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The old Cybercron building, right, joined by a new structure, forms Magazzino, which is set to open on Route 9 in 2017.

Photos by Marco Anelli, courtesy of Magazzino

Modern Art Space to Open in Philipstown in 2017

Will house major collection of Italian “poor works”

by Alison Rooney

A 20,000-square-foot exhibition space and library devoted to postwar and contemporary Italian art will open next year in Philipstown on Route 9 just south of Route 301. Known as Magazzino and located on the former Cyberchron site, it is being built by Nancy Olnick and Giorgio Spanu of Garrison to house their personal collection but will be open to the public by appointment.

“The idea is not to contain the art, but to share it, to host it,” said Magazzino’s director, Vittorio Calabrese.

Designed by Spanish architect Miguel Quismondo, the complex consists of two buildings (one the renovated Cyberchron space, the other new) linked by a glass connector and separated by a courtyard. Because of the uncertain winter weather, no firm date has been set for its opening in 2017. The name Magazzino, which means warehouse in Italian, was deliberately chosen to avoid an association with a museum, gallery or commercial enterprise, and to indicate the flexibility of the space.

Its focus will be Arte Povera, an avant



Giorgio Spanu and Nancy Olnick

garde movement that originated in the late 1960s among about a dozen Italian artists. It translates as “poor art” or “impoverished art” but also has been called “actual art” and “anti-form.” The artists use “metal, stone, marble, embroidery, bronze — whatever they could find,” explained Calabrese. The idea is “reducing to the concept, so the art goes to the core and becomes an art that can speak to you.”

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Selling Main Street a Foot at a Time

Stoops and porches often built on village property

By Michael Turton

No one goes to a garage sale expecting to buy a garage. But in Cold Spring there’s a porch-and-stoop sale taking place in which some property owners on Main and nearby streets will actually buy a porch or a stoop.

Here’s why. Over the decades, predating living memory not to mention zoning regulations, many building owners routinely built a porch or stoop on land within the right-of-way of village streets — property that is owned by the municipality. (On Main Street the right-of-way extends to the front wall of most buildings.)

Increasingly, property owners have asked the village if they can purchase the small strips of real estate under their porches, stoops or landings. The village has been open to the idea chiefly because it reduces the municipality’s liability in the event of an accident.

The village has sold some tiny parcels in the past but there has been no consistent policy on how much to charge. It is now attempting to establish a uniform rate, said Deputy Mayor Marie Early.

The need to set a standard price became clear when the owners of 178 Main — the former Preusser *(Continued on Page 3)*



Howard Broad wants to purchase the landing in front of his shop. Photo by M. Turton

Feds to Beacon Police: You Are Free to Go

Justice Department ends years-long investigation

By Jeff Simms

More than a decade after the U.S. Department of Justice launched an investigation of the Beacon Police Department following allegations of

brutality by its officers, the agency has released the department from its oversight.

“It was a little more challenging than I’d expected” to get out from under federal oversight, Chief Douglas Solomon told the City Council last month. “The release indicates we’ve been in substantial compliance with their recommendations for at least 18 months.”

Those recommendations were part of

a settlement agreement reached between the city and the Department of Justice in 2010 in which the agency gave Beacon police rules to follow regarding the use of force, the type and quantity of ammunition carried by officers, its system for handling public complaints and officer training methods, among other issues.

As part of the agreement, the DOJ was given ongoing *(Continued on Page 5)*



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Roots and Shoots

It's Not Winter Yet — Keep Weeding

By Pamela Doan

The end of the season is the easiest time of the year to neglect a vegetable garden. You're tired, distracted and there isn't anything left to harvest. Not to mention the tedium of daily watering during a hot, dry summer. But the fall is a crucial time because it's when you should attack next year's weeds.

What is a weed? Antonio DiTommaso, who studies weed ecology and management at Cornell University (and maintains a teaching garden that has only weeds), defines it as "any plant that is in a place where it isn't wanted." While weeds have a role in the ecosystem, purslane isn't welcome in a row of tomatoes. Weeds compete for light, nutrients and water and interfere with the plants you are cultivating.

Vigilant weed control early in spring can make summer maintenance easier. You want to remove the weeds as seedlings and prevent them from making more of themselves. The same reasoning applies to fall weeding.

"This time of year we get winter annual species that are germinat-

ing, like chickweeds and field penny cress, plants that will be stimulated to emerge when days are shorter and temperatures get cooler," DiTommaso explained. "They'll spend winter under the snow and then at snow melt they're ready to go and will complete their lifecycle by June."

Snare those weeds now and you're ahead of the game. Planting a cover crop is one method to protect the soil, inhibit weed growth and add nutrients.

Shade also kills interlopers. "Weeds aren't very competitive under shade," says DiTommaso. "They love light. The seeds can detect the wavelength of light and if another plant is above them."

He suggested crops that leaf quickly. Vegetables like carrots and onions that have light foliage and grow slowly will be weedier. Intercropping the large leaves of

lettuce, for example, between tomato plants will block light from reaching the soil so weeds don't get any signals to grow.

I have always used natural mulch as a ground cover, but DiTommaso persuaded me to try fabric. Since you're tilling the soil only in areas where you're planting

"This time of year we get winter annual species that are germinating, like chickweeds and field penny cress, plants that will be stimulated to emerge when days are shorter and temperatures get cooler."



Amaranth pigweed is a common annual weed.

Photo: Howard F. Schwartz, Colorado State University, Bugwood.org

and the cloth is covering the rest of the garden, you're not disturbing the weed seedbed. It inhibits weeds without damaging the soil. An added benefit is protecting tomatoes from early blight, which is carried to their leaves by rainwater.

Knowing your enemy and understanding succession helps weed control, too. You can tell how recently soil was disturbed by what's growing in it. Annual weeds pop up first in disturbed soil, including pigweed (*Amaranth*), lamb's quarters, (*Chenopodium album*) and purslane. If left to their own devices, biannual species such as garlic mustard will arrive next. Perennial weeds like goldenrod (*Solidago canadensis*) then dominate, followed by saplings like birch and poplar.

"When we're tilling, we're pushing back succession to favor annuals, weeds that are perfectly adapted," DiTommaso says. "Their strategy is rapid growth and copious production of seeds. Their only link from one year to next is via seeds." Disrupt that seed production and you will have less maintenance.

Finally, what to do with weeds once you pull them? This is where identification comes in handy. Knowing what you're dealing with dictates the disposal method. Some weeds can be composted, especially when they're seedlings. But others, such as rhizomes, even if only an inch long, can re-root. Purslane is another prolific seeder and has a high water content, which means even immature seeds can sprout. DiTommaso recommends letting purslane fry on cement in the sun before putting it in the trash.

The last thing you want to do is help a weed reproduce. DiTommaso cited quackgrass as an example. "It has rhizomes. You decide to chop it up to kill it and now you have 26 plants coming up everywhere. You've got to know what it is and its lifecycle."

To learn more, visit DiTommaso's Weed Ecology and Management Lab at weedecology.css.cornell.edu. He and a co-author are also updating the standard reference, *Weeds of the Northeast*, for publication next year.



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Selling Main Street a Foot at a Time *(from Page 1)*

Realty office now being renovated for River Architects — asked to purchase the village-owned strip in front of the building that measures roughly 40 feet by 14 feet.

James Hartford, one of the principals of River Architects and owner of the building, had the parcel appraised at the request of the village board. The board thought the appraisal was too low; it set a price of \$4 per square foot or \$2,240, but agreed to deduct the \$1,200 Hartford had spent on the appraisal.

Mayor Dave Merandy told *The Current* that the \$4 per square foot price is fair, and that applying it to similar purchases along Main Street will likely eliminate the need for appraisals. However, the rate has not been for-

“Four dollars a square foot is reasonable. At that price I’m happy. If it was \$100, I wouldn’t be.”

mally adopted.

One difficulty with appraising the strips is that there are few comparable properties.

The process frustrated Hartford, who said the village should have set its price earlier, and noting as the buyer he would be paying the real-estate closing costs.

More sales in the works

Others contemplating purchases said they are comfortable with the \$4 rate. The Silver Spoon Restaurant at 124 Main and Robert

A. McCaffrey Realty at 140 Main have both contacted the village about buying their stoops. Howard Broad, owner of Country Clocks, told *The Current* he also would like to buy his landing at 142 Main.

Broad said his 24 x 6 strip is so small that taxes on the property are not likely to be affected if he buys it. “Four dollars a square foot is reasonable,” Bob McCaffrey said. “At that price I’m happy. If it was \$100, I wouldn’t be. Most people will do it at that price.”

“Four dollars is fair,” he said. “It’s not gold-plated!” At that rate, the purchase price would be \$576. Broad noted that



A shot taken in 1914 of the Homestead Club (now the PCNR building) shows the upper porch extending above the right of way. Photo courtesy of Howard Broad



The outdoor seating at the Silver Spoon Restaurant sits on village-owned property. Photo by M. Turton

Feds to Beacon Police: You Are Free to Go *(from Page 1)*

access to the department to ensure compliance. The oversight lasted for several years, but Solomon, who was hired in 2012, said the agency found no evidence of wrongdoing by Beacon officers.

After he became chief, Solomon said DOJ officials conducted an on-site review of the department and concluded that it was following the 2010 recommendations. Then, the Beacon police had to demonstrate long-term compliance. That was accomplished this year and on Aug. 9 the agency said it had ended its investigation.

While DOJ involvement is somewhat rare in cities the size of Beacon, Solomon said that “now, more than ever, they’ve got more agencies under their watchful eye because of

the trends of what’s going on in the country.”

Last year an analysis by Bloomberg News found the Justice Department has investigated 67 police departments since 1994, including those in Los Angeles, New York City and Cleveland. But the agency also investigated forces in a number of much smaller locales such as Alabaster, Alabama, and Steubenville, Ohio.

If the Justice Department has reason to believe a police department needs to be monitored, it often first issues a “technical assistance letter,” which the Beacon police received in June 2005. It contained nearly a dozen pages of specific recommendations — many of which would be repeated in the 2010 settlement agreement — re-

garding officers’ use of force, weapons and canines. Several additional pages listed guidelines for processing complaints.

Exactly how and why the investigation began is not clear. The Justice Department’s oversight predates Chief Solomon by almost a decade, and a DOJ spokesperson said the department typically does not comment on the what prompts its investigations. However, news reports from the early 2000s noted a number of brutality lawsuits had been filed against the city.

While Solomon could not comment on specific incidents, he said the process was beneficial in the long run. “Whether the accusations had any teeth to them or not, at the end of the day the department is in a better place,” he said.



Beacon Police Chief Douglas Solomon

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Don't start the Fjord on Fair

The public comment period for the first phase of the state's Environmental Impact Review of the Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail is open through the end of September and a public hearing will be scheduled soon. Comments can be emailed to HHFT.plan@parks.ny.gov or mailed to Nancy Stoner, Environmental Analyst, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, Albany, NY 12238.

An outline of what the environmental review will cover can be downloaded at hudsonfjordtrail.org. The Town of Philipstown is also about to begin its own review.

The trail is a fine and ambitious idea. It addresses at long last the extremely hazardous mix of hikers and vehicles along Route 9D. The redesign of the section from Little Stony Point to the Breakneck Metro-North stop is an urgent need. And extending the trail to Beacon is downright visionary.

The part that is not visionary is to start

the trail at Main and Fair streets in Cold Spring. The master plan draft shows Fair Street as the route heading north and Church Street as the southbound trail. (See hudsonfjordtrail.org/master-plan. The map there may show a Garden Street route by mistake). As those of us who live on Fair Street can attest, it has borne the brunt of increased vehicular and pedestrian traffic in and out of the village to the north. This is not a quiet side street. There is much truck traffic, with even the largest tractor-trailers rumbling by. We get the speeding commuters late for the train and the speeding churchgoers late for services. On busy summer weekends the pedestrians come by in such numbers that many walk in the street.

Now the plan is to invite more — potentially many more — hikers and bikers to share this space. The risks the trail is designed to decrease on 9D will increase on Fair Street.

In a 2009 report, the village's Special

Senior Center pushback

“It is astonishing to me that even when the facts are clearly stated, some still choose to surface negativity, creating issues that do not exist. This only leads me to believe that there may be other factors, such as total opposition to the developer and the entire project. I for one would welcome the chance to see an abandoned property in my neighborhood brought back to life.”

~ Putnam County Legislator Carl Albano, on the proposed senior center at the Butterfield development. His full statement can be found at highlandscurrent.com

Board for a Comprehensive Plan envisioned a riverside walkway leading to a bridge over the Metro-North tracks to the village garage property, past the municipal lot to Fair Street and the Fjord Trail. The 2011 Local Waterfront Revitalization Strategy report preferred the possibility of an underpass (rather than an overpass) from Dockside to the village garage site. The 2012 Comprehensive Plan offered another idea. “Conduct a feasibility study to create a segment of the RiverWalk loop from Dockside with a causeway just west of and parallel to the railroad tracks to cross the tracks at Little Stony Point.”

The latter plan includes a 10-point agenda for the development of Dockside, including dining and picnicking facilities, and docking and launching, reflecting several years of public comment. (Hats off to the Film Society for their great screenings.)

Wouldn't Dockside make a great start to the Fjord Trail? Expensive, yes. I'm told a bridge over the tracks to the village garage would cost more than \$1 million (including elevators for wheelchair access). But this is a project whose budget is already in the tens of (Continued on next page)



Taking it to the Street By Anita Peltonen

What does your tattoo represent?



“This is the Medusa by Caravaggio. It represents the power of the artist.”

~ Gabriel Crespo, North Highlands



“My daughter is what I live for.”

~ Laura Williams, Beacon



“Route 3 in Ohio is where I come from.”

~ Kate Dowell, Beacon

Culinary Arts Program Launches at Tilly Foster

County says it has big plans for farm

The Tilly Foster Educational Institute, which includes a test kitchen and classrooms that will be used by the Putnam/Northern Westchester Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES) for its Culinary Arts program, opened on Sept. 13 at the county-owned Tilly Foster Farm in Brewster.

The county also plans on April 1 to open Tilly's Table, a farm-to-table restaurant and lodge that will be run by a private catering firm for weddings and special events. As part of the renovation, a general store and visitor's center will be located in the main barn.

"The reopening of Tilly Foster as the county's first public institute for career education offers a diversity of benefits by putting an under-used county asset to work," County Executive MaryEllen Odell said in a statement. "Rental income from BOCES will serve to offset the costs of maintaining and preserving this beautiful historical property."

BOCES, which provides career and technical education courses for 18 school districts, including Cold Spring and Garrison, says it will offer other programs at the farm, including environmental science and veterinary science. The county hopes



Students at the Tilly Foster Educational Institute with County Executive MaryEllen Odell, James Ryan of BOCES and State Senator Sue Serino

Photo provided

to add early intervention pre-K and adult continuing education classes there, as well as form partnerships with groups such as the Cornell Cooperative Extension.

When BOCES classes are not in session, the county said the kitchen and classrooms will be available for use by veterans, libraries, schools, seniors and non-profits.

Putnam County purchased the 199-acre farm in 2002 with \$3.9 million from East of Hudson Water Quality funds and took over management from the Society of the Preservation of Putnam County in January 2014. It has since spent \$2.4 million to renovate the former museum site, including \$1.1 million to replace the water supply, power supply and septic system and

to bring the lodge up to code. The remaining funds were spent on site work such as walls, roads, parking and drainage, and on upgrading the cottage, an office/classroom space and the barn.

The county said the contract to run Tilly's Table would go out for bid in the next few weeks and will include the same management arrangement used at the county-owned Putnam County Golf Course.

Deadline to Register to Vote: Oct. 14

The last day for New York residents to register for the Nov. 8 general election is Friday, Oct. 14. Last-minute registration will be held at the Board of Elections office in Carmel from 5 to 9 p.m. on Oct. 14 and 2 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 15. These are also the last days to change party affiliations.

To register by mail, download a form at putnamcountyboe.com or call 845-808-1300 to have one sent to you and mail it to the Board of Elections, 25 Old Route 6, Carmel, NY 10512. The form must be postmarked by Oct. 14 and received by Oct. 19. File a new registration if you have moved within the county since the last election.

To register in Dutchess County, download a form from dutchesselections.com and mail it to the Board of Elections, 47 Cannon St., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Call 845-486-2473 for more information.

To register to vote, you must be 18 years old by the end of the year. For registered voters, the last day to postmark an application for an absentee ballot is Nov. 1, and the final day to apply in person is Nov. 7.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (from previous page)

millions. Isn't it worth at least doing the feasibility study called for in the Comprehensive Plan before committing to a route that is merely expedient and probably unsafe?

I ask my neighbors, particularly those on Fair and Church streets, to make their views on the trail route known to the state and Scenic Hudson and to the town and village boards. And I hope the village board will form a committee to assess all the possible uses for Dockside and do it before the Fjord Trail is a done deal.

Fred Norgaard, *Cold Spring*

The Beacon Look

Not to diminish architect Aryeh Siegel's contribution to Beacon ("The Beacon Look," Sept. 16), but the revitalization of

Main Street began several years before the arrival of Dia:Beacon, when Ron Sauers converted burnt-out bombshells into beautiful apartments and storefronts. With the help of his wife, Ronnie, who served on the city council, he turned the east end of Main into a stylish stretch of antique shops, clothing stores and cafes, and he was focusing on the other end of the street at the time of his death.

Ron was a humble, self-effacing man, always generous in his relations with other builders and developers, keeping his vision for Beacon well ahead of self-interest. Any discussion of Beacon's new lease on life would be empty without an acknowledgement of the contributions of this remarkable man of vision.

Ron Soodalter, *Cold Spring*

Garrison Fire District to Issue Budget

Invites feedback at meetings on Sept. 27 and Oct. 8

The Garrison Fire District will release its preliminary 2017 budget on Sept. 27, followed by budget meetings at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 28, and at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8, and a public hearing yet to be scheduled, all at the Garrison Firehouse at 1616 Route 9.

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Court Orders Putnam to Release Gun Permits

Defiant county officials vow to continue appeals

By Holly Toal

A four-year legal skirmish between Putnam County officials and the *Journal News* over the names and addresses of licensed gun owners took another step toward resolution on Sept. 19 when a state appellate court ordered county officials to release the data.

The battle began in 2012, when then-clerk Dennis Sant received a Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request from the newspaper, a Gannett-owned daily

based in White Plains, for the identity of all registered gun owners in the county, which at the time numbered about 11,000, including the models and serial numbers of their handguns. (New York does not require permits for rifles and shotguns.)

Under state law, the registrations are public information.

The *Journal News* had already obtained the handgun records in Westchester and Rockland counties and used the data to create an online map that identified where each owner lived. The editors said the map was a response to the Dec. 14, 2012, school killings in Newtown, Conn., and the subsequent debate over gun control. It argued its readers “are understandably interested to know about guns in their neighborhoods.”

Sant denied the FOIL request, citing public safety. “I’m a man who follows the rule of law,” he said at a press conference in January 2013. “I’ve never denied a FOIL request in my 28 years as a FOIL officer ... But it’s not about the rule of law anymore, we’re talking about the safety of citizens.”

County Executive MaryEllen Odell backed Sant (who has since retired), arguing that Putnam is home to many law enforcement officers whose lives might be endangered if



Dennis Sant at a press conference in January 2013. Behind him, left to right, are County Executive MaryEllen Odell, then-State Sen. Greg Ball and Assemblyman Steve Katz.

File photo by Kevin E. Foley



A screen shot from the *Journal News* gun owner map, which was removed in January 2013. By clicking on a red dot, a visitor could see the handgun owner's name and address.

the information was released.

That same month, Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed into law the Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act, which allowed permit holders to remove their names from the public database. Gun owners already in the system had four months to opt out. When that grace period ended, the *Journal News* filed another FOIL request, which Sant denied.

The newspaper sued, and in March 2014 acting State Supreme Court Justice Robert Neary told the county to release the information. The county appealed, which led to the unanimous Sept. 19 ruling that again ordered the county to release the information. Putnam officials have previously vowed to appeal again, which would put the case before the New York State Court of Appeals.

“We have a plan. There will be no retreat; there will be no surrender.”

Journal News Executive Director Traci Bauer told her newspaper that while the company was pleased with the ruling, it “has no plans to revisit the information on gun permits.”

During a forum in Carmel earlier this year organized by the Putnam County Firearm Owners Association, Odell said that regardless of the repeated court rulings against its position, the county would not drop the case. “We have a plan,” she said. “There will be no retreat; there will be no surrender.”

Michael Bartolotti, who succeeded Sant as clerk, said at the forum that his office would “fight this to our last breath.”

“There is no way they are entitled to this information,” he said.

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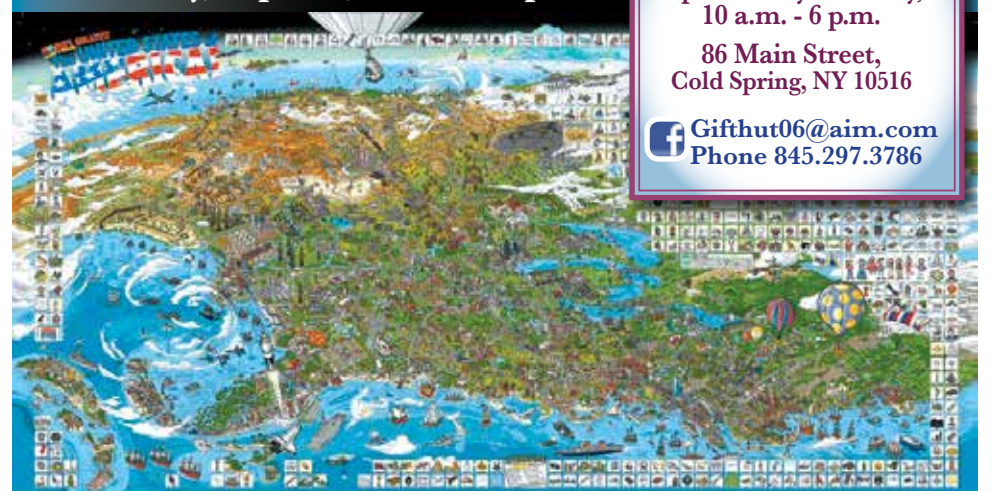
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Gun Storage Debate Comes to Beacon

Proposed law would require weapons be safely stored, restrict ammo sales

By Jeff Simms

An impassioned crowd of around 40 people came out Sept. 19 to a public hearing on a law that, if enacted, would add Beacon to the list of cities and counties in the state that require secure storage of firearms and ammunition, including New York, Albany, Rochester and Westchester County. A proposal to make secure storage a state law was approved by the Assembly last year but failed in the Senate.

The proposed city law would require firearms to be securely locked in an "appropriate safe-storage depository," to decrease "the likelihood of death or injury from accidents or impulsive acts."

The law also would tighten regulations for the sale of ammunition, allowing it to only be sold in Beacon "to persons possessing a valid firearms license, when a license is required for the type of firearm for which the ammunition is used."

Beacon Council member Ali Muhammad introduced the proposal earlier this year. While initial feedback was lukewarm, he and Council member George Mansfield continued pushing the initiative.

The safe-storage movement gained mo-



While most gun safes are standard lock boxes, this version, which sells for \$140 on Amazon, can be affixed under a desk and opened with a keypad combination.

mentum in New York after Nicholas Naumkin, 12, was shot dead in 2010 in Saratoga County by a 12-year-old friend playing with a handgun found in his home.

The Beacon proposal is modeled after one passed by the Albany city council last year. Mansfield said the law, if adopted, would be largely symbolic due to the difficulty of enforcing it.

"Police will not be entering homes to confirm that safety measures are being followed, much like the building department not being allowed in people's homes to make sure building codes are in compliance," he said. "But it's making people aware that even though you think you

might be careful, anything can happen." He said he hopes the discussion creates a "heightened level of concern" among gun owners.

Penalties for violators would include fines starting at \$250 and possibly jail time (not to exceed 15 days).

During the hearing, the proposed regulations drew the ire of residents who said they already practice responsible gun ownership.

"Firearm handling is a safety issue and the only way to resolve the issue is education," said John Berry, who said he has trained more than 600 hunters in the region in firearm safety.

Lou Amoroso, Jr., called the regulations invasive and unnecessary. "I thought this was the United States," he said. "Anybody who owns a firearm and you don't keep it in a safe, you've got a serious problem."

Amoroso said that while he supports safe storage, he has a problem with "you telling me how I'm going to control what goes on in my house."

Others urged the council to adopt the measure.

"This has the potential to save lives, which cannot be understated," said Alex Dubroff, a Philipstown resident who is the Hudson Valley coordinator for New Yorkers Against Gun Violence. "The law does not impede the ability of a person to use their gun in the home for self-defense since it does not apply when the person is in possession or control of the gun."

(Earlier this year, Dubroff started a petition at moveon.org to press the Philipstown Town Board to adopt a safe-storage law. It currently has 345 signatures.)

Beacon resident Ben Nathan said the law would set a community standard for safe gun practices.

"It's not about breaking into peoples' homes and checking in their closets," he said. "It is about making a statement together."

In all, more than a dozen people spoke during the hearing, with the numbers split almost evenly for and against.

The proposal will be on the agenda for the next City Council workshop, scheduled for Monday, Sept. 26.

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Caught Between Two Districts

Continental Village residents say their school taxes are too high

By Kevin E. Foley

In recent months some residents in Continental Village have called upon town and state officials to resolve what they perceive as unfairly high school taxes relative to the value of their homes. If this protest has a familiar sound it is because Continental Village property owners have previously raised this issue and seemed to return to it with cicada-like regularity after spending a few years enduring their annual tax bills.

The situation is complicated by the facts that Continental Village, although located in Philipstown, is in the Lakeland School District and not Garrison, and that the state has what Brian Kenney, Philipstown's longtime assessor, calls "the most complicated tax system in the world" with many intersecting boundaries and jurisdictions and an opaque formula governing taxation rates and property values.

The primary grievance of residents is that although Continental Village is part of Philipstown, the homes in this hidden-away hamlet that presses up against Westchester County are within the boundaries of the Lakeland School District, an ad-

mired but expensive school system that primarily serves Westchester.

Residents complain their property tax bills are too high because the Lakeland School District is so expensive to operate. They feel especially aggrieved at the cost relative to the value of their homes, which are comparatively lower-priced than neighboring communities in Putnam and Westchester counties.

Further, many C.V. residents are convinced that the system for factoring real-estate taxes is skewed against them because of what is known as the "equalization rate," which, although designed to make the system fairer, incorporates homes from more-expensive Garrison in the calculation as required by state law.

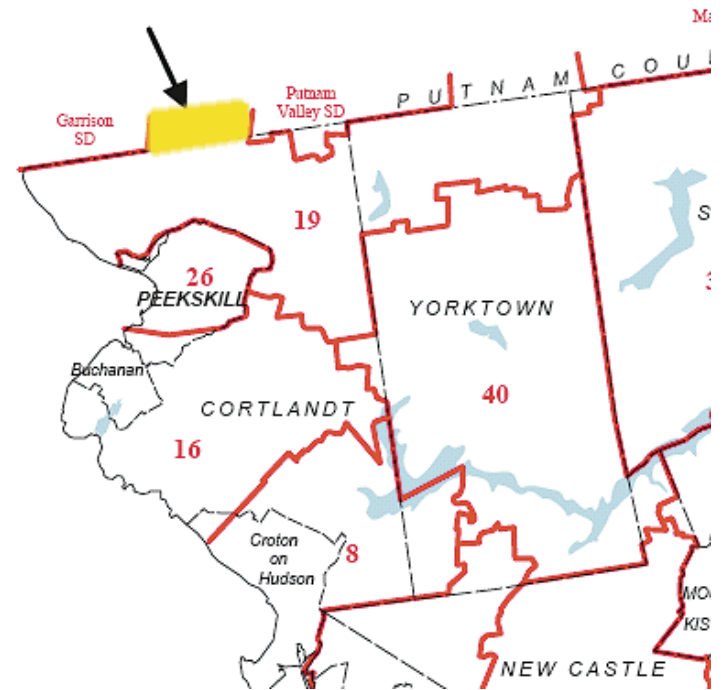
As they have in the past, Continental Village residents brought their complaint to the Philipstown Town Board while acknowledging its limited ability to solve the problem. The board, as it has done in the past, convened a meeting with state officials and residents to see if there is a way forward. The news, as always, was not encouraging.

Kenney pointed to the separate taxing authorities in school districts, water districts, towns, villages, counties and the state itself as the root cause of any high tax burden. He noted that in many Southern states, such as North Carolina, the county government usually accounts

for all services, including education, creating greater efficiencies from his perspective.

Kenney spoke at the Philipstown Town Board on Sept. 8, when it met at the Continental Village Firehouse. The board also invited John Wolham of the state's Department of Taxation and Finance to explain how property taxes are calculated. State Assemblywoman Sandy Galef and a representative from State Sen. Sue Serino's office were also present.

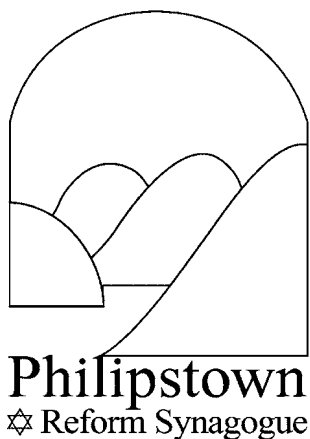
Wolham, a regional director for the Real Property Tax Division, reprised a presentation he made in 2011 on the relationship of school budgets and property tax bills. He walked the audience through a school district deciding on the annual budget (with increases restricted by the state tax cap), identifying other sources of income such as state aid and then determining what property tax rate is needed



The location of Continental Village on a map of the Lakeland school district

to meet the district's expenses.

He also explained the equalization rate process, which is intended to provide "rough justice" in accounting for differences among towns in the way they do and don't handle the assessed valuations of homes. State law does not require a town to assess properties at 100 percent value, so years can pass between uniform reassessments. Putnam towns have generally kept more current with market values; some (Continued on Page 18)



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The Calendar

Out of the Ashes, Farmers' Market Thrives

Founded 15 years ago after supermarket fire

By Michael Turton

The emergence of Cold Spring Farmers' Market was the silver lining around a February 2002 fire that destroyed the Grand Union Supermarket. Its first season consisted of four vendors huddled in the parking lot of the defunct Butterfield Hospital each Saturday from late May into November.

The Saturday time slot hasn't changed, but the market certainly has. Now a vibrant, year-round venture, it features some 30 farmers and producers from May through October at Boscobel at 1601 Route 9D in Garrison and from November to April inside the St. Mary's Church parish hall at Main and Chestnut in Cold Spring. It is open from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Boscobel but opens an hour later at St. Mary's.

The farmers' market was more than a reaction to the loss of a grocery store. It was part of a larger shift in how Americans think about food, what they buy and where



CSFM now features 30 vendors.

they buy it. In 1994 there were 1,755 farmers' markets in the U.S. Today there are more than 8,500, including several hundred in New York state.

Shelley Boris was a founding board member of CSFM — the market operates as a non-profit — and is currently its vice president. (The other board members are treasurer Lithgow Osborne, secretary Liz Rauch, Deb Dichter, Lissi Erwin, Patrick Larsen, Carol Newman, Camilla von Bergen and Marc



Managers Tessa Dean and Zoe Markwalter

Photos by M. Turton

Weiss.) Boris said the market's mission to support Hudson Valley agriculture is aided by retailers that sell local farmers' products and by Community Supported Agriculture (CSAs).

She suspects many shoppers at the market have a CSA pick-up on Tuesday or Wednesday and then stop at the market on Saturday, so they have local products on their tables all week.

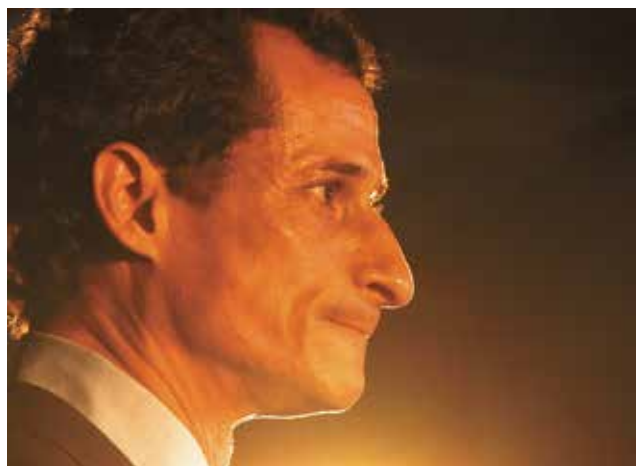
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What Was He Thinking?

Depot Docs opens season with Weiner

by James O'Barr

Depot Docs opens its 11th season at the Philipstown Depot Theatre on Garrison's Landing on Friday, Sept. 30, with the winner of this year's Sundance Film Festival Grand Jury Prize (Documentary), *Weiner*. Yes, friends, *that* Weiner, former Congressman Anthony, of New York's 9th district.



Anthony Weiner

Photos: Edgeline Films

Co-directed by Josh Kriegman, Weiner's one-time chief of staff, and Elyse Steinberg, the filmmakers had what appears to be complete — and what eventually feels like almost unseemly — access to Weiner as they set out to witness the redemption of his political fortunes in a run for New York City mayor in 2013. Instead, they record in excruciating detail the train wreck that Weiner engineered just as his poll numbers and his prospects began to accelerate.

Weiner's original fall from grace occurred in 2011 after photos of him in his distended underwear posted to his Twitter account went viral. It turned out the married Congressman had been sexting with a 21-year-old female college student, among other people. Within three weeks, he'd resigned his seat in Congress.

Two years later, the ambitious, scrappy and ultimately unapologetic Weiner announces his run for mayor, assembles a young and enthusiastic staff and agrees to



Weiner meets the press.

have Kriegman and Steinberg film the campaign, hoping, in effect, for a G-rated remake with a happy ending.

"That was his intention and that was ours as well: taking someone who had been ridiculed and reduced and offering a more complex portrait," Steinberg has said.

Perhaps the critical element in this scenario is the riveting presence of Weiner's wife, Huma Abedin. As the film opens, Abedin presents a cool, dignified but fully engaged picture of support for her husband. However, when a new set of sexting photos, sent from his Twitter account under the nom de jouer Carlos Danger, begins making the rounds, Abedin

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ONGOING

Gallery Shows

highlandscurrent.com/galleries

FRIDAY, SEPT. 23

Fred Rich: Getting to Green (Talk)

6:30 p.m. Boscobel | 1601 Route 9D, Cold Spring
845-265-3638 | boscobel.org

Confessions of a Playwright at 3 a.m.

7 p.m. Howland Cultural Center | 477 Main St., Beacon
845-765-3012 | howlandculturalcenter.org

International Film Night: Mustang (Turkey)

7 p.m. Howland Public Library | 313 Main St., Beacon | 845-831-1134 | beaconlibrary.org

Laughter on the 23rd Floor

8 p.m. County Players
2681 W. Main St., Wappingers Falls
845-298-1491 | countyplayers.org

Aery Theatre 20/20 Play Festival

8 p.m. Depot Theater
10 Garrison Landing, Garrison
845-424-3900 | philipstowndepottheatre.org

Fame: The Musical

8 p.m. Eisenhower Hall Theatre | 655 Ruger Road, West Point | 845-938-4159 | ikehall.com

Styx

8 p.m. Mid-Hudson Civic Center
14 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie
845-454-5800 | midhudsonciviccenter.org

SATURDAY, SEPT. 24

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9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Garrison Fire Department
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Putnam County Passport Day

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Putnam County Clerk
40 Gleneida Ave., Carmel
845-808-1142 | putnamcountyny.gov

Free Admission at Boscobel

hudsonrivervalleyramble.com
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Community Conversation

10 a.m. Philipstown Community Center
107 Glenclyffe, Garrison
845-424-3020 | desmondfishlibrary.org

Clearwater Annual Meeting

10 a.m. Mid-Hudson Children’s Museum
75 N. Water St., Poughkeepsie
845-265-8080 | clearwater.org

Family Day at Constitution Island

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Shuttles at Cold Spring Metro-North
constitutionisland.org

Manitoga Hike

10 a.m. 584 Route 9D, Garrison
hudsonrivervalleyramble.com

In Their Own Words: The Battle for Fort Montgomery

10 a.m. Fort Montgomery | 690 Route 9W, Fort Montgomery | 845-446-2134 | nysparks.com

Hudson Valley Bucket List Walking Tour

11 a.m. Main and North Chestnut, Beacon
845-943-9490 | hvbucketlist.com

6th Annual Newburgh Open Studios

Noon – 6 p.m. Various locations
newburghopenstudios.org

Spirit of Beacon Day

Noon – 4 p.m. Main Street

Mandeville House Tour

1 p.m. – 4 p.m. | 1005 Lower Station Road, Garrison
hudsonrivervalleyramble.com

Calendar Highlights

For upcoming events visit highlandscurrent.com.

Send event listings to calendar@highlandscurrent.com

Beacon vs. Byram Hills (Football)

1:30 p.m. Beacon High School | 101 Matteawan Road, Beacon | 845-838-6900 | beaconcityk12.org

George Bozeman (Organ)

5 p.m. Chapel Restoration | 45 Market St., Cold Spring | 845-265-5537 | chapelrestoration.org

Selichot Service with My Own Man (Documentary) and Q&A

6 p.m. Beacon Hebrew Alliance
331 Verplanck Ave., Beacon
845-831-2012 | beaconhebrewalliance.org

Silent Film Series: Beggars of Life (1928) with Live Music

7 p.m. Butterfield Library | 10 Morris Ave., Cold Spring | 845-265-3040 | butterfieldlibrary.org

Awakening, Featuring the Daisy Jopling Band

7:30 p.m. Paramount Hudson Valley
1008 Brown St., Peekskill
914-739-0039 | paramounthudsonvalley.com

Aery Theatre 20/20 Play Festival

8 p.m. Depot Theater | See details under Friday.

C'mon Beacon Let's Dance

8 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
See details under Friday.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 25

Vision and Voice Poetry Workshop

11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art | 1701 Main St., Peekskill
914-788-0100 | hvcca.org

6th Annual Newburgh Open Studios

Noon – 6 p.m. Various locations
See details under Saturday.

Mandeville House Tour

1 p.m. – 4 p.m. Garrison | Details under Saturday

Hudson Valley Modern Quilting Guild

1 p.m., – 5 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison
845-424-3020 | desmondfishlibrary.org

Urban Wilderness Festival and Environmental Fair

1 p.m. – 4 p.m Vassar Farm | 124 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie | vassar.edu/directions

Make Music With Your Computer (First Session)

2 p.m. Beacon Music Factory
333 Fishkill Ave., Beacon
845-765-0472 | beaconmusicfactory.com

5th Annual Catoberfest Benefit

3 p.m. The Hop | 554 Main St., Beacon
catoberfest.brownpapertickets.com

Magical Tour & Tales of Elfin Lands (Fundraiser)

3:30 p.m. White Forest Pottery
43 Cutler Lane, Garrison
Rescheduled from Sept. 18.

Aery Theatre 20/20 Play Festival

4 p.m. Depot Theatre | See details under Friday.

Poetry Trail Opening Celebration

4 p.m. Outdoor Discovery Center
100 Muser Drive, Cornwall
845-534-5506 | hhnaturemuseum.org

Sunset Reading Series

4 p.m. The Chapel | 45 Market Street, Cold Spring
sunsetreadings.org

Chefs for Clearwater

4 p.m. The Culinary Institute of America
Campus Drive, Hyde Park
chefsforclearwater.org

Putnam History Museum Annual Gala

5 p.m. Highlands Country Club
955 Route 9D, Garrison
845-265-4010 | putnamhistorymuseum.org

Concert Across America to End Gun Violence

6:30 p.m. Towne Crier Café
379 Main St., Beacon
845-855-1300 | townecrier.com

MONDAY, SEPT. 26

Free Admission at HVCCA

Noon – 6 p.m. Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art | 1701 Main St., Peekskill
smithsonianmag.com

Haldane vs. Beacon (Girls' Tennis)

4 p.m. Haldane School
15 Craigside Dr., Cold Spring
845-265-9254 | haldaneschool.org

Beacon Sports

4:30 p.m. Girls' Swimming vs. Croton
4:30 p.m. Volleyball vs. Hendrick Hudson
4:30 p.m. Boys' Soccer vs. Putnam Valley
845-838-6900 | beaconcityk12.org

Beacon City Council Workshop

7 p.m. City Hall Courtroom
1 Municipal Plaza, Beacon
845-838-5011 | cityofbeacon.org

Beacon School Board

7 p.m. Beacon High School | 101 Matteawan Road, Beacon | 845-838-6900 | beaconcityk12.org

National Theatre Live: A View from the Bridge

7:30 p.m. Downing Film Center
19 Front St., Newburgh
845-561-3686 | downingfilmcenter.com

TUESDAY, SEPT. 27

New Moms & Infants Group

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison
Email whiteside.ks@gmail.com for info

Beacon Sports

4:15 p.m. Girls' Soccer vs. Peekskill
4:30 p.m. Girls' Tennis vs. Eastchester
See details under Monday.

PTA Parent Support Group

7 p.m. Cold Spring Methodist Church
216 Main St., Cold Spring
845-424-6130 | facebook.com/PTALearnDiff

Sense the Wind (Documentary) with Q&A

7 p.m. Peekskill Extension Center
27 N. Division St., Peekskill | 914-606-7300

Beacon Sports

4:30 p.m. Girls' Swimming vs. John Jay
4:30 p.m. Boys' Soccer vs. Lourdes
See details under Tuesday.

How to Let Go of the World (Documentary)

7 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
See details under Friday.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29

Coffee Chat With Hudson Valley Current + Re>Think Local

8:30 a.m. Beahive Beacon
291 Main St., Beacon
845-765-1890 | beahivebzzz.com

Haldane vs. Pawlings (Girls' Volleyball)

6 p.m. Haldane School
See details under Monday.

Jon Shain & FJ Ventre

Amy Soucy & Sharon Goldman
7 p.m. Beahive Beacon | Details under Wednesday.

Poster Girl (Documentary) with Q&A

7:30 p.m. Downing Film Center
See details under Monday.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 30

Anime Afternoon Movies for Teens

3 p.m. Howland Public Library
313 Main St., Beacon
845-831-1134 | beaconlibrary.org

Beacon Sports

4:30 p.m.Girls' Soccer vs. Haldane
4:30 p.m. Boys' Soccer vs. Peekskill
4:30 p.m. Volleyball vs. Somers
4:30 p.m. Girls' Swimming vs. Walter Panas
See details under Monday.

Beyond Ceramics (Closing Reception)

6 – 9 p.m. Open Concept Gallery
125 Main St., Cold Spring
845-260-0141 | openconceptgallery.com

Paper Tigers (Documentary)

7 p.m. First Presbyterian Church of Beacon
50 Liberty St., Beacon
moviesthatmatterbeacon.org

Depot Docs: Weiner (2016)

7:30 p.m. Philipstown Depot Theatre
See details under Sunday.

Adult Dance Party to Benefit Haldane

9 p.m. SkyBaby Yoga | 75 Main St., Cold Spring
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Out of the Ashes, Farmers' Market Thrives *(from Page 9)*

The ready availability of fresh produce and food has “raised everyone’s expectations.”

In addition, she said, the market has become a community gathering place. “It’s a place to bring your dog, see your neighbors, get your knives sharpened and eat lunch from prepared food vendors” such as the newly introduced Farmers and Chefs Food Truck, she says. The market also has added homemade dog treats.

Susan Branagan, who is president of the board, feels the market owes its success to “beautiful products from great farmers

and vendors — some of whom have been with us since the beginning,” including Four Winds Farm, Breezy Hill Orchards and EB’s Golden Harvest. Her one wish for the market? “For more of the community to come to meet our farmers.”

Tessa Dean and Zoe Markwalter, who both live in Beacon, joined the market as co-managers earlier this year and take turns running the show.

Asked what she likes most about the job, Dean said, “Knowing that I’m supporting local agriculture by helping



September color at CSFM

Photo by M. Turton

Market Vendors

Some vendors are not at the market every week. See csfarmmarket.org for a schedule.

Aaron Burr Cidery (Wurtsboro)
Adair Vineyards (New Paltz)
All You Knead Bakers (Beacon)
Breezy Hill Orchard & Cider Mill &
Knollcrest Farm (Staatsburg)
Chaseholm Farm Creamery (Pine Plains)
Chevreaux de la Grange (Pleasant Valley)
Cold Spring Coffee Pantry
Coyote Kitchen (Cornwall)
Dashing Star Farm (Millerton)
EB’s Golden Harvest (Yorktown Heights)
Eggbert’s Free Range Farm
(Washingtonville)
Four Winds Farm (Gardiner)
Full Moon Farm (Gardiner)
Hillrock Estate Distillery (Ancram)
Hudson River Apiaries (Verplanck)
Kat’s Kitchen (Cold Spring)

Kontoulis Family Olive Oil (Larchmont)
Krazy for Kuzu’s (Falls Village, Conn.)
La Talaye (Pomona)
Le’Express Bistro Food Truck
(Wappingers Falls)
Love in a Jar (Putnam Valley)
Liberty Orchards (Highland)
Dan Madura Farms (Middletown)
Noble Pies (Warwick)
North Winds Lavender Farm (Pawling)
OM Champagne Tea (Pound Ridge)
Perry’s Pickles (Rosendale)
Pura Vida Fisheries (Suffolk County)
Rogowski Farm (Pine Island)
Senza Glutine by Carmela (Walden)
Shawangunk Growers (Middletown)
Stockade Farm and Apothecary
(Kingston)
Warwick Valley Winery & Distillery
(Warwick)
Whitecliff Vineyard (Gardiner)

farmers to sell their products.” It doesn’t hurt that she loves eating fresh food, or that her husband is a chef and teacher at the International Culinary Center in Soho.

She loves the work but admits it isn’t always easy. “Really hot weather is the hardest,” she said. “It can be very tiring and physically taxing.” However, she enjoys the transition from summer to fall and the change in the produce being sold. “It’s a very nice time of year.”

Dean describes market customers as “very knowledgeable, very loyal and very local,” although there are a number of out-of-towners who stop.

Markwalter says she loves to watch the small businesses at work each Saturday especially because of her prior work in farming. “I volunteered at Common Ground Farm at Stony Kill Environmental Center,” she says, and also served on its board, including as president. While growing up in urban New Jersey, she had “no food connection. As

Coming to the Market

Sept. 24

10 a.m. Quick Pickling for Kids
11 a.m. Storytime with Mrs. Merry

Oct. 1

10 a.m. Storytime with Usborne Books

Oct. 8

10 a.m. Maya Gottlieb reads from
Good Dog
10 a.m. Classical guitar by Austin Charnis

Oct. 15

10 a.m. Tree ID Walk in Boscobel Gardens

an adult, I really wanted to change that.”

Facing the day at 5 a.m. on a rainy Saturday can be a challenge, she admits. She is a self-proclaimed “weather junkie” as market day approaches, relying on Weather Underground and Dark Sky.

She appreciates that those who run the market, the vendors and the customers share the same values. “What’s most remarkable is that it really is driven by the love,” she says. “This is not high-income generating — it’s not about money.”

Both managers would like to see more educational programs at the market, and Dean envisions increased collaboration with host Boscobel. “We’re in such a beautiful setting here ... and they have a lot of great resources,” she said, citing Hudson River Estuary Essentials, a program led by Boscobel’s museum educator. Markwalter would love to add a composting program. Customers can submit their own ideas to managers@csfarmmarket.org.

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Movies That Matter

Beacon group hopes films can inspire change

By Alison Rooney

The presidential election has led many people to think harder than usual about the issues of the time and how to address them. For the committee members of Movies That Matter, one way is to screen films about modern touchpoints such as climate change, economic inequality, racial justice and political protest.

The films are shown on the last Friday of each month except December at the First Presbyterian Church at 50 Liberty St., followed by a discussion. The screenings begin at 7:30 p.m.

Launched in August 2015, the series is



Kelsey, a student featured in *Paper Tigers*

sponsored by First Presbyterian, the Beacon Independent Film Festival and the Southern Dutchess NAACP, working in collaboration with BeaconArts. The organizers hope the screenings can not only provide information on important topics but be “a catalyst for positive change.”

On Sept. 30, the group will show *Paper Tigers*, a 2015 documentary filmed in a high school in Walla Walla, Washington. It explores the impact of what psychologists call Adverse Childhood Experiences on struggling teens. The film demonstrates how one caring adult can change the trajectory of a young person's life. “We all believe that it is an extraordinarily important film for our community, both for parents and children,” said committee member Joyce Hanson.

As with all the screenings, admission is free, although donations are welcome to benefit the scholarship fund of the Beacon Recreation Department's After School Program.

A panel discussion will follow the film with Marie Dynes of the Dutchess County Department of Community and Behavioral Health, psychotherapist Hope



Students at Lincoln High School in Walla Walla, the subject of the documentary *Paper Tigers*

Photos provided

Turino and Danny Hairston, program director at the Boys & Girls Club of Newburgh. A representative of the Beacon City School District also has been invited.

Past films in the series included *In Our Son's Name*, a portrait of parents who chose reconciliation after their son died in the World Trade Center on Sept. 11. The mother, Phyllis Rodriguez, led the discussion. Others have addressed topics such as the Green Belt movement; activists known as the Yes Men who stage hoaxes to draw attention to “corporate crimes”; American Indian Movement founder Leonard Peltier, jailed since 1975

for murder; mountaintop mining in Appalachia; and an FBI sting operation in Newburgh of four Muslim men supposedly involved in a terrorist plot.

Upcoming films include *Education, Inc.* on Oct. 28, which examines school choice; *Not My Life*, on Nov. 25, which looks at the global exploitation of children; and *Indian Point* on Jan. 27, a film by Ivy Meeropol of Cold Spring that weighs both sides of the nuclear power debate. For more information, see moviesthatmatterbeacon.org.



Diana at a school counseling session in *Paper Tigers*

What Was He Thinking? (from Page 9)

becomes visibly tense and withdrawn, her face increasingly a mask.

Only toward the end of the film does she allow her feelings to cross the distance she's taken from the campaign (and, it would seem, from her husband) since the revelations and the media frenzy. Weiner is watching a clip of an interview in which MSNBC's Lawrence O'Donnell asks him several times, “What's wrong with you?” Weiner seems to be enjoying the moment until we hear Abedin ask him, “Why are you laughing?”

Both good questions for which Weiner has no answers. Many commentators on the film agree with Kriegman that what ails our political system “goes well beyond Anthony's story. You see how much the political conversation in the U.S. is driven by spectacle, sensationalism, and this insatiable appetite for what's entertaining, rather than what's substantive.”

At the same time, it's clear that if there is a star of the film, and a redeem-

ing feature of a tawdry tale, it would have to be Abedin, whose quiet composure while enduring her husband's grossly bad behavior, and the rudeness of paparazzi, all while being filmed, is a study in grace under pressure. Abedin is no stranger to pressure, having been at Hillary Clinton's right hand since working for her when she was First Lady and at the State Department, and she is now vice chairwoman of Clinton's presidential campaign. In *Weiner*, Abedin radiates substantive, and one only wishes her husband had taken notes. (On Aug. 29, after Weiner was again caught sexting, this time by the *New York Post*, Abedin said the couple was separating.)

Weiner will be shown at the Depot Theatre on Garrison's Landing at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 30, followed by a Q&A with Kriegman and a reception. The screening was nearly sold out at press time (brownpapertickets.com/event/2597221); to be added to the wait list, call 845-424-3900.

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Modern Art Space to Open in Philipstown *(from Page 1)*

"It's an art that was reacting to the 'system' and was removed from the traditional gallery space," he continued. "You won't see paintings; you'll see sculpture, fabric, works that respond to what was conventional and traditional. In the same way, Americans were doing minimalism and pop art. Italy and the U.S. had a similar youth reaction to the upheaval that was happening in the world at that time."

Calabrese added that he believes "we are in the same kind of historical moment right now and that reiterates the importance of this work."

The Olnick Spanu collection includes more than 400 pieces, many large enough to require installation. The couple began collecting Arte Povera after seeing examples at a modern art museum in Turin; they also own a stunning collection of 500 pieces of Murano glass.

Appointments to visit Magazzino will likely be offered in hourly increments, which anyone will be able to book online or by phone, Calabrese said. A shuttle service is planned to the Metro-North station in Cold Spring, and Magazzino will host talks, performances and workshops — some tailored to experts, others to the public. "We want to educate and share this in a friendly, accessible way," Calabrese said, as part of its founders' mission to introduce Italian art to the Hudson Valley. An introductory film is planned, as well as pamphlets and publications.

Olnick (who was traveling with Spanu in Italy and unavailable for immediate comment) told *The New York Times* on Sept. 14: "It's difficult for people to come in and just look at art that is so conceptual, you have to give it some kind of background to put it in context. These

aren't just pretty pictures." She added: "We believe that Arte Povera is the last avant-garde movement of 20th century, and we think it has legs, and a future, if people know about it."

The project suffered from birthing pains. In 2012, Olnick and Spanu had hoped to construct the space on their estate on Avery Road. Neighbors filled a public hearing to protest the scale of the project, which they argued did not fit with the residential and rustic character of the road.

At that meeting, Olnick said, "We feel the same way as the rest of the neighbors ... We like the same things you like ... the quiet, the peace. We've tried and will continue to try to allay any concerns anybody has. We love the community up here. We have the same values."

After the hearing, Olnick and Spanu put the project on hold. "The decision, after the 2012 situation, was to listen to the community, to relocate and not create any tensions," and the Route 9 location turned out to be a better spot, Calabrese said. "What is better than moving from computers [Cyberchron's business] to art? Actually, we're told it used to be a dairy and this is giving a third life to the building."

In 2013 and 2014, the Town of Philipstown and various New York regulatory authorities gave relatively quick approval to the project, noting that it would take place in a previously disturbed, paved area. The design incorporated the surroundings, Calabrese said. "Each 'box' opens to the outside, and



The new building under construction at Magazzino

Photo by Marco Anelli

we'll be considerate of nature. We're planting an orchard there, a place for people to be outside to eat, and where we'll host events. We want people to feel comfortable."

Most of the exterior has been completed, along with some interior fittings, much of it done by local contractors, he said. The plans call for 18,000 square feet of flexible space for the permanent collection and rotating exhibitions. (The first will feature highlights of the permanent collection.) The balance of the space will house a library of more than 5,000 publications on Italian art, most of which are not readily available in the U.S.; this is envisioned as a mecca for researchers and students. There will also be office space.

A website, social media pages and email newsletter have been created to provide updates. See magazzino.org.

Masters of "Poor Art"

Magazzino will contain works by a number of prominent Arte Povera sculptors, including:

Mario Merz (1925-2003) His focus was on organic creation. Trademark structure: the igloo.



Venus of the Rags, by Michelangelo Pistoletto

Michelangelo Pistoletto (b. 1933) Best known for mirrors arranged so spectator sees his or her own reflection.

Jannis Kounellis (b. 1936) Noted for

strange objects and constructions from mattresses, sacks, blankets and blood, designed to suggest deprivation.

Alighiero Boetti (1940-1994) Specialized in colored-wood creations, tapestry art, embroidery for viewer to decipher.

Luciano Fabro (b. 1936) Noted for mixed-media works that juxtapose vegetable, mineral and other organic structures. Later began sculpting in marble.

Giuseppe Penone (b. 1947) Known for use of natural materials such as tree trunks.

Gilberto Zorio (b. 1944) Noted for innovative materials such as incandescent light tubes, steel and pitch; motifs such as the star and javelin and processes such as evaporation and oxidation, as well as for precarious installations with fragile materials.

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Walk, Don't Run

Club promotes "non-competitive" sports

By Mary Ann Ebner

The Volkssport Club at West Point may call the military academy home, but members and friends of the walking club lace up their shoes to explore well beyond its grounds. Volkssporters — the root translates from the German as "sports for the people" — walk routes of 5 or 10 kilometers (3.1 or 6.2 miles) on both sides of the Hudson.

The concept took hold in 1968 in Germany when public running clubs from four countries organized walks in which participants were awarded for achievement, not time. The first volkswalk was held in the U.S. in 1976, and soon after an organization now known as the American Volkssport Association was formed.

Today the AVA has about 300 chapters in all 50 states. In New York state there are clubs at West Point, Albany, Buffalo, Central Valley and Cortlandt. Walking is by far the most popular volkssport, but participants also hike, bike, swim, cross-country ski and snowshoe.

On Sunday, Sept. 18, the West Point club hosted a walk through Cold Spring as part of the 17th annual Hudson River Valley Ramble. Nine people gathered at the Cold Spring Depot restaurant at 9 a.m. in slightly overcast conditions to explore Main Street, Scenic Hudson's West Point Foundry Preserve and the Village of Nelsonville.

Nancy Patrick, 80, who is the West Point club's president, chose the 5-kilometer course. "All I need are my good old New Balance or Reeboks, and some of us have walking sticks," said Patrick, who lives in Fort Montgomery.

The West Point club, founded in 1988, has 85 members and about 300 people on its mailing list, said Joan Kimmel, who drove from Poughkeepsie. "This group welcomes everyone, families, people with strollers, you can even

bring your dog as long as it's on a leash and you pick up after it."

Under a canopy of clouds that held back the predicted rain, the walk started on Main Street and wound through the Foundry Preserve. The 10-kilometer course continued into Nelsonville. The guide for the morning was trailmaster Tom Scuccimarra, a former judge in Philipstown, Nelsonville and Cold Spring, who shared historical details, including a description of 19th-century life in the village. He also provided a printed guide with navigational cues and checkpoint questions.

The West Point club hosts five walks each year on the east side of the river, including in Beacon, which Scuccimarra also mapped. In addition, the club has routes for



Tom Scuccimarra of Philipstown, trailmaster for the Volkssport Club at West Point, led the walk on Sept. 18.

Photos by M.A. Ebner



Joan Kimmel uses a volkssport record book to track her walks.

the Walkway Over the Hudson, Highlands Falls, Hyde Park and Rhinebeck. On the west side, it has trails in Central Valley, Cornwall, Fort Montgomery, Highland Falls, New Paltz, Nyack and at West Point.

Sign-in sheets and instructions are available at each route's start point, which in Cold Spring is the Depot Restaurant and in Beacon the Yankee Clipper Diner at 397 Main St. (The route begins around the corner at 168 Teller Ave.) Maps also can be downloaded at avaclubs.org/WestPoint. Although the club organizes special events and holds monthly walks, the routes can be tackled at any time.

Andrew Schmidt, another member from Poughkeepsie, has logged more than 550 walks. He said that typically people will attend a volkssport event strictly for the exercise but make friends and become more involved. In addition, he's a history buff, and "with many walks, like this one [in Cold Spring], we cover history. Volkssporting is not a race and it's equally a social activity."

That combination is what drew Armen Nishanian to drive from Larchmont for the Sept. 18 walk. "I came up for the walk and for the exercise, to see Cold Spring and the Foundry," he said. "And I'm enjoying my Sunday morning."

There is no fee to participate, but donations are welcome. Members pay \$10 in annual dues and \$3 at each event to defray expenses, which include tracking their walks in books that resemble passports. Volkssporting recognizes completion with patches, pins and, for the ambitious, the status of "50 Stater." As the group rambled along the Hudson over a path at Foundry Dock Park, Schmidt expressed his appreciation for the club's president.

"Nancy finished her 50th walk in her 50th state on her 50th wedding anniversary," he said of Patrick, who, along with her husband Farrell, will leave soon for a leisurely stroll in New Mexico.



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Scenic Hudson Wants to Expand Riverside Park

Decade-old proposal for hotel and center set aside

By Jeff Simms

Scenic Hudson has asked the Beacon Planning Board for approval to expand its riverside Long Dock Park with a plaza, boardwalk, walking path, seating pavilions and 26 new parking spots. A public hearing is expected in October. If the board approves the plans, Scenic Hudson could break ground early next year.

Since it opened in 2011, the major attraction of the 15-acre Long Dock Park has been a pavilion that provides easy access to the Hudson for kayakers. From there, the park extends inland to the Klara Sauer running path, which would eventually tie into the proposed Beacon-to-Cold Spring Fjord Trail, with which Scenic Hudson is also involved.

Long Dock's boundary to the north is the River Center, the restored "red barn" where Scenic Hudson holds arts and environmental programs.

Its plans call for creation of a plaza adjacent to the kayak pavilion with a boardwalk, riverside path and pavilion seating. The new parking spots would bring the total to 87. Scenic Hudson has also requested bids from food trucks to operate on the site.

"There are not a lot of places in Beacon where you can pop down and get a bite to eat," explained Meg Rasmussen, a Scenic Hudson park planner. "You'll be able to sit out and watch things going on at the kayak pavilion or on the river. We've found that many activities evolve organically [at the park], so a lot of our events are driven by



The kayak pavilion at Long Dock Park

Photo by Robert Rodriguez, Jr. / Scenic Hudson



The River Center at Long Dock Park

Photo provided by Scenic Hudson

what the community brings to us."

Scenic Hudson's plan is a dramatic downshift from what it had proposed nearly a decade ago, when it planned an environmentally friendly hotel and conference center at Long Dock. That vision evaporated after the economic downturn of 2008 and again after severe flooding caused by Hurricane Sandy.

When the non-profit first shared its proposal with the Planning Board over the summer, there was pushback from board members who still hoped to see commercial development. Chair Jay Sheers in June called the change of direction "very disappointing," but by August the tone seemed to have softened when board member David Burke volunteered that food trucks were the "perfect solution" to introduce dining at the park.

Rasmussen said the idea of a commercial development in the park was long considered by Scenic Hudson. "We took a really hard look at it," she said, "including research on the economics of a restaurant." But the organization determined that it was not the best place for the project, given its history of repeated and, at times, catastrophic flooding.

With that in mind, the group began designing what she called "a park that will flood," with elevated parking and meadows where flood



A map of Long Dock Park

Image courtesy of Scenic Hudson

waters can infiltrate into the ground.

Once home to a dilapidated junkyard and oil storage facility, the Long Dock site was purchased incrementally by Scenic Hudson beginning in 1996. Since its opening, the park has become popular not only as a kayak launch but for outdoor educational programming, yoga classes and the annual Pumpkins in the Park jack-o-lantern lighting festival.

Scenic Hudson also discussed with the Beacon River Pool opening a larger swimming site in the Hudson at Long Dock, but abandoned the idea, citing liability risks.



A view of Long Dock Park

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Rick Brownell and Robert Doyle in front of the Ford Explorer they will pilot on *The Fireball Run* Photo provided

Fireball Run to Stop in Beacon, Mahopac

Reality show pits 40 teams racing 2,000 miles

The teams competing in the tenth season of *The Fireball Run*, a reality show that streams in real-time on Amazon and airs on television in Europe, will make stops in Beacon on Wednesday, Sept. 28, and Mahopac on Saturday, Sept. 30. The show tracks 40 teams of contestants as they drive 2,000 miles in a seven-day "epic quest for America's most obscure and historic artifacts" while promoting the national search for missing children.

The hometown teams are Distinctly Dutchess (Rick Brownell, owner of Freedom Ford, his wife Nancy Rossi Brownell, vice president for Putnam for the Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley, and auctioneer Robert Doyle). They will be driving a 2016 Ford Explorer. Team Putnam (Johnny and Sean) will have a Shelby GT500.

On Wednesday, Sept. 28, the teams will arrive on Main Street in Beacon near Hudson Beach Glass at about 3 p.m. and stay for three hours before being escorted by police to Poughkeepsie for a ticketed dinner at the Poughkeepsie Grand. They will depart the next day for Saratoga County at 10 a.m. from Poughkeepsie City Hall.

On Friday, Sept. 30, the teams will ar-

rive in Mahopac at about 2 p.m. and the cars will be on display until 6 p.m. At 3 p.m. the Italian American Club of Mahopac hosts its Evening in the Piazza at Chamber Park.

The teams depart the next morning at 9 a.m. to finish the race in Amesbury, Mass.

Focus, Philipstown

Yoga studio to present series

Beginning Sept. 30, Living Yoga Studios in Cold Spring kicks off a Friday night series of focusing workshops led by Leslie Mott.

"Focusing is a simple technique to access the body's wisdom," Mott said. "It helps to integrate the body with the mind, gives relief from tension, stress and chronic pain, and helps us to be more attentive and friendly to ourselves and others." The class will include gentle yoga, discussion and group exercises. For more information, email info@livingyogastudios.com.

Hatching a Plan for Chickens?

Introductory course set for Oct. 1

Whether you dream of owning a few or a flock, Raising Backyard Chickens at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Putnam Valley Grange will cover all the basics, from choosing a coop to understanding breeds and, most important, protecting the birds from predators.

The Grange is holding a Live Poultry & Farm Animal Market from 9 a.m.



Man's second-best friend Photo provided

to 1 p.m. on the same day, so participants can go home with new feathered friends. To register for the workshop, visit putnamvalleygrange.org. The fee is \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. The Grange Hall is located on Peekskill Hollow Road at Mill Street.

Babysitter Certification

Butterfield continues popular class

Learn the basics of childcare to earn extra money through babysitting. Taught by Amanda Tucker, a certified teacher in Early Childhood, General Education, and Special Education with a master's degree in literacy, the four-hour class begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Butterfield Library. It is open to anyone age 10 and older. Registration is required at butterfieldlibrary.org or at the library. Certificates will be awarded after a test at the end of the session.



Graymoor will offer blessings for pets on Oct. 2.

Blessing of the Animals

Graymoor to host procession

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 2, the friars at the Graymoor Spiritual Life Center, 40 Franciscan Way (off Route 9) in Garrison, invite the community to a procession and blessings at the outdoor Shrine of St. Anthony. All pets must be leashed or in a carrier. In the event of rain, the blessing will take place in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Atonement. Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Call 845-424-2111 for more information.

Coming of Age with a Cat

Phil Geoffrey Bond will perform Oct. 1

Anyone who's owned a feline will be able to relate to *My Friend, the Cat*, by Phil Geoffrey Bond, who will perform his memoir with musical accompaniment at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Philipstown Depot Theatre in Garrison. The show, which tells the story of Bond's 10-year relationship with his cat, Chesterson, includes a number of Broadway singers sharing songs by Billy Joel, Carole King and Andrew Lloyd Webber. The show debuted off-Broadway in 2007.

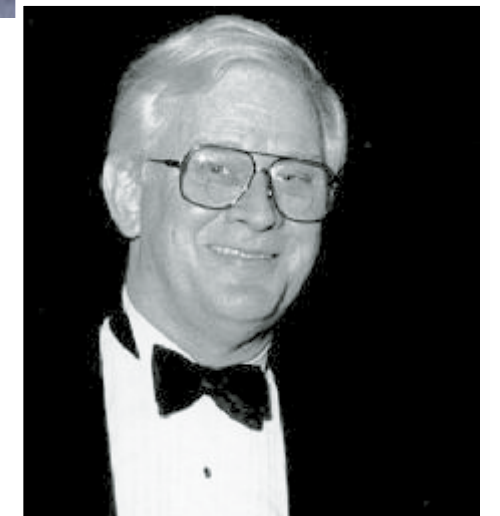


Phil Geoffrey Bond with Chesterson

History Museum to Honor Bill Hicks

Annual gala set for Sept. 25 at Highlands Country Club

The Putnam History Museum will honor Bill Hicks at its annual gala on Sunday, Sept. 25, at the Highlands Country Club in Garrison. The event begins at 5 p.m. Hicks, a longtime former Garrison resident, will receive the General Israel Putnam Trailblazer award for



Bill Hicks when he joined the PHM board 20 years ago

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his leadership at the museum.

From 2013 to 2014, Hicks spearheaded a reconceptualization of the museum's permanent West Point Foundry gallery, which includes a restored 10-pounder Parrott cannon as its centerpiece. He has also given generously of his expertise from his career in theater, politics and fundraising to the Constitution Island Association, Constitution Marsh Audubon Sanctuary, Desmond-Fish Library and Army Gymnastics Endowment. Hicks and his partner (now spouse) of nearly 50 years, Bill Sadler, reside in Chapel Hill, N.C., and Greenwich Village.

The museum will also honor the Bell family of Garrison with its Historic Family Award.

To purchase tickets, which start at \$275, visit eventbrite.com and search for "Putnam History Museum." The gala is chaired by Dorothy and Jim Klein. For more information, call Rachel Ornstein at 845-265-4010.

Party for Chapel Restoration

Fundraiser scheduled for Oct. 1

Betsy and Emerson Pugh will host a lawn party to benefit the Chapel Restoration in Cold Spring at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1, at their home at 3 Rock St. Guests are invited to enjoy a view of the sunset over Storm King, listen to the Gwen Laster Jazz Quartet and enjoy refreshments. For more information, visit chapelrestoration.org or call 845-265-5537. Tickets are \$60 in advance or \$70 at the door.

Support Connection to Hold Walk-a-thon

Group helps women with cancer

Support Connection in Yorktown Heights is a non-profit serving women affected by breast and ovarian cancer and their families. On Oct. 2 at FDR State Park, it will host its annual three-mile Support-A-Walk. For more information or to donate, visit supportconnection.org.



Participants at a past Support-a-Walk

Design Your Own Website

New firm offers two-session workshop

Need a website but have no budget? Learn how to build and promote your own online space in two four-hour sessions on Oct. 4 and 5 at the Cold Spring Coffee Pantry on Route 9. The workshop is presented by a new firm called You Made. Greg Remillard and Nicole Stagg will focus on building a professional-looking site using WordPress. The class also covers digital marketing and search engine optimization techniques. To view the agenda and register, visit youmade.io. The cost is \$569 and the workshop is limited to 10 participants.

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Putt-Putt for Poverty

Benefit for Community Action Partnership

The Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County, which works to eliminate poverty, will host a putt-putt golf fundraiser on Friday, Sept. 30, and Saturday, Oct. 1, at DC Sports in Wappingers Falls.

Corporate teams are invited to register for the Friday competition, which begins at 5:30 p.m. and costs \$40 per person, and families can play on Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. for \$20 per player, which includes free snacks and drinks and access to a bouncy house, bumper boats and face painting. Register at puttforeaction.org or call 845-452-5104, ext. 130.

Chamber Circle and Heuer Honored with Art Awards

To be presented at ceremony on Oct. 6

The founders of the Howland Chamber Music Circle and a Beacon photographer are among the honorees who will be recognized at the 30th Annual Dutchess County Executive's Arts Awards on Oct. 6 at Villa Borghese in Wappingers Falls.

When they first visited the Howland Cultural Center in the early 1990s, Gwen and Bill Stevens say they immediately saw

its potential as a chamber music concert venue. They have since organized 12 ensembles annually but are stepping down this year.

Meredith Heuer, a photographer and artist, will be recognized for her contributions to arts in education. When her son started school in Beacon, she joined and led the Beacon Arts and Education Foundation, raising money for programming. As a newly elected member of the Beacon school board, she has said she will continue her advocacy for the arts in the district.



A Howland Chamber Music Series concert

Photo provided

To attend the awards dinner, RSVP by Sept. 26 at artsmidhudson.org or by calling 845-454-3222. Tickets start at \$100.

Escher String Quartet at Howland Center

Mendelssohn, Bartok and Dvorak on play list

On Sunday, Oct. 2, at 2 p.m., the Escher String Quartet from New York City will perform at the Howland Cultural Center as part of the Howland Chamber Music series. The group, formed in 2005, will play Mendelssohn's *String Quartet in D Major, Op. 44 No. 1*, Bartók's *String Quartet No. 2* and Dvorak's *String Quartet in G Major, Op. 106*, followed by a reception. For tickets, visit howlandmusic.org or call 845-765-3012. Admission is \$30 for adults and \$10 for students.



The Escher String Quartet

Photo provided

Fund Your Art

Group will explain how to apply

Artists, art organizations and art educators can learn how to receive grant money from Arts Mid-Hudson at an information session at the Howland Public Library at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1. (Another session will take place at 3 p.m. on Oct. 20 at the Ann Street Gallery

in Newburgh.) The funds, which originate with the New York Council on the Arts, can be used for exhibitions, workshops, performances, festivals, concerts, plays, temporary installations, screenings or readings, for the creation of new work by an artist, and to support skill-based workshops. More than \$100,000 is available. The deadline is Nov. 15. Visit artsmidhudson.org for details.

Clay Studio to Host Clearwater Benefit

Includes performance by Hudson River Sloop Singers

To celebrate American Craft Week, Peekskill Clay Studios is partnering with Clearwater, which operates the Hudson River sloop of the same name,

for OctoberFEAST, a benefit from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Hat Factory at 1000 N. Division St. in Peekskill. It includes access to the exhibit *Rivers and Tides: Ceramics along the Hudson*, a barbecue lunch, music by the Hudson River Sloop Singers and a silent auction. Visit peekskillclaystudios.com.

The rain date is Oct. 15.



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Caught Between Two Districts *(from Page 8)*

Westchester towns haven't reassessed in decades.

However, Wolham said this variation doesn't account for what Continental Village property owner perceive as unfairness in the system. He also said the fact that the idea that the equalization rate applied to Continental Village homes is skewed by the expensive homes in Garrison doesn't compute. He said a review of 15 years of Philipstown's equalization rates revealed only a small margin above the state average.

Reassessment

"From our perspective, the best recommendation we can offer to insure a fair apportionment and fair property taxes at the individual level is to do what is known as a re-assessment," said Wolham. While many residents embraced that idea, officials threw cold water on it.

Galef, who chairs the state assembly's Real Property Committee, said legislation to require regular updating of real estate assessments has gone nowhere for years in the legislature. Members, she said, fear the consequences of demanding that communities reassess, which can lead to big tax increases for some property owners (and reductions for others).

Philipstown Supervisor Richard Shea said a state law requiring towns and cities to reassess but that didn't also provide the funds to do so would be useless. Towns are handcuffed by the state spending tax cap and could not consider doing a reassessment on its own, given the estimated

cost of more than \$300,000. A county-wide reassessment was last done in 1996.

Kenney told the Continental Village residents their problem stemmed from a high-priced school district and that the only real option was merger with another, less-expensive district. He said it was "ridiculous" that state law permitted school districts such as Garrison to go without paying toward supporting a high school, creating a tax-rate disparity with Continental Village and residents of the Haldane school district. Garrison's rate per thousand dollars of assessed value is approximately half that of surrounding Philipstown areas.

Michael Leonard, a town board member and Continental Village resident, has spearheaded efforts to find a resolution. "This is one in a series of meetings we have been hosting with C.V. residents about this issue," he wrote in an email. "I suggested we have what I call an 'options' meeting to discuss any and all possible options not knowing at this time if they are legally allowed or whether they even make financial sense or do the majority of C.V. residents even want to do it? But those are things you discover when you look into each option. You don't want to eliminate any idea right now."

Some residents are getting behind the idea of withdrawing from the Lakeland district. But it remains to be seen if parents of school-age children would get behind that effort.

Crabbing on the Hudson



Ed Segur of Germantown hauled in a dozen blue crabs off of Cold Spring's dock on Sept. 18.

Photos by Mary Ann Ebner

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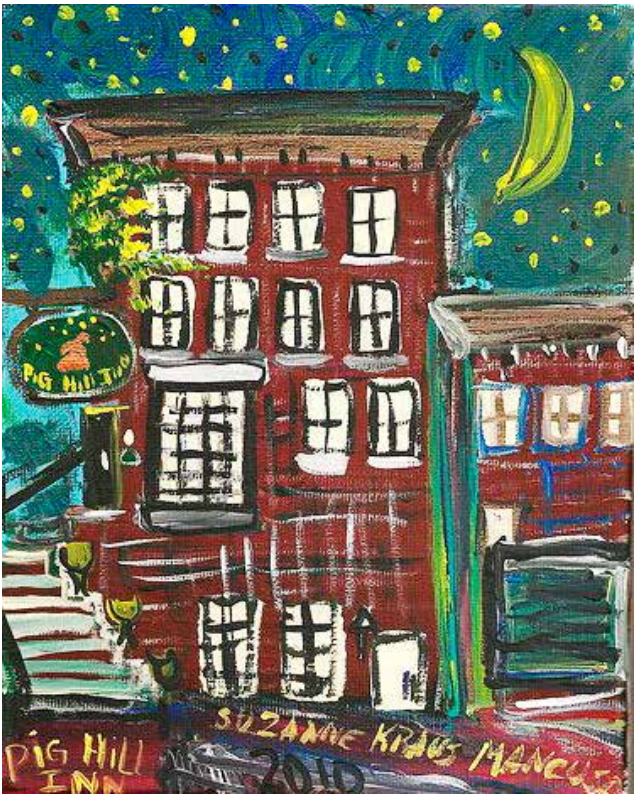
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The Pig Hill Inn, 73 Main St.

Portraits of the Village

The folk artist Suzanne Mancuso, a native of Putnam County, has launched a quest to paint a portrait of every storefront on Main Street in Cold Spring. (Email photos to shirleyinoz@aol.com.) In a previous project that took five years, Mancuso painted more than 1,175 churches, temples and shrines from 195 countries. In 2010 in Yorktown Heights she painted a 1,000-square-foot Virgin Mary.

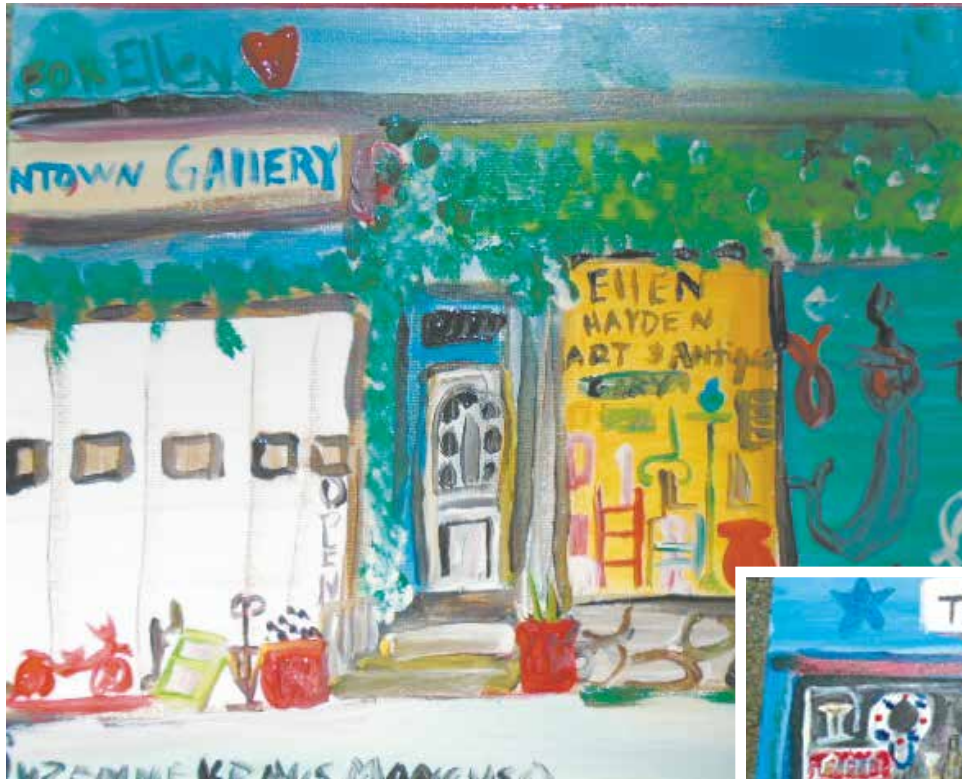
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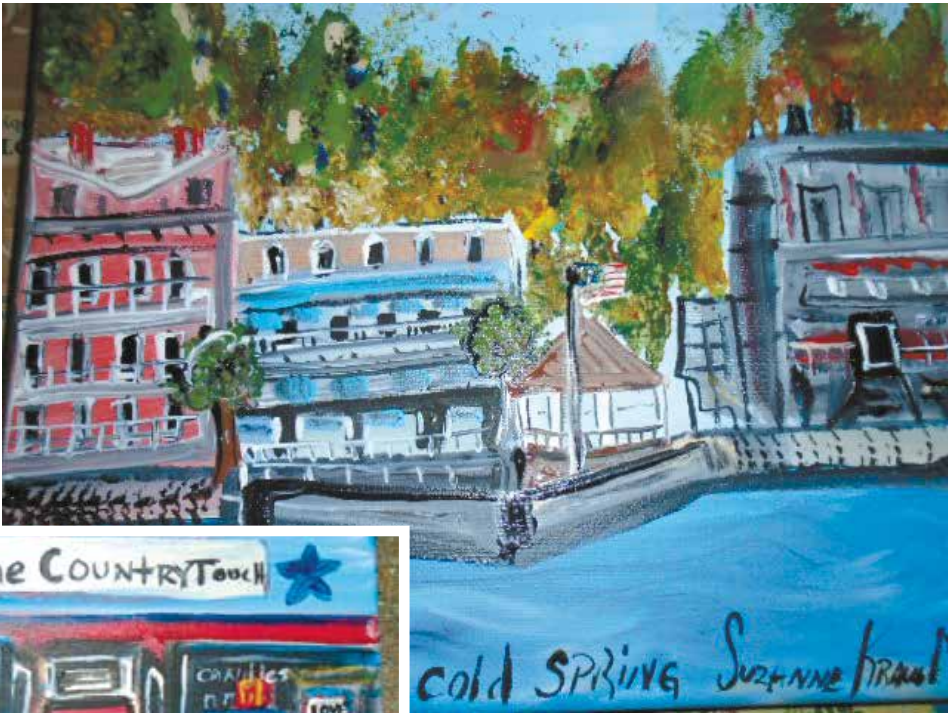
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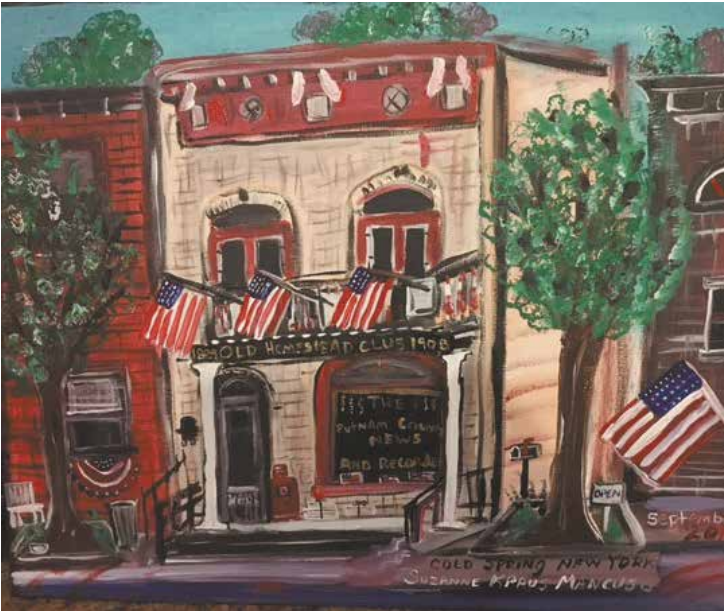
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Downtown Gallery and Ellen Hayden Gallery, 40 Main St.



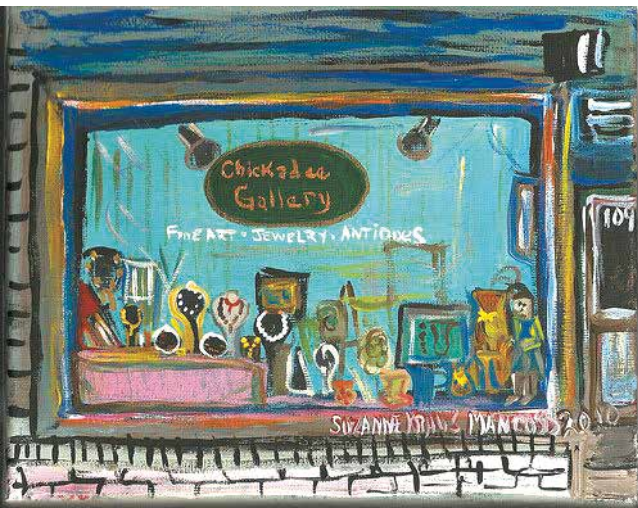
A view of the foot of Main St.



The Putnam County News & Recorder, 144 Main St.



The Country Touch, 97 Main St.



Left, Chickadee Gallery, 109 Main St.; above, The Highlands Current, 161 Main St.

Sports

High School Scoreboard

Cross Country

Beacon @ Suffern Invitational
(Bear Mountain)

34 Jean Pena 17:49.90
40 Bud Rutkoske 17:55.90
62 Richard Kish 18:49.30
112 Ethan Burgos 23:09.90

93 Jamilyah Reed 24:39.70
114 Jenna Maffei 32:18.30

Football

Bronxville 40, Haldane 15
The Blue Devils had two costly fumbles early in the game. Haldane scoring: Brandon Twoguns 61-yard pass to Luke Junjulus; 2-point conversion pass to Joey DiGregorio; Sam Giachinta 3-yard run.

Next: Sept. 24 at Pawling

Harrison 28, Beacon 21
A heartbreaker as Harrison had a goal-line stand in the last minute to win. Bulldogs scoring: Jaden Navarro 78-yard pass to Alex Benson; 60-yard pass to Forever Williams. Benson rushed 102 yards with a three-yard TD run. Williams had 6 receptions for 125 yards. Defense led by Joey Ferrone with 13 tackles. Three extra points by Andre Davis.

Next: Sept. 24 vs. Byram Hills

Boys' Soccer

Peekskill 5, Beacon 1
Ketcham 3, Beacon 2

Girls' Soccer

Albertus Magnus 3, Haldane 0
Haldane 0, North Salem 0 (OT)
Beacon 2, Hendrick Hudson 1
Goals: Victoria Banks (2), Assists: Chloe Antalek (1); Saves: Meegan Meeuwisse (6)

Beacon 3, Nyack 0
Beacon 3, Sleepy Hollow 1

Volleyball

Beacon 3, Haldane 2
Haldane: Kills: Monteleone (2), Patinella (6), O'Dell (3), Fitzgerald (2), Vahos (18); Aces: Monteleone (1), Patinella (2), Carnabuci (4), O'Dell (3), Duncan (1), Vahos (4), Etta (2); Assists: Carnabuci (17), Vahos (7)

Keio Academy 3, Haldane 0
Haldane 3, Ketcham 0
Jazmyn O'Dell: 7 aces, including 5 consecutive; Brooke Vahos: 10 kills, 9 assists; Apryl Norton: 5 aces

Peekskill 3, Beacon 0



Pictured from left: Nick Farrell, Ellis Osterfeld, Kyle Kisslinger, Coach Tom Locascio, Adam Silhavy, Jonas Petkus, Brett Schwartz and Andrew Silhavy. Photo by Peter Farrell

Haldane Boys Win First Major Meet

The Haldane boys' country-country team won the 20-school second division of the Queensbury Invitational on Sept. 17 at Queensbury High School in upstate New York. Coach Tom Locascio said he believes this is the first time the Blue Devils had finished first at a major meet. The Haldane girls also had a strong showing, finishing seventh of 20 teams in the second division.

Finishes

04 Nick Farrell 17:02.17
05 Adam Silhavy 17:27.78
25 Jonas Petkus 18:45.67
34 Ellis Osterfeld 19:11.96
59 Andrew Silhavy 20:05.12
74 Kyle Kisslinger 20:30.48
101 Brett Schwartz 21:32.60

14 Ruby McEwen 21:22.40
31 Heather Winne 22:46.48
35 Taylor Farrell 22:57.78
46 Shannon Ferri 23:32.35
84 Olivia McDermott 25:19.36
93 Meghan Ferri 26:00.32

Boys' team results

1. Haldane (120 points), 18:30 average
2. Voorheesville (124) 18:34 average
3. Schuylerville (129) 18:40 average
4. North Warren (152) 19:01 average
5. Maple Hill (158) 19:02 average

Philipstown Soccer Club Results

Boys

U14 Warriors 3, Greenwood 3
Goals: Christian Moreno (2; from Gus Grossman, penalty kick); Zachary Cannova (from Graeme McGrath).

U13 Arsenal 4, Red Hook 0
Goals: Evan Maasik (3, from Stephen Robinson, Ryan Eng-Wong and Patrick DiNardo); Rowen Kuzminski (1)

U11 Strikers 4, Kingston 0
Goals: Kingston deflection (1), Max Westphal (3)
Newburgh 2, U8 Storm 0

Girls

Cortlandt 2, U13 Raptors 0
Algonquin 4, U12 Phoenix 2
Goals: Delaney Horan (2)



The Haldane girls' soccer team tied North Salem on Sept. 21, 0 - 0. Photos by Donna Pidala



Beacon lost a heartbreaker on Sept. 16 when Harrison stopped the Bulldogs on a goal-line stand in the last minute. Photo by Rem Dinio