Indoor Stage.

No cover-charge, donations appreciated. Rafter's Tavern kitchen is open for lunch and dinner. Rafter's Tavern is located at 28 Upper Main St. in Callicoon. For more information call (845) 887-9882 or visit rafterstavern.com.

Part 3 of 7

Do You Keep Copies of the Documents That Define the Provisions of your Pension Plan?

In addition to asking questions of company or pension plan officials, you should keep copies of the summary plan description (SPD) and any amendments. The SPD is a document that pension plan administrators are required to prepare, and it outlines your benefits and how they are calculated.

What Happens To Your Pension If You Change Jobs? You may lose the pension benefits you have earned if

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you leave your job before you are vested. However, once vested you have the right to receive benefits even when you leave your job. In such cases, the company may allow, or in certain cases may insist, that you take your pension money in a lump sum when you leave.

A word of caution: If you receive your pension in a lump sum, you will owe additional income taxes, and may owe a penalty tax. A better way is to reinvest your savings in another qualified pension plan or an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) within 60 days.

If you do want to reinvest the money, it is important that you do not directly receive it. If you receive the money directly, you will have to pay 20 percent withholding tax on the amount you receive and then file for a refund in the next year, provid-

ing proof that you have transferred the funds to an IRA. Instead, instruct the pension plan administrator to transfer your pension money directly to an IRA you have established or to another qualified pension plan. This is easy to do using simple forms supplied by the new plan.

Are You Entitled to a Portion of your Spouse's Pension Plan Benefit if a Divorce Occurs?

As part of a divorce or legal separation, you may be able to obtain rights to a portion of your spouse's pension benefit (or he may be able to obtain a portion of yours). Retirement plans are considered marital property. In most private-sector pension plans, this is done using a Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO) issued by the court.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK "Be the person your dog thinks you are."

Coming Tuesday, August 10th... SHOWING OUR ROOTS TAB Agriculture ... a celebration of our roots in the SULLIVAN COUNTY Democrat

County Petroleum Locally owned & operated since 1952. Cash or credit cards, same low price. NO FEE Price cap plans. Non-ethanol gasoline. Motor oils • HEAP welcome.

Delaware Valley Oil Serving Northeastern Wayne County, PA and Sullivan County, NY. Call for Money-saving Prices on Fuel Oil, Kerosene & Diesel!

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 2 OF THE NEW YORK EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEDURE LAW FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF FALLSBURG, SULLIVAN COUNTY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons that a public hearing, pursuant to Article 2 of the New York Eminent Domain Procedure Law ("EDPL"), will be held by the Town of Fallsburg (the "Town") on Monday, August 23, 2021, beginning at 5:55 p.m., local time, at the Senior Center, 12 Laurel Avenue, South Fallsburg, New York 12779.

In addition to informing the public, said public hearing is being held for the purpose of considering (i) the proposed "acquisition" by condemnation (as such quoted term is defined under EDPL; hereinafter referred to as the "Acquisition") of all or a portion of certain "real property" (as such quoted term is defined under EDPL) located at 1500 State Route 52 E, Liberty, New York (known as the Grandview Palace and/or Grandview Palace Condominiums and identifiable by the tax identification numbers below) including, but not limited to, any related private road(s), residential house(s), condominium unit(s), outbuilding(s), garage(s), accessory structure(s) and/or related improvements thereon and/or thereat (collectively, the "Proposed Site") in the Town of Fallsburg, Sullivan County, New York and (ii) the public purpose of the proposed Acquisition, location of the Proposed Site, general effects of the proposed Acquisition on the environment and the residents of the locality and other relevant information. No proposed alternate locations are being considered.

The proposed Acquisition is required for and is in connection with a certain project (collectively, the "Project") consisting of facilitating the productive use of such vacant and/or underutilized Proposed Site through residential, municipal and/or commercial economic development projects in connection with the public purposes of advancing the general prosperity and economic welfare of the residents of the Town by returning the vacant and/or underutilized Proposed Site to productive use thereby promoting employment and increasing the property tax base within the Town.

All interested persons are invited to attend said public hearing and present their views regarding the proposed Acquisition. Persons unable to attend the public hearing, or persons in attendance at the public hearing, may submit to the Town, either prior to, during or after the public hearing, any written comments or other related documents regarding the proposed Acquisition. Any written comments and related documents received by the hearing date or within ten (10) calendar days of the public hearing will become part of the official public hearing record.

The tax identification numbers associated with the Proposed Site include the following: 11.-1-39; 11.-1-39.01/0313; 11.-1-39.12/0201; 11.-1-39.12/0202; 11.-1-39.12/0203; 11.-1-39.12/0204; 11.-1-39.12/0205; 11.-1-39.12/0302; 11.-1-39.12/0303; 11.-1-39.12/0304; 11.-1-39.12/0305; 11.-1-9.01/0101; 11.-1-39.01/0102; 11.-1-39.01/0103; 11.-1-39.01/0104; 11.-1-39.01/0105; 11.-1-39.01/0106; 11.-1-39.01/0107; 11.-1-39.01/0108; 11.-1-39.01/0109; 11.-1-39.01/0110; 11.-1-39.01/0111; 11.-1-39.01/0112; 11.-1-39.01/0201; 11.-1-39.01/0202; 11.-1-39.01/0203; 11.-1-39.01/0204; 11.-1-39.01/0205; 11.-1-39.01/0206; 11.-1-39.01/0207; 11.-1-39.01/0208; 11.-1-39.01/0209; 11.-1-39.01/0210; 11.-1-39.01/0211; 11.-1-39.01/0212; 11.-1-39.01/0301; 11.-1-39.01/0302; 11.-1-39.01/0303; 11.-1-39.01/0304; 11.-1-39.01/0305; 11.-1-39.01/0306; 11.-1-39.01/0307; 11.-1-39.01/0308; 11.-1-39.01/0309; 11.-1-39.01/0401; 11.-1-39.01/0402; 11.-1-39.01/0403; 11.-1-39.01/0404; 11.-1-39.01/0405; 11.-1-39.01/0406; 11.-1-39.01/0407; 11.-1-39.01/0408; 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GOLFING HIGHLIGHTS

ED TOWNSEND

Schauffele wins Olympic Gold



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American Xander Schauffele wins the golf championship in the Olympic Men's Golf Tournament.

try to fix his problem.

A hook for a right handed golfer is when the ball goes lower than the intended flight and turns hard to the left. This is caused by the clubface being shut and closed at impact. Before I look at a player's swing to try and fix a problem, I like to see how they set up when they address the ball.

The first thing I noticed was his grip on the club. He had a very strong right-hand grip where the lower hand was too far underneath the club.

I had him turn his hand to the left to get the hand on top of the club more and have him hold it more in his fingers.

He was aiming too far right of his target with his feet and shoulders. This was causing him to try pulling back to his target by rolling over his forearms and hands, thus shutting the face of the club and not letting it work properly. I had him start to open his stance (aim to the left more). Then I told him to feel like he was hitting the ball to the left and hit the ball with the back of his left hand to keep the clubface square through impact.

He was able to play the last 18 holes and enjoy himself. He reverted back to his old habit a couple of times, but for the most part he hit the ball straight or even with a little fade.

I try to keep things simple when I teach. Robert Menges is the head golf professional at the Swan Lake Golf & Country Club on Mt. Hope Road in Swan Lake. He is available for private lessons and if you have a question or subject you would like covered, he can be reached at 845-292-0323 or via email at bobmenges22@gmail.com.

Golf calendar

- Aug. 6: Mamakating K Of C, contact Tarry Brae at 845-434-2620.
- Aug. 7: O.B. Outing, Swan Lake Golf Club, contact Bob Menges 845-292-0323.
- Aug. 10: New Hope Community, contact Tarry Brae 845-434-2620.
- Aug. 14: Youngsville Fire Company, contact Swan Lake Golf Club 845-292-0323.
- Aug. 14: Pete DeVantier Memorial, Tannanah Lake, contact Dan DeVantier, 607-437-7301.
- Aug. 15: Roger Bournoval, contact Tarry Brae 845-434-2620.
- Aug. 16: Thunder 102 Tournament, contact Thunder 102.
- Aug. 21: Carlson Outing, Tarry Brae, contact John Jaycox 845-866-6431.
- Aug. 21: Drive to end Duchenne, Tannanah Lake, contact Justin Bowers, 607-348-7569.
- Aug. 22: St. George's Church, 1 p.m. Start, Swan Lake Golf Club, contact Bill Moloney or golf club at 845-292-0323.
- Aug. 26: Liberty Elks Frank Finn Memorial 11 a.m. start, Swan Lake Golf Club, contact Bob Menges 845-292-0323.
- Aug. 28: Napanoch Elks, Tarry Brae, contact Larry Navitsky, 845-706-0541.
- Sept. 3: Inaugural Do Good Golf Outing, Tannanah Lake, Visit DoGood-Spirits.com.
- Sept. 5: Sullivan West Football Tournament, Tannanah Lake, contact 607-498-5000.
- Sept. 11: Monticello Rotary, contact Tarry Brae 845-434-2620.
- Sept. 12: 1 p.m. Jeffersonville Lions Club, Swan Lake Golf Club, contact

Golf Tip

By Robert Menges

One year I was on our annual golf trip to Myrtle Beach in the middle of March, when one of my good friends started to hook the ball violently. He is a good player who would hook the ball off the tee once in a while. On this trip, which was a 3-day golf outing, he could not seem to hit a ball off the tee without it going out 50 yards and then took a sharp left turn rolling fast and furiously into the woods. As you may have guessed it was very frustrating for him to play golf that weekend. I finally got some time to watch him on the range the last day so I could help him

BRIEFS

More scenes from the 2021 Democrat Golf Tourney



As is tradition at the Democrat, the past champions gathered for a photo following Friday's qualifying round. Twelve past winners played in the field of 128 this year. From the left are Walter Herzog (1995, 2015) Jared Kubenik (2017), Gregg Semenez Jr. (2017), Joe Winski (2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2018, 2020, 2021), Kort Wheeler (1993, 2015), Sean Semenez (2003, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2018, 2020, 2021), Ken Cohen (1984, 1987, 1992, 1994, 1997, 1999, 2004, 2005, 2012), and Mitchell Etes (1982, 1983, 1994). Missing from the photo were partners Gregg Semenez Sr. and Bill Phillips (2001, 2002), Tom Drobysch (1986) and Jake Hommel (2019).



Roscoe was well-represented at this year's Democrat with Tom Roseo, right, and Collin Tallman both qualifying for the championship flight, albeit on different teams. Their "team outfits" came out on Saturday as they played in the respective matches.



PHOTO BY MATT KLEINER

Team Gallo has long set the standard for Democrat Golf Tourney attire. Brothers Todd, right, and Michael Gallo joined Fred and Andrew Stabbert for a team photo on Friday afternoon. Both teams had a great weekend of golf as the Gallos won the sixth flight and Stabberts won the seventh.

GOLF SCORES

TWIN VILLAGE	
MONDAY MENS	
1. Husson & Husson	176.5
2. Thomas & Hendrickson	156.5
3. Brock & Brock	155.5
4. Reed & Odell	150.0
5. Templin & Lee	143.0
6. Rampe & Clancy	142.5
7. Bennett & Rowan	141.5
8. Green & Glantzis	140.0
9. Tallman & Ackerly	139.0
10. Tucker & Smith	135.5
11. Clark & Mooney	135.0
12. Murphy & Townsend	129.5
13. Madera & Diaz	128.0
14. Ryder & Ryder	127.5
15. Darbee & France	127.5
16. Haas & France	127.0
17. Harris & Spalding	125.5
18. Wood & Brosius	104.0
TWIN VILLAGE	
TUESDAY LADIES	
1. A. Husson & B. Ackerly	139.0
2. Y. Rowan & T. Stark	123.5
3. C. Bowers & S. Feeney	109.5
4. L. Hendrickson & M. Ross	107.5
5. E. Casey & E. Carlson	101.5
6. S. Ferber & J. Husson	93.0
7. D. Tallman & C. Routledge	91.0
8. S. Clark & K. Ahart	80.5
9. K. Harris & S. Green	74.5
SWAN LAKE	
TUESDAY NIGHT BIRDIE DIVISION	
1. M. Welsh & S. Duquette	112.0
2. P. Clifford & A. Hauser	109.0
3. Todd & Taylor VanKeuren	106.0
4. T. Ditmar & N. Rusin	105.0
5. H. Keherley & J. Rhupert	102.5
6. D. Luczynski & M. Garigliano	99.0
7. K. Torrens & M. Lagatutta	94.5
TUESDAY NIGHT PAR DIVISION	
1. R. Schmidt & B. Russell	136.0
2. E. Stratton & M. Brand	127.0
3. F. Barrett & D. Hendrickson	125.0
4. J. Hinkley & P. Alden	113.0
5. D. Kuebler & R. O'Mara	113.0
6. W. Mall & F. Stabbert	111.0
7. T. Martin & T. Martin Jr.	106.0
8. P. Wegman & R. Lennon	102.0
9. R. Meihoffer & T. Dougherty	98.5
10. R. Heyman & J. Weinstein	92.5
11. J. Fink & J. Graham	90.5
12. G. Immoor & H. Tighe	88.5
13. G. Ziegler & J. Wunder	88.0
14. R. Espisto & D. Hoskings	72.5

Doug Immoor 482-4061.
Sept. 18: A.O.H. Halfway to St. Patrick's Day. 11 a.m. start. contact Ed O'Malley, Swan Lake Golf Club 845-649-0911.
Sept. 19: Liberty Faculty Association 11 a.m. start, Swan Lake Golf Club, contact Liz Fuentes 631-560-6866.
Sept. 25: Monticello Basketball 11 a.m. start at Swan Lake Golf Club, contact Chris Russo 551-655-8281.
Oct. 2: Summitville FD, Tarry Brae, contact Tim Koestler 888-2007.
Oct. 9: County Cup, Tarry Brae, contact 845-434-2620.

Ed Townsend is a Public Relations Consultant to the sport of golf and brings over 65 years of sports journalism experience in writing and compiling the information for this column. If you have league or tournament information, shoot a hole-in-one or score your age, let Ed know at 845-439-8177 or email at bght-news@aol.com.



Joe and Heather Winski were all smiles after Joe and Sean Semenez won their seventh Democrat title together as a team. Team Winski also includes newborn son, Landon, born July 4, Cora, 18 months, and Grant, who is 3.

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NRA Convention!



The National Rifle Association (NRA) will hold their Annual Convention at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, Texas on September 3-5, 2021. This will be a very special convention; the NRA is celebrating their 150th anniversary.

With the nation recovering and opening up from the COVID-19 virus restrictions, this is the first gathering of the NRA members since the pandemic began. The schedule of events is still not finalized as to the times and locations of certain events. Guest speakers and entertainment are still being booked. The best way to stay informed of this expanding schedule is to visit nraam.org, which is updated daily as more details come online.

Exhibit Hall will open up on Friday September 3rd at 9:30 AM. It will also be open on Saturday and Sunday. There will be 14 acres of guns and gear on display from the top companies in the firearms and accessory fields. You can see the latest in new guns, ammunition, holsters and optics, as well as to book your next hunting trip with top notch guides and outfitters from all over the world. There will be displays of some of the most rare and interesting firearms from personal collections. This is an opportunity to see guns that are very seldom viewed by the public.

Other events on Friday include The Women's Leadership Forum Luncheon and the Annual Firearms Law Seminar, which is the largest gathering of Second Amendment attorneys in the coun-

try.

Saturday's main event is the Annual Meeting of Members, where your civil-rights organization encourages members to participate and help shape its future. At this event members hear directly from the officers about the state of the NRA and have the chance to vote on issues. The oldest and youngest Life Members will also be recognized.

Sunday starts out with the National Prayer Breakfast where members hear inspirational messages and music. Shortly afterward, the Women's New Energy Breakfast will offer one more chance for NRA women to network and learn about relevant programs, and meet the women in the leadership and staff of the NRA.

Seminars and workshops are being scheduled on topics ranging from concealed-carry fundamentals to how to interact with law enforcement and crime-prevention strategies, plus many more. There will also be two special presentations of the history of Sniping and Sharpshooting.

Admission is free for NRA members and their immediate family. Walk-up registration will be available on site for existing members, and you can join the NRA on-site for free access to the show. Don't miss these historic events in Houston, Texas over the Labor Day weekend.

JACK DANCAK is a longtime sportsman and spent 30 years as the President of the Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs of Sullivan County, Inc.



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Check it off the bucket list

When Evelyn Weissmann of Callicoon Center, above right, went fishing recently on Lake Ontario she did something she always wanted to do... catch a 20 lb. King Salmon. Joining Evelyn on the fishing trip was Captain Dave Silver along with her friends, Joel and Ruthie Kritzer of Livingston Manor. "She can now check that off her bucket list," Joel said. At right, John VanEtten of Liberty shows off his 25-lb. salmon he caught on the same trip. Great times and great memories were made on Lake Ontario that day.



BRIEFS

Annual Fish Stocking Program

SULLIVAN COUNTY - The District is now taking orders for the annual Fish Stocking Program. If you are interested in stocking your pond with rainbow or brook trout,

or fathead minnows this fall, the District will be accepting orders until Monday, September 27. The pick-up date is Friday, October 1.

Trout should be stocked in cold-water ponds. Anyone stocking a pond with fish must apply for a fish stocking permit through the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation in New Paltz.

For more information, you can go to the District's website at sullivanswcd.org or contact the District office at (845) 292-6552 for a brochure, order form and a permit application.

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Summer vacation

What a crazy summer we have had so far, it is either a cold summer or a beautiful fall. August ushers in back-to-school shopping. August is the last hurrah for a summer vacation or not with resurgence of COVID.

Before you leave even for a long weekend make sure everything around your house is taken care of. If you have someone coming over to do daily chores around the house great, but chances are you don't. So here are some things to think about before you go away.

Picking your garden - if you are going to be away for any length of time you may want to pick some veggies before you go or the critters will pick them for you. That nice eight inch zucchini will be a baseball bat by the time you get home and that almost ripe tomato will be rotting on the ground after a week at the shore.

Now that the days are warmer, kinda, vegetables ripen at a quickened pace. Also make sure you set up some water timers to water the garden while you are away. This time of the year, if we don't get an afternoon thunderstorm, your plants can dry out very quickly and we just can't rely on mother nature.

We have some pumpkins growing on our porch that need water twice a day as they are so thirsty when the sun comes out. We literally put our growing pot into another barrel with no holes so that we can keep at least two inches of water at the bottom of the pot for the plant to absorb while we are out.

Feeding plants in hot weather can also be a little tricky, use a fertilizer with a lower nitrogen number in the summer months to avoid burning your plants.

During the heat of the season fertilizers with a higher potash number would be appreciated. These watering and feeding

tips go for your flower beds as well.

Don't worry about mowing the lawn if you don't have time before you go. During August grass grows at a slower rate and if it gets taller it shades its own roots and is less likely to burn under the sun. Mowing your lawn short before you go on vacation is one of the worst things you can do to it.

Besides being more likely to burn under the sun, short grass also has a harder time keeping moisture in the soil as it can't shade the ground, and it is easier for weeds to germinate when their seeds are hit with the hot sun.

Do you have a garden pond with Koi and goldfish in it? Worried about what they might eat?

Simply put a spotlight out by the edge of the pond on a dusk to dawn sensor. At night the light will come on attracting countless insects that will inevitably fall into the water, thereby supplying a ready source of food while you are away on vacation.

Your pets in the house, well that's another story. If you have pets you should have someone come by every day to take care of them or get a housesitter. Even a parakeet needs daily care.

Cats are about the most self sufficient, but you still don't want to leave them alone for more than a weekend, because once that litter box is full, any shoe will do.

If you are going to be away for more than a long weekend, tell your postmaster to hold your mail so that it won't pile up in the mailbox.

And last, but not least, have a good time on vacation, come back refreshed, and bring us lots of pictures to rub it in.

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Winners at Bethel Speedway

It was another great night for racing at Bethel Motor Speedway on Saturday. Winners that evening were as follows... NASCAR Dirt Modified - Kyle Dunham; NASCAR Street Stock - JB Morris; NASCAR Sport Mod - Mike Roth; INEX Legend Car - Jack Gerzabek; INEX Bandolero - Monika Deckleman; Rookie Bandolero - Mickey LaForte; Pro Stock - Larry ODonnell; 4 Cylinder Truck - Emerson Cargain; BMS Mod - John Cote; 4 Cylinder: Jerry Kingeter; and Open Comp Enduro - David Donovan.

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Democrat Golf Tourney memories



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Repeating as tourney champs are Joe Winski (center left) and Sean Semenetz (center right). They share a special moment with Democrat Publisher and Tourney Sponsor Fred Stabbert III (left) and Villa Roma Director of Golf and Pro Matt Kleiner.



Winners of the second flight, Matt Wambach and Tom Hinkley, celebrate their great day on the green with Sullivan County Democrat Publisher and Tournament Sponsor Fred Stabbert.



Iain Kennedy, left, and Ted Kesten were the last team standing in the third flight. Here they are with Sullivan County Democrat Publisher and Tournament Sponsor Fred Stabbert.

Democrat Golf Tourney honors first 'Hall of Fame' class

CALLICOON – "It's hard to believe we have been hosting the Sullivan County Democrat Two-Man Better Ball Golf Tourney for the past 40 years and I wanted to recognize a few people who have left a lasting legacy on this event and thank them from the bottom of my heart," Tourney Sponsor and Democrat Publisher Fred Stabbert III said Friday night as he was surrounded by 128 golfers following the opening round of this year's tourney.

"In recognition of our 40th Anniversary, this year we are starting the Sullivan County Democrat Golf Tourney Hall of Fame and inducting our first class - the Class of 2021," he continued.

The Class of 2021

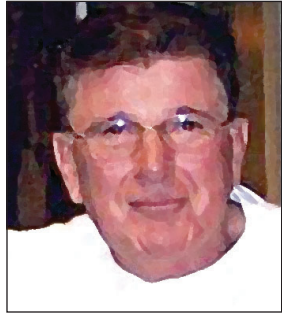


Paul Zintel

"Our first inductee is our first Tournament Director, Paul Zintel, who recently turned 90 and is living in Kentucky. Paul approached my dad with this idea for a golf tournament with a new format and since those three fateful days in August, 1982, we knew we had something special.

"Just a real quick aside. The first field consisted of 44 teams, 88 players in all, and included the PA State Amateur Champion, two Times-Herald Record Golf Tourney Champions, a New York State Open Golf Tourney Qualifier and an Eisenhower "Ike" Tourney qualifier. Not too shabby.

"Our second inductee is



Marty Passante



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Liberty golfing legends reunited at the Sullivan County Democrat Golf Tourney at the Villa Roma over the weekend when Rad Yaun, right, came to visit his friends. From the left are partners Mitchell Etes and Ken Cohen sharing a laugh with Rad. All three players are past champions of the Democrat Tourney and Mitchell and Ken were also inducted into the Democrat Golf Tourney Hall of Fame on Friday night.

Villa Roma owner Marty Passante. In 1989, after six years at the Big G Grossinger Golf Course, Marty opened up this wonderful venue to our tournament and, with the exception of one year, this has been our home ever since. Marty always liked to do things in a big way and the first Democrat of the Villa Roma hosted included 82 teams - 164 players - still a Democrat record. Marty played in many Democrats, even while at the Grossinger, and his love for the game, and the competition and good spirit of this tourney has been instrumental in its success.

"Our third and fourth inductees are Mitchell and the late Mark Etes. This brother duo were not only the Democrat's first hosts but the prohibitive favorites to win. They beat some incredible fields when they claimed victories in 1982 and 1983, including a strong Honesdale contingent. A little Democrat trivia... Mitchell also won long drive the first year of the tourney, beating me out by just 124 yards.

"We truly appreciate the Grossinger-Etes families love of this sport, their support of the Democrat newspaper and the friendship they showed my mom and dad and the Stabbert family

through the years. Congratulations.



Fred Stabbert Jr.

"Our next inductee is the late Fred Stabbert Jr. In 1982, Paul Zintel called Fred and his partner, George Dudley, "A dark horse contender" to win it all. They did make it to the finals - of the fourth flight. Dad... thank you for starting this great tourney and congratulations, you earned it.

"Our next inductee has a Democrat record that will never be broken. A great



Every Hall of Famer received their own jacket.

competitor with a passion not only for the game of golf but all of its tradition, Marv Newberg is the only player who can say 'I never missed a Democrat.' Marv, you, Paul [Zintel], Matt [Kleiner] and my dad had many great



Marvin Newberg

days on the course and at this tournament through the years. I don't know all your partners, but Myron Josepher, Sam Hillman and now your son, Ben, come to mind. Thank you for everything you have done for this tournament, your support and contributions have gone above and beyond all expectations. Congratulations.

"Our last inductee also played in the first Democrat tourney, while he was an assistant at the Grossinger's Golf Course. He also spent time writing about the game of golf when he sat next to me at the Democrat office in the early 80s. He truly possesses a love for the game of golf, and he has produced some of the greatest memories and greatest matches this tournament has ever seen. While records are made to be broken, 14 championship appearances and 9 Democrat championship trophies speaks for itself.

"Please join me in congratulating our last inductee to the Sullivan County Democrat Golf Tourney Hall of Fame, Class of 2021 - Ken Cohen," Stabbert said.



Taylor VanKeuren (left) won the fifth flight with Brendon Walsh. He's pictured here with Tourney Sponsor Fred Stabbert.



Best dressed and good golfers! Michael (left) and Todd Gallo of Swan Lake Golf and Country Club (right) won the sixth flight.



Democrat Publisher Fred Stabbert, left, also the tournament sponsor, won the seventh flight with his son Andrew.

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