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Deputies Find Home-Away-from-Home

Nelsonville substation serves 24/7

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

Around 1:20 p.m. Monday (June 15), two Putnam County Sheriff's Department vehicles raced down Main Street past the traffic light in Cold Spring, heading west, red lights flashing. It was a typical call for those who serve with the Sheriff's Department western Putnam outpost, the substation created in the refurbished Nelsonville firehouse on Main Street.

For Patrol Division Sgt. Michael Szabo, the Carmel-based overseer of the substation, the early afternoon run soon ended: He and a colleague joined the Cold Spring Police Department on the scene of a reported domestic dispute in the Forge Gate apartment complex and then left matters to the village police to resolve. The incident demonstrated both the immediacy of the Sheriff's Department presence in Philipstown and its interplay with its Cold Spring counterpart.



Deputy Brian Aisenstat, left, works at the substation, which Sgt. Mike Szabo, oversees.

Photo by L.S. Armstrong

"I know having a substation over here is crucial," Szabo said, hosting *The Paper* on a tour of the facility later on Monday afternoon. "It really serves our purpose."

Last fall, County Executive MaryEllen Odell underscored plans for beefed-up law enforcement in western Putnam and county legislators concurred on the merits of assigning two more Sheriff's Department deputies to Philipstown and vicinity.

Szabo said that six deputies now operate from the substation, patrolling Philipstown and Putnam Valley. By spending most of their time in the area they cover, they avoid commuting to and from the department's headquarters in Carmel. Some of those staffing the substation live in Philipstown or not far away, although the department does not say exactly where, and Szabo said the deputies provide (Continued on page 3)



Before and after shots of a Jolly Rovers worksite: Chamney Falls, in the White Mountains of New Hampshire.



Image courtesy of the Jolly Rovers

Jolly Rovers Fueled by Camaraderie

Skilled trail volunteers specialize in stonework

By Alison Rooney

Sometimes it seems as if the stones were always there, with hiking trails built around them. Most people navigating through the forested slopes around us probably haven't given much thought to the 'Who put them there?' question — unless, of course, they are unable to proceed along a path, even if there's a clearing to do so, due to loose footing or unstable trails to allow forging ahead.

There are periodic construction efforts, some publicly funded, others supported through "Friends of" groups. But, until recently, no cohesive volunteer group existed to increase public access to these lands through sustainable, thoughtful trail construction.

The Jolly Rovers (JR) have changed all that. A volunteer trail organization specializing in the craft of stonework, the JR group was formed by three men, Bob Brunner, Artie Hidalgo-Espinosa and Chris Ingui, who first met as trail crew volunteers for the NY/NJ Trail Conference, working on the Bear Mountain Trails Project (BMTP). Ingui, who by then had shifted from volunteer to hired employee (as a project manager), noticed, along with his volunteer colleagues, that trail volunteers tended to stick with the project, which entailed a reroute of the Appalachian Trail up Bear Mountain — and with that the installation of more than 1,000 stones to form a pathway. (See sidebar on page 16 for details on 'Behind the Steps at Bear Mountain' a special hike, conducted by JR volunteers, at the site.)

By the end of 2010, the three began to formalize their notion of a traveling volunteer trail crew,

specializing in technical rock and stone work and, early in 2011, the Jolly Rovers came to fruition. Beginning with 12 volunteers, they now number 40 — quite a high number considering the strict training and commitment requirements that are a hallmark of the group. Membership is open to anyone willing to undertake the training and carve out the time, but both are stringent, reflecting the professionalism of the group, and the need to rely on each other for reasons of team safety as they move stones weighing upwards of a thousand pounds on highlines up and down the face of a mountain.

After a mandatory orientation meeting, attendance is required at a series of one-day workshops held over five successive weekends Upon completing all workshops the student officially becomes a Rover Recruit. At this point, each recruit must attend 10 regular workdays with the Rovers as an apprentice throughout the same calendar year. All recruits are then reviewed by the crew leaders one last time, after which they be- (Continued on page 16)



Band of brothers — and sisters — members of the Jolly Rovers trail crew, pictured in their usual habitat: the woods

Photo courtesy of Jolly Rovers

Hearing Monday on Butterfield Sales Tax Relief

Progress on Main Street Project

By Michael Turton

Butterfield Realty has applied to the Putnam County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) for "straight-lease financing" up to \$5.5 million to support the mixed-use development planned for the former Butterfield Hospital site. A letter from the IDA to Cold Spring Mayor Dave Merandy states that a public hearing on the application is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Monday, June 22, at the Cold Spring Village Hall. The letter was reviewed Tuesday (June 16) at the Village Board meeting.

IDA Chairman Richard Ruchala's letter indicated that the financing relates only to the two commercial buildings planned as part of the project and can include "real property tax relief, sales and use tax exemptions, and mortgage recording tax exemption" as well as payment of "certain incidental expenses."

While the letter states that property tax relief can be granted, Village Clerk Mary Saari told *The Paper* that Ruchala had told her that the application does not include a request for that form of financial assistance. In a telephone interview with *The Paper*, Ruchala confirmed that property tax relief is not part of the application. He said it includes a request for sales tax exemption on construction materials for the two buildings as well as sales tax exemption on the purchase of materials for outfitting them. The two buildings would also be exempt from the mortgage recording tax.

Trustee Cathryn Fadde pointed out that developer Paul Guillaro had agreed not to request property tax relief, in meeting of the Village Board on April 1.

Merandy questioned the appropriateness of holding a public hearing on a Monday morning. With tongue planted firmly in cheek he commented, "That's perfect, everybody will want to be there." Ruchala however, told (Continued on page 3)

Small, Good Things

Up on the Farm

By Joe Dizney

F2T: Described as an “irritating abbreviation” by food writer Corby Kummer in his recent *Vanity Fair* screed, “Is It Time to Table Farm-to-Table?” this perfectly legitimate and once honorable culinary movement now has an annoying acronym to call its own.

To this eater, cook and householder, farm-to-table has unfortunately come to effectively represent an unctuous hipster pretention more-than-likely coupled to a higher price tag, justified by pinpointing a dinner’s ingredients down to their latitude and longitude, degrees and minutes, the farm and farmer’s name, the farmer’s children’s names and the names of all their pets. Call it marketing. That’s polite. It’s smacks of *terroir*-ism.

What “F2T” *strives* for and what we want from its ideal is a nebulous authenticity that hovers around an ethic of conscious and mindful living and consuming, only hinted at by words like “seasonal” and “local.” What we want is food that is minimally processed, responsibly and ethically sourced and prepared — but most important, *tasty*.

This was all driven home recently as I had the opportunity to partake of a *genuine* “table-on-the-farm” feast: Glynwood’s June 4 Farm Dinner. Admittedly, it was a bit early in the season to take full advantage of summer’s harvest (that would be more likely in the July and August dinners; details below) but the evening began with some surprisingly toothsome Glynwood charcuterie and Hudson Valley cheeses, and the dinner itself kicked off with an appetizer of Glynwood-raised, house-smoked goat accompanied by a jalapeno slaw.

The menu was prepared and executed by Glynwood Executive Chef Jodi Cummings. Cummings was herself born and raised locally (in Marlboro, New York) and schooled at the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park. While she earned her kitchen stripes in NYC, Connecticut and the Hudson Valley, her cooking is foremost informed by a valley native’s love and appreciation for its foodways and farm culture.

For this Glynwood dinner, there were no “fancy” preparations: In accordance with seasonal *al fresco* dining and cooking, the descriptors, techniques and tastes leaned heavily toward a woodsmoked Mediterranean axis consistent with the actual culinary revolution responsible for the F2T phenomena (Alice Waters, Chez Panisse *et al.*).

Cummings’ creative contribution and commentary consisted of sympathetic-yet-unexpected spicing and seasoning: the most commented upon dish of the evening was our second course — charred romaine lettuce with crumbled blue cheese (specifically, Old Chatham Ewe’s Blue) with a red onion relish (surprisingly seasoned with sumac) paired with grilled brochettes of rib-eye “dressed” with a spring *charmoula*. This particular preparation was a direct popular hit, but it is also an eminently versatile and easily adapted recipe, completely emblematic of Cummings’ philosophy and process.

Charmoula, (aka *cherroula* or *chrmla*) is a traditional North African sauce used to marinate and/or flavor, meat, seafood and vegetables. It’s basically an herbal paste (not unlike pesto, albeit without the cheese) centered around an herbal base of cilantro and parsley. On the day I spoke to her, Cummings was organizing a potluck supper and demonstration for Glynwood’s CSA (community supported agriculture) farm subscribers.

She suggested the mixture as a superior “secret weapon” in getting the most from your CSA share, explaining its innate versatility: “You can basically use any two herbs — tarragon, oregano, dill, parsley, cilantro, mint — that play well off of each other and whatever you’re going to serve it with — vegetables, fish, chicken, other meat; let’s see — garlic, definitely ... the traditional recipe calls for preserved lemons but I use lemon, or lime, juice.”

Here, the spicing leans again toward the smoky notes — paprika and cumin — flavors that mesh well with grilled foods. (Coriander, red pepper, ginger or saffron are suggested as alternatives or additions.) The recipe reproduced here can be used as a rub or marinade for



Spring Charmoula

Photo by J. Dizney

meat, seafood and substantial vegetables like eggplant, cauliflower or portobello mushrooms. Thinned with a bit of additional citrus juice, vinegar or a flavored or nut oil, it becomes a finishing sauce to follow grilling. Top the grilled vegetables off with a dollop of Greek yogurt or some goat cheese and more *charmoula* or stir some into a bowl of cooked chickpeas or lentils and this ready-made sauce elevates a simple vegetarian meal.

Cummings generously revealed her inspiration for the specific influence: Boston-based, James Beard award-winning chef and restaurateur (restaurants Oleana, Sofra and Sarma) Ana Sortun, guest chef at one of last year’s dinners. (Chef Sortun is also the author of the cookbook, *Spice: Flavors of the Eastern Mediterranean*, from which Cummings was interpreting a sweet rhubarb-rose petal jam for the CSA demo.)

But again, there’s nothing overly precious here: Cummings’ cooking is intuitive and she’s got solid instincts to match

stellar raw materials.

“I try to take the food that comes from here, the ingredients that come from our neighbors’ farms, and let the ingredients *shine* — I like the dandelion greens to stand out ... I want to cook the meat to the best of my abilities; give it a few accents. I try to keep things rustic and simple, but the flavor — the smell of the meat when it’s fresh ... raw; the freshness of the greens; the tomatoes when they’re in season — that’s what I’m aiming for.”

And *that’s* how it’s *really* done — up on the farm.

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Tickets for Glynwood’s July 10 farm dinner — a special seasonal vegetarian meal prepared by guest chef Agnes Devereux of New Paltz’s Village Tea Room and Cummings — are \$95/person and are available on the Glynwood website (glynwood.org). Advance tickets are also available for the Aug. 1 dinner (\$55/person), which will highlight Glynwood’s peak-season offerings. The farm dinners run through November. Glynwood is located at 362 Glynwood Road, off Route 301, east of Cold Spring.

Spring Charmoula

Adapted from recipe of Jodi Cummings, Executive Chef, Glynwood

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| One bunch flat-leaf parsley, stems trimmed | 2 tablespoons ground cumin |
| One 4-ounce bunch cilantro, stems trimmed | 1 tablespoon ground coriander |
| 3 cloves garlic | 1 teaspoon smoked paprika |
| | ¼ cup fresh lemon juice |
| | ½-to-1 cup extra-virgin olive oil |
| | kosher salt |

In a food processor, combine the parsley with the cilantro, garlic, cumin, coriander, and smoked paprika. Pulse until the herbs are finely chopped. Add the lemon juice and ½ cup of the olive oil; pulse to incorporate. Add salt to taste. Thin with additional oil to desired consistency.

Note: *Charmoula* will keep for three days refrigerated or freezes well for longer storage and a welcomed culinary blast of summer in the colder months.

Floral Displays Accentuate Philipstown Garden Club’s Silent Auction



The Philipstown Garden Club held its annual party and silent auction on June 5 at Boscobel. The Garden Club has maintained Boscobel’s herb garden for many years.

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24-hour protection, in shifts. Likewise, the substation provides quarters for detectives from the Sheriff’s Department DCI – Division of Criminal Investigation. (Two investigators reside in Cold Spring or Nelsonville.)

The sergeant said the substation boasts all the essential facilities, from equipment for evidence collection, fingerprinting, and booking of suspects, including handcuffs, to computers, offices, and conference space for meetings or public boater-safety courses. The garage shelters three cars and a small all-terrain “ranger” vehicle, plus a fast vessel for river rescues and other on-the-water demands. (Along with fulfilling other responsibilities, Szabo heads the Sheriff’s Department Marine Unit.) From vehicles to the boat and arrest-processing items and offices, all appeared in readiness should need arise on an otherwise quiet afternoon.

According to Szabo, along with minimizing time-consuming drives and thus increasing efficiency, the substation helps the deputies get more immersed in the community. “Our guys stay over here and they have a link” with the public, as well as with local police and officers from the Department of Environmental Conservation and other jurisdictions on duty in the area, he said.

During a preliminary telephone conversation in April, Undersheriff Peter Convery commented in similar fashion. In western Putnam “we’re trying to be very pro-active this year, especially on the Hudson” River. He outlined the ad-



The Putnam County Sheriff’s Department substation on Main Street in Nelsonville
Photo by L.S. Armstrong

vantages of having more deputies at the substation, including those with homes nearby. “It’s a very good aspect” of what the department is trying to do with law enforcement and “makes for community policing,” Convery said then.

Szabo noted on Monday that “there’s always a car in Philipstown” available. Tasks and calls involve the usual mix of police work — security and assistance at public events and responses to routine complaints or simple inquiries by residents, plus handling traffic violations, drug offenses, family arguments, and incidents of violence. “We’ve had murders

in Philipstown” over the years, Szabo observed.

He did not have immediate data on how many calls the substation handles. However, in advocating a stronger sheriff’s role last October, Odell referred to 40-plus incidents a day in western Putnam.

Whatever transpires, “we can process all our arrests right here” at the substation, Szabo said. When an alleged crime demands a prompt arraignment, the deputies can call a judge who will respond on an urgent basis — whatever the hour — and meet them at Philipstown Town Hall, site of the town Justice Court.

Such arrangements and the ability to use the substation mean the deputies need not rush to Carmel for arrest-processing and that “we can keep our deputy in service over here” without interruption, Szabo said.

Relations with Cold Spring police

Szabo mentioned excellent rapport with the Cold Spring Police Department. “We work very closely with them,” he said. “Our guys couldn’t say enough about the Cold Spring guys.” The Cold Spring police can come to the substation to take fingerprints or go on the computer and they all support one another, he said. “We back them up on calls” and on a case like a felony investigation, “we drop everything for them,” Szabo said.

The question of the best way for Cold Spring to obtain policing surfaced this spring in the village election. Unlike the Town of Philipstown and Nelsonville, which rely on the Sheriff’s Department for law enforcement at no charge, Cold Spring employs police officers working on a part-time basis, at a cost: \$416,418, or 15 percent of spending, for fiscal 2015-16.

Szabo declined to discuss the Sheriff Department’s ability to take over law enforcement in Cold Spring and referred questions to his superiors. However, based on his experiences with the Cold Spring officers, he did say, “I don’t know why Cold Spring people wouldn’t want their own police.” *[For more details on the substation and Sheriff’s Departmet, see the full story on the website.]*

Hearing Monday on Butterfield Sales Tax Relief *(from page 1)*

The Paper that public hearings on a Monday are not uncommon.

The mayor also wondered about the timing of the application itself, suggesting that it would have made more sense to request funding assistance earlier in the development process. Ruchala told *The Paper* that Butterfield Realty’s application was submitted in mid-February and revised in March. He also remarked that the Butterfield project has been vetted extensively throughout the lengthy review process. The public hearing, he said, is an opportunity for any new comments from the public. The IDA board will vote on whether or not to approve the Butterfield application on June 23.

The IDA letter and Butterfield Realty’s application can be reviewed at the Village of Cold Spring office during regular business hours. Oral comments can be made at the public hearing.

Movement on Main

Deputy Mayor Marie Early provided an update on the Main Street Project, initiated in 2006 to repair the worst sections of sidewalks and curbs along Main Street along with drainage works on Furnace Street and Mountain Avenue. Early said that because 80 percent of the \$970,000 project is funded federally, “there are significant steps required, more documentation, reviews, approvals,” the result being a longer schedule and higher cost. The project is administered by the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT). At a May 29 meeting that included DOT officials and CHA, the project’s engineering firm, state representatives indicated that the expenditures and 10-year timeline compare favorably with similar initiatives elsewhere. To date, engineering costs have totaled \$204,000 with another \$20,000 anticipated. The remaining \$746,000 will go to construction and related costs.

Early said that all required sign-offs have been received. A final walk-through this week will mean updating project details. Early said construction will take

about three months, commencing early in 2016.

CFA grant to light Main Street?

As part of the Mid-Hudson Region, Cold Spring is eligible to compete for a share of \$750 million in economic development grants available through New York State’s Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) program. Fadde, who has been attending CFA workshops, said the program is intended to revitalize local economies through projects related to tourism, infrastructure and local character. She described an “aha moment” at a recent session when Putnam County announced it would pay the local matching share of a successful grant application. Fadde suggested new Main Street lighting as a possible grant project. Acquisition of Bigbelly compacting garbage containers was also discussed. The next step will be for Cold Spring to receive approval to study potential projects in detail for consideration as part of a regional application.

Water, sidewalk issues

Greg Phillips, superintendent of water

and sewers, reported recent complaints of discolored water. The problem, he said, could be due to warm temperatures, which in turn led to increased organic matter in an impoundment area upstream of the treatment facility on Fishkill Road. Flushing the system, a routine procedure that was conducted recently, won’t help in this case, he said. Phillips said he is looking into further chemical treatment. “We’re on it,” he said. “But there aren’t a lot of answers.”

Trustees expressed concern to Building Inspector Bill Bujarski regarding a number of Main Street business issues. Included are increases in the number of sandwich board signs and outside dining areas — both of which are on village property. The recurring problem of shopkeepers displaying wares beyond the permitted 3-foot limit in front of Main Street shops was also highlighted along with an increase in the number of neon signs in store windows. Merandy said that a workshop would be devoted to the issues, several of which were described

as matters of public safety.

Bowman

Cold Spring residents Ethan Timm and Carolyn Bachan were appointed to the Code Update Committee. The volunteer committee is revising village zoning, which dates back to 1968, to bring it into conformity with the 2012 Comprehensive Plan.

Trustee Michael Bowman attended the meeting. Earlier this month his status on the Village Board had been questioned after he and his family moved out of Cold Spring into Nelsonville to assist his mother, who was seriously ill. His mother died on June 5. Merandy said there was a related discussion in executive session prior to Tuesday’s public meeting but no additional information was provided. Trustee Bowman acknowledged the support he has received, saying, “I want to thank everyone for their patience and for bearing with me ... for their thoughts and prayers, for reaching out to me by email and leaving food at my door... I want to publicly thank everyone...”

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Obituary

Francis Joseph Schatzle

Retired U.S. Navy Capt. Francis Joseph Schatzle, 83, died Tuesday, June 9, in Annapolis, Maryland. Born in Cold Spring (Nelsonville), New York, to the late Frank and Mary Schatzle, Frank cherished his hometown. Frank was the eldest of five boys, and he and his brothers, all exceptional athletes, loved to tell stories of growing up in Nelsonville and Cold Spring, attending Haldane High School, skating on frozen ponds, running around Main Street and working all over the village.

Frank held the New York high school mile record for many years, raced in Madison Square Garden against Roger Bannister, and continued to race for decades. He graduated from Haldane High School in 1949, from Albany State in 1953 with a bachelor's degree in physics and with a master's degree from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California.

In January 1954, Frank was commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Navy. While serving in Jacksonville, Florida, he met his wife of 49 years, Ann Turner (1932-2010), whom he loved dearly. Ann, from Peterborough, England, met Frank when she was working as a stewardess. Frank enjoyed a distinguished 29-year naval career. Upon retirement in 1983, he was considered one of the country's top hurricane experts.

Frank was a lifelong golfer who loved to tee off early in the "Dawn Patrol." After retiring, he remained in Pass Christian, Mississippi. In addition to his wife and parents, Frank was preceded in death by his brothers, Arnold, Eddie and Danny Schatzle. He is survived by three children, Matthew Schatzle of Annapolis, Sharon (Jeff) Bonck and Andrew (Amy) Schatzle all of Pass Christian, and his brother, Philip Schatzle, of Cold Spring. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren: Claire, Jacob and Noah Schatzle of Annapolis; Stephen, Jack and David Bonck; Alison, Nicholas, Brady and Cooper Schatzle, all of Pass Christian.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 23, at Our Lady of Loretto Church, 24 Fair St., Cold Spring, followed by interment at Cold Spring Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Haldane School Foundation.

Conservation Easement Proposal on Hold

Decision awaits arrival of new Garrison School Board members

By Pamela Doan

The plan for addressing the proposal to the Garrison school district from the Hudson Highlands Land Trust for the school forest to be preserved through a conservation easement is basically that there is no plan at the moment. At the Board of Education meeting on Wednesday (June 17) a discussion among board members produced no action items.

Diana Swinburne, vice president, who was chairing the meeting in Raymond O'Rourke's absence, said, "I'm uncomfortable having this conversation without our board president and without our two new members." David Gelber and James Hoch are the new trustees who will join the board in July when Christine Foertsch's and Theresa Orlandi's terms expire.

At the urging of Foertsch, who has been vocal in her support of a conservation easement on the property and of accepting the 70 acres that could be attached to the forest, the HHLT proposal was on the agenda for the meeting. But board members were reticent when the topic came up. Foertsch said, "I've been asking to have this item on the agenda for months and haven't been able to get it on because of all the different things that were put on ahead of it." Foertsch encouraged board members to speak out about their opinions and questions and to have a transparent discussion about the issue. She compared the use of the school forest as an asset and resource to the construction of the middle school.

Trustee James Cannon said: "There are two threshold questions. One is if the board wants to do anything at all. It has to be done within the constructs of the rules of the State Education Department and if we do want to do anything we have to follow all the regulations." Swinburne stressed that the board was not out looking for proposals for the school forest and that the HHLT came to them.

Possible next steps that were raised during the discussion included getting an independent appraisal of the land to determine its value, needing advice from legal counsel about the board's responsibilities, and the fact that the 70 acres that are attached to the conservation easement proposal as a donation could be donated without an easement if the owner chose to do it. The HHLT's proposal had two options, both involving the purchase of a conservation easement by the HHLT.

A conservation easement essentially prevents the 185-acre school forest from certain types of development in perpetuity. GUFS would still be the landowner and the HHLT would be a partner in helping maintain and manage the land. HHLT Board Chairman Chris Davis has offered a 70-acre parcel that would add to the school forest and give the school new access points that could make it easier to use. The full proposal that the board was presented is available on the HHLT website and more details, including a map of the site, are in an article in the May 29 issue of *The Paper* available online at *Philipstown.info*.

Cannon pointed out that the board has reviewed previous proposals from the HHLT for the school forest and that they need to find out from legal counsel what their options and responsibilities are at this time. With only two board meetings scheduled before the start of the next school year, it is unlikely that any action will be taken before the fall. Three parents spoke about their support of the HHLT proposal during the public comment session of the meeting, including MJ Martin, HHLT director of Education and Outreach.



Garrison students enjoy School Forest Day several years ago. Photo by Alison Rooney

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Underage Drinking and Summer Parties

Social Host Liability Law applies

By Michael Turton

Across Putnam County and beyond, it is the season of high school graduation. On top of that, summer officially gets underway on June 21. Both are cause for celebration among family and friends — and the festivities often take the form of a party — whether meticulously planned weeks in advance or thrown together on the spur of the moment. In either case, with few exceptions, alcohol is on the party planner’s list.

For parents, homeowners and tenants, the party season carries with it responsibilities and legal consequences, especially as they relate to serving alcohol to minors.

In 2006, all six towns in Putnam County — Carmel, Kent, Patterson, Philipstown, Putnam Valley and Southeast — followed a statewide trend, passing similar legislation entitled the Social Host Liability Law.

While the safety and well-being of



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their children may be the top, common-sense priority for parents in monitoring activities at parties they host — or that are held at their home in their absence — the penalties for serving alcohol to minors when charged under Social Host Liability Laws are further cause for vigilance. In Putnam County, such violations

are a Class A misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail. In most of the towns, including Philipstown, a fine of up to \$3,000 can also be imposed. The Town of Kent, where the maximum fine is \$1,000, is the lone exception.

Imposing penalties

Parents would be well advised to not only be aware of what the law actually says, but what it implies as well. Local town codes are identical in the conduct they prohibit, stating that “no person shall host, suffer, permit, organize, or allow a party, gathering or event at his or her place of residence or other private property ... owned by or under his or her control, where three or more minors are present and alcoholic beverages are being consumed by any minor.”

In an email to *The Paper*, Capt. William McNamara of the Putnam County Sheriff’s Department commented on the meaning behind the words. “As I read [the law], a person need not be physically

present at the party to be held liable,” McNamara wrote. He also pointed out that for charges to be laid, the minors who are served alcohol don’t have to be drunk. “It is not necessary to show that a minor is intoxicated by alcohol to charge a violation of the code,” he said.

McNamara added that in addition to Social Host Liability Law, anyone who gives or sells alcohol to a minor can also be charged under New York State Penal Law for unlawfully dealing with a child and/or endangering the child’s welfare. In addition he said, someone who hosts a party involving underage drinking “may open themselves up to extensive civil liability under New York’s Dram Shop Law” for injuries caused to a third party by someone under the age of 21 who had been served alcohol at the party.

Arrests have been made locally under the Social Host Liability Law. McNamara pointed to a case last fall when Putnam County sheriff’s deputies responded to a call in Putnam Valley involving a party at which several minors were consuming alcohol. The homeowner was present and admitted to hosting the party and being aware that minors were drinking alcohol. “Four of the minors were younger than 17,” McNamara said. “The woman was charged with nine misdemeanor counts of unlawfully dealing with a minor, four misdemeanor counts of endangering the welfare of a child, and one count of violating the local social host liability code.”

Parents seeking advice about hosting a party at which alcohol will be served and minors will be present can contact The Putnam County Communities that Care Coalition, 67 Gleneida Ave., Carmel, NY 10512, or phone 845-225-4646. The coalition also provides information on its Facebook page.

Residential Fire in Philipstown Quickly Contained



A North Highlands volunteer firefighter can be seen in the window of the bedroom destroyed in the blaze. Bob Flaherty (far right) discovered the fire as he walked past the home of his parents around 7 a.m.

Photo by Michael Turton

Blaze extinguished upstairs

Just after 7 a.m. on Tuesday, June 16, the North Highlands Volunteer Fire Department responded to a structure fire on JoAnn Place, just west of Perks Boulevard. Firefighters extinguished a blaze in an upstairs bedroom at the home of William and Mary Flaherty. The couple escaped without injury. The

cause of the fire was unknown, although first responders on the scene speculated that an electrical problem was to blame. Other fire companies that answered the call included Cold Spring, Garrison, East Fishkill and Rombout. The Flahertys’ son, Bob, a member of the Philipstown Town Board, discovered the fire as he walked past the home of his parents that morning.

The Family of Michael E. Timm appreciates the support, gifts, and kind wishes from the community of Philipstown.

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Garrison Students to Graduate with O’Neill Class of 2015



Alison Clark

Megan Scali

Tiffany Thompson

The class of 2015 at James I. O’Neill High School in Highland Falls includes three students from Garrison — Alison Clark, Megan Scali and Tiffany Thompson. The graduation ceremony will be held on June 25 at West Point’s Eisenhower Hall.

Photos courtesy of O’Neill High School

Two from Beacon Accept Appointments to U.S. Military Academy

Two students from Beacon accepted offers of appointment to one of the nation’s service academies. Junus Sela and Andrew Grella were both nominated by U.S. Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney (NY-18) and accepted offers of appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Maloney has ability to nominate students to West Point; the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado; the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland; and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York. To assist

with the nomination process, Maloney established a committee of military and civic leaders from the Hudson Valley that interviewed potential nominees, reviewed their applications and made recommendations. The academies make the final decision on who receives an appointment of admission.

“These students have demonstrated impressive academic, leadership and character qualities,” Maloney said, “and I commend their commitment to serve our country.”

Area Residents Graduate from Regional Colleges

John Kearns of Cold Spring graduated on May 9, 2015, during Emmanuel College’s 93rd Commencement Exercises on its campus in Boston. Kearns received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English communication, media and cultural studies during the ceremony.

Founded in 1919 by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, Emmanuel College is a Catholic, coeducational, liberal arts and sciences, residential college with a 17-acre campus in the heart of Boston’s educational, scientific, cultural and medical communities.

Ryan Kenna of Cold Spring graduated as a member of the Class of 2015 at Union College during the college’s 221st Commencement on Sunday, June 14.

Kenna graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in English. Kenna is a 2011 graduate of Haldane High School.

Union College, founded in 1795 as the first college

chartered by the New York State Board of Regents, offers programs in the liberal arts and engineering to 2,100 undergraduates of high academic promise and strong personal motivation.

Three Philipstown residents graduated from Marist College the weekend of May 22. Emily Lombardo received a Bachelor of Arts degree in history/adolescence education. Jacquelyn Simard received a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and Vincent Tamagna received a Bachelor of Science degree in liberal studies — organizational leadership and communication.

Marist is an independent comprehensive liberal arts college with an enrollment of 4,800 full-time undergraduate students. Founded in 1929, the college offers 44 major fields of undergraduate study and 12 graduate degree programs.

Graduation Dates and Times

Haldane will hold its high school graduation ceremony at 10:30 a.m. this Saturday, June 20, in the “bell” parking area up on the hill.

Garrison Union Free School’s eighth grade graduation takes place at 6 p.m. next Wednesday, June 24.

Beacon High School’s commencement will take place at 9 a.m. at Dutchess Stadium on Saturday, June 27. Stadium seating is unlimited and no tickets are required. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Cold Spring Resident Graduates From Oakwood Friends

Cold Spring resident Giliean Pemble-Flood graduated among a class of 25 on Friday, June 12, from Oakwood Friends School in Poughkeepsie. He has been at Oakwood Friends since ninth grade.

Oakwood Friends School, founded in 1796, is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day and boarding school serving grades six through 12. Guided by Quaker values, Oakwood Friends seeks to educate and strengthen young people for lives of conscience, compassion and accomplishment. It works to foster a diverse community of students and staff in an atmosphere of mutual respect and enrichment, sensitive to the world and its needs.



Giliean Pemble-Flood Photo by Michael Gallo Farrell, Oakwood Friends School

Commencement at Oakwood Friends is different from those at most area schools. The night before, there is a senior class dinner with faculty, friends and family. After dinner, all go to a candlelit meeting for worship where some participants, after silent contemplation, are moved to speak extemporaneously.

All students, not just seniors, attend graduation the next morning. It is held outdoors, under a sprawling copper beach tree on school grounds. After family and friends find their chairs, students from sixth to 11th grades, plus faculty and staff, enter and take their seats. “Pomp and Circumstance” stirs, and the seniors file in, in a processional of two lines. Graduates sit in front of the tree facing the audience. Speeches by those other than graduates are limited, saving time for one of the more unusual aspects of an Oakwood Friends School commencement: each graduate speaks for up to three minutes, in an often-emotional reflection on her or his years there.

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The Calendar



Above, the restored interior of the Paramount Hudson Valley; at right, the Marshall Tucker Band

Images courtesy of Paramount Hudson Valley

Paramount Hudson Valley Turns 85

Marshall Tucker Band helps blow out candles

By Alison Rooney

Of the nearly 2,000 glorious motion picture palaces built by Publix Pictures, a subsidiary of Paramount Pictures, back in the 1930s, the Paramount Hudson Valley is only one of a handful still in operation. The others, in differing current guises, dot the country, in places like Austin, Denver, Seattle and Kansas City.

On opening day — June 27, 1930 — 1,500 movie goers were treated not only to the main feature, *The Big Pond*, starring Claudette Colbert and Maurice Chevalier, but to an overture performed by the Paramount Symphony orchestra. With eight decades of peaks and valleys mirroring its hometown, the Paramount



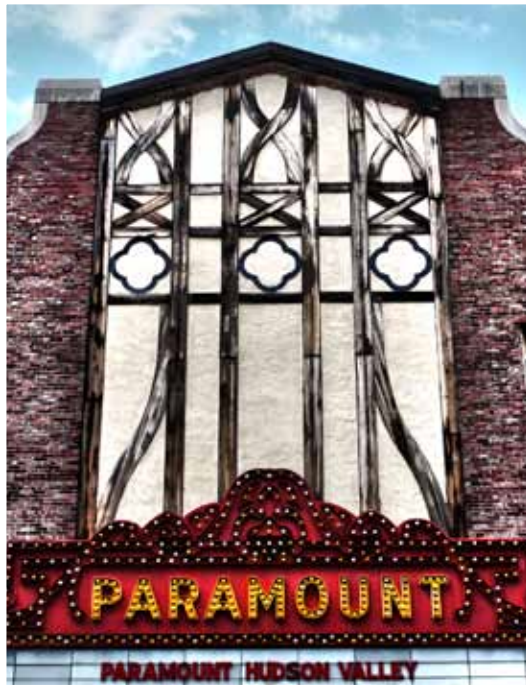
entered what its current owners hope is its ninth, flourishing, life just two years ago, when Red House Entertainment, led by its founder, Peekskill-raised Kurt Heitmann, took over its management and operations. Red House was, in fact, formed expressly for the purpose of regenerating the Paramount. Now, the Paramount will mark the occasion of its 85th birthday with a concert by the Marshall Tucker Band, reprising a successful performance given at the venue a year ago.

Heitmann, a multi-E Emmy-winning audio engineer whose company focuses on entertainment and sporting events, had a soft spot for the Paramount dating back to his years spent growing up in Peekskill. He says that he and his partners were realistic about the challenges in front of them upon taking over the management of the theater. “We had a plan going in ... and there were three things we wanted to accomplish: keeping the theater open and

vibrant, establishing it as a community theater, and attracting big name acts.”

Filling the house

In its heyday, from the 1930 opening through the end of the 1940s, the Peekskill Paramount had no trouble filling its expansive block of seats. Its up-to-the-minute design, by the specialty firm of Charles and George Rapp, featured, in a description of the day, “a mammoth cooling and air-conditioning plant, a beautifully furnished lounge, rest rooms and many other exclusive features.” A Wurlitzer theater organ, rose from the pit. But, as with many of its equals nationwide, the theater suffered declin- (Continued on page 10)



The marquee and facade of Peekskill's Paramount Hudson Valley

Radio Free Beacon

The Ground updates community radio for the Internet age

By Brian PJ Cronin

Thunderous sounds of rock 'n' roll blast through the studio of The Ground, Beacon's new community radio station. The problem is, they're not coming from the studio itself.



Vicki Vergolina, co-founder of The Ground, fires up the studio.

Photo by B. Cronin.

Dinosaurs in Dockside Park June 27

A hungry Tyrannosaurus Rex will make short work of sunset picnickers when the Cold Spring Film Society opens its Fifth Annual Free Summer Film Series in Dockside Park on Saturday, June 27, with the blockbuster *Jurassic Park* (Steven Spielberg, 1993). The lineup of outdoor movies screening on the Cold Spring riverfront includes a mix of classics, cult films and family favorites.

If dinosaurs at sunset aren't your thing, go for classic pairings: Katharine Hepburn and Cary Grant light up the screen on July 11 in *The Philadelphia Story* (1940), and Jimmy Stewart and Grace Kelly shine in Hitchcock's thriller *Rear Window* (1954) on

Aug. 22. Not cool enough for you? How about Paul Newman facing 50 eggs in the 1967 favorite *Cool Hand Luke* or Harrison Ford as the dystopian replicant hunter in Ridley Scott's sci-fi masterpiece *Blade Runner* (1982). From Hitchcock to Disney, Tom Cruise to Sean Young — this summer film season has got a star-studded something for every taste.

All films start at sunset in Dockside Park (entrance just north of the Cold Spring bandstand). Admission is free and open to all.

Visit coldspringfilm.org for the full schedule or to make a tax-deductible donation.

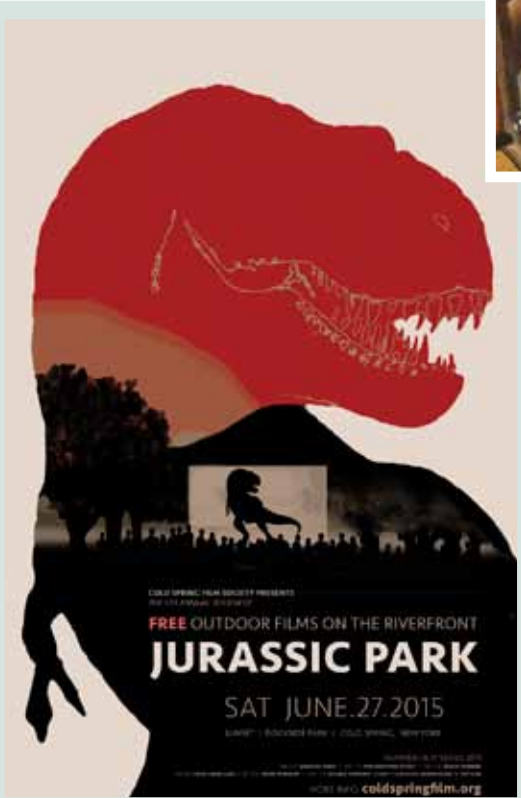


Image courtesy of Cold Spring Film Society

Vicki Vergolina, who co-founded the station with Josh Kogan, is standing in the former assistant principal's office in the old Beacon High School. This office, once a pit stop for troublemakers on their way to detention, has been the home of the station since January. After months of planning, building, and pre-recording some initial shows, The Ground officially launched with 12 shows earlier this month. But the high school is also home to bakers, art studios, and musicians; and it sounds as if someone directly below Vergolina's (To page 11)

The Calendar

For more details and ongoing events, visit philipstown.info.
Send event listings to calendar@philipstown.info.

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

Kids & Community

Classic Films for Children: Swiss Family Robinson (1960)
4:30 p.m. Chapel Restoration
45 Market St., Cold Spring
845-265-5537 | chapelrestoration.org

Bannerman Island Guided Tour & Summit Hike
6 p.m. Newburgh dock
800-979-3370 | bannermancastle.org

Film & Theater

¡Viva Cinema! Latino Film Festival
Noon. First films | 7 p.m. Featured
9 p.m. Reception | Paramount Hudson Valley
1008 Brown St., Peekskill
914-739-0039 | vivacinemafilmfestival.com

A Midsummer Night's Dream (Preview)
7:30 p.m. Boscobel | 1601 Route 9D, Garrison
845-265-9575 | hvshakespeare.org

Chazz Palminteri: A Bronx Tale
8 p.m. Tarrytown Music Hall | 13 Main St., Tarrytown
914-631-3390 x100 | tarrytownmusichall.org

Steel Magnolias
8 p.m. The Beacon Theatre
445 Main St., Beacon
845-453-2978 | thebeacontheatre.org

Art & Design

Fashion as Art III
5 p.m. Riverfront bandstand, Cold Spring
845-809-5838 | gallery66ny.com

Music

Open-Mic Night
8 p.m. Howland Cultural Center | 477 Main St., Beacon | howlandculturalcenter.org
845-831-4988 | Sign-up begins at 7:30 p.m.

Sandy Hackett's Rat Pack Show
8 p.m. Mid-Hudson Civic Center
14 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie
845-454-5800 | midhudsonciviccenter.org

Bryan Adams
8 p.m. Bethel Woods
200 Hurd Road, Bethel
866-781-2922 | bethelwoodscenter.org

Peter Calo & Band
8 p.m. BeanRunner Café
201 S. Division, Peekskill
914-737-1701 | beanrunnercafe.com

Christine Lavin & Don White
8:30 p.m. Towne Crier Cafe
379 Main St., Beacon
845-855-1300 | townecrier.com

Lucky House
9 p.m. Whistling Willie's | 184 Main St., Cold Spring
845-265-2012 | whistlingwillies.com

Leo B
9 p.m. Max's on Main | 246 Main St., Beacon
845-838-6297 | maxsonmain.com

Travel as Waves
9 p.m. Quinn's | 330 Main St., Beacon
845-831-8065 | quinnnsbeacon.com

Melissa Frabotta Band
9:30 p.m. 12 Grapes | 12 N. Division St., Peekskill
914-737-6624 | 12grapes.com

New York Hitmen
10 p.m. The Hudson Room
23 South Division St., Peekskill
914-788-3663 | hudsonroom.com

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

Kids & Community

Path Through History Weekend
paththroughhistoryweekends.com

Cold Spring Farmers' Market
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Boscobel
1601 Route 9D, Garrison | csfarmmarket.org

Farm Store Open
9 a.m. - Noon. Glynwood Farm
362 Glynwood Road, Cold Spring
845-265-3338 | store.glynwood.org

Ultimate Family Yard Sale
9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Stormville Airport
428 Route 216, Stormville | 845-221-6561
stormvilleairportfleamarket.com

12th Annual Roosevelt Reading Festival
9:45 a.m. - 5 p.m. FDR Library (Wallace Center)
4079 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park
845-486-7745 | fdrlibrary.marist.edu

Free Guided History Tours
10 a.m. - Noon. West Point Foundry Preserve
80 Kemble Ave., Cold Spring
845-473-4440 x238 | scenichudson.org

Haldane Graduation Ceremony
10:30 a.m. Haldane High School
15 Craigsides Drive, Cold Spring
845-265-9254 | haldaneschool.org

Vertical Gardening
10 a.m. Cornell Cooperative Extension
1 Geneva Road, Brewster | 845-278-6738
counties.cce.cornell.edu/putnam

3rd Annual Illuminated Festival
11 a.m. - 11 p.m. Broadway and Liberty, Newburgh
newburghilluminatedfestival.com

Clearwater Great Hudson River Revival
11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Croton Point Park
877-435-9849 | clearwaterfestival.org
See below for main-stage acts.

Cruise Tour of Bannerman Island
11 a.m. & 12:30 & 3 p.m. Beacon dock
800-979-3370 | bannermancastle.org

Aiming to Please Program
11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Knox's Headquarters
289 Forge Hill Road, Vails Gate
845-561-5498 | nysparks.com

Kayak Tours
11:30 a.m. Nature | 1 p.m. Waterfall
Hudson River Expeditions
14 Market St., Cold Spring
845-809-5935 | hudsonriverexpeditions.com

4-H Puppet Show
11:30 a.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison
845-424-3020 | desmondfishlibrary.org

Family Fun Day
Noon - 4 p.m. Therapeutic Equestrian Center
115 Stonecrop Lane, Cold Spring
845-165-3409 | myfeettakewings.org

Beer, Bourbon & Bacon Festival
2 p.m. Dutchess County Fairgrounds
6550 Spring Brook Ave., Rhinebeck
beerbourbonbacon.com

Constitution Island Seafood Gala
4 p.m. Buses from Metro-North station, Cold Spring
845-265-2501 | constitutionisland.org

Free Admission
5 - 8 p.m. Mid-Hudson Children's Museum
75 N. Water St., Poughkeepsie | 845-471-0589

Summer Solstice Farm Dinner
5 - 8 p.m. Storm King Art Center
1 Museum Road, New Windsor
845-534-3115 | stormking.org

Sake Tasting
5 - 7 p.m. Quinn's | 330 Main St., Beacon
845-831-8065 | quinnnsbeacon.com

Hikes

Castle Rock Unique Area (Moderate)
10 a.m. Parking area off Route 9D, Garrison
917-692-1159 | midhudsonadk.org

Contemplative (ages 13+)
10 a.m. Little Stony Point
3011 Route 9D, Cold Spring
845-831-2012 | beaconhebrewalliance.org

Fortress West Point Historic (Easy)
10 a.m. Thayer Hotel, West Point
845-424-3358 x7 | hhlt.org | Registration required.

WW2 Wreckage at Fishkill Ridge
10 a.m. Sunnyside & Fairview Roads, Fishkill
914-819-8792 | coyoteroc@verizon.net

Art & Design

Manitoga Tours
1:30 p.m. Extended | 5:30 p.m. Sunset
584 Route 9D, Garrison
845-424-3812 | visitmanitoga.org

Film & Theater

¡Viva Cinema! Latino Film Festival
10:30 a.m. First films | 7 p.m. Featured
9 p.m. Reception | Paramount Hudson Valley
See details under Friday.

A Midsummer Night's Dream
7:30 p.m. Boscobel | See details under Friday.

Steel Magnolias
8 p.m. The Beacon Theatre
See details under Friday.

Music

Clearwater Great Hudson River Revival
11 a.m. Joanne Shenandoah & Clearwater Family Band
12:15 p.m. Angelique Kidjo
1:45 p.m. Shelby Lynne
3:15 p.m. Los Lobos
4:45 p.m. Neko Case
6:15 p.m. David Crosby
7:45 p.m. Citizen Cope Band
Croton Point Park
877-435-9849 | clearwaterfestival.org

Gospel Café
7 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
477 Main St., Beacon
845-831-4988 | howlandculturalcenter.org

West Point Band: Saturday in the Park
7:30 p.m. Trophy Point, West Point
845-938-4159 | westpointband.com

ABCs of Jazz
8 p.m. BeanRunner Café
See details under Friday.

Marcus Lovett with Laurence Hobgood
8 p.m. Sedgewood Boathouse
1026 Barrett Circle West, Kent
845 228-2685 | artsonthelake.org

Live Music
8 p.m. The Depot Restaurant
1 Depot Square, Cold Spring
845-265-5000 | coldspringdepot.com

The Bacon Brothers
8 p.m. Tarrytown Music Hall | 13 Main St., Tarrytown
914-631-3390 x100 | tarrytownmusichall.org



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See details under Friday.
Live Jazz
9 p.m. Chill Wine Bar 173 Main St., Beacon
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Crossroads
9 p.m. Whistling Willie's See details under Friday.
Leni Stern Trio
9 p.m. Quinn's See details under Friday.
Mike Klubnick
9 p.m. Max's on Main See details under Friday.
Johnny Feds & Friends
9:30 p.m. 12 Grapes See details under Friday.
The Force
10 p.m. The Hudson Room Details under Friday

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

Father's Day

Kids & Community

Path Through History Weekend
paththroughhistoryweekends.com
Beacon Flea Market
8 a.m. - 3 p.m. 6 Henry St., Beacon
845-202-0094 beaconflea.blogspot.com
Clearwater Great Hudson River Revival
11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Croton Point Park
877-435-9849 clearwaterfestival.org
See below for main-stage acts.
Beacon Farmers' Market
11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Scenic Hudson River Center
Long Dock Drive, Beacon
845-234-9325 beaconfarmersmarket.org
Kayak Tours
Noon. West Point 12:30 p.m. Nature
Hudson River Expeditions
See details under Saturday.
Cruise Tour of Bannerman Island
12:30 p.m. Beacon dock
800-979-3370 bannermancastle.org
Children and Families: Aquatic Creature Feature
1 p.m. Storm King Art Center
1 Museum Road, New Windsor
845-534-3115 stormking.org
Children's Day
1 - 4 p.m. New Windsor Cantonment
374 Temple Hill Road, New Windsor
845-561-1765 nysparks.com
Free Admission for Fathers
1:30 - 3 p.m. Mount Gulian 145 Sterling St., Beacon
845-831-8172 mountgulian.org
Desmond-Fish Reception
4 - 6 p.m. Mandeville House
1005 Lower Station Road, Garrison
845-424-3020 desmondfishlibrary.org
Kids' Open-Mic Night
6 - 8 p.m. 12 Grapes 12 N. Division St., Peekskill
914-737-6624 12grapes.com
Film & Theater

Steel Magnolias
3 p.m. The Beacon Theatre Details under Friday
The Many Storeys and Last Days of Thomas Merton (2015) with Q-and-A
7 p.m. Garrison Institute
14 Mary's Way, Garrison
845-424-4800 garrisoninstitute.org
The Winter's Tale (Preview)
7:30 p.m. Boscobel See details under Friday.

Music

Clearwater Great Hudson River Revival
11 a.m. Tom Paxton & Friends
12:15 p.m. The Blind Boys of Alabama
1:45 p.m. Bela Fleck & Abigail Washburn
3:15 p.m. The Lone Bellow
4:45 p.m. Ani DiFranco
6:15 p.m. Guster



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7:45 p.m. The Mavericks
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877-435-9849 clearwaterfestival.org
Michael Arnowitz (Piano)
4 p.m. Chapel Restoration
45 Market St., Cold Spring
845-265-5537 chapelrestoration.org
Felix Cavaliere's Rascals
7 p.m. Tarrytown Music Hall
See details under Saturday.
Gilberto Santa Rosa
7 p.m. Paramount Hudson Valley
1008 Brown St., Peekskill
914-739-0039 paramounthudsonvalley.com
Jonny Lang & Kenny Wayne Shepherd
7 p.m. Ulster Performing Arts Center
601 Broadway, Kingston
845-339-6088 upac.org
Buster Poindexter
7:30 p.m. Towne Crier Cafe
See details under Friday.

MONDAY, JUNE 22

Kids & Community

Bridge Club
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
477 Main St., Beacon
845-831-4988 howlandculturalcenter.org
Babies and Books Early Literacy Program
11 a.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison
845-424-3020 desmondfishlibrary.org
Tinkergarten Trial Class (ages 1.5 to 5 years)
3:30 p.m. West Point Foundry Preserve
68 Kemble Ave., Cold Spring
917-596-3732 tinkergarten.com

Health & Fitness

Yoga with a View
6 p.m. Boscobel 1601 Route 9D, Cold Spring
845-265-3638 boscobel.org

Sports

Hudson Valley Renegades vs. Lowell
6:35 p.m. Dutchess County Stadium
1500 Route 9D, Wappingers Falls
845-838-0094 hvrenegades.com

Art & Design

Drop-in Drawing and Painting from Life
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Garrison Art Center
23 Garrison's Landing, Garrison
845-424-3960 garrisonartcenter.org

Film & Theater

National Theater Live: The Hard Problem
7:30 p.m. Downing Film Center
19 Front St., Newburgh
845-561-3686 downingfilmcenter.com

Music

Eric Person Duoscope (Jazz)
8 p.m. Quinn's See details under Friday.

Meetings & Lectures

Beacon Speaks Out: Summarizing
4 - 6 p.m. Beacon Hebrew Alliance
331 Verplanck Ave., Beacon
845-831-2012 beaconhebrewalliance.org
BHA Book Club: Lieberman's Folly
7 p.m. Bank Square Coffeehouse
129 Main St., Beacon
845-831-4867 beaconhebrewalliance.org
Friends of the Butterfield Library
7 p.m. Butterfield Library
10 Morris Ave., Cold Spring
845-265-3040 butterfieldlibrary.org
Rescheduled from June 10

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TUESDAY, JUNE 23

Kids & Community

Knitting Club
10 a.m. Howland Public Library
313 Main St., Beacon
845-831-1134 beaconlibrary.org
Cruise Tour of Bannerman Island
10:30 a.m. Beacon dock
800-979-3370 bannermancastle.org
Highland Garden Club
Noon. Butterfield Library
10 Morris Ave., Cold Spring
845-265-3040 butterfieldlibrary.org
Behind-the-Scenes Tour
1 p.m. Locust Grove Estate 2683 South Road, Poughkeepsie 845-486-2381 lgny.org
Fairy Dust & Fairy Tales
2 - 4 p.m. Kismet at Caryn's
72 Main St., Cold Spring
845-265-4403 Registration required.

Farm Store Open
3 - 6:30 p.m. Glynwood Farm
See details under Saturday.

Kids' Craft Hour
4 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison
845-424-3020 desmondfishlibrary.org

Health & Fitness

Zumba Gold for Seniors (First Session)
10 a.m. Chestnut Ridge, Cold Spring
845-424-4618 philipstownrecreation.com
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Sports

H.V. Renegades vs. Lowell
6:35 p.m. Dutchess County Stadium
See details under Monday.

Film & Theater

The Arabian Nights
7:30 p.m. Boscobel
See details under Friday.

Music

Chris Corsano
9 p.m. Quinn's See details under Friday.

Meetings & Lectures

Fraud Protection Workshop
2 p.m. Howland Public Library
313 Main St., Beacon
845-831-1134 beaconlibrary.org
Online Genealogy Workshop
6:30 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison
845-424-3020 desmondfishlibrary.org
Beacon Historical Society
7 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
477 Main St., Beacon
beaconhistoricalsociety.org
Board of Trustees
7:30 p.m. Village Hall
85 Main St., Cold Spring
845-265-3611 coldspringny.gov

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

Kids & Community

Mahjong Open Play
10 a.m. - 1 p.m. VFW Hall
34 Kemble Ave., Cold Spring
845-424-4618 philipstownrecreation.com
Desmond-Fish Library
10:15 a.m. Music & Motion for Toddlers
1:30 p.m. Pre-school Story Hour
See details under Tuesday.
Farm Skill Workshop: Pests & Disease
2:30 p.m. Glynwood Farm
362 Glynwood Road, Cold Spring
845-265-3338 glynwood.org
Bubble Trouble: Summer Reading Kick-off
3 p.m. Howland Public Library
313 Main St., Beacon
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The Calendar *(from page 9)*

Graduation Ceremony
6 p.m. Garrison Middle School | 1100 Route 9D,
Garrison | 845-424-3689 | gufs.org

Health & Fitness

Chair Yoga for Seniors (First Session)
9:30 a.m. Continental Village Clubhouse
Ox Yoke Road, Garrison
845-424-4618 | philipstownrecreation.com
Free to Philipstown residents age 62 and older.

Sports

H.V. Renegades vs. Lowell
6:35 p.m. Dutchess County Stadium
See details under Monday.

Art & Design

Vine Van Gogh Sip & Paint
7 p.m. Towne Crier Café | 379 Main St., Beacon
845-855-1300 | townecrier.com

Film & Theater

A Midsummer Night's Dream
7:30 p.m. Boscobel | See details under Friday.

Music

Andy Stack's Soul Organ Jazz
8 p.m. Quinn's | See details under Friday.

Meetings & Lectures

Village Hall
7 p.m. Recreation Commission | 8 p.m. Tree
Advisory Board | 85 Main St., Cold Spring
845-265-3611 | coldspringny.gov

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

Last Day of School

Kids & Community

Howland Public Library
10 a.m. Brain Games for Seniors
5 p.m. Battle of the Books (grades 6-9) (First Session)
See details under Tuesday.

Summer Reading Kick-off
11:30 a.m. Butterfield Library | 10 Morris Ave., Cold
Spring | 845-265-3040 | butterfieldlibrary.org

Storm King Art Center Hike
1:30 p.m. 1 Museum Road, New Windsor
845-471-9892 | midhudsonadk.org

Family Movie Night: Big Hero 6 (2014)
5 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
See details under Tuesday.

O'Neill High School Graduation
7 p.m. Eisenhower Hall, West Point
845-446-4914 | hffmcsd.org

Health & Fitness

Zumba Gold for Seniors (First Session)
9:30 a.m. Continental Village Clubhouse
See details under Wednesday.

An Overview of Common Hernias
6 p.m. NYP/Hudson Valley Hospital
1980 Crompond Road, Cortlandt Manor
914-734-3557 | hvhc.org/events

Sports

H.V. Renegades vs. Vermont
7:05 p.m. Dutchess County Stadium
See details under Monday.

DracuLadies vs. ApocaLips (Roller Derby)
7:30 p.m. Roller Magic | 4178 Albany Post Road,
Hyde Park | horrorsrollerderby.com

Art & Design

Free Admission
10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Storm King Art Center
1 Museum Road, New Windsor
845-534-3115 | stormking.org

Film & Theater

The Arabian Nights
7:30 p.m. Boscobel | See details under Tuesday.

Music

Murali Coryell: Tribute to B.B. King
7:30 p.m. Towne Crier Cafe
See details under Friday.

Salsa Night
8 - 11 p.m. The Hudson Room | Details under Friday

Chris Botti
8 p.m. Bardavon | 35 Market St., Poughkeepsie
845-473-2072 | bardavon.org

JP Patrick & Friends
8:30 p.m. 12 Grapes | See details under Friday.

Meetings & Lectures

Code Update Committee
7 p.m. Village Hall | 85 Main St., Cold Spring
845-265-3611 | coldspringny.gov

FRIDAY, JUNE 26

Kids & Community

Preschool on the Farm: Water World (ages 2-4)
10 a.m. Common Ground Farm
79 Farmstead Lane, Wappingers Falls
845-231-4424 | commongroundfarm.org

Celebrate Summer!
10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Mid-Hudson Children's Museum
See details under Saturday.

A Nest for Every Bird Family Workshop
10:30 a.m. Bird walk at Constitution Marsh
1:30 p.m. Stories and art at Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison | 845-424-3020

Farm Store Open
3 - 6:30 p.m. Glynwood Farm
See details under Saturday.

Farmers' Market
3 - 6:30 p.m. Tompkins Corners Cultural Center
729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley
845-528-0066

Hudson Valley Paracon
7 p.m. Mercury Grand Hotel
2170 South Road, Poughkeepsie
hudsonvalleyparacon.com

Health & Fitness

Navigating Healthcare Options
9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Howland Public Library
313 Main St., Beacon | 800-453-4666
misn-ny.org | Appointment required.

Chair Yoga for Seniors (First Session)
10 a.m. Chestnut Ridge, Cold Spring
See details under Tuesday.

Paddle Yoga
Noon. Foundry Dock Park, Cold Spring
845-265-4444 | skybabyyoga.com

Sports

H.V. Renegades vs. Vermont
7:05 p.m. Dutchess County Stadium
See details under Monday.

Film & Theater

International Film Night: Wadjda (Saudi Arabia, 2012)
7 p.m. Howland Public Library | 313 Main St.,
Beacon | 845-831-1134 | beaconlibrary.org

A Winter's Tale (Preview)
7:30 p.m. Boscobel | See details under June 19.

Music

Train / The Fray / Matt Nathanson
7 p.m. Bethel Woods | See details under June 19.

Last Minute Soulmates (Acoustic)
8 p.m. Silver Spoon Café | 124 Main St., Cold Spring
845-265-2525 | silverspooncs.com

Alexis Cole Ensemble
8 p.m. BeanRunner Café | Details under June 19

Chris O'Leary Band
8:30 p.m. Towne Crier Cafe
See details under June 19.

Paramount Hudson Valley Turns 85 *(from page 7)*

ing ticket sales as movies themselves were supplanted by other forms of entertainment, including television, in the 1950s and beyond. At the same time, Paramount and other theater-owning studios faced anti-trust lawsuits charging them with monopolizing their product by screening them exclusively at their own theaters.

Paramount sold the building in 1973 and it was acquired due to a tax default by the City of Peekskill in 1977. The city then leased the building to a nonprofit, the Peekskill Area Arts Council Inc., and the newly named Paramount Center for the Arts emerged from all these transactions.

Despite improvements to the physical plant, with restorations done to walls and ceilings showing off some of the ob-scured-by-time original detailing, and elimination of a number of seats together with the addition of an annex with dressing rooms and a backstage dock and the incorporation of a full fly (theatrical rigging) system, the theater struggled with fiscal management and marketing. Much to the disappointment of a devoted group of supporters, it unexpectedly shut down in 2012, unused until the selection of a bid from Red House by the Peekskill Common Council, which put out an RFP (request for proposals). Red House then signed a “just-under-18-year” lease, according to the Paramount’s website, to be the exclusive operator and manager for “commercial, nonprofit and commu-nity related uses and forms of entertain-ment and hospitality.”

Two years later, Heitmann, though calling the Paramount a work in progress, pronounces himself “very fulfilled. We had many naysayers, but we’re doing what we set out to do. Our average [audience] is above 650 now and that’s what we expected. We’ve survived the first two years, and rebounded and now we’re set on bringing acts in which draw a younger crowd. Sometimes it’s tough to get bands to play in theaters ‘with seats’ but our Jam Fest, which will be on Sept. 12, is an all-day event, with things going on in the street as well as inside, and, like outdoor festivals, we’ll have wristbands so you can come and go as you please. It’s a launching platform for younger audiences.” Headlining the Jam Fest will be the bands Cabinet and Tauk.

Cultural collection

Once again, as part of the mission to embrace the cultural diversity of Peek-skill, the Paramount will be a focal point for the Peekskill Salsa Festival, to be held this Sunday, June 21, Fathers’ Day. Outdoors, a dance party and arts and crafts activities will take place on Brown

Live Music
9 p.m. Whistling Willie's | Details under June 19

Morgan O’Kane & Vic Thrill
9 p.m. Quinn’s
See details under June 19.

Live Music
9 p.m. Max’s on Main
See details under June 19.

Thrown Together Band
9:30 p.m. 12 Grapes | See details under June 19.

Big Onion
10 p.m. The Hudson Room | Details under June 19

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Radio Free Beacon (from page 7)

feet is hell bent on mastering John Bonham's drum fills from *Moby Dick* in double time and triple volume.

"I guess we're going to have to do something about that," says Vergolina.

Over-enthusiastic drummers are just one of the challenges that The Ground has had to overcome. The project began two years ago after Kogan and Vergolina met each other through a mutual friend. Kogan, an environmental engineer and community activist, had a vision of founding a local radio station in Beacon in order to bring the city together and give people a chance to be heard. Vergolina, who has worked in radio since the 1990s, thought it was a great idea. After some fundraising to purchase the equipment, they put out a call for hosts and got a few brave takers. They're still looking for hosts (anyone who is interested in having a show should contact the station at the-groundradio@gmail.com) and equipment (if you've got a working turntable or a rack-mounted CD player you don't need anymore, let them know), but their dream of broadcasting to Beacon has finally been achieved.

One day, they hope to have an actual terrestrial radio signal. For now, you can listen online at theground.town. There, you can find the archive of all shows that have been recorded so far as well as listen in to the live stream. Even now, a few weeks after the official launch, Kogan and Vergolina are still tinkering with the formats. As Vergolina demonstrates over the blasting drums below, she's just figured out how hosts can hook their own cell phones into the board in order to take live calls on the air. And they're planning their first live, remote broadcast on July 7, from Club Draw night at Quinn's.

Joining the conversation

"There's a lot of creative souls here and there's a lot of people with a lot to talk about," Vergolina said. "Sometimes they don't connect. But if we can get some conversations going out there, people will discover some new things. There's some interesting folks in this town."

Jennifer Clair agreed. "There's so much talent here," Clair said. Clair

co-hosts, with her friend Meredith Heuer, a food talk show called *Chewing The Fat*. "There are so many people willing to invest their own time and their own income into something that doesn't make money but is instead about making your community richer."

Clair and Heuer, who are professional culinary instructors and food photographers, respectively, came up with the idea for the show as a way to share their passions with the community.

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"Meredith and I decided to do it together because every time we get together we'd just talk about food — different recipes we had just tested, and debunking techniques we'd heard about," Clair said. "This is a way to force ourselves to go out and learn new things. All of our show topics are very simple and direct like 'broth' or 'greens.' Next week is GMOs [genetically modified organisms]. So then we spend all

week researching it. Radio is pretty seamless with teaching. Radio is like standing in front of a large group of people and expounding on topics, answering questions. It's basically what I already do all day long."

For Terry Nelson, host of *Mixtape Beacon* and founder of the Beacon International Film Festival, The Ground offers a nice change of pace from what he normally does all day. "It's a great release from working on the film festival, because it's something that I enjoy, but I'm not in charge of it."

Nelson grew up with FM radio, which he used to discover new music. "Stations in New York City were playing lots of really diverse music," he said. "It wasn't like it is today." With *Mixtape Beacon*, Nelson brings back that old-school eclecticism by playing a wide range of styles in between interviews and sharing his own thoughts.

And when he's not broadcasting, he's listening.

"The shows are all so different," he said. "Everyone has their own distinct voice. It's really good to hear from your neighbors, hear what's on their mind and what they like to listen to."

As diverse as the existing 12 shows are, Vergolina would like to hear more. "We're offering the platform," she said.

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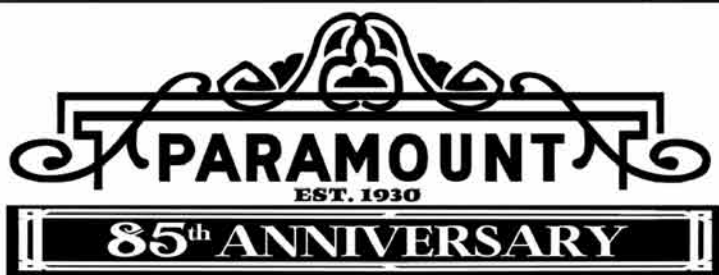
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Eric Rizzi makes his way down the runway in an outfit designed by fellow student Macdara Heanue at the 2014 *Fashion as Art* show.

Photo courtesy of Barbara Galazzo

Students Present *Fashion as Art III*

Event set for June 19 at bandstand

Fashion as Art is back for its third year. This year high school students Alex Gariepy and Wylie Thornquist are organizing the event with help from Gallery 66. The fashion show highlights creations by local high school students. This year’s original creations will take as their theme the various looks of “Decades” and will include fashion designs by over a dozen students. The enthusiasm of the show has spread and several male students are designing outfits this year. In addition, professional artists have been invited by Gallery 66 to submit designs to be worn by the students.

Fashion as Art III will begin at the bandstand at 5 p.m. on Friday, June 19. The event is free and open to everyone and is made possible through the sponsorship of the Cold Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and Gallery 66. For more information, call 845-809-5838 or visit gallery-66ny.com or facebook.com/gallery66ny.

Hike Fishkill Ridge June 20

Explore WWII plane wreckage site

Hike up Fishkill Ridge on June 20 to the site where a U.S. Navy Beechcraft twin-engine transport plane crashed and claimed the lives of six Navy veterans on Mount Beacon on Nov. 11, 1945. Some remains of the plane wreckage are still

present at the crash site. Plans are under-way to preserve the wreckage site along with a memorial ceremony in the fall. Hikers should meet in the parking lot at the intersection of Sunnyside and Fair-view Roads in Fishkill. Look for the “Scenic Hudson Fishkill Ridge” sign. Bring water and bug spray. The rain-or-shine hike will start promptly at 10 a.m. and conclude at 2 p.m. The free event is part of the I Love NY Path Through History weekend. Pre-registration requested at 914-819-8792 or coyoteroc@verizon.net.

Desmond-Fish Library to Host Genealogy Workshop

Presentation on June 23 will focus on online resources

The Desmond-Fish Library will host a free genealogy seminar at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23, as part of its ongoing Summer Learning Series of free computer clinics for adults. The session will be hosted by local genealogists Cathy Lilburne and Chip Rowe and cover the basics of navigating Ancestry.com, Familysearch.org, Findagrave.com and other popular family history sites, as well as how to use the information you find for boots-on-the-ground research trips. The summer computer learning series continues with Social Media Promotion for Businesses, Freelancers and Non-Prof-its, on Tuesday, June 30, followed by Make a Free Website with Wix (July 7), Protect Your Identity Online with Free Tools (July 14) and a special clinic on Etsy for beginners and advanced users (July 21). All sessions are free and begin at 6:30 p.m.

The Desmond-Fish Library is located at 472 Route 403 in Garrison. Phone 845-424-3020 or visit desmondfishlibrary.org for more information.

Music by Local Composer Ben Yarmolinsky Performed by di.vi.sion

Event set for July 5 at Chapel Restoration

A concert of new and recent chamber music by local composer Ben Yarmolinsky will be performed by the di.vi.sion piano trio and guest artists at 4 p.m. on Sunday July 5 at the Chapel Restoration. The diverse program will include “March” for flute, clarinet and piano, “Violin Sonata, Dark Eyes Variations” for flute clarinet and piano quartet, “Twinkle Variations” for piano trio and “Piano Quartet and Ballpark Variations” for clarinet, piano and cello.

Yarmolinsky, a resident of New York



Ben Yarmolinsky Photo by Cathy West Mullins

City and Cold Spring, is a singer/song-writer, lyricist, guitarist, accompanist, conductor and lecturer. He majored in music at Harvard and spent two years in Paris, studying guitar at the Ecole Nor-male de Musique and privately with Na-dia Boulanger. In New York, Yarmolin-sky studied composition with David Del Tredici, Lester Trimble, and Ned Rorem and received a doctorate in music in 1991 from the City University of New York. He is professor of music at the Bronx Com-munity College and author of numer-ous musical compositions. Members of di.vi.sion who will perform are Marga-ret Swinchowski, flute; Don Makrynski, clarinet; Kurt Briggs, violin; Matt Goeke, cello, and Renée Cometa Briggs, piano.

The Chapel Restoration is at 45 Mar-ket St., Cold Spring. Suggested donation is \$20, \$10 for students and seniors, free for children under 12.

Registration Open for Run 4 Your Life Event

Brewster walk/run takes place Sept. 27

The Putnam County Depart-ment of Health (PCDOH) has announced that online regi-stration for the Second Annual Run 4 Your Life event is now open. Building on last year’s success with over 300 partici-pants, this year’s event will take place on Sunday, Sept. 27. The first 175 adult runners or walk-ers to register online receive a free T-shirt, a one-month mem-bership to NY Sports Club and commemorative race glass.

Run 4 Your Life is actually three events of various distances, start-ing at 10 a.m. with a 5-kilometer (3.1-mile) race, followed by a 1-mile walk and a kids’ half-mile Fun Run. All events will start and finish by the PCDOH at 1 Ge-neva Road in Brewster.

Allen Beals, commissioner of health for Putnam County, said: “The event was conceived not only to promote running and walking as ideal ways to enhance fitness, but also to showcase how much more fun they can be when shared with family and friends. So it is a full morning of fun, rain or shine, complete with free post-race refreshments for all.”

Online registration can be accessed through the Health Department webpage at putnamcountyny.gov/health, where en-try forms can be downloaded.

Organizations that would like to sponsor or volunteers who would like to help out on race day can call PCDOH at 845-808-1390.

Tick Talk: Panel to Discuss Ticks, Disease

Experts speak July 2 at Desmond-Fish Library

The Desmond-Fish Library will offer a Tick Talk panel discussion at 7 p.m.

on Thursday, July 2. A panel of experts will present the most current informa-tion on ticks, the pathogens they carry and treatments or resulting illnesses.

The panel includes Matt Decker, Hud-son Highlands Land Trust stewardship coordinator, who will share his knowl-edge of how ticks fit into the food web, their life cycle and factors that effect their populations and rates of Lyme infection.

Dr. Matt Frye is an extension educa-tor with the New York State Integrated Pest Management Program at Cornell University. Frye’s presentation will cover identification and basic biology of the four common tick species in the area. In-formation on how individuals can avoid ticks with personal protection and habi-tat management will also be discussed.

Putnam County Health Department’s Kristine Boyle, health educator, and Ra-chel Gressel, senior public health nurse, will discuss ticks and the diseases they can carry as a public health concern, the importance of prevention measures, and tick-borne illness treatment.

The Desmond-Fish Library is located at 472 Route 403 (at the corner of 9D) in Garrison. For more information about the library’s upcoming programs, visit des-mondfishlibrary.org or call 845-424-3020.

TV Guide Chief and Controversial Tennis Player Speak in Kent

Journalist Neil Hickey and Dr. Renée Richards, both Kent residents, will have a Conversation on the Occasion of their Recent Books at Arts on the Lake, at 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 27.



Journalist Neil Hickey and Dr. Renée Richards, both Kent residents Photo provided

In his career as a premier journalist, Hickey interviewed five U. S. presidents, spent a day with Bob Dylan, traveled Eu-rope with Henry Kissinger and walked through a minefield in the war to lib-erate Kuwait. He was New York bureau chief of *TV Guide*, and is a former editor of the *Columbia Journalism Review*.

Richards’ life as the first athlete to play successfully in professional sports as a transsexual and then to coach tennis champion Martina Navratilova returned to the news as a result of Caitlyn Jenner. Although as a noted eye surgeon she has written a textbook on eye muscle sur-gery, Richards is better known for two autobiographies, *Second Serve* and *No Way Renée*.

Hickey brought out *Adventures in the Scribblers Trade* this year and Richards released *Spy Night & Other Memories* last year.

As Hickey reports in *Scribblers Trade*, they met as neighbors in Kent and have played tennis together for 20 years.

The evening, to include Q-and-A and signings, is open to the community with no charge. Reservations to rsvp@artson-thelake.org or 845-228-2685 are encour-aged. AotL is located in the Lake Carmel Arts Center, 640 Route 52, Kent Lakes.

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Boutique maternity store opens Main Street location

By Brian PJ Cronin

For new parents in the Hudson Valley, there are few routines as dependable as the seemingly weekly trips to either Poughkeepsie or Rhinebeck to visit Waddle n Swaddle. Since their first location opened in 2004, the maternity store has proved to be an invaluable resource for those entrenched in the delirious and befuddling first few years of parenting. More than just a place to shop, Waddle n Swaddle offers lactation workshops, breastfeeding support groups, yoga classes and expert advice on things like navigating the ever-more-complicated world of baby carriers and finding a nursing bra that fits just right. Along the way, they’ve built a loyal, pas-

sionate, knowledgeable customer base, those who make long, constant trips up Route 9 with little ones in tow. But those customers were in for a surprise when a third branch of the store suddenly appeared overnight on the east end of Beacon’s Main Street, with seemingly no advance notice. Was it for real? Or a hallucination caused by constant sleep deprivation? Rest assured, the Beacon location is for real. And though it may have appeared out of nowhere, Beacon has long been on founder Jenn Sullivan’s radar. She found the perfect spot, 484 Main St., two years ago. The only problem was that someone else was in it: At the time, the storefront housed the offices for The Roundhouse, which had just opened across the street. “I always figured that they wouldn’t need these spots forever because I knew the Roundhouse would expand,” Sullivan

said. “In my head, two years ago, I said ‘This spot is going to be available someday.’” Sure enough, after a Mother’s Day meal at Dogwood this past May, Sullivan and her family wandered down Main Street and were shocked to see that the prediction had come true: The Roundhouse had indeed moved their offices and the space was available. Or was it? She put in a call first thing Monday morning and learned that the space was already spoken for. A few hours later, she got a call back: Well, maybe it wasn’t. When she went back to look at the space again on Tuesday, she knew she had to move fast. “Once I saw the room back there I knew it was perfect,” she said, pointing to the sizeable space in the back of the store divided by a set of doors. She knew that without the divided space, she wouldn’t be able to hold workshops and classes. “It’s hard to find a space like this with so much room in the back. It’s like Rhinebeck; all the storefronts are old and narrow.” Sullivan signed a lease that Friday and opened three weeks later. “It’s going to be a chaotic month while I play catch-up,” she said. “I didn’t expect the community response to be so overwhelming. Already people are coming in and asking when classes will start and I tell them “I

haven’t even had a chance to buy folding chairs yet!” **Essentials for mama and baby** The space may be chair-free for now, but Sullivan has already confirmed that there will be playgroups, breastfeeding support groups, a chiropractor, an acupuncturist, prenatal yoga, mom and baby yoga, and a lactation consultant. In the meantime, the storefront is fully stocked with a variety of products, including an extensive line of baby carriers. The carriers are a must, as they’re the reason why the store exists in the first place. When Sullivan was a new mom in 2004, she ordered a baby carrier online and when it arrived she couldn’t figure out how to use it and didn’t know who to ask for help. “I was driving down to the city, going to stores there with a ring sling baby carrier, and most people didn’t even know what that was,” she recalled. “I thought, ‘There’s got to be a better system.’ So our focus has always been helping people use products that are kind of unusual. People like to go to a place where they can touch stuff, be heard, and talk to other people.” Helping new parents figure out baby carriers may have been what endeared the store to so many in the first place — ask anyone who has attempted to *(Continued on next page)*



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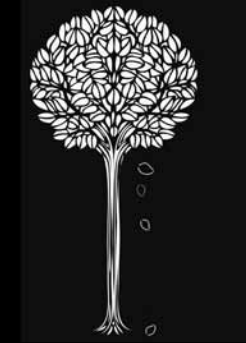


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Roots and Shoots

Phragmites Are Moving Up the Mountain

By Pamela Doan

Daily driving on a winding, steep dirt road allows me a lot of time to observe roadside plants and I take stock season after season and year after year of changes. This year I’m noticing a lot of spreading of a nasty invader, *Phragmites australis*, or the common reed, in surprising areas that are drier than its typical wetland habitat. There are patches along the road of 10 stalks or fewer in some places and then larger patches of 20 or so stalks showing up in small areas where drainage collects. Right now they are 3- to 4-foot-tall stalks with leaves, but soon they’ll become the more recognizable frond-topped reeds delicately waving in the breeze. There’s a marsh near the west end of East Mountain that phragmites have been colonizing for years now, but it’s just been in the past two years that I’ve noticed their upward movement. Phragmites spread via seeds and rhizomes. In the case of the roadside patches that are appearing, I’m guessing that the machinery that’s used by the highway crews to maintain the road is moving it around. The marshland has phragmites at the road edge and their seeds are being spread as work proceeds.

Phragmites are found throughout the eastern U.S. and in some areas of the west and have been around probably since the 1800s, brought here attached to ships. As of this year, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation banned them from being sold, imported, purchased or introduced and Philipstown already had regulations on the books. In many high-value sites, like the Chesapeake Bay or locally Constitution Marsh, battling phragmites has been a long and costly endeavor.

When phragmites are introduced into a wetland, they can quickly dominate and form a dense stand that crowds out and blocks light from any other wetland plants. It affects the movement of water, and drastically alters wildlife habitat. Eric Lind, director of the Constitution Marsh Audubon Center and Sanctuary, said: “We took a more proactive approach in controlling it. Research on tidal marshes with comparative bird studies showed that bird populations diminish in phragmites-

dominated marshes. We knew we’d improve something measurable for the bird population here.” In the marsh, they acted on it in the early stage and were successful in restoring the areas where they could remove it. Getting rid of phragmites is no easy task. The root systems can be several feet into the ground and the reeds can grow to 15 feet high. If there are even small rhizomes left behind, it can grow back. Acting immediately when it shows up is the best chance of effectively getting rid of or controlling phragmites. In a single summer, phragmites rhizomes can spread up to 10 feet through an area by runners. Herbicides are one method of killing it, but must be applied by a professional if used near or in a wetland. It’s the law. There can be serious consequences for aquatic plants and animals, birds and other wildlife if herbicides are applied incorrectly. There are also certain stages of the phragmites’ life cycle when herbicides can be more effective as well, and a professional will know how and when to do it. At Constitution Marsh, Lind said: “We’ve tried multiple methods. Our main approach is called solarization, which is flattening it and then covering it with large heavy-duty black tarps. It overheats it and prevents it from photosynthesizing.” Since this method will kill all the vegetation that tarps cover, the marsh used herbicides on small patches where phragmites were mixed in with good, native plants they wanted to preserve. Lind stressed that it was best to take action early and that in their case, the goal was to prevent the plant from spreading and they had to balance the work and expense involved.



Phragmites dominate a marsh on East Mountain. Photo by P. Doan

The forested, open land in Philipstown means that there are large swathes of land that no one seems to tend. It’s nice that all the forests haven’t been cleared for development, but it also means that lots of land isn’t managed for invasive plants. It’s different than controlling crabgrass in the lawn that you look at from the patio or windows. It’s space that is left to do whatever it will do and unfortunately, that means invasive plants are taking over. Have any experiments or stories to share about battles with invasive plants? Share them with rootsandshoots@philipstown.info.

Sports

Mets Top Giants to Capture Little League Minors Championship



Philipstown Little League Minor Mets celebrate their winning championship with coaches Stacey Twoguns, left, Lee Erickson, center, and Scott Higbee, right. Photo provided by Lee Erickson

By Mike Meeropol

The Giants had beaten the Mets three out of the four games when they had faced each other in the regular season and plenty of runs had been scored. But in the Minors’ championship game played on Saturday, June 13, when they faced each other for the fifth time, it was the Mets who came out on top, winning 2-0. For five innings pitchers from both teams fired goose eggs. Hunter Erickson for the Mets held the Giants hitless allowing just one baserunner over 50 pitches. Julian Ambrose

held the Mets hitless allowing only a handful of baserunners over 75 pitches into the fifth. In the top of the sixth inning, pitcher Roy Smith got two quick outs for the Giants. But the Mets were not to be denied. Matteo Cervone hit a triple deep into the left field corner. An outstanding relay throw from Nick Meisner to Julian prevented Matteo from scoring. A single by Hunter drove in the first run of the game. Hunter later stole home to give the Mets an insurance run. Milo Shuk took the mound for the Mets in the bottom of the sixth to seal the victory for the Mets.

Waddle n Swaddle (from previous page)



Store owner Jenn Sullivan outside the new Beacon location of Waddle n Swaddle Photo by B. Cronin

squeeze a crying baby into one of those things while wearing it and trying to read the instruction manual at the same time — but customers keep coming back because they also know that they’ll find things there that they can’t find anywhere else. “It’s the organic thing, the small batch thing,” she said. “Some people don’t want big production items. They want a unique, high-quality item that they can use for their first kid and then still be able to use it for their next two kids. It’s not fluff, but it’s good quality. You’re not

buying a boutique outfit that’s only going to fit for three weeks.” No matter how many kids shoppers have had, typical parents will always face new questions and new problems. Which is why Sullivan’s staff is made up of moms who have all used the products themselves, making them uniquely qualified. Though there’s one important exception. “We have one college student on staff,” Sullivan said. “But that’s because when all of our kids get the same virus because they all play together, we need someone who can pull through.”

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Turtles Walked at Boscobel

Storm clouds worry humans but not reptiles

By Mary Anne Myers

The snapping turtles may have gotten more exercise than the human guests at the annual Turtle Walk at Boscobel on Saturday morning (June 13). Thunderstorms threatened, but not before Eric Lind and his team from the Constitution Marsh Audubon Center & Sanctuary had introduced the stars of the hour: three female turtles that had recently created marshland nests where they laid 30 to 35 small round leathery eggs. From those eggs that survive their natural predators, baby snappers will emerge next fall or spring. The three nesters, each estimated at 10 years old, moved with some freedom around the brick floor of Boscobel's Belvedere Lookout as Lind explained their history and warned guests to mind their dangling toes. The turtles' snapping reaction, he explained, is defense not offense. While not currently at risk of extinction, snapping turtles do face threats from habitat loss and road crossing. He advised anyone who wants to help a turtle cross the road to approach it carefully, only from behind, and to encourage the turtle forward in the same direction it is moving. Once the team returned the females to their temporary tubs, Lind then brought out an older male snapping turtle, with estimated age of 30 years and weight of 40 pounds. As the question-and-answer period wound down, Boscobel's executive director Steven Miller invited guests to stroll the grounds looking for new nests, but many opted to dodge the raindrops and seek breakfast in the village.



Group and storm clouds gathered for the annual Turtle Walk at Boscobel on Saturday, June 13.

Photos by M.A. Myers



Left, a male turtle takes its turn on the bricks. Above, a female turtle traverses Boscobel's Belvedere Lookout. At right, Audubon Center director Eric Lind reveals a turtle's underside.



Jolly Rovers Fueled by Camaraderie *(from page 1)*

come Rovers in full.” Once fully trained, Ingui and his colleagues fully believe that their volunteers are more than capable of doing professional work. “Volunteers in the right environment can do top-class work, and we hold every volunteer to a standard,” Ingui said.

Empowered by heavy lifting

Although female membership was low at the start of the group, women now make up more than a third of the JR. Despite what would appear to be heavy lifting demands, Ingui says “The techniques we use aren’t muscle power; we work smarter, not harder. Any of our members can move 1,000 pounds of rock by themselves, and it’s empowering. People never think they’d be able to take a 4,000-pound boulder, split it into 1,000-pound sections and move them. But it is possible, and you then take that sense of accomplishment wherever you go.” Age isn’t a factor either, with current volunteers ranging from 21 to around 65; 18 is the minimum age.

Despite the difficulties of the work, and the (usual) lack of personal experience in it, there has yet to be a shortage of volunteers — who are often comprised of people who have encountered the JR team at work in the woods and become curious. Perhaps it is the JR’s stated mission that inspires so many: “...We specialize in the creation of stone works such as staircases, retaining walls and other structures using the old world techniques of dry stone construction. Like similar structures from the ancient world that survive to this day, our work aims to continue the legacy of aesthetic and sustainable principles achieved by these early builders. Stone survives the test of time, and when constructed properly, structures built with it can be inviting and inspiring, welcoming people



Aerial photograph of the Bear Mountain trails project, the first participated in by the Jolly Rovers

Photo by Eddie Walsh

that might not otherwise venture into the woods. We believe this increase in accessibility directly affects the well being of a community as well as the preservation of such open space for future generations; after all, the more people are able to identify with open space, the more they will fight to keep it.”

Rather than acting as a deterrent, “setting the bar that high has made it stick,” Ingui said. “We treat our volunteers as family, but also as almost-professionals. Some decide ‘it’s not for me’ but anyone who makes it through all the trainings has created a bond ... People show up

with no experience in stonework. Ninety-five percent of them have no experience in hard labor; they’re people who sit at desks. This is a growing of skills. When, in our lives, especially with the demands of modern time, can we create with our hands something that will be there for hundreds of years, and put together the creative and the physical? With Jolly Rovers, the stonework gets people interested, but it’s the camaraderie which keeps them there.” Working locally at first, the JR have seen their services sought in an ever-increasing radius. In the past two months alone they have taken the stonework skills learned on Bear Mountain to improve public space all over the country, working on projects from Texas to Tennessee, and an inquiry recently came in from Australia.

The JR work on both existing trails and create new ones. “In the northeast, so many trails have been in existence for 60 or 70 years,” Ingui explains, “and it’s hard to relocate them in a sustainable way. This includes steep, heavily eroded trails.” Their process begins with partnership, and working with those partners, often government or nonprofit groups, and the combined group makes decisions together. The work of the JR at their home base continues as well, as the Bear Mountain Trails Project is still going on, albeit now in its final stages.

Behind the Steps at Bear Mountain

July 11 hike enables visitors to discover evolution of trail project

On Saturday, July 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Jolly Rovers, in association with the Hudson Highlands Land Trust, will take visitors “Behind the Steps at Bear Mountain.”

Hike the Appalachian Trail with some of the professional trail builders and volunteers who crafted the stone stairways and retaining walls along its scenic ascent to the summit. Discover what went into the, construction and volunteer cultural evolution of this project. You’ll hear what goes into shaping a stone from a boulder to how it travels hundreds of feet to its final, precise destination. You’ll learn about the psychology of trail design and how individual volunteers formed into a community. This 2-mile hike aims to inspire all who attend that people can still build great things, both structural and social.”

In the words of Jolly Rovers’ Chris Ingui: “The hike is the story of what it was like coming to Bear Mountain and how Jolly Rovers and the volunteer community developed. How the inspiration for that project turned into the Jolly Rovers: something that can be replicated. We hope that people get inspiration from the hike, not just about what people can build in stone, but build with each other in community and volunteerism.”

The hike is rated moderate, with all ages welcome and breaks planned throughout. To reserve a spot, email info@hhlt.org or call 845-424-3358, ext. 6.