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# Comey sought more probe resources before firing

WASHINGTON — In the days before his firing by President Donald Trump, FBI Director James Comey told U.S. lawmakers he had asked the Justice Department for more resources to pursue the bureau's investigation into Russia's interference in last year's presidential election, three U.S. officials said Wednesday.

The officials said Comey met last week with Rod Rosenstein, the deputy attorney general, to make the request. Comey then alerted lawmakers with ties to the concurrent congressional investigations into Russia's meddling, according to the officials, who insisted on anonymity in order to disclose the private conversations.

Justice Department spokeswoman Sarah Isgur Flores said it was false that Comey had asked Rosenstein for money for the Russia investigation.

## THANKING TRUMP

The revelations raise new questions about what prompted Trump's decision to fire Comey. The White House has cited a memo from Rosenstein, in which he criticizes Comey's handling of last year's investigation into Democratic Hillary Clinton's email practices.

Rosenstein's memo makes no mention of the FBI's Russia investigation, which is probing both Russia's hacking of Democratic groups last year and whether Trump campaign associates had ties to Moscow's election interference. Trump defended his decision Wednesday, asserting in a flurry of tweets that both Democrats and Republicans "will be thanking me" for his action. He did not mention any effect the dismissal might have on the FBI and congressional investigations into contacts between his 2016 election campaign and Russia.

"He wasn't doing a good job. Very simply. He was not doing a good job," Trump said in brief remarks to reporters in the Oval Office, where he was

joined by former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

## EROSION OF CONFIDENCE

The White House said Trump had been considering firing Comey since the election.

"I think it has been an erosion of confidence," White House spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders said. She said Rosenstein's memo, as well as Comey's own testimony last week on his handling of the Clinton investigation, pushed Trump toward a final decision.

The abrupt firing of Comey threw into question the future of the FBI's investigation and immediately raised suspicions of an unorthodox effort to stymie a probe that has shadowed the administration from the outset. Trump has ridiculed the investigations as "a hoax" and denied any campaign involvement with the Russians.

Sanders said the White House would "encourage" the FBI to complete the Russia investigation. She said the president continued to oppose appointing a special prosecutor to oversee the investigation.

Democrats compared Comey's ouster to President Richard Nixon's "Saturday Night Massacre" during the Watergate investigation and renewed calls for the appointment of a special prosecutor. Ironically, Kissinger, who was meeting with Trump, was Nixon's secretary of state in 1973, just moved over from being Nixon's national security adviser.

## 'AT THE RIGHT TIME'

Earlier Wednesday, Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer of New York urged Attorney General Jeff Sessions and his deputy, Rosenstein, to appear before the Senate to answer questions about the circumstances surrounding Trump's action.

However, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell

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— President Donald Trump

brushed aside calls for a special prosecutor, saying a new investigation into Russian meddling would only "impede the current work being done." He noted that Democrats had repeatedly criticized Comey in the past and some had called for his removal.

Trump made a similar case on Twitter, saying Comey had "lost the confidence of almost everyone in Washington," adding, "When things calm down, they will be thanking me."

View President Mike Pence said at the Capitol that Trump had made "the right decision at the right time."

## 'NOBODY BELIEVES'

The Justice Department said Sessions was interviewing candidates to serve as an interim replacement, Comey's deputy, FBI veteran Andrew McCabe, became acting director after Comey was fired.

In his first letter Tuesday to Comey, Trump said the firing was necessary to restore "public trust and confidence" in the FBI. The administration paired the letter with a scathing review by Rosenstein, the recently confirmed deputy attorney general, of how Comey handled the investigation into Clinton's email practices, including his decision to hold a news conference

announcing its findings and releasing "derogatory information" about Clinton.

"You can't make this stuff up," Rep. Adam Schiff of California, top Democrat on the House intelligence committee, said Wednesday on MSNBC. As to Trump's contention that the firing had to do with Comey's decision-making on such matters as the Clinton emails, he said, "Nobody believes that."

Trump, in his letter, pointedly thanked Comey for telling him three times "that I am not under investigation." The FBI has not confirmed that Comey ever made those assurances to the president. In public hearings, Comey has declined to answer when asked if Trump is under investigation, urging lawmakers not to read anything into that statement.

## TROUBLED BY TIMING

While Comey has drawn anger from Democrats since he

resigned the email investigation in the closing days of last year's campaign, they didn't buy that justification for his firing. Several Republicans joined them in raising alarms of how it could affect probes into possible coordination between Trump associates and Russia to influence the election.

In one of the strongest statements by Republicans, Sen. Richard Burr of North Carolina, chairman of the Senate intelligence committee, said, "I am troubled by the timing and reasoning of Director Comey's termination."

"His dismissal further confuses an already difficult investigation by the committee," Burr said.

Schumer told Trump in a phone call he thought dumping Comey was a mistake. On Wednesday, Trump labeled the Senate minority leader "Crazy" Chuck Schumer.

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## AROUND NEW YORK

**State closes Wakely Mtn. trail and fire tower safety cited**

INDIAN LAKE (AP) — New York state officials have closed a trail in the Adirondack Mountains until further notice because of safety concerns with the Wakely Mountain Fire Tower.

The 92-foot tower was closed to public access last December because of structural problems, and the tower's condition has since worsened.

The Department of Environmental Conservation says there's a chance the tower could collapse in heavy winds. DEC officials plan to make repairs as soon as possible to prevent a collapse.

Wakely Mountain is located just west of Indian Lake in one of the more remote sections of the central Adirondacks.

**Police: No foul play suspected in Central Park deaths**

NEW YORK (AP) — The bodies of two men have been discovered over two days in Central Park, each floating in a lake, but investigators don't believe either was the victim of a crime, police said Wednesday.

The first body, of a man thought to be in his 26s or 30s, was found Tuesday in the park's Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Reservoir, near Central Park West and 96th Street. It apparently had been there at least a month, said police Chief of Detective Robert Hovea.

The medical examiner will determine the causes of death, neither body had obvious signs of trauma.

"We don't believe there's criminality in either of these cases right now," he said. The rare occurrences — a body was last found in Central Park waters in 2015 — brought negative attention to a normally tranquil oasis in the heart of the city.

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# Final week to avoid US Open qualifying

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — As many as 26 players will be added to the field for the U.S. Open at Erin Hills this week, and there isn't likely to be many surprises unless someone not already eligible wins or finishes second in the AT&T Byron Nelson.

The top 60 in the world ranking published after this week will be exempt from qualifying.

Si Woo Kim earned a three-year exemption with his victory in The Players Championship, although the 21-year-old from South Korea was in the Tour Championship last year and thus already exempt for the U.S. Open, which is June 15-18.

Among players whose PGA Tour victories effectively got them into the U.S. Open are Wesley Bryan (RBC Heritage), Russell Henley (Shell Houston Open) and Brian Harman (Wells Fargo Championship) because winning moved them safely inside the top 60.

The same could be said for Pat Perez, though he has done far more than win the OHL Classic in Mexico last fall. Perez also has had several strong finishes, and his runner-up finish at the Wells Fargo Championship clinched it for him.

Jon Rahm's victory at Turney Pines in January also got him in, though the 22-year-old from Spain has done well in other tournaments that it seems like a long time ago. Rahm already is in No. 12 in the world.

Byung Hun An is at No. 58 and playing the AT&T Byron Nelson, so his objective is to not fall out of the top 60. Lee Westwood (55), Match Play specialist Hideto Tanihara (56) and Jeonghun Wang (57) are not playing this week.

Three European Tour players who are within range of the top 60 are not playing this week — Chris Wood, Andy Sullivan and Soren Kjeldsen. The European Tour has the BMW PGA Championship, its flagship event, next week.



Sergio Garcia chips onto the second green during the final round of The Players Championship Sunday in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

CHRIS O'NEAR/AP Photo

at Wentworth. The four this week has a new event, The Rocco Forte Open in Sicily, Italy, which has a week field. The winner of the BMW PGA Championship also earns a U.S. Open exemption. For everyone else, there is 36-hole sectional qualifying on June 5.

There also is another exemption for the top 60 in the world ranking published the week of the U.S. Open.

If there is no movement in the top 60 in the world this week, 26 players would get in. And if someone not already eligible wins at Wentworth next week, that will be a total of 76 exempt players — half of the 156-man field, which is just how the USGA likes it.

**HOWELL RECOVERING:** Rory McIlroy isn't the only player who had an MRI on Monday to make sure there was no

damage to his rib area.

Charles Howell III had tests Monday for what his manager described as "something very similar to Rory with his rib." Howell has not played since the RBC Heritage. He with three right before the Wells Fargo Championship and did not go to The Players Championship. He also is taking this week off from the AT&T Byron Nelson.

"He's trying to be back for Memorial," said Thomas Parker at 4Sports and Entertainment. "He feels like he's on the right track."

Howell is No. 86 in the world, and because the top 60 after this week are exempt for the U.S. Open, Howell would have to go through 36 hole qualifying the Monday after the Memorial if his injury allows him

**A DIFFERENCE IN EMOTION:** Patrick Reed and Patrick Cantlay are on opposite ends of the emotional spectrum when it comes to golf, so it was intriguing to see them as partners in the Zurich Classic.

Reed said, "I tried to teach him how to slum a club or something."

Apparently, it didn't work. "I'll never forget 12, ever," Reed said. "I think that will be in the back of my mind for my whole career. The guy hits every fairway he looks at. For him to step up on a tee and duck-hook one so far left, to literally just watch it fly, bend down, pick up his tee, hand the driver to his caddy as he hit it 320 down the middle... I'm sitting here like, 'What are you doing?' I swear, my driver would have been somewhere

else."

Reed has played in the Walker Cup, Ryder Cup, Presidents Cup and now the Zurich Classic. As for the partner who comes close to matching his emotion? He thought about it when Jordan Spieth's name came up.

"Jordan gets a little heated every once in a while," Reed said. "I just think he complains to his caddy a lot. He doesn't really get very angry at himself, he kind of complains to Michael (Greller) a lot... A lot of guys show emotion, it's just kind of hard to tell who kind of shows it the very little."

**BACK OUT:** Terry Mundy was at The Players Championship with Ian Poulter for the 11th consecutive year, this time with a new bulker — player manager, not caddy.

Mundy has been coping

with three herniated disks in his lower back for the last two years, and it reached a point where a even turning to toss trash in a waste bin was enough for pain to shoot up his legs.

"The doctors said if I wanted to keep caddying, they could put two rods in my back," Mundy said.

The alternative was six months of rehabilitation and seeing where he is, though Mundy is likely done being on Poulter's bag. Poulter also changed management companies, leaving IMG for Paul Dunkley, a longtime friend who managed the Englishman when he first turned pro nearly 20 years ago.

James Walton has taken over for Mundy.

**DIWOTS:** So Yoon Ryu has a streak of 10 straight finishes in the top 10 in the LPGA Tour going into the Kingsmill Championship, where she has another chance to reach No. 1 in the world. Si Woo Kim won The Players Championship and the next day withdrew from the AT&T Byron Nelson, wanting to rest his back. Kevin Sutherland has posted nine straight up-tos on the PGA Tour Champions. He is still looking for his first 50-and-older circuit victory.

Sergio Garcia will try to become the fourth back-to-back winner at the AT&T Byron Nelson. The others were Tom Watson, Jack Nicklaus and Sam Snead. The European Tour qualifying is going beyond European borders for the first time. A first stage qualifier will be held in Malaysia on Sept. 5-8 at Sanjaya Golf & Country Club, which hosted the Maybank Championship this year. Laurence Appiah, formerly the executive vice president of the Women's Tennis Association, has been appointed chief executive of Golf Canada.

**STAT OF THE WEEK:** Jon Rahm of Spain is No. 3 in the Race to Dubai on the European Tour. He has yet to play a regular European Tour event.

## NBA...

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guaranteed no worse than the No. 4 pick to add to a team that had the best record in the East this season. And they still get one more first-round pick next season from the Nets, who likely will miss the playoffs again.

Boston acquired the Nets' 2014, 2016 and 2018 first-round picks in the deal. Their victory made it three straight years the team with the best odds has won the lottery, after going the previous decade without a victory. Minnesota snapped that streak by getting eventual Rookie of the

Year Karl-Anthony Towns in 2015 and Philadelphia emerged with Ben Simmons last season.

The draft is considered a strong one, loaded with point guards such as Markelle Fultz, Lonzo Ball and De'Aaron Fox. And the Lakers will get a chance to take one of them after heating the odds to move up in their first year with Hall of Famer Magic Johnson as their team president. They had about a 50 percent chance of falling out of the top three, which would have triggered a trade of the pick as remaining payment of their acquisition of Steve Nash in 2012.

Not only that, but they

would have had to trade their 2019 first-round pick to Orlando if that happened, so Johnson was all smiles even after finishing behind the rival Celtics. A late five-game winning streak by his young team had damaged its odds by falling behind Phoenix for the second-worst record in the league.

"You see, you don't know what's been going on in L.A. They've been like 'Oh my god, we blew it,'" Johnson said. "We won five in a row

and everybody thought we were crazy. So now the fans back home can breathe a little easier."

Sacramento actually moved up into the top three, but the 76ers had the right to swap with them through terms of a past trade. The Kings will select fifth and 10th.

Orlando is sixth, followed by Minnesota, New York and Dallas. Charlotte is No.

11, with Detroit, Denver and Miami rounding out the 14 lottery spots.

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# Vermont governor vetoes marijuana bill

BY LISA RATHKE  
Associated Press

MONTEPELIER, Vt. — Republican Gov. Phil Scott on Wednesday vetoed a bill that would have made Vermont the ninth state to legalize recreational marijuana, but indicated that he was willing to work with the Legislature on a compromise.

Scott said he was sending the bill back with suggestions for another path forward and called for changes to be made to the proposal, such as more aggressive penalties for smoking pot while driving or in the presence of children.

"We must get this right,"

said Scott, who is hoping the Legislature can make the fixes during a veto session in late June.

Scott has said he's not philosophically opposed to marijuana legalization but has concerns about public safety, children's health and how to measure impaired drivers.

Under the legislation, small amounts of marijuana would have been legal to possess and grow for anyone over age 21.

Eight other states, plus the District of Columbia, have legalized recreational marijuana. Vermont would have been the first state to legalize marijuana by vote of

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a state legislative body. The other states and D.C. legalized marijuana after public referendums.

Legalization advocates said that although they were disappointed by the veto, they were encouraged there's a path forward.

"We are all concerned about youth safety and

roadside safety," said Laura Subin, director of the Vermont Coalition to Regulate Marijuana. "We hope we can work with the governor and the legislature to come up with a proposal that reflects those priorities."

Studies by the Vermont Department of Health have found that Vermont has

among the highest prevalence of marijuana use in the country and the second-highest use among people ages 12 to 25.

Vermont's legislature passed the measure six months after residents in Massachusetts and Maine voted to legalize the recreational use of marijuana. Both states are now developing mechanisms to regulate and tax the sale of marijuana. The New Hampshire Legislature is considering a bill to decriminalize the possession of small amounts of marijuana.

Besides seeking more aggressive penalties for

people who smoke marijuana while driving or while in the presence of children, he is also calling for an expansion of a commission that would develop a proposal to tax and regulate marijuana. He wants it to include representatives from the Vermont departments of Public Safety, Health and Taxes as well as the substance abuse prevention and treatment community. He says the panel should have a year before making recommendations.

Nearly 30 states have bills pending that would legalize marijuana for adults, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures.

## Suspect in Times Square crash indicted

BY COLLEEN LONG  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A man accused of intentionally moving down pedestrians on a Times Square sidewalk, killing one and injuring 22 others, was indicted Wednesday by a grand jury.

Richard Rojas did not appear in court in Manhattan for the hearing. The charges have not yet been made public, but the 26-year-old Rojas was previously arrested on charges of murder and attempted murder.

An arraignment was set for July 13, and he doesn't have to enter a plea until then. His lawyer had no comment.

Rojas told police after his arrest May 18 that he had

been smoking marijuana laced with the hallucinogenic drug PCP, according to a criminal complaint. He said he wanted to "kill them all" and police should have shot him to stop him, prosecutors said.

The crash killed Alyssa Elman, an 18-year-old tourist from Polk, Me., and injured her 16-year-old sister, Ava. A barricade at the site of the crash has become a makeshift memorial to Alyssa Elman, adorned with flowers, photos and handwritten messages.

Rojas has several prior criminal cases. He pleaded guilty two weeks ago to harassment in the Bronx after he was accused of pulling a knife on a woman in his home.

## AROUND NEW YORK

### Dog stuck on cliff rescued by cop

MOUNT MORRIS (AP) — A dog stuck about half-way down a 400-foot cliff in a western New York gorge has been rescued by a police officer who had to use ropes to reach the stranded canine.

The state park police says visitors to Letchworth State Park reported hearing a dog barking in the area of the Gougeon River gorge known as the Hogback Overlook, about 30 miles southwest of Rochester.

State Park Police Sgt. Ryan Clancy was lowered down by ropes Monday and hauled back up with the dog named Skipper, who had gone missing in the park two days earlier.

The 4-year-old hunting hound-border collie mix was returned to his owner, who lives near the park.

### Poll: Cuomo sees boost in favorability ratings

ALBANY (AP) — A new poll suggests New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo is enjoying his highest favorability rating in three years.

The survey released Wednesday by Siena College found that 61 percent of respondents said they have a favorable impression of the Democratic governor and 31 have an unfavorable opinion.

That's up from 54 percent with a favorable impression last month, and Cuomo's best overall favorability since June 2014.

According to the poll 31 percent of respondents give Cuomo's performance a good or excellent or good marks, while 46 percent say he has done a fair or poor job.

Cuomo is widely viewed as a possible White House contender in 2020.

The May 15-21 telephone survey of 770 registered New York voters has a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

### Lake George tiki boat tours approved

LAKE GEORGE (AP) — New York state regulators have given their approval for a business to offer tiki boat tours on a popular Adirondack lake.

The Port of Lake George reports the Lake George Park Commission on Tuesday voted to allow Tiki Tons to take visitors out on two tiki boats this summer.

The 15-foot-by-15-foot boats resemble a floating tiki bar, with a thatched roof and bar.

stocks. Built with 20 55-gallon drums underneath the power-boat can accommodate six passengers, a captain and a deckhand.

Each tiki boat has a portable toilet with a privacy shield. The vessels have passed U.S. Coast Guard safety inspections.

"Tiki Tons will operate out of the Lake George Beach Club in the village of Lake George, a popular summertime tourist destination 55 miles north of Albany."

### Canadian military flares raise UFO fears

ROCHESTER (AP) — Strange lights appearing over Lake Ontario had some residents of the Rochester area wondering if they were seeing UFOs.

It turns out the glowing objects were flares being used in a training exercise by the Canadian military.

The Democrat and Chronicle reports the Royal Canadian Air Force's Canadian Joint Rescue Coordination Centre in Trenton, Ontario, was conducting flare training around sunset Tuesday evening.

Canadian officials say the flares were dropped from airplanes for illumination and were visible from the U.S. side of the lake.

Photographs and videos of the lights were posted on Twitter accounts of people who were near the lakeshore at the time.

### Fire guts bar favored by author Kerouac

NORTHPORT (AP) — A famous New York bar once frequented by Beat Generation writer Jack Kerouac has been gutted by a fire.

Officials in the village of Northport on Long Island tell Tuesday that the fire started around 7 a.m. Tuesday inside Ganthier's Tap Room. Firefighters quickly doused the flames but the fire reignited before being put out for a second time.

Three volunteer firefighters suffered minor injuries. Several people living in apartments over the bar escaped unharmed.

Officials say the fire appears to have started in an electrical panel.

Kerouac was a regular at Ganthier's for several years after his 1957 novel "On the Road" made him a celebrity. Kerouac died in 1969.

Longtime owner Pete Ganthier died in April 2016. It's unclear if the current owners plan to rebuild the local landmark.

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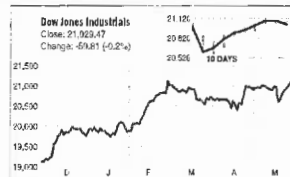
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High	Low	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	YTD %Chg	12 mo %Chg
21,169.11	21,063.47	Dow Jones Ind.	21,063.47	-40.81	-0.2%	-4.1%	+12.2%
2,428.22	2,412.91	S&P 500	2,412.91	-2.91	-0.1%	-1.1%	+9.0%
7,233.02	7,215.75	Nasdaq Comp.	7,215.75	-17.27	-0.2%	-0.7%	+10.1%
11,684.45	11,671.77	Russell 2000	11,671.77	-12.68	-0.1%	-0.4%	+10.1%
4,877.75	4,871.53	Amex Biotech	4,871.53	-6.22	-0.1%	-0.1%	+10.1%
1,969.56	1,963.25	S&P MidCap	1,963.25	-6.31	-0.3%	-0.3%	+10.1%
2,112.71	2,104.68	S&P SmallCap	2,104.68	-8.03	-0.4%	-0.4%	+10.1%
8,761.03	8,740.52	S&P MicroCap	8,740.52	-20.51	-0.2%	-0.2%	+10.1%
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1,658.01	1,650.48	Nasdaq 100	1,650.48	-7.53	-0.5%	-0.5%	+10.1%

## MARKET SUMMARY: NYSE AND NASDAQ

Gainers (25 or more)				Losers (25 or more)				Most Active (25 or more)			
Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	Name	Last	Chg	%Chg	Name	Vol	Vol	%Chg
Procter & Gamble	53.01	+1.51	+2.8%	Centimark	1.53	-0.12	-7.4%	Intel	10,121	10,121	+0.0%
Verizon	43.20	+0.25	+0.6%	Genzyme	1.51	-0.04	-2.6%	Qualcomm	10,112	10,112	+0.0%
Pfizer	27.18	+0.23	+0.8%	Sandoz	5.06	-0.17	-3.3%	Advanced Micro Devices	10,094	10,094	+0.0%
Amgen	11.04	+0.06	+0.5%	Amgen	11.04	-0.06	-0.5%	Cherokee	2,449	2,449	+0.0%
SuperGen	2.67	+0.26	+9.8%	SuperGen	2.67	-0.10	-3.7%	Amgen	2,372	2,372	+0.0%
Nyco	15.55	+0.15	+1.0%	Nyco	15.55	-0.10	-0.6%	Amgen	2,369	2,369	+0.0%
Novartis	4.24	+0.04	+1.0%	Novartis	4.24	-0.04	-0.9%	Whisper	2,340	2,340	+0.0%

## Dropping banks keeps stocks from records

BY MARLEY JAY  
AP Market Writer

NEW YORK — A seven-day winning streak for stocks came to a quiet end Tuesday as banks, especially smaller ones, dragged along with bond yields and interest rates. Energy companies also sank.

Profits financial institutions can make from mortgages and other types of loans. Energy companies fell to their lowest prices in a year. Technology companies continued to soar while airlines slumped as investors worried that the government could expand a ban on laptops in passenger cabins during international flights, which could affect business travel.

Still, stocks remain close to their record highs. JJ Kinahan, chief market strategist for TD Ameritrade, said he thinks stocks will stay at high levels until more details about the Trump administration's tax proposals become public.

"Harming unforeseen events, it's really going to come down to progress and details about the tax plan," he said. "We've had this run up primarily on the fact that earnings have been good."

However, Kinahan said he thinks it's likely Wall Street will be disappointed with any

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# Budget aimed at improving student supports, programming

It's that time of year again: Budget season. School districts across the state have been diligently preparing proposals for 2017-18 spending plans to go before voters. We think it is important to be open about the annual budget so our community can make informed decisions when casting votes May 16.

The Hudson City School District is pleased to propose a 2017-18 budget that supports our Destination Graduation goals to raise the bar, close the achievement gap, align curriculum and instruction and promote the social emotional development of our students. We are proud of our accomplishments so far and are committed to continuous improvement.

The \$46,566,172 proposed budget not only maintains all current programs, but provides increased student supports, enrichment activities and enhancements to programs. The proposed budget increases spending by \$655,801, which is a 1.43 percent increase from the 2016-2017 budget. The district would be able to continue the wide variety of student supports and programs without



MARIA SUTTMEIER

a large increase in the general budget due in part to offsetting expenses with grant funding whenever possible. The process used in the development of the 2017-2018 budget was a direct result of the state's Property Tax Cap Law. This year, the maximum tax levy calculated for the district was 2.81 percent. However, the Board of Education decided to reduce the tax levy for taxpayers and propose a budget with a 2.19 percent tax levy increase (visit [hudsoncityschoolsdistrict.com/budget](http://hudsoncityschoolsdistrict.com/budget) to learn more about why the commonly used phrase "2 percent tax cap" is misleading). We are grateful for the support the community has given to us over the past years and

want to return our support to the community when we can. Additionally, the state offers a tax rebate program to STAR-eligible taxpayers based on the district's ability to stay within the allowable tax levy and have a plan implemented to save at least 1 percent of the levy over three years. The district has met these requirements. Therefore, if you are a STAR-eligible taxpayer with a primary residence in the district and a household income of \$200,000 or less, you can expect to receive a rebate check next year. This budget was developed with the intent to maintain and improve all programs within our schools. In an effort to better provide our students with a balanced academic and cocurricular education, we are pleased to present a budget that includes the addition of several key staff. To preserve recommended class sizes in accordance with the Hudson Teachers' Association contract, the budget would add one fifth grade teacher and one sixth grade teacher. A secondary-level math coach would be hired for additional support in mathematics. The proposed bud-

get would also add a Licensed Practical Nurse and a behavior specialist to work with all students throughout the district, as well as an associate principal at the elementary level. Last year's budget added a part-time music position to accommodate the growing student interest in the arts, however, student interest continues to swell. Therefore, the proposed budget includes increasing the music position from part-time to full-time. We are also looking to add an art educator for a similar reason. In addition to voting on the proposed budget, residents will elect one member to the Board of Education and consider a proposition to donate a small piece of land behind John L. Edwards Primary School to the city of Hudson. Voters will be asked to select a candidate to fill one vacant seat on the Board of Education. The term of one member of the board, President Carrie Otty, is expiring and must be filled for a three-year term. Otty has graciously decided to run again. No one else picked up a petition so she is the only candidate on this year's ballot. Taxpayers may either vote for Otty or write in a candidate of

choice who resides within the district. Visit our budget information webpage to learn more about Mrs. Otty. The ballot will also include a proposition to authorize the district to donate a small corner of land behind the primary school to the city for the purpose of building sidewalks. This is related to the Safe Routes to School grant awarded to the city in 2014, which would help build additional sidewalks so city children can have safe places to walk to and from school. In order to install sidewalks in this area, voter approval is needed to authorize the school district to donate a 1521-square-foot piece of land to the city (see a map on our budget information webpage). The city would maintain the sidewalks and the school district would implement a pedestrian safety curriculum. We remain strongly committed to our Destination Graduation goals and, in partnership with our community, our main focus is on preparing all students for college, career and citizenship through multiple academic, extracurricular and civic opportuni-

ties. To learn more about this year's proposed budget, school board vacancies, and polling locations visit [hudsoncityschoolsdistrict.com](http://hudsoncityschoolsdistrict.com) our website and click on the budget information link. Please exercise your right to vote noon-9 p.m. May 16 at the polling place of the city/town in which you reside, as follows: District 1: Hudson: John L. Edwards Primary School, 360 State Street; District 2: Greenport, Stottville/Stockport, Ghent: Greenport Pumper Co. No. 1, 216 Green Street; District 3: Claverack, Livingston, Taghkanic: Claverack Fire House, 67 State Route 23. It is an honor to serve as superintendent of the Hudson City School District. As community partners, we can advance the intellectual, social and emotional development of all students to prepare them for college, career and citizenship. Thank you for all of your support.

Maria Suttmeier is the Superintendent of Hudson City School District.

## Remembering Neefus Photography

HUDSON — The Hudson Area Library History Room, as part of its Local History Speaker Series, presents "Remembering Neefus Photography: Seven Decades of Unseen Images of Hudson" by Wendover (Wendy) Neefus III at 6 p.m. May 11 at the library, 51 North Fifth St., Hudson. Neefus will speak about the treasure trove of historic images of Hudson from the over 60 years that Neefus Photographers, once located at 743 Warren Street in Hudson, has been in business. A lot of people remember the photography studio on Warren Street as the place to go for graduation portraits and other life event photo sessions but the family also photographed buildings and life in and around Hudson during the three generations they were in business. Many of the negatives of these photographs were generously donated to the library's History

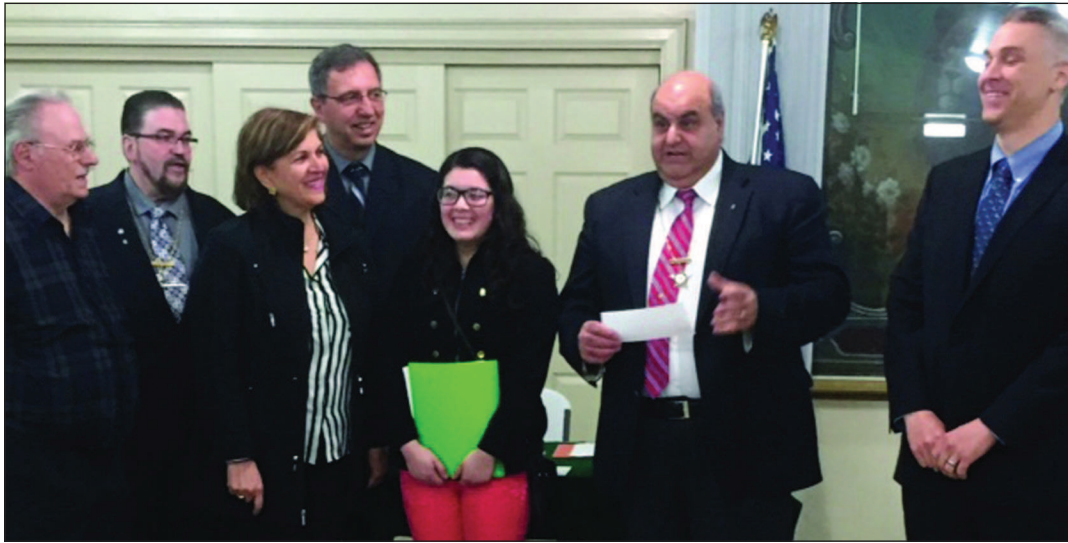


Wendy Neefus Jr. outside Neefus Studio on Warren Street, Hudson, 1958.

Room by Mr. Neefus and they have been digitized. There is currently a video exhibition of the Neefus Collection that will run through May and can be viewed during library open hours. During his talk Mr. Neefus will show and discuss many of these unique historic photos. The Neefus family has deep roots in Hudson. Originally they were descended from

Cornelius Nevius, treasurer of New Amsterdam under Peter Stuyvesant. The Neefuses moved first to Nevis (between Clermont and Red Hook) before moving to Hudson. A question and answer period will follow Neefus's talk. This event is free and open to the public. It will take place in the community room, which is wheelchair accessible. Refreshments are to follow.

## RUIZ WINS SONS OF ITALY BELLA LINGUA AWARD



Sons of Italy in America Grand Lodge of New York State President Carolyn Reres announced that Cecille Ruiz will be receiving the Bella Lingua Award for District VI. The award is made to outstanding students excelling in Italian language studies. Ruiz is currently a senior at Hudson High School who has been enrolled in the Italian Language Program for the past four years. Biagio Isgro, State Recording Secretary; Francis Pugliese, District VI Deputy; and Anthony Gedder, District VI Trustee presented the \$500 award to Ruiz at the Columbia County Sons and Daughters of Italy 659 meeting on April 25. Ruiz accepted the award first speaking in Italian, then English, followed by the reading of her award winning essay. She is tri-lingual proficient in Spanish, Italian and English. Shown from the left are Lodge President Arthur Frank; Grand Lodge District VI Trustee Anthony Geddes; HHS Italian Teacher Anna Barletta; GL District VI Deputy Francis Pugliese; Cecilla Ruiz; GL Recording Secretary Biagio Isgro Jr.; and HHS Principal Antonio Abitabile.

## BRIEFS

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### ONGOING

STUYVESANT — St John's Lutheran Church is sponsoring a bus trip to the New York Botanical Gardens, in the Bronx on June 3. This trip is open to all who would like to enjoy the

gardens. The bus will leave 159 Route 26A in Stuyvesant at 8 a.m. and will depart from the Botanical Garden at 6 p.m. to return about 8:30 p.m. at the church. The cost includes: All Garden Pass (includes the tram ride), the bus and the driver tip. To reserve a seat, call Peggy at 518-758-6851. The receipt of your check will confirm your reservation. Reservation deadline May 23. Adults, \$64.25; seniors 65 and older, \$61.25; children 2-12, \$45.75.

GHENT — The annual Columbia Memorial Hospital

retirees luncheon will be held May 17 at the White Stone Cafe, Route 66, Ghent. Reservations are necessary and must be made by May 10 by calling 518-821-6910 or 518-325-3362.

HUDSON — American Legion Post 184 Yard and Vendor Sale will be held 9 a.m.-5 p.m. June 3 and June 4 at the American Legion Post on County Route 25, Hudson. The cost is \$25 for a 10 by 10 spot for two days. No food sales. Reservations must be made by May 28 by calling 518-828-4707.

PINE PLAINS — Friends Of The Pine Plains Free Library are now accepting book donations for a Book and Tag Sale, to be held Memorial Day Weekend, May 27 and May 29 at the Library, 775 South Main St., Pine Plains. Books may be donated during Library hours, 2-7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

GREENVILLE — A chess club meets 1-3 p.m. Monday and Friday at the Greenville Library, 11177 Route 32, Greenville. This is ongoing and all are welcome.

### MAY 9

LATHAM — The local group of The Society of American Magicians, Assembly 24, meets at 7:30 p.m. May 9 at the S. W. Pitts Hose Co. of Latham on Old Loudon Road in Latham. All adults over the age of 18 are welcome.

GERMANTOWN — The Columbia County American Legion will meet at 7:30 p.m. May 9 at Jennings-Willet American Legion Post 346, 1154 Woods Road, Germantown. For directions, contact Jeff at 518-672-4757.

GERMANTOWN — The Germantown Garden Club will meet at noon May 9 at the Kellner Community and Activity Building on Palatine Park Road in Germantown. On the agenda will be a presentation by Accredited Flower Show Judge Barbara Campbell on "Designing Arrangements for Flower Shows." A question and answer session will follow. The club will also discuss plans for the upcoming Annual Flower Show to be held June 10 and 11. Refreshments will be served. For information, call Fran Bufi at 518-537-4868.



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- Copake Agricultural Advisory Committee 5 p.m. Town Hall, 230 Mountain View Rd., Copake 518-329-1234
- Hudson Common Council Formal Meeting 7 p.m. City Hall, 520 Warren St., Hudson, 518-828-1030
- Ichabod Crane Central School District Board of Education. Academic Committee at 5 p.m. in the Central Office, Valatie.
- Philmont Planning Board 7 p.m. Village Hall, 124 Main St., Philmont 518-672-7032
- Rhinebeck Village Planning Board 7:30 p.m. Village Hall, 76 E. Market St., Rhinebeck 845-876-1922

Wednesday

- Copake Environmental Committee 7 p.m. Town Hall, 230 Mountain View Rd., Copake 518-329-1234
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- Hudson Zoning Board of Appeals (tentative) 6:30 p.m. City Hall, 520 Warren St., Hudson, 518-828-1030
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- New Lebanon Planning Board 7:30 p.m. Town Hall, 14755 Route 22, New Lebanon 518-794-8888
- North East Town Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 p.m. Town Hall, Maple Ave., North East 518-789-3778
- Pine Plains Central School District Board of Education 7 p.m. Stissing Mountain Middle/High School Library, 2989 Church St., Pine Plains 518-398-7181
- Tivoli Village Board workshop 6 p.m. meeting 7 p.m. Historic Watts de Peyster Hall, 1 Tivoli Commons, Tivoli 845-757-2021

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- Germantown History Department 9 a.m.-noon 1767 Parsonage, 52 Maple Ave., Germantown 518-537-6687
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The African American graveyard in Kinderhook. There are 15 headstones left on the plot.

African American graveyard dedicated

By Richard Moody  
Columbia-Greene Media

KINDERHOOK — A small 200-year-old African American graveyard in Kinderhook was reclaimed and now will have proper signage like any other state historic site.

About 30 people stood in the rain Saturday to honor the past forgotten graveyard, off Rothelmal Avenue, putting a shameful past behind it at a dedication ceremony. It was a celebration of preserving his-

tory but also a sober reminder of the harsh history in New York.

“In the beginning of slavery most people would just mark graves with a wooden cross and write ‘My slave’ in the obituaries. Then slaves were allowed to have personalities and received more recognition,” said Ruth Piwonka, a historian in the Village of Kinderhook. She said the headstones that have carved names and details are unique and important to preserve.

“Most of the people interred here were children who lived and died in the mid-19th century,” Piwonka said. That means most of the people in the graveyard were free blacks because slavery was outlawed in New York in 1829 and the oldest headstone is marked 1815.

The small graveyard, which now faces baseball fields on the other side of an access road, was a part of property owned by a wealthy Irish immigrant named John Rogers.

The graveyard was managed by the Kinderhook Dutch Reformed Church and then put in the hands of the village after the cemetery became overfilled — 400 people believed to be buried in a quarter-acre of land — and soon local African Americans were buried in the village cemetery.

Village residents Warren and Kathy Applegate secured money in January to set up educational signage on the site that is home to the 15 last

remaining gravestones.

U.S. Rep. John Faso, R-19, who lives in Kinderhook, attended the dedication ceremony. “This cemetery reminds us the impact of our past,” the congressman said. “My kids played in those fields. This is an important site that teaches us and our children a lesson and helps us to remember the people who lived here.”

The ceremony started with libations and then ended with a consecration of the ground.

Stockport man gets 6 months in jail

By Rosa Acheson  
Columbia-Greene Media

HUDSON — A Stockport man faces 6 months in jail after he pleaded guilty to aggravated driving while intoxicated and criminal contempt Friday in Columbia County Court.

Jonathan M. Doty, 30, was arrested Nov. 5 after police said he violated an order of protection by driving drunk with two small children in the vehicle.

State troopers responded to Mobil Gas Station, in Greenport, to check on a report of a distraught woman who was dropped off there with two children, according to state police.

An investigation found Doty drove the woman and her children to the service station while drunk, according to

state police.

Doty also violated orders of protection filed on behalf of the woman and the two children and drove with a revoked license after a drunken driving arrest, according to police.

The woman and children chose to get into the car, where an argument ensued, state police public information officer Trooper Melissa McMorris said.

The woman had called Doty and asked him for a ride, McMorris said. The woman was not the person who reported the incident and the police report did not say why the woman was upset, McMorris said.

Doty was charged with aggravated driving while intox-

icated, a class E felony under Leandra’s Law, first-degree aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, a class E felony, and three counts of second-degree criminal contempt, a class A misdemeanor.



Doty

who was killed when a family friend drunkenly crashed a car carrying Leandra and six other children, makes it a felony to drive drunk with a child under the age of 15 in the vehicle.

Doty was indicted Dec. 28 on the five charges and one more charge, for driving while intoxicated, a class E felony, according to court documents.

Doty pleaded guilty Friday to one count of aggravated driving while intoxicated with a child, a class E felony, and one count of second-degree criminal contempt, a class A misdemeanor.

As a result of the plea arrangement, Columbia County Court Judge Jonathan D. Nichols, who is overseeing the proceedings, committed to a sentence of 6 months in state prison and five years probation for the felony charge. Nichols also committed to imposing a \$2,000 fine at the time of sentencing, he said.

For the criminal contempt charge, Nichols committed to a sentence of 6 months, to be served concurrently with the sentence on the felony charge, he said.

The prosecution, led by the

Columbia County District Attorney’s Office, is not seeking restitution, Assistant District Attorney Ryan Carty said Friday.

Doty has been released on his own recognizance pending sentencing.

Nichols issued an order of protection for the woman and children, effective for five years from the sentencing date.

The sentencing was scheduled for July 21 at 1:15 p.m.

If Doty does not appear for sentencing, he could face up to 4 years in state prison on the felony charge, to be served concurrently with a one-year sentence for the misdemeanor, Nichols said.

To reach reporter Rosa Acheson, call (518) 828-1616 ext. 2309 or email racheson@registerstar.com.



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# 205th session graduation from the State Police basic school

ALBANY — Governor Andrew M. Cuomo congratulates the 192 new members of the State Police at the 205th session graduation ceremony from the Basic School of the New York State Police Academy.

“These new Troopers have dedicated themselves to protecting the people of New York State,” Governor Cuomo said. “I commend these men and women for their hard work over the last 26 weeks and wish them luck as they start their careers and continue the fine tradition of the New York State Police. Our state is safer with these members joining the ranks and enforcing our laws.”

“Six months ago these outstanding men and women answered the call to serve, and after the rigors of training they are ready to join one of the finest law enforcement agencies in the world,” said Lieutenant Governor Hochul, who attended the graduation ceremony. “This class chose the motto ‘100 Years We Thrive, We are the 205’ in recognition of the 100 years that the NY State Police have been serving the citizens of this state. I’m honored to take part in today’s commencement, and wish all the

graduates the very best as they enter this noble profession.”

Superintendent George P. Beach II said, “Today marks another significant moment in the proud 100 year history of the New York State Police. The graduation ceremony is one of our finest traditions and introduces a new generation of highly trained men and women, who will serve the citizens of the State of New York with honor and integrity. I am proud to welcome these graduates to our ranks.”

In addition to honoring all graduates from the 205th Session of Basic School, Superintendent Beach presented the following awards:

Academic Achievement Award

As a special incentive for all students attending the State Police Academy Basic School, the Superintendent sponsors the awarding of a firearm for the attainment of the highest level of academic performance during Academy training.

The winner of the “Academic Performance Award” is Trooper Meghan K. Lohman, a 31-year-old resident of Delmar. She is a graduate of Siena College with a Bachelor degree in history. Prior to joining the

New York State Police, she was a paralegal with a local law firm. Throughout the Academy training program, she achieved an outstanding overall academic average of 98.1 percent%. She will be assigned to Troop G.

The graduation ceremony was held at the Empire State Plaza Convention Hall in Albany where the new troopers marched into the procession center in a procession lead by the New York State Police Pipe and Drum band. The National Anthem was performed by Trooper Elizabeth Fallon. The ceremony included a video presentation of the training received by all members of the 205th Basic School Session.

Below is a list of field training Troop assignments where graduates will begin field duty supervised by senior training officers:

Troop B Plattsburgh: David J. Lyons, Hudson.

Troop F Middletown: Jonelle M. Miller, Windham; Stephanie L. O’Neil, Selkirk; Kevin J. Knack, Ghent.

Troop K Poughkeepsie: Michael W. Moore, Germantown.

Troop NYC Manhattan: Curtis C. Rich, Delmar; Peter J. Scibelli, Tivoli.

## A NEW MEMBER JOINS THE LIONS CLUB



The Northern Columbia Lions Club welcomes new member Barbara Johnson (center), shown here with her sponsor, Diane Hogan (left), and Past District Governor Joyce Maier (right). For information about the club, visit the Facebook page or [www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/ncolumbia](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/ncolumbia).

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### ONGOING

GREENPORT — The Town Of Greenport will be holding a Memorial Day Service at the “Circle” on Livingston Parkway in Lorenz Park at 11 a.m. May 29. All are invited to attend.

STUYVESANT — St. John’s Lutheran Church is sponsoring a bus trip to the New York Botanical Gardens, in the Bronx on June 3. This trip is open to all who would like to enjoy the gardens. The bus will leave 159 Route 26A in Stuyvesant at 8 a.m. and will depart from the Botanical Garden at 6 p.m. to return about 8:30 p.m. at the church. The cost includes: All Garden Pass (includes the tram ride), the bus and the driver tip. To reserve a seat, call Peggy at 518-758-6851. The receipt of your check will confirm your reservation. Reservation deadline May 23. Adults, \$64.25; seniors 65 and older, \$61.25; children 2-12, \$45.75.

HUDSON — American Legion Post 184 Yard and Vendor Sale will be held 9 a.m.-5 p.m. June 3 and June 4 at the American Legion Post on County Route 25, Hudson. The cost is \$25 for a 10 by 10 spot for two days. No food sales. Reservations must be made by May 28 by calling 518-828-4707.

PINE PLAINS —Friends Of The Pine Plains Free Library are now accepting book donations for a Book and Tag Sale, to be held Memorial Day Weekend, May 27 and May

29 at the Library, 775 South Main St., Pine Plains. Books may be donated during Library hours, 2-7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday. They must be clean, undamaged, current and appealing books. Especially needed are children’s books, cookbooks and popular fiction. No textbooks, VHS tapes, encyclopedias or magazines. Books will be sold on Memorial Day Weekend, along with TAG SALE treasures.

GREENVILLE — A chess club meets 1-3 p.m. Monday and Friday at the Greenville Library, 11177 Route 32, Greenville. This is ongoing and all are welcome.

### MAY 23

MALDEN BRIDGE — Learning about Locavore Eating with Mary Nelen will be held 10 a.m.-noon May 23 at the Malden Bridge Community Center, 1087 Albany Turnpike, Malden Bridge. Nelen of Old Chatham, is a writer and photographer who teaches farm to table cooking at Stanton Home in Great Barrington, Mass. She is the author of “Feast or Fascism: Recipes for the Emergency”, to be published in Spring 2017.

“Local food”, “local food movement” or “locavores” are a movement which aims to connect food producers and food consumers in the same geographic region, in order to develop more self-reliant and resilient food networks; improve local economies; or to have an impact on the health, environment, community, or society of a particular place. (Wiki)

Get savvy about the concept and benefits of locavore eating. Learn about local grains and experience a cooking demonstration featuring waffles made from local grain. This event is free. Call to register and for more information 518-766-3211.

This program is part of our continuing Adult programing (ELIK) and is funded in part with a grant from the Fund for Columbia County, a fund of Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation.

RED HOOK — The Red Hook Public Library, 7444 South Broadway, Red Hook, will screen “Moana” at 5 p.m. May 26. There will be popcorn and brownies. Bring a reusable cup from home. All ages are welcome and there is no need to sign up.

### MAY 24

NEW LEBANON — Grow your own flowers and vegetables with all day sunshine and water via garden hose available. The garden in New Lebanon is now open and has room for additional gardeners. The garden, which is available to the public from any town, is located in a fenced area west of the Immaculate Conception Church Hall, 732 Route 20, New Lebanon. The cost is \$20 for the use of a plot sized 20 feet by 15 feet. You can have more than one plot. There is an informational meeting at 6:30 p.m. May 24 at the Immaculate Conception Church Hall. Contact Peg Sime at 518-733-5684, for questions or if you cannot make the meeting but would like to participate.

### MAY 25

GREENPORT — A pepperoni/meatball sub sale will be held noon-6 p.m. May 25 at the Greenport 3 Firehouse, 322 Washington Blvd., Greenport. The cost is \$8. Tickets must be purchased in advance, they will not be sold at the door. The proceeds will go towards funding Greenport Community Day which will take place Sept. 23 at Greenport Town Park. For information, call Debbie Mausolf at 518-755-2251.

# Philmont 70th annual Memorial Day Parade

PHILMONT — Minkler-Seery American Legion Post 252 of Philmont, Memorial Day Committee has been getting ready for the annual parade and Service. Chairman Jeff French has asked Minkler-Seery legion members to come and be part of this 70th year annual parade.

Minkler-Seery American Legion Auxiliary is looking for a Miss Poppy 2017. A Miss Poppy can be a granddaughter or daughter of the veteran who is under the age of 18. May 26 is National Poppy Day, in 1921 the American Legion Auxiliary started selling Poppies that were and still are handmade by disabled veterans. Philmont Miss Poppy will help sell poppies before Memorial Day, with the funds going to disabled veterans and she will be honored as Miss Poppy during the parade on May 29. Contact Jeff French for more information.

Village children are encouraged to decorate their bikes for the annual Memorial Day Parade. Awards will be given for the best decorated bike with the theme Memorial Day. The American Legion is asking all decorated bike riders to meet at the car wash on Main Street in the village for judging. Contact Jeff French at 518-672-4757 to enter.

Command Sergeant Major Gary L. Flaherty United States Army will be the guest speaker. Five American Legion Boys State students from Taconic Hills, Daniel First, Jorge Garcia, Matthew Liepman, Daniel Stang will recite the Gettysburg Address; Charles Howard, All Juniors and American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Student Ali Shumsky, also a junior will lead the Pledge of Allegiance Memorial Service. Taconic Hills School Senior and Junior High bands will again supply the music for the parade.

Blue Star Mothers from Hudson Valley Blue Star Mothers

NY Chapter 10, will march and lay a wreath at Memorial Park. Blue Star mothers who are not members of the unit are invited to be a part of the special day. Columbia Green Community College Student Veteran group will provide a color guard for the Blue Star Mothers.

The annual Memorial Day breakfast will be held from 7-8:15 a.m. at the Vanderbilt. Legion members, auxiliary members, Gold and Blue Star mothers are all welcome to attend.

Legion members will decorate the graves of those veterans who are no longer with us at the Claverack, Philmont, Mellenville, Hollowville and Martindale Cemeteries. The American Legion will meet at Memorial Feild located on lower main street in Philmont to conduct memorial serves at 6:30 p.m. May 26, followed by services at the Mellenville Union Cemetery and Catholic Cemetary in Martindale.

# Literacy Connections volunteer orientation scheduled

HUDSON — With the implementation of a new, online training platform, Literacy Connections has had an increase in new volunteers coming onboard to tutor adult literacy students. Despite the increased volunteer recruitment, we still have a long way to go to provide free literacy tutoring to all individuals in our area who are in need of such help. Greene County has the fewest active volunteers, and a student base that may be as large as, or larger than, that of Columbia County. Volunteers are urgently needed to teach English as a Second Language, and to work one-on-one with individuals. Tutoring is always done in a public location (usually the library) close to where both the volunteer and student(s) reside.

New volunteers are required to attend a free Orientation session, after which they will

complete the online training module, which can be adapted to fit most schedules.

The next Orientation Session will be held 2-4 p.m. May 24 at the Hudson Area Library, 51 North Fifth St., Hudson. The follow-up session is scheduled for 2-4 p.m. June 21 at the same location or by one-on-one appointment. At the orientation session you will learn about the difference between Basic Reading and teaching English as a Second Language. You will also learn more about Literacy Connections, other volunteer opportunities, and receive your login information to begin the online tutor training module.

Sign up for the Tutor Training by e-mail to [colgreene@literacyconnections.org](mailto:colgreene@literacyconnections.org) or by calling 518-828-1792 ext 4. Provide name, e-mail address, phone number and area where you would like to volunteer when registering.

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- Columbia Economic Development Corporation. Full board 8:30 a.m. 4303 Route 9, Hudson

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- Chatham Town Board Workshop 7 p.m. Town Hall, 488 Route 295, Chatham 518-392-3262
- Claverack Republicans Club 7 p.m. Town Hall, Route 217, Philmont 518-851-7570.
- Columbia County Board of Supervisors Pine Haven Subcommittee 5 p.m. 401 State St., Hudson. 518-828-1527
- Copake Planning Board 7 p.m. Town Hall, 230 Mountain View Rd., Copake 518-329-1234
- Kinderhook Village Planning Board 7:30 p.m. Village Hall, 6 Chatham St., Kinderhook 518-758-9882
- Kinderhook Town Zoning Board of Appeals 7 p.m. Town Hall, 3211 Church St., Valatie 518-758-9882
- Rhinebeck Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 p.m. Town Hall, 80 East Market St., Rhinebeck 845-876-1922
- Stockport Town Board Workshop 7 p.m. Town Hall, 2787 Atlantic Ave., Hudson 518-828-9389

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- Clermont Town Board 7 p.m. Town Hall, 1795 Route 9, Clermont 518-537-6868
- Germantown Fire District 7 p.m. Board of Fire Commissioners. Fire House, 181 Main Street, Germantown
- Hudson Common Council informal meeting at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 520 Warren St., Hudson, 518-828-1030
- Red Hook Planning Board 7:30 p.m. Town Hall, 7340 South Broadway, Red Hook 845-758-4606
- Red Hook Village Board 7:30 p.m. Village Hall, 7467 South Broadway, Red Hook 845-758-1081
- Rhinebeck Town Board 6:45 p.m. Town Hall, 80 East Market St., Rhinebeck
- Webutuck School District Board of Education 7:30 p.m. 845-373-4100

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- Claverack Fire District 7 p.m. Board of Fire Commissioners. Fire House, 67 SR 23, Claverack
- Hillsdale Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 p.m. Town Hall, Main St., Hillsdale 518-325-5073
- Hudson Conservation Advisory Council 6 p.m. City Hall, 520 Warren St., Hudson, 518-828-1030
- Livingston Zoning Board of Appeals 7 p.m. Town Hall, county Route 19, Livingston 518-851-9441
- New Lebanon Central School District Board of Education 7 p.m. Room 3, Walter B. Howard Elementary School, 14665 Route 22, New Lebanon 12125
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- Rhinebeck Village Planning Board 7:30 p.m. Village Hall, 76 E. Market St., Rhinebeck 845-876-1922
- Taghkanic Planning Board workshop 7 p.m. Town Hall, Route 82, West Taghkanic 518-851-7638



The Emmanuel Lutheran Church on Route 21 in Harlemlville.

Historic church closes in Hillsdale

By Amanda Purcell  
Columbia-Greene Media

HILLSDALE — After 147 years of worship, Emmanuel Lutheran Church has shut its doors.

The church located at Route 21 in the hamlet of Harlemlville hosted its final worship service Saturday.

The congregation was formed in 1870, started by a group that left St. John’s German Lutheran Church in Ghent. The new congregation began as a German-speaking parish, but shortly switched to English.

The Rev. David Vogel, of

Delmar, was the last, official pastor of the congregation until he died March 25 at the age of 91.

Parishioner Carole Bergen said over the years the congregation has dwindled down to five members. For the past several months, the church held services one Sunday a month and struggled to attract new members, she said. The church also has no running water or septic system.

“The youngest member is 65 and the oldest is 95,” said Bergen, who has been a member of the church for 24

years.

The Greek revival-style building was constructed by Ed Coons in 1873. The church has been placed on the national and New York State Registry of Historic Places.

The future of the building is uncertain. Bergen is not involved with any plans for the church, but hopes it will be put to good use, she said.

“At the moment I don’t

know what the future holds for the church,” she said. “It’s a beautiful old building. People want to see it preserved. We hope someone will acquire it, fix it up and do something nice.”

To reach reporter Amanda Purcell, call 518-828-1616 ext. 2500, or send an email to [apurcell@thedailymail.net](mailto:apurcell@thedailymail.net) or tweet to @amandajpurcell.

Boy injured in ATV accident

By Daniel Zuckerman  
Columbia-Greene Media

GHENT — A 17-year-old boy suffered minor injuries after he rolled over in an all-terrain vehicle Sunday in Ghent, state police said.

The incident took place at 43 Shufelt Road shortly after 5 p.m. Sunday, according to Columbia County 911.

The teenager was taken to Albany Medical Center by the Chatham Rescue Squad for a minor injury to his arm, Troop K spokeswoman Trooper Melissa McMorris said.

The boy also had leg and shoulder pain. None of the injuries are life-threatening, McMorris added.

State police are investigating the incident, which was described as a rollover accident involving an ATV, state police Trooper Michael Pater-son said.



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Copake man faces animal cruelty charges

Staff report  
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HUDSON — A Copake man faces animal cruelty charges after two dogs were found dead in the back of a vehicle in Hudson, police said.

Alfons Sutter, 69, was charged May 22 with torturing or injuring animals/failure to provide sustenance, a misdemeanor, according to a release from Hudson police.

A woman reported to the department that she witnessed two French bulldogs wrapped in blankets in a vehicle on the 500 block of Columbia Street on May 18 in 90-degree weather. She told police they were dead, according to Hudson police.

Sutter is the alleged owner of the dogs, according to Hudson police. Sutter came

to the police station with his lawyer Friday where he was charged and given an appearance ticket for Hudson City Court on Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.

“The dogs were examined by a veterinarian and were cremated,” Hudson Police Chief L. Edward Moore said. “The cause of death was determined to be heat prostration. The veterinarian, who had previously treated the dogs, told us that the dogs had been taken ‘extraordinary’ care of prior to this incident.

“The dog owner is extremely despondent.”

The Hudson Police Department was assisted by Hudson Dog Control Officer Wes Powell and the Columbia County District Attorney’s Office.

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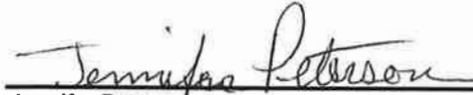
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Real estate

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that’s going to take some time.

Elmira’s \$10 million Downtown Revitalization Initiative plan has received state approval, but those funds won’t be issued until early June at the earliest, said Mike Krusen, president of Southern Tier Economic Growth.

Of the proposed projects, a plan to construct a new four-story mixed-use building on West Water Street — and to update nearby Clemens Square and Mark Twain Riverfront Park — has received the most interest from potential buyers, Ambrose said.

The infill building, proposed by Park Grove Realty LLC, of Rochester, is “the main driver and the main catalyst of what everyone is talking about,” Ambrose said. “We now have had increased interest, people and businesses asking questions, wanting to know the timing, what’s going to happen in that area.”

But construction on the infill building, which is expected to attract commercial retail tenants and will have 51 market-rate apartments, won’t be completed until summer or fall 2018, and it could take two or three years for the rest of the DRI’s projects to wrap up, Krusen said.

Because of that delay, Ambrose said

potential buyers — mostly existing businesses looking to move closer to downtown — aren’t making the leap just yet.

“I’m not seeing signed leases and buildings being sold all over the place, or anything like that,” he said. “They anticipate things are happening, and they’re trying to get kind of a jump on it, but they also want to see something happen first.”

Krusen and Ambrose expect the influx of residents created by increased upper-story housing to have a catalytic effect, once that occurs.

“That creates demand, whether it’s hairdressers or restaurants,” Ambrose said. “It creates retail demand when you put people downtown again. That’s what’s lacking.”

The effect also may lead to continued rejuvenation of the aging housing stock surrounding downtown — “especially if we can score LECOM,” Ambrose said, referring to the medical school attempting to locate onto the Elmira College campus.

“They don’t provide housing for the medical residents, which means that you put two or three hundred people in buildings in and around Elmira College, it will transform that area, and those apartments that have been vacant or in disrepair will be revitalized over time. But LECOM’s not here yet. Park Grove is not here yet. The developers that have projects planned in downtown don’t own the buildings yet. ... We’re on the cusp.”

There are more projects going on



AMANDA RENKO / STAFF PHOTO  
A real estate sign sits outside the Federal Building at 200 E. Church St. in Elmira. Officials said this week they may have a buyer for the city-owned property.

downtown than there has been in years, according to Krusen, who attributed the increased interest to the DRI and other revitalization plans.

Properties that recently changed hands, or are in the process of changing hands, include 110-116 N. Main St., the former Elmira Jackals offices; 110-114 Baldwin St., which the county’s industrial development agency will lease to a private developer; the Federal Building at

201 E. Church St., which the City of Elmira recently sold; the former DeFilippo Law Office, now a Citizens and Northern Bank loan production office; and 1 Clemens Square, the former Deister and Butler jewelry store.

Two properties on Lake Street that are receiving exterior rehabilitation through a Restore NY Communities grant have developer interest for commercial space and upper-story apartments, and Krusen said there’s also interest in redeveloping two other properties — the former Star-Gazette building and the Arnot Art Museum carriage house at Baldwin and Gray streets.

Other buildings may soon be on the market, like the former Iszard’s building, which an out-of-town developer purchased a few months ago but could be looking to resell. “That’s a building that probably needs to have local ownership to have a better shot at being developed,” Krusen said.

In all, officials hope the projects and increased interest will build sustainable momentum for downtown.

“It’s going to take time. It’s been two or three decades of, in my humble opinion, neglect of downtown and the neighborhoods around it. It’s certainly not going to change overnight,” Krusen said. “But — it’s that old saying, you know — a thousand-mile march starts with the first step. This is really just that first step.”

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PILOT

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“It’s a risky project,” Bodewes said. “This is paving new ground here in Elmira. This kind of thing hasn’t been done.”

A preliminary PILOT structure discussed at Wednesday’s meeting would have Park Grove paying taxes only on the land for the first four years a new building is occupied, an annual payment of \$7,200.

In the fifth year, Park Grove would pay 10 percent of taxes on the improvements to the property, estimated at \$21,302. In year seven, that number would increase to 20 percent, and in year nine to 30 percent.

From there, the percentage of taxes paid would rise by 10 percent every three years through the end of the agreement, leaving Park Grove with an estimated property tax payment of \$179,220 by year 20.



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A concept rendering of an infill building proposed for an empty site on West Water Street in Elmira.

Park Grove will construct the building on properties where Marvin’s, Harold’s, Rosenbaum’s and Damomics used to be — 104, 106-112, 114 and 118-120 W. Water St. The Chemung County Capital Resource Corp. currently owns the parcels.

Plans for the building call for about

16,500 square feet of commercial space and 51 market-rate apartments — 27 one-bedroom and 24 two-bedroom units. Residential rents are proposed at \$1,095 for one-bedroom apartments and \$1,295 for two-bedroom apartments, for a total of \$729,260 in annual rental income, excluding vacancies. Commer-

cial rents are estimated at around \$14 per square foot, for around \$215,000 in annual income.

Park Grove has had discussions with some local companies for office space in the new building and is working to identify a possible restaurant or brewery for the first floor, Bodewes said Wednesday.

The \$14 million project is being financed with \$4.3 million of Elmira’s Downtown Revitalization Initiative funding, which is expected to be awarded in June; \$2.3 million in Restore NY Communities Initiative grant funding previously attached to the parcels; a commercial loan of up to \$6.2 million; and \$1.16 million in equity investment.

Bodewes said the PILOT would go a long way toward ensuring the building’s success.

“What you have then, essentially, is an investment in the future,” he said. “It gives us the time to make this work.”

IDA Executive Director Mike Krusen plans to have a final assistance package ready for the board’s consideration sometime in June, he said Wednesday.

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# World War II veteran, volunteer turning 100



### BUZZ ABOUT YOU JEFF MURRAY

If you happen to see **Harold Hager**, make sure to wish him a happy birthday. Hager, a World War II U.S. Navy veteran and longtime volunteer in Steuben County, will be celebrating his 100th birthday Wednesday.

Hager started volunteering after the 1972 Hurricane Agnes flood, when he helped distribute food and emergency supplies for the Painted Post food pantry.

He also spent several years as a construction volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, and for the past six years, Hager has volunteered with Habitat's ReStore in Corning, a second-hand store that sells donated household goods and construction supplies to raise funds and help build homes.

Not only is Hager the oldest volunteer with the agency, he's also the busiest. He logged more than 1,000 hours last year, an average of 20 hours a week.

"Without Harold, I don't think we could do as much as we do now," said ReStore Manager **Jon Wylie**. "People come in just to visit him, talk with him, and he gives us so much of his time. We'd need a lot more volunteers just to equal the amount of hours he gives us each week."

### Elmira police officer honored

Elmira police officer **Joshua VanSkiver** recently received the New York State STOP-DWI Foundation and Mothers Against Drunk Driving Recognition Award.

VanSkiver and Police Chief **Joseph Kane** traveled to Schenectady for the award presentation May 3.

The award acknowledges outstanding efforts and achievements in deterring impaired driving, according to the NYS STOP-DWI website.

VanSkiver was appointed to the Elmira Police Department in 2008, and was assigned as the STOP-DWI Officer in 2011.

He focuses his efforts on DWI-related offenses and reducing their impact on the community through enforcement and education. In 2016, VanSkiver made



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Elmira police officer **Joshua VanSkiver** was recently honored for his efforts to combat drunken driving.

87 DWI arrests.

He also does DWI presentations and awareness training, participates in the Victims Impact Panel and conducts educational meetings with the public, according to Kane.

### Hospital names community partner

Schuyler Hospital has tapped **Ken Wilson** as its 2017 Community Partner of the Year. The award is presented annually to an organization or individual who helps the hospital achieve its mission. Wilson served as executive director of the Schuyler Health Foundation from 2006 to 2008, and in 2011 co-chaired a fund drive that raised \$300,000 for Seneca View Skilled Nursing Facility.

Wilson currently serves as a volunteer on the Schuyler Health Foundation board, and has also been active in numerous other community organizations over the years, including Watkins-Montour Rotary, Friends of the Watkins Library, Schuyler County Chamber of Commerce and Schuyler County United Way, among others.

Wilson "continues to be one of our strongest supporters in the community, and also our eyes and ears. He will make us aware of any concerns we may need to address," said Schuyler Hospital President and CEO **Jim Watson**.

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## LOCAL PETS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION



Julia Marie

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### Bradford County Humane Society

» **Name:** Julia Marie.  
» **Breed:** Terrier mix.  
» **Age:** 4 years.  
» **Gender:**

Spayed female.

» **Of interest:** Julia Marie is a sweet and loving girl, but is shy with new people. She's mostly house-trained and behaves well on a leash. She knows "sit," but could use more training. She'd be great in a nice, quiet home.

» **To adopt:** Stop by the Bradford County Humane Society on Route 220 in Ulster from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Phone: 570-888-2114.

» **Adoption fee:** Intact dogs: \$50 plus a \$100 refundable spay/neuter deposit. Spayed/neutered dogs: \$120. Bradford County residents are required to purchase a 2016 dog license. Intact cats are \$20 plus a \$50 spay/neuter deposit; spay/neutered cats are \$50.



Sunny

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### Finger Lakes SPCA

» **Name:** Sunny.  
» **Breed:** Domestic

shorthair.

» **Age:** 10 years.

» **Gender:** Male.

» **Of interest:** Sunny is a big boy who loves to eat despite not having teeth. Sunny is part of the Seniors for Senior program, which means his adoption fee is waived to any qualifying senior applicant.

» **Information:** Stop by the Finger Lakes SPCA on Route 54 in Bath from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and Friday and Saturday. Phone 607-776-3039. Website: [fingerlakesspca.org](http://fingerlakesspca.org).

» **Adoption fee:** The fee for adult dogs is \$140. Cats are \$70.



Chip

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### Horseheads Community Animal Shelter

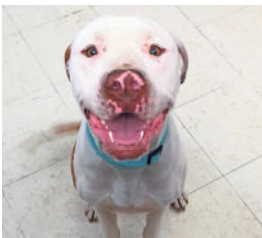
» **Name:** Chip.  
» **Breed:** Labrador Retriever and Akita mix.  
» **Age:**

About 9 years.

» **Gender:** Neutered male.

» **Of interest:** Chip was found as a stray. He loves his walks with volunteers and is a happy-go-lucky boy. Chip would do best with an older family without young children. Ideally, his family would have more time available for walks and light activity.

» **Information:** Horseheads Community Animal Shelter, 150 Wygant Road, Horseheads, behind the Horseheads Town Hall. Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday from 2 - 5 p.m. Contact: 607-739-3945.



Rufio

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» **Adoption fee:** Adoption fee for dogs is \$150, which includes all shots and spay/neutering. Cat adoption fee is \$40, which includes all shots and spay/neutering.

### Stray Haven

» **Name:** Rufio.

» **Breed:** Pit Bull.

» **Age:** About 1.5 years.

» **Gender:** Neutered male.

» **Of interest:** Rufio is a happy boy who loves to play and meet new people. He'd do best in a home where he is the only pet.

» **Information:** Visit the Stray Haven Animal Shelter at 194 Shepard Road in Waverly from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Online: [StrayHavenSPCA.org](http://StrayHavenSPCA.org).

» **Adoption fee:** Adoption fee for cats is \$75 and includes up-to-date rabies, FVRCP vaccines, FIV/FelV tested and spay/neuter at our clinic. Adoption fee for dogs is \$155.

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# Trump’s decision won’t put stop to NY climate goals

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ALBANY - New York’s goal to dramatically cut its greenhouse-gas emissions will continue despite President Donald Trump withdrawing the U.S. from the Paris climate agreement.

Trump announced Thursday that the country would back out of the 2015 agreement, a wide-ranging, international accord meant to slow rising temperatures across the globe by committing countries to cut pollution.

But even as the Republican president pulls out of the deal, New York’s emission-cutting goals — which already outpaced the federal goals — will remain in effect.

Following Trump’s announcement, Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced he will sign an executive order ensuring the Empire State will remain committed to the goals of the Paris agreement “regardless of Washington’s irresponsible actions.”

Cuomo, California Gov. Jerry Brown and Washington Gov. Jay Inslee also announced Thursday they will lead an effort to convene states committed to upholding the agreement.

“We will not ignore the science and reality of climate change, which is why I am also signing an executive order confirming New York’s leadership role in protecting our citizens, our environment and our planet,” Cuomo, a Democrat, said in a statement.

Under the Paris agreement, President Barack Obama’s administration committed to cutting greenhouse-gas emissions by 26 percent to 28 percent in the U.S. from 2005 levels by 2025.

New York’s climate goals predate the Paris agreement, dating back to a 2009 executive order signed by then-Gov. David Paterson.

Paterson’s order set the goal of cutting the state’s greenhouse-gas emissions by 80 percent from 1990 levels — which are lower than 2005 levels — by 2050.

Since then, the state has set a shorter-term goal of cutting emissions 40 per-

cent and producing 50 percent of the state’s electricity from renewable sources by 2030.

Cuomo’s administration bolstered those goals by including them in the state’s 2015 energy plan and setting them in state regulations, which give them the power of law.

Trump pointed in part to the financial aspects of the Paris climate deal in announcing his decision to withdraw, a lengthy process that won’t be complete until 2020.

The U.S. had committed to sending money to low-wealth countries to boost their commitment to battling climate change. About \$1 billion had been sent so far, Trump said Thursday.

“We want fair treatment for our taxpayers,” Trump said. “We don’t want other leaders and other countries laughing at us anymore, and they won’t. I was elected to represent the citizens of Pittsburgh, not Paris.”

Jackson Morris, director of the Natural Resources Defense Council’s eastern energy project, said withdrawing from the Paris agreement is “completely insane” and “bad for our reputation internationally.”

But he noted New York and similar states had been investing in energy efficiency projects and renewable energy long before the Paris agreement.

“All that was happening before Paris in states like New York, and all of that is going to keep happening no matter what (Trump) says,” Morris said. “I think it’s important to recognize that at least mechanically, nothing will change as far as what New York’s doing.”

Trump’s decision drew rebukes from New York’s Democratic federal lawmakers, including Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, who called it “irresponsibly shortsighted.”

New York City, meanwhile, committed to the 80 percent goal in September 2014.

On Wednesday, Mayor Bill de Blasio said he plans to sign an executive order later this week re-committing the city to the Paris agreement.

# Schuyler County men convicted in rape case

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Two men accused of getting a woman drunk and raping her have been convicted following separate bench trials in Schuyler County Court.

Schuyler County Judge Dennis J. Morris found Jeffrey A. Forney Jr., of Watkins Glen, guilty of two counts of predatory assault, a felony, and one count of unlawfully dealing with a child, a misdemeanor.

Morris on Thursday also found Aaron G. Bowen, of Beaver Dams, guilty of first-degree rape and first-degree criminal sexual act, both felonies, and unlawfully dealing with a child in connection with the same case.

Bowen and Forney were accused of providing alcohol to an 18-year-old female at the home of Jeffrey Forney Sr. on Aug. 25, 2015, and then raping her after she became so intoxicated she was rendered physically helpless.

The victim was found by a passerby later that morning, face down, unresponsive and in a state of undress, in a grassy area next to a parking lot off Old Ithaca Road in Horseheads.

At Bowen’s trial, a forensic toxicologist testified that the victim’s blood alcohol content was about 0.22 percent at



Aaron G. Bowen, left, and Jeffrey A. Forney Jr.

the time she was found, nearly three times the legal intoxication limit, and estimated it could have been as high as 0.38 percent — a potentially fatal level — at the time of her assault several hours earlier.

The bench trials of Forney and Bowen were retrials of a joint trial that took place in January.

That proceeding ended in a mistrial due to a hung jury.

Bowen faces a minimum of five years in state prison and a maximum of 25 years on each of the felony convictions.

Morris scheduled sentencing for Aug. 3.

Forney was charged with the more serious count of predatory sexual assault because he had a prior conviction for first-degree attempted sexual abuse and is registered as a sex offender. He could face up to life in prison when he is sentenced July 20.

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# Corning high school student injured after falling from bridge into river

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A Corning high school student was hospitalized Thursday morning after an incident on a downtown bridge in the city.

School officials contacted the Corning Police Department on Thursday morning to let them know a 15-year-old boy and a 14-year old girl had left school without authorization.

The police department later got a 911 call that there were individuals hanging over the railing on the Briscoe Bridge, which crosses the Chemung River, according to Police Chief Jeff Spaulding.

Officers responded to the scene and tried talking to the pair, Spaulding said.

The girl was cooperative but the boy dropped from the bridge into the water below, the chief said.

The boy was airlifted to an area hospital with what appeared to be non-life-threatening injuries to his head and neck, Spaulding said.

The bridge was closed to traffic for about 20 or 25 minutes during the incident. Police are still investigating what the students were doing on the bridge and why the boy plunged into the river, Spaulding said.

The Corning-Painted Post School District is making counselors available for students and staff who may have seen the incident, according to a statement on the school district website.

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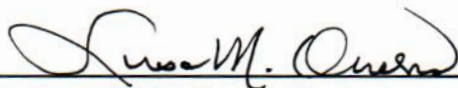
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**College Commitment:**  
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## Lives of service gratefully, tearfully recalled

STORY AND PHOTOS  
BY DAN HUST

Tears flowed freely Sunday as 28 local firefighters were solemnly remembered by their families and the Sullivan County Volunteer Firefighters Association (SCVFA).

"They've gone on from labor to reward," Rev. Melvin Boone told the crowd assembled inside the Government Center in Monticello. "They are sitting in that big station house in the sky."

The 58th Annual Memorial Service honored firefighters who had passed away in the previous year, and their family members or friends received a red rose – accompanied by the ringing of a bell – as their names were read aloud.

A wreath was then placed at the SCVFA monument outside the Government Center, as firefighters from across the county saluted in a fitting tribute to lives lived in selfless service.

What made these volunteers give up time at work, at home, with family and friends, to always answer the call?

"I believe there's a special kind of love firefighters have in their hearts," Boone – himself a former fire commissioner – explained. "It's a calling, an anointing."

### THOSE REMEMBERED

- Thomas Schmidt of Callicoon Center FD
- George Ratner and Joe Weise of Claryville FD
- Kim Stacy and Carl "Butch" Buckstad of Forestburgh FD
- Joseph Russo of Lava FD
- Norman H. Myers and Harold D. Allison of Liberty FD
- Ted Felter, Paul Lyden and Roy Rogers of Livingston Manor FD
- Edward Steine and Arthur Mapledoram of Monticello FD
- Earl Beach Jr. and Mike "Mikey" Mullen of Neversink FD
- Albert "Al" George Priebe of North Branch FD
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- Duane Whitaker of Summitville FD
- Donald R. Deppa of Swan Lake FD
- Kenneth A. Dauch of White Lake FD
- Lester "Bucky" Hogencamp of White Sulphur Springs FD
- James "Jimmy" Shields and Debbie Hall of Woodbourne FD
- Joseph N. Novogrodsky of Woodridge FD
- Gary Greenwald of Wurtsboro FD

As they do every year, members of the Sullivan County Volunteer Firefighters Association placed a memorial wreath in front of the monument at the Government Center in Monticello.



JoAnna Gass delivered a stirring rendition of the National Anthem prior to Sunday's solemn service.



Above, the "Line of Blue" greeted attendees as they departed Sunday's memorial service, with firefighters from across the county saluting in tribute.

At right, family members and colleagues of 28 local firefighters gathered to remember them amidst tears, smiles and solemn ceremony on Sunday.

At Left, himself a former fire commissioner, Rev. Melvin Boone told the crowd that these honored firefighters' long labor is over and their reward at hand.



## Yoga and meditation go to school

BY MATT SHORTALL

Educators, teacher's aides, and youth leaders turned out at the Cornell Cooperative Extension on Friday for a day-long workshop on bringing yoga into the classroom.

Yoga 4 Classrooms, (Y4C) is a fitness and mindfulness program seeking to promote social, emotional, and physical wellness among students at a young age.

"It's a growing movement across the country," said Jill Holland, an occupational therapist and Y4C trainer. "Our health ranking is 60 out of 61 for a reason. Starting to teach healthy habits and mindfulness at an early age is an investment in our children's future."

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's 2017 community health assessment that placed Sullivan County second-to-last among counties in New York State in terms of health outcomes and length of life, cites adult obesity, physical inactivity, and alcohol and drug abuse as the largest contribut-

ing factors.

Thanks in part to funding through the Healthy Schools Grant, Y4C has been introduced to six public school districts throughout the county. "As educators and parents, we cannot underestimate the significance neuroscience plays in our children's ability to learn, handling stress, and interact with others," said Holland.

The Y4C program features 67 yoga and mindfulness-based activities to promote what trainers call "self-regulation." The activities fall into six categories; Let's Breathe, At Your Desk, Stand Strong, Loosen Up, Imagination Vacation, and Be Well.

One of those activities involved Holland hitting a bell with a wooden stick and asking students to raise their hands when they could no longer hear the ringing. "They think it's all fun and games, but we're really teaching attention and listening skills," said Holland, explaining that simple activities like these not only promote good behavioral habits, but can also help diag-

nose medical conditions. "On numerous occasions, the bell game has revealed children who have hearing disability that the teachers and parents were unaware of."

"As a child of the 1980s, I grew up where everything was about 'go big or go home,'" said Holland. "In today's fast-paced and technology-driven world, it's more important than ever to teach children that real fulfillment and self-satisfaction comes from within."

For more information about Y4C, visit [yoga4classrooms.com](http://yoga4classrooms.com) or give them a call at 603-343-4116.

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Studies have shown that most brain development occurs in children between 5 and 13-years-old. Occupational therapist Jill Holland believes it's essential to introduce students to healthy behaviors at an early age.



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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 Tuesday inclusive. In the Weekender Edition: notices for Friday through to the following Friday 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.

Thursday, May 18

**Ham and Scalloped Potato Luncheon**, 11 am to 1:15 p.m., \$8.50 per person, Roscoe Presbyterian Church County Route 17 Route 17 Exit 94 Roscoe, NY. 12776 Nancy Nissen Phn.# (607)-498-5144.

**Pork Dinner at Masonic Lodge**, Livingston Manor. Adults \$10.00, Children \$6.00 Take Outs available. For more information call Sharon 439-3102. Benefit: Delaware Sullivan District Order of Eastern Star.

**Rummage Sale at Swan Lake** Fire House. Stanton Corners Road. Bag Day 5/19. Sponsored by Swan Lake Ladies Aux. For info call Janelle 701-5517 or Anita 292-7554.

Friday, May 19

**Soft drinks, mixers, and light** snacks are provided, and you are welcome to BYOB. The next "Sip and Create!" is scheduled for Friday, May 19, 2017, from 6:30 – 9:30 P.M. at the Artists' Market Community Center, 114 Richardson Avenue, Shohola, PA.

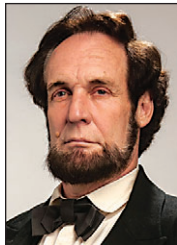
**The Liberty District wide** art show opens at 4 p.m. at both Liberty Library and Liberty Museum on Main Street. Liberty High School National Art Honor Society is hosting the 2nd Annual Liberty art walk and guided tours will take people along a ten stop Main St show with local artists speaking about their work and many merchants housing artwork to share. Refreshments will be provided. Everything is free and fun for the whole family.

**2017 Spring Cleanup** for the residents of the Town of Fallsburg. May 19- May 21. This will be held at the South Fallsburg Sewer Plant. 1 Pickup truck load per household. All materials must be separated. Proof of residency is required.

BRIEFS

Lincoln in Honesdale for Train Day

HONESDALE, PA — As part of the celebration of Train Day on May 20, Abraham Lincoln will visit Honesdale. Dennis Boggs is the re-enactor who will portray Lincoln. He presents an enlightening, informative, and educational look at the life of the 16th President as it might have been told by Abraham Lincoln himself.



Dennis Boggs as Abraham Lincoln

Boggs has researched countless books and papers and has diligently designed a presentation that encompasses 56 years of Abraham Lincoln's life.

President Lincoln's schedule for the day will include many events in Honesdale:

9:00 am - Lincoln with Civil War Troops in Central Park, Honesdale, PA

11:00 am - Lincoln boards The Stourbridge Line to Hawley, PA talking to passengers enroute. Lincoln will be on trains and in downtown Honesdale all afternoon.

4:00 pm - Lincoln attends Wayne County Historical Society's 100th Anniversary Reception, 810 Main Street, Honesdale. Light refreshments and live music.

4:15 pm - Lincoln boards the Centennial Limited train to Hawley and return. Wayne

County Historical Society is sponsoring this train run to commemorate its 100th Anniversary. The train ticket includes meeting Lincoln on the train, refreshments and live music in Honesdale after the train returns. Tickets: Adults \$35. Children \$20.

6:00 pm - The Centennial Limited returns to Honesdale. Live music and light refreshments behind the museum. Poor Man's Gambit (a band from Allentown, PA) plays until 8 p.m. Refreshments available.

CRMC Health and Children's Fair May 20

CALLICOON – On Saturday, May 20 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. come to the Grover M. Hermann Hospital located at 8881 State Route 97, Callicoon for the Health and Children's fair and crafts fair!

There will be a free screening for blood pressure from 8:30-2 p.m. Cholesterol & Glucose testing is from 8:30-10:30 a.m. which requires a 12 hr fasting, and a hearing test from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

There will also be children finger printing, children's face painting, refreshments, hot dogs and live music from the Kurpil Family Fiddlers from 10 a.m.-11a.m. and Mike Vreeland playing at 1 p.m.

This event is sponsored by CRMC & Grover M. Hermann Hospital Auxiliary. For more information call (845) 932-8487 or (845) 887-5530 or visit [www.crmcny.org](http://www.crmcny.org).



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The Rock Hill Ramblers – Steve Schwartz, Antoine Magliano and Ken Windheim, will be among the featured performers this Sunday in Parksville.

Parksville USA Music Festival show on May 21

PARKSVILLE – On Sunday, May 21, the Parksville USA Music Festival, at the Dead End Cafe in Parksville, will present an afternoon of performances by some of the areas prominent music makers.

Organized by local musician Paul Kean, the event will consist of a variety of folk, acoustic and country style music.

Scheduled to perform are acoustic performer Alan Sorensen as well as "The Rock Hill Ramblers" (Steve

Schwartz, Antoine Magliano and Ken Windheim).

"Cathy Paty & Company" (Cathy Paty, J.G.Riley & Chuck Dorman), and singer/songwriter Debbie Fisher will be there as well as "Those Guys" (Paul Kean, Jeff Orts and D'raz).

It promises to be a varied and entertaining musical afternoon.

The show begins at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$25 which includes a full Dead End Cafe dinner buffet after the show.

Rocky's Reuseables giant starts this Sat.

ROSCOE – Rocky's Reuseables, the popular garage-sale fundraiser for Rocky's Refuge, will be open again on Saturday, May 20 and May 27, and Sunday, May 28, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Popular throughout last summer, these "Rocky's Reuseables" days afford people an opportunity to shop for a wide variety of gently used and recycled items, while meeting several of the cats and kittens recently rescued by Rocky's Refuge and waiting for a new home.

Lots of new items are available, including furniture, clothes, kitchenware, house wares, toys, appliances, books, CDs, and tools. All items are gently used and in good condition. And 100% of the proceeds go directly to support Rocky's Refuge programs – such as the Trap/Neuter/Release project aimed at reducing the staggering number of homeless and feral cats in Sullivan County.

But the stars of these sale days are the animals saved by Rocky's Refuge and in need of a permanent home with a loving family. There's no obligation to adopt an animal, of course, but adults and kids alike will still enjoy interacting with these beautiful furry creatures.

Rocky's Reusables will take place at 185 Lake Street, Liberty, New York, Saturday, May 20th and May 27th, and Sunday, May 28th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more information about Rocky's Refuge,

see <http://www.rockysrefuge.org>.

Contact: Virginia Grant, 607-498-5840

Acappalooza 2017 set for May 22

ELDRD/ MONTICELLO – The Eldred Key Elements and Nesin Theatre will present ACAPPALOOZA 2017, taking place at The Nesin Theatre, 22 St. John Street, Monticello on Monday, May 22 at 7 p.m., featuring performances from The Eldred Key Elements, Roscoe's Ros-ca-ppella, the Valley Central Voxtones, and the Center For Discovery Chorus.

Acappalooza is proud to be in its 8th year, starting out as the Sullivan County A Cappella Festival back in 2010. It returns to the Nesin Theatre for the first time since 2014.

The performance starts at 7pm, doors open to the public at 6:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$5 with all proceeds benefiting the Can't Hurt Steel Foundation.

The mission of the Can't Hurt Steel Foundation is to provide assistance to community members in their times of need.

The foundation will meet this goal by providing grants to assist patients and family members that are experiencing a catastrophic illness, including medication, transportation, hotel stays during treatment, and even household living expenses, like rent, utilities, food, and daycare.

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**Thursday - 5/18 - 11 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.**

Ham and Scalloped Potatoes Luncheon \$8.50 per person at Roscoe Presbyterian Church, Old Route 17, Roscoe. Benefit the Church.

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at Jeffersonville Branch - During Library Hours. For more info call 845-482-4350

**Sunday, May 28 - 7 am to 12 Noon - Pancake Breakfast - St. Mary's Church Hall, 386 County Route 95, Osnaburg, NY. Adults \$8.00, Children \$5.00**

**Mon., June 5 - 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Spring Luncheon at the Monticello Presbyterian Church, 11 Jones Street, Monticello NY. Choice of 3 salads, sandwich, beverage and dessert \$7. Raffle for Hanging Spring Plant Basket.**

BRIEFS



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Alexander Uciechowski, the 2017 American Dutch Rabbit Club's Prince and Rebecca Coombe, the 2017 American Dutch Rabbit Club's Duchess.

Rabbit Royalty in Sullivan County: Show set for May 21

NEVERSINK – Two local 4-H kids from the Town of Neversink recently traveled to Springfield, Ohio for The National Dutch Rabbit Show.

This show has the biggest gathering of Dutch Rabbits under one roof. The show had over 1,250 rabbits shown by 120 exhibitors.

This national show holds a royalty contest for the youth members to compete and show their knowledge. During this 3 ½ hour contest, youth members have to write out an application/essay, judge two classes of rabbits, perform showmanship, do a face-to-face interview and written test. All dressed in their white show coats and professional attire.

Rebecca Coombe competed in the Duchess division, while fellow rabbit friend, Alexander Uciechowski competed in the Prince division. After a grueling three-and-a-half hours, they were finally able to relax, but it would be 24 hours until they find out how they did.

At the awards banquet Saturday night, the children got their awards. Rebecca won 1st place in Showmanship

and Judging for the intermediate division. Alex won 3rd place in Junior showmanship and Judging.

When the final numbers were tallied up, Rebecca Coombe was announced as the 2017 American Dutch Rabbit Club's Duchess, and Alexander Uciechowski was named the 2017 American Dutch Rabbit Club's Prince.

A big 'thank you' goes out to 4-H leaders and mentors, Jean Smith, Kaitlyn Smith, and Harold Smith III from Jeffersonville.

If you would like to learn about rabbit shows or 4-H youth development programs, there will be a 4-H Youth rabbit show on May 21 at the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County's building on Fernald-Loomis Rd in Liberty.

Second Annual Fallsburg Spring Fling

FALLSBURG – The Town of Fallsburg is pleased to announce our 2nd Annual Spring Fling. This family friendly event features Bounce Rides and DJ from Party Master and chances to play on our new Beach Volleyball court. Come see and enjoy the new Dog Park.

Also joining us will be the S.C. Literacy Volunteers, the Latino Alliance of Sullivan County, free eye screening for children from the Fallsburg Lions (Noon to 2pm) and other community groups.

Also available for Fallsburg residents is the opportunity to have Spring Cleaning Sale booths (there is a \$5 registration fee and those interested should call the park office at 845 434-5877) and free boat rides. Hay Rides will happen throughout the day.

The Spring Fling is being held at Morningside Park in Hurleyville on Sunday May 28 (rain date on Monday May 29) from 11am to 3pm.



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# Solar and cider mix at Delaware meeting

STORY AND PHOTOS  
BY DAN HUST

HORTONVILLE — Two major projects moved closer to permits at Wednesday's Delaware Planning Board meeting.

### SOLAR ARRAY

First up was Delaware River Solar's (DRS') commercial solar array, a project controversial with neighbors living along Hospital Road above Hortonville.

Representing DRS, attorney Ben Neidl argued that his client and "this board has done what it can do" to reasonably mitigate concerns over the viewshed, environment, health and property values. "This is private property," he stated. "It is not parkland or forever-wild land."

However, it does contain wetlands for which the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers may require a disturbance permit.

And the requirements of such a permit – if ultimately mandated – should be known before the planning board issues its own permit, argued attorney Chris Denton, representing neighboring property owners.

He also contended that repeated runoff issues downhill from the proposed array site, along County Route 131, could be worsened by the array's presence.

"All we really ask is this board apply the same rigorous regulatory standards you would to any other industrial project at this site," Denton said.



This erosion from runoff along County Route 131 above Hortonville was noted by the attorney for property owners worried about impacts from a proposed commercial solar array just up the hill from this spot, along Hospital Road. The array's attorney, however, felt the Delaware Planning Board has taken the reasonable and necessary steps to mitigate impacts.

At right: James Hartford of River Architects showed the Delaware Planning Board on Wednesday what the proposed Seminary Hill Cidery in Callicoon will look like.

The board thereafter embarked on a half-hour review of part two of the state-required environmental assessment form. While potential impacts were acknowledged, they were deemed minimal by the board and town planner Tom Shepstone.

However, the board will discuss the impacts further, said Shepstone, and part three of the form will be reviewed at

the next planning board meeting in June.

### CIDERY

Second up was the Seminary Hill Cidery project off Wagner Lane in Callicoon, which will boast a mountaintop view of the Delaware River valley.

The cidery's prime consultant, James Hartford, showed the planning board the general layout of the complex, which

will feature a lower-level production area and an upper-level public tasting room, with the grounds available for weddings and other events amidst approximately 1,200 apple and pear trees.

"We're going for 'passive house' certification," said Hartford, referring to the solar panels that will generate up to 90 percent of the cidery's energy.



Open year-round, the cidery will employ about half a dozen full-timers, he estimated, plus seasonal workers.

"We're hoping to break ground this year," he added.

The permitting process, however, has only begun, with

both the county and Upper Delaware Council needing to be involved. Hartford was also asked to provide a narrative and an Ag Data Statement by the next planning board meeting, with a public hearing possible in July.

May 23 — This is a Memorial Day story of two Freds. The first Fred is my father who was born in Charlestown, Massachusetts. He and his six brothers were orphaned as children. My father and his brothers were "taken in" by our Aunt Kate who raised them. Harry the oldest quit school at 14 years old and went to work in a rubber factory in Boston, and supported his brother through college. That's the way it was done back then in Irish families. My Father, Fred went all the way through Tufts University and became a medical doctor. During WW II he enlisted in the Navy and was sent to Leyte Island in the Philippines with the Seabees, the Navy's Construction Force. He was in the Philippines for several years and contracted an unknown tropical virus that affected his heart and caused his death at 49 years old, leaving my mother to raise four

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children alone. His cause of death was declared a war related injury.

The second Fred is my good friend, Fred Defeo who was born in New York City and lived his life in Eldred. When Fred was 18 years old, he was drafted into the Army and was sent to the Ardennes Forest region of Belgium where he fought in the Battle of the Bulge; which Winston Churchill described as the "greatest American battle of the war". During the fighting, his Sergeant sent Fred to headquarters to get the mail and when he returned, everyone in his Unit had been killed. He never forgot it and carried that scar with him until he died at 86 yrs old. He was buried in the Eldred Cemetery wearing his Army

Uniform.

With Memorial Day and the beginning of summer, we will see packed rafts and canoes floating down the River, but you will also see some older gentlemen of a certain age, sitting at card tables wearing their VFW garrison caps collecting donations and giving out red poppies. Inspired by the Poem "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae, during WWI, a college professor from Georgia, Molina Michael started the tradition of the raising funds with red poppies to support war orphans and widows.

Both the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion are very active in our community providing a Color Guard at funerals and raising money for personal items and Christmas gifts for the Castle

Point Veterans Nursing Home and Hospital in the Hudson Valley. They also place American flags at the graves of their veteran brothers every Memorial Day. These veterans keep alive one of the most cherished American military traditions in our country. So stop by their table outside of our local supermarkets and stores and thank them for their service and make a donation and get your "buddy poppy."

According to Peter D. Carmeci, the Post Commander of VFW Post 6247, the Town of Highland will be holding a joint Memorial Day Service with the American Legion Post 1363 on Monday, May 29th in Heroes Park at 3:30 p.m. sharp. "This is the day we remember our fallen heroes who gave their life for our country" Mr. Carmeci told me, "it is important that we remember their sacrifice." Everyone is invited to attend.

## G.L. Cooke Elementary School: Yoga to Help with Testing



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Kim Thompson's fourth grade students doing downward-facing dog.

MONTICELLO – During the week leading up to the New York state ELA testing, students in the third, fourth and fifth grades at George L. Cooke Elementary School participated in yoga classes. With the help of her long-time yoga teacher Susanne Spring; Elisa Mendels, the SEW (social, emotional, wellness) Facilitator, created classes designed to help the students

to cope with the stresses of testing and taught them strategies to relax and reduce anxiety during the test.

Some of the students' favorite poses were downward-facing dog and bridge pose. The students really enjoyed practicing yoga and the strategies. The students hope to be able to continue yoga classes at other times during the school year.



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Head to the Kaplan Student Union at SUNY Sullivan in Loch Sheldrake on May 25 at noon for an info session answering all your questions!

RSVP at [regionalcouncils.ny.gov/content/cfa-information-session-mid-hudson-may-25th](http://regionalcouncils.ny.gov/content/cfa-information-session-mid-hudson-may-25th) or by calling the Sullivan County Partnership for Economic Development at 845-794-1110.

CFA applications must be submitted by July 28.

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MEETINGS

TUESDAY, MAY 30

Federation for the Homeless Annual Board Meeting, 9 a.m., Federation's Office located at 9 Monticello Street in Monticello.

Town of Fallsburg Comprehensive Plan Committee, 7:00 p.m., 5250 Main Street, South Fallsburg, South Fallsburg Youth and Senior Center, 12 Laurel Avenue.

Planning Board Meeting, Town of Forestburgh, 7 p.m., Forestburgh Town Hall.

White Sulphur Springs Fire Commissioners, special meeting, 6:30 p.m., White Sulphur Springs Firehouse, 3352 Route 52, White Sulphur Springs.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

Special Meeting Notice, 10:00 a.m., Town of Tusten Town Hall.

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

Rockland Town Board mtg., 7 p.m., Town Hall, Livingston Manor.

Fallsburg Architectural Review Board mtg., 7 p.m., South Fallsburg Community Center.

Forestburgh Town Board mtg., 7 p.m., Town Hall, Forestburgh.

Town of Rockland, public hearing, 7:15, Town Hall, 95 Main Street, Livingston Manor.

Tri-Valley Central School Public hearing, 7:00 p.m., The plan can be found on the school website.

Monticello Central School District Board of Education, 6:00 p.m. in the RJK Middle School Library.

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STORY AND PHOTOS BY KATHY DALEY

JEFFERSONVILLE — You see them here and there in Sullivan County – old dairy barns standing vacant or collapsing in on themselves, sad testaments to the days when farming ruled.

But not so for the barn on Hubbard Road in Callicoon. With its new pine siding, replaced tin roof, new floor and bathrooms, this old barn crammed with history and charm would grin if it could.

“It’s a beautiful structure,” said Sara Diehl. “I love looking up” into the high-peaked timber frame with its massive exposed posts and rafters, she said.

Diehl and her husband John, who were Gabel Road neighbors to the barn and land owned by Leonard “Skip” Gabel, bought the site when they heard it was for sale. Then, in 2014, Sara’s sister Danielle asked if she could hold her wedding in the old barn.

“We laughed at her at first,” said Sara. But soon she and John got to work, bailing loose hay still littering the barn floor and beginning basic renovations for the family wedding.

Three years later, the Barn on Hubbard, as it is now termed, serves as a striking venue for other people’s weddings and family events. On Saturday, May 20, the barn hosted a craft and vendor sale to benefit the Allyson Whitney Foundation. The non-profit raises funds to help young people battle rare cancers and is named for Monticello native Whitney, age 25, who died in 2011 of a small-cell cancer.

Also on hand Saturday were members of the Jeffersonville Area Chamber of Commerce, who held a ribbon cutting for one of its newest joiners: the Barn on Hubbard.

The rustic barn was constructed long ago by the Gabel family, who arrived from Germany in the mid-1800s. They farmed and ran a shoemaker’s shop in the barn. The silo was built in the late 1800s and by the 1960s, the last addition included a milking parlor and pipeline. At that time the Gabels were milking more than 90 cows. They gave up dairy farming in 1977.

Sara Diehl, a registered nurse at Catskill Regional Medical Center in Harris, and her husband, a self-employed mason, own 16 acres across the road in addition to 28 acres on which the barn sits, making the place even more attractive for events and celebrations that require space for parking.

They only offer the Barn as



At the Barn on Hubbard Road, Jeffersonville Area Chamber of Commerce Members welcomed the business as a new member. At May 20 ribbon cutting: Meaghan Mullally-Gorr and Cindy Herbert of the Chamber, Barn co-owner Sara Diehl with children Nathan and Emma, and the Chamber’s Rhonda Decker and Kathy Herbert.



Renovated 4,000-square-foot barn graces its Hubbard Road, Callicoon neighborhood.

a venue – “a blank slate to decorate,” explained Sara. Everything else, such as renting tables and chairs, hiring a caterer, bringing in flowers and so on, is handled by the folks using the space.

The beautiful old barn, witness to yesterday’s calves being born and today’s weddings celebrated, stands tall in its new life.

“People tell us how beautiful their wedding was here and they share their pictures with me,” said Sara. “It’s wonderful to play a part of such an important event in people’s lives.”

POLICE NOTE

Man sentenced for assault on parents

SULLIVAN COUNTY — Sullivan County District Attorney Jim Farrell announced today that Michael Fedderman, 44, of Liberty, N.Y. was sentenced on Friday, May 12, 2017, in Sullivan County Court to an aggregate of 10 years in prison and 5 years of post-release supervision for two assaults on his parents. Farrell said that Fedderman entered guilty pleas to Assault in the 2nd Degree, both class D violent felonies, for two separate assaults on his father and mother, who were both over 65 at the time, and admitted that he intentionally caused them both physical injury. Fedderman also entered a guilty plea to Endangering the Welfare of an Incompetent of Physically Disabled Person in the 1st Degree, a class E felony, for the endangerment of another family member during a physical altercation with his mother.

Fedderman was arrested after an investigation by the New York State Police and Farrell thanked the Bureau of Criminal Investigation for their investigation into the crimes that occurred.



Michael Fedderman

“Domestic violence, whether suffered by domestic partners or by family members, is a serious crime and must be treated as such. The collateral consequences to the survivors are enormous and our criminal justice system needs to be vigilant to make sure that justice is pursued in each case. In this case, which involved years of physical abuse to his own family – his mother, his father, his brother – the sentence imposed holds him accountable and will ensure that for the next decade he will not harm anyone. This case was particularly troubling as it involved elder abuse and my office and law enforcement partners are committed to holding those who commit this type of crime accountable,” Farrell said. A permanent Order of Protection was also issued for the family to prevent Fedderman from having any contact with them.

BRIEFS

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Three expert installers – Solar Liberty, ETM Solar Works and Solar by CIR – will explain the details of assessing, installing and operating ground- and roof-mounted arrays, along with the low-interest, cash-positive financing that will save you money on day one. The free event will be held at the Catskill Distilling Company at Dancing Cat Saloon along Route 17B in Bethel tomorrow, Wednesday, May 31 at 6 p.m.

For more information about this event and the program itself, visit solarizesullivan.org or contact Hailley Delisle at Catskill Mountainkeeper at 518-578-8670 or hailley@catskillmountainkeeper.org.

World No Tobacco Day

SULLIVAN COUNTY — On World No Tobacco Day, the staff of Sullivan County Public Health Services wants to talk to you about giving up (or never taking up) tobacco products.

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Money not spent on tobacco can be spent to include the purchase of healthy food, healthcare and education.

(http://www.who.int/campaigns/no-tobacco-day/2017/event/en/)

Did you know that growing tobacco requires large amounts of pesticides and fertilizers, which can be toxic and pollute water supplies. Each year, tobacco growing results in 10.6 million acres in global deforestation between 2% and 4%. Tobacco manufacturing also produces over 2 million tons of solid waste.

Visit the Government Center lobby in Monticello on World No Tobacco Day, tomorrow, May 31 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., and talk to Sullivan County Public Health Services for free quit-smoking information, and ask about the free nicotine patch program, or call 845-513-2222.

Road work begins on Rt 97

BARRYVILLE — The New York State Department of Transportation will conduct road work on Route 97 between the Orange County line and Route 55 in Barryville, starting today through June 30, from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be alternating lane closures both northbound and southbound. Flag personnel will be on hand to guide traffic. The road work is weather dependent.

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