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Costumes and candy were aplenty at the annual Hocus Pocus kids' parade in Beacon. (For more photos, see [highlandscurrent.com](http://highlandscurrent.com))

Photos by Russ Cusick



Garrison ambulances

Photo courtesy of GVAC

## Antidote Saves Two Heroin Users on Same Day

*Garrison responders  
disheartened by influx of  
overdoses*

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

The Garrison Volunteer Ambulance Corps responded to two heroin overdoses on Oct. 22 in what Capt. Derek Tudor called a sign of an escalating epidemic.

Tudor said Garrison EMTs answered the first call Saturday morning and the second that night. In both cases, the victim was a young adult male who had been found unresponsive by family (Continued on Page 7)

## Seeking Justice

*Two candidates hope to fill  
Philipstown judge seat*

Philipstown justices typically run unopposed. However, when Judge Alan Steiner resigned earlier this year amid allegations of misconduct, three candidates for his job emerged: Democrats Camille Linson and Luke Hilpert and Republican Faye Thorpe. Linson defeated Hilpert in a primary Sept. 13 and now faces Thorpe in the general election Nov. 8.

The Current's Michael Turton interviewed each candidate separately; their responses have been abbreviated.

Both were cautious with their answers. Although judges run on party lines, the New York State Bar Association cautions candidates not to engage in political commentary. (One of the three charges against Steiner was that he posted his thoughts about national politics on Facebook.)



Faye Thorpe and Camille Linson



Photos by M. Turton

### What is your primary motivation for running?

**Thorpe:** I've always wanted to be a judge. I'm very lucky in my position as an attorney with the Putnam County Department of Social Services to be able to use my pas-

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## Spectra Gas Pipeline Days From Operation

*Opponents warn of  
catastrophic safety risk*

By Jeff Simms

A pipeline that runs a quarter-mile from the Indian Point nuclear power plant near Peekskill is scheduled to begin pumping tons of natural gas Nov. 1, despite protests by residents and activists in several states who say it creates a major safety hazard.

Known as the Algonquin Incremental Market (AIM) pipeline expansion, the 42-inch-wide pipeline is being constructed by Spectra Energy, based in Houston. In New York, it runs through Rockland, Westchester and Putnam counties and under the Hudson River on its way to New England. Spectra says the pipeline will allow "abundant regional natural gas supplies from the Appalachian basin to flow reliably into the [Northeast], helping to meet the increasing demand while lowering energy costs."

In the Hudson Valley, opponents of the

project have focused on the pipeline's route near Indian Point.

"These pipelines do blow up, and they blow up in spectacular ways," said Cliff Weathers, a spokesman for Riverkeeper, which has led opposition to the project. "There's no way you can prevent these [chain] explosions."

Riverkeeper and a coalition of other groups have filed a federal lawsuit challenging the project's approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). That (Continued on Page 8)



Cook On: 1 part chaos, 2 parts calm

# All-Purpose Pasta

By Mary Ann Ebner

Although average strands of spaghetti dressed with a homemade sauce typically fill the dinner plates at our house, there's no argument that to appreciate the beauty of true noodles — prepared with eggs, flour and a little olive oil — you need fresh pasta.

For fine pasta selections, like the hand-rolled pasta at Manhattan restaurant Felidia, it's hard to beat what culinary pros create with dough. It's completely unlikely that the pasta from my own kitchen will ever measure up to the delicate egg pastas turned out at Felidia, but every now and then I attempt to roll my own dough.

Purchasing high-end dried pasta that's perfect in flavor and texture is another option. A couple of weeks ago, my family dropped in at the newest location of Eataly, the gastronomic store, at 4 World Trade Center. Lidia Bastianich, who created Felidia, has a hand in Eataly, along with her son, Joe Bastianich, and chef Mario Batali. Besides its selection of fine pasta, Eataly includes a restaurant and gourmet marketplace stocked with spices, oils, olives, bread, cheeses, wine — anything imaginable to create an "Eatalian" dinner.

Shelf after shelf of perfectly packaged

nests of noodles filled me up even before I tasted (and devoured) the agnolotti during dinner. Long pastas, short pastas, pastas for soup, little pillows of pasta and thick, ridged and hollow pastas were all within reach. It's an inspirational place.

With so many shapes and sizes to choose from at groceries like Foodtown in Cold Spring — including selections of gluten-free rice- and corn-blended noodles — it's convenient to buy ready-to-cook pasta. But making basic egg pasta dough isn't all that taxing. It's not essential, but



Cut pasta strips to desired shape by machine or hand.



Fresh egg pasta with acorn squash vegetable medley

Photos by M.A. Ebner

## Pasta Dough

- Serves 4 to 6
- 2½ cups all-purpose flour
  - 4 eggs
  - 2 tablespoons olive oil

Place flour in mixing bowl (if especially coordinated, pour the flour directly onto work surface) and create a well in the center. Crack eggs into the well and slowly beat eggs. Mix in olive oil and gradually work eggs into flour. If necessary, add a tablespoon of water to moisten. Knead dough until smooth. Finish kneading on flat surface. Form a ball of dough, cover and let dough rest 30 minutes.

Slice the dough into sections, dust with flour and, using a pasta machine, pass the sections through flat pasta rollers. Lightly flour pasta sections after each pass. Repeat, adjusting the width for a thinner sheet. Once desired thickness is reached, pass dough sheets through cutters. If hand-rolling, roll dough to thin consistency and cut into desired types.

Bring a large pan of salted water to boil. Drop pasta into water little by little and cook uncovered until pasta rises and floats. Test a noodle to make sure it's tender and done before removing from the cooking pot. Toss with sauce, vegetables, or top with light butter and finish with freshly grated cheese.

## Sautéed Squash

- 1 large acorn squash, peeled and cubed
- 2 carrots, diced
- ½ sweet onion, diced
- 1 stalk celery, thinly sliced
- 2 cups hominy, rinsed
- ⅓ cup olive oil
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- ½ teaspoon chili powder
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- salt and pepper to taste

Mix olive oil with spices over medium heat. Add onions, celery, carrots and squash. Cook until tender. Add hominy. Mix thoroughly and season with salt and pepper. Serve over pasta.

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# Cold Spring Fire Company Gets a Surprise Gift

*No fundraising appeal this year but expenses still loom*

By Michael Turton

The Cold Spring Fire Company is giving village residents a year off from the all-volunteer fire department's annual community fundraising drive, thanks to the generosity of a former local resident.

Steve Etta, financial secretary with CSFC, said the fire company has received a bequest as part of the estate of a woman who used to live in Cold Spring. The fire company declined to identify the individual or the amount of the bequest, but Etta said it was in the range of annual fundraising drive that typically raises \$20,000 to \$24,000.

The annual appeal is CSFC's largest fundraising effort and goes to residents

served by the fire company in Cold Spring, Nelsonville and a small portion of Philipstown. The money raised is used to cover the gap between funds provided by the three municipalities and the cost of running the fire company. When possible, part of the funds are set aside to help with equipment purchases.

Etta said that for this year, at least, the gift will "take a little bit of the burden off taxpayers," he said, adding that the unnamed estate also made contributions to other local organizations.

Etta, who has been a member of CSFC for 46 years, said the fire company's annual appeal has been a fixture since the 1970s but took off in the 1980s. "We had a couple of big fires then and people saw how we do things," he said. Etta said in its best year, the campaign raised \$30,000.

Although the appeal won't take place this year, it's not because the CSFC couldn't use the money, Etta said, citing



Steve Etta at the Cold Spring firehouse

Photo by M. Turton

the increasingly high cost of replacing aging equipment. "The tanker-pumper we bought in 2009 cost \$480,000 equipped," he said. "We'll probably have to buy another truck in about 10 years." CSFC replaces vehicles every 20 to 25 years, he said.

Then there is the firehouse itself. At a recent meeting of the village board, Mayor Dave Merandy referenced a 2012 engineering report that noted the building's roof supports, including footings, exterior walls and pilasters, were all in poor shape, and that there were "many cracks and other indications of large settlement."

The study said expanding the building would be difficult. "It is not capable or suitable for supporting a second floor and roof. The best options for adding significant additional floor space ... would be to add a secondary story supported by an internal steel frame and build/rebuild exterior walls, or demolish the existing building and rebuild as a two-story structure."

In 2015 CSFC presented plans to build a 14,000-square-foot firehouse, estimated to cost \$4.6 million with demolition of the existing structure and engineering adding roughly \$800,000.

## Two Sites in Running for Beacon Firehouse

*Department pushes for Sargent or Elks Lodge plots*

By Jeff Simms

Beacon officials have narrowed their search to two sites for a consolidated city fire station: a one-acre parcel on the campus of Sargent Elementary School or a smaller lot across Route 9D at the Beacon Elks Lodge.

Lt. Tim Dexter, who is also the city building inspector, said officials considered as many as 17 sites before concluding that Sargent and the Elks Club ranked highest on a number of criteria. He said the most important — given the lack of land open to be developed in Beacon — was a central location that would allow the department to continue meeting its three-minute response time, the best in Dutchess County.

Sargent and the Elks Club both have their downsides. Because the Elks Club site is smaller, the department would have to build a two-story building, which would be more expensive. The Sargent location would require bringing in sewer and other utilities and taking down a number of trees.

However, because the Sargent property is owned by the school district and not on the tax rolls, its use would not result in a loss of tax revenue.

Dexter and Fire Chief Gary Van Voorhis spoke to the Beacon school board Oct. 24, asking for at least an "expression of interest" in selling part of the school property to the city. The lot they've targeted is a wooded swath of land to the west of the access road to the school.

While city officials have long considered building a central fire station, Beacon has received a \$250,000 grant from Dutchess

County to offset the cost of designing a station. The funds will be available Jan. 1.

"In order for us to be really productive with that funding, we need to know where we're going to build," Dexter told the school board. The fire department has had discussions with the Elks Club about its site, as well.

Beacon has three firehouses: the Lewis Tompkins Hose station on South Avenue, the Beacon Engine station on East Main and the Mase Hook and Ladder station on Main Street. Two of the stations are more than 100 years old and all three would become expendable if the department consolidates.

In 2014, a consulting firm, TriData Division of Arlington, Virginia, recommended building a 21,200-square-foot station at the city-owned Cannon Practice Field at Verplanck and Matteawan for what was then estimated to be \$7.25 million. Dexter said that site is off the table because of a deed restriction dating to the 1920s that stipulates the land only be used for children's athletics.

If the school board agreed to part with the land, the sale would have to be approved by Beacon voters. Because of the expense of holding a one-item special election, the referendum would likely be added to the May ballot, when several school board seats will be contested.

President Anthony White said opinions are mixed among the nine school board members but they plan to invite Van Voorhis and Dexter to the Nov. 7 meeting for more discussion. One concern is the safety of the 377 students who attend Sargent, but Dexter said the fire department has considered that and would present a plan.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Beacon's revival

In "Drafting a Beacon Blueprint" (Oct. 14), the grassroots group Beacon Deserves Better (BDB) was said to have opposed the Metro-North's Transit-Oriented Development plan first announced in 2007, citing hasty planning, negative environmental impact and isolating Main Street businesses. But as a founding member of BDB and a former co-director, I can say the article overlooked what ultimately proved to be the most important issues: traffic and parking.

As conceived by Metro-North, the TOD project was the second phase of a longer-term station master plan. The first phase was the expansion of the station parking lot between 1998 and 2008 to 1,265 spots at a cost of about \$20 million. The second phase would have included a parking garage for another 1,000 cars. This was expected to increase the number of car trips on Route 9D, already impacted due to the

phase one expansion, by 2,000 per day based on the TOD's plans for 600 residential units and 120,000 square feet of office and retail space.

In the end that convinced both the incoming and outgoing mayors, a number of City Council members and the Dutchess County planner that the TOD as proposed would be detrimental to the city of Beacon.

The idea expressed in your article by several City Council members that a mixed-use development with commercial office space and technology companies will allow for an influx of "reverse commuters" coming by train from New York City and Westchester makes no sense. If good jobs are available at the Beacon waterfront, why wouldn't residents of Fishkill or Wappingers and Beacon take them? And of course drive to those jobs.

Beacon is an area of five square miles with a mountain at one end and a river

at the other. The question becomes, how many cars do we want to store and operate in that limited space, and how do we realistically achieve that goal? It's all very well to throw around planning and real estate terms like "transportation-oriented development," "mixed-use" and "density," or to talk about "walkability" and "bicycle networks," but it amounts to nothing when millions are being spent to accommodate ever more cars.

Let's hope Metro-North's recent Request for Expression of Interest in developing the old Beacon Line, which runs from Beacon to Pawling, is sincere, and not just a gambit to open the latest waterfront development talks. If a rail car with regular service could be operated on this track (as opposed to simply a tourist train or rail trail) that could truly be a game-changer, and could conceivably allow development both in Beacon and other places on the line that has some chance of being truly walkable and bikeable.

Mark Roland, *Beacon*

I thoroughly enjoyed reading your profile of architect Aryeh Siegel ("The Beacon Look," Sept. 16). There was, however, an historical inaccuracy. The reporter related that when Siegel and his family first considered moving to Beacon in 1999, "much of Beacon's Main Street was boarded up or vacant." This is not true.

The redevelopment of the east end of Main Street was led by Ron and Ronnie Beth Sauers shortly after Mayor Clara Lou Gould was elected in 1989. The City Council, led by Gould, invested heavily in new sidewalks, lighting and curbing for much of that portion of Main and antique shops and small restaurants such as The Little Pie Shop replaced abandoned buildings by 1999.

The Sauers then took their talents to the west end of Main and, once again, the council encouraged the redevelopment by passing an

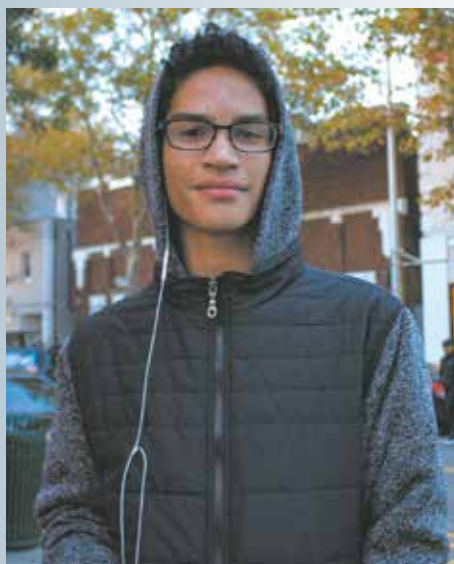
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## Taking it to the Street

By Anita Peltonon

*What are you most afraid of?*



"Centipedes."

~ Miles McCabe, Beacon



"Clowns!" (in unison)

~ Quin Chapman, Magdela Zorilla  
and Deyanni Evans (the adults),  
Fishkill



"Spiders."

~ Dominic Lombardi, Beacon



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (from previous page)

amendment to the zoning ordinance that gradually eliminated the first-floor residential occupancies which had discouraged commercial growth. The west end was thriving by the time Michael Govan decided to bring Dia to Beacon. In fact, I believe that Beacon's revitalization was one of the reasons he chose us over the original site in Massachusetts.

There is no doubt the opening of Dia:Beacon (and the arrival soon after of gifted artists and professionals like Siegel) was the catalyst for the incredible commercial growth we are enjoying now. It should simply be noted that the seeds were planted for Beacon's growth well before 1999.

Peter Forman, *Beacon*

*Forman was the Beacon city attorney from 1990 to 1999.*

### All aboard

I would love for the Beacon Line tracks to be used by someone! ("Beacon's Dormant Railroad May See New Life," Oct. 21). We could connect Fishkill and Beacon for cycling and walking, or Beacon to Hopewell to connect with the Dutchess Rail Trail. I agree with Beacon Mayor Randy Casale's vision in seeing the line used for a light-rail passenger service and recreation.

I live on the Matteawan side of Beacon, which because of its intact brick row and Howland Cultural Center is a great place for visitors to arrive. They would be able to work their way back to the Hudson and the walk could be more of a loop. Once the greenway project is complete we can all enjoy going for a run on a safe path from the new Hudson Valley Brewery area to Long Dock.

My wife and I were married at Kingston Point Park, where they run a vintage trolley back and forth for a small fee (tmny.org). It adds to the charm of the village and can be a mode of transport to the waterfront. In Beacon it makes even more sense because of the layout of our

city. We do not always walk from our home to the waterfront area nor shop in that part of town because it can require a car. I love the idea of a constant running light rail with a clear posted schedule that we could use on weekends and weekday evenings.

Matthew Robinson, *Beacon*

Although not in regular use since 1993, several excursion trains have used the Beacon Line in the early years of this century, and the rare freight train has used the line for things such as delivering a large transformer that would be difficult by truck. In fact, in the 2000s a freight train detoured over the line when a derailment in Massachusetts blocked a line for days. Getting the freight over Stormville Mountain proved to be difficult and inefficient and was not repeated.

Since then, a bridge somewhere in Putnam County was damaged and never repaired, since any kind of train traffic is extremely rare, and as a result the line has never been used again. The line could easily be restored, but doing so would be expensive. And as seen elsewhere in the Hudson Valley, the use of tracks by trains tends to conflict with the needs of a rail trail. Neither would be easy to accomplish simultaneously.

David Gianna, *Beacon*

I came across your story online and have submitted an Expression Of Interest to Metro-North/MTA for a hyperloop between Beacon and Southeast.

Hyperloop is a new way to move people or things anywhere in the world quickly, safely, efficiently, on-demand and with minimal impact to the environment. The technology was envisioned by inventor Elon Musk in 2013 and Hyperloop Transportation Technologies is trying to make the "pipe dream" a reality. The system



The Beacon Line offers scenic views of Mount Beacon and the Hudson Highlands. Photo by Michael Turton

uses electric propulsion to accelerate a passenger or cargo vehicle through a tube in a low-pressure environment. The autonomous vehicle levitates slightly above the track and glides at faster-than-airline speeds over long distances. It eliminates direct emissions, noise, delay, weather concerns and pilot error. It's the next mode of mass transportation.

It would fit into Metro-North constraints for the line, provide Metro-North with income for its investment and provide something useful for residents along the Beacon Line. It will provide transportation from anywhere on the line to Metro-North stations for rapid transit to New York City.

I have worked on a design for a hyperloop between Chicago and Louisville, the largest U.S. city with no Amtrak service (and home to the financial services company I work for).

Ken Kinlock, *Nice, France*

I did two excursions from Poughkeepsie to Beacon to the Danbury Rail Museum around 2003. Still have the flyers. It was a great roundtrip ride. We stopped in Hopewell, then up Pawling Mountain, through Brewster to Danbury. Flaggers were at the main crossings such as Route 9. I hope this line reactivates as a working railroad.

Pete Houskeeper, *Poughkeepsie*

### Gipson vs. Serino

Do you like your local schools? Do you want to see them prosper? If you do, this should be the paramount issue regarding the race in the 41st State Senate District. The incumbent, Sue Serino, wants to divert funding away from local schools and replace them with charter schools, accountable to no one. How do we know this? Because her campaign is flooded with money from New York City real estate barons and highly paid charter school CEOs who want to turn our public schools into pay-to-learn profit centers, where children are faceless numbers on their ever-expanding ledger sheets.

Terry Gipson wants to strengthen our schools, maintain accountability and bolster your voice on how children are educated. If you value your child's education, you only have one choice in this year's election in the 41st Senate District. New York City magnates and their puppet Sue Serino don't care about our children. Terry Gipson does.

Lawrence Fleischer, *Garrison*

### NOTICE OF MEETING CHANGE

The Town of Philipstown Conservation Board has rescheduled its regular November monthly meeting to

**Monday, November 7, 2016, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Philipstown Town Hall, 238 Main St. Cold Spring**

### TOWN OF PHILIPSTOWN PLANNING BOARD

#### Site Visit – November 6, 2016

The Philipstown Planning Board will meet on Sunday, November 6, 2016, 9:30 a.m. to inspect the following site:

Griffin's Landscaping Corporation, 3032 Route 9, Cold Spring

### TOWN OF PHILIPSTOWN PLANNING BOARD

#### Site Visit – November 6, 2016

The Town of Philipstown Planning Board will be doing a site visit for OLSPAN's Magazzino building (previously known as the Cybercon Building) located at 3063 Route 9, Cold Spring

Sunday, November 6, 2016, 10:15 a.m.

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## Seeking Justice *(from Page 1)*

sion for practicing law as a public servant. Being a judge here will give me the opportunity to give back to our community.

**Linson:** It sounds corny but I've been a big volunteer my whole life, including during my 20 years here in Philipstown. I'm eager to play a positive role in the community. This is a great opportunity to use what I'm good at, my legal skills and experience, to contribute to the town in a broader way.

### What in your background makes you a strong candidate?

**Thorpe:** Experience. I'm in court almost every single day. I know how the courts work and what doesn't work. I have great relationships and respect for a lot of different attorneys — criminal, legal aid and attorneys of the children. And real-life experience — I'm a little older than a lot of people who would be running for this position. Dedication. I am dedicated in what I do right now and I would certainly be dedicated as a judge. And integrity. I am very conscious of what is ethical and what isn't. In my position I have to be conscious of that every day.

**Linson:** My training is extremely rigorous. I studied law at Harvard and Oxford and worked for well-respected law firms in Manhattan and internationally. I'm also open to a broad array of opinions. A town justice must be impartial; it's not a political position. I have reached out to people across the political spectrum and that's important. I am also a good communicator with a naturally even temperament and common sense. A judge must be able to communicate with counsel and parties calmly and courteously, even under provocation or when other parties are highly stressed or emotional.

### Should the Philipstown, Cold Spring and Nelsonville courts be merged or continue to operate independently?

**Thorpe:** I don't have enough detailed information to have an absolute opinion on that. Off the top of my head I don't think it would be a good idea.

**Linson:** I leave that to the town and the villages. Regardless, public servants should always seek enhanced efficiency.

### Should judges be politically independent rather than elected on party lines?

**Thorpe:** I would personally like it bet-

ter if you had to be independent. I try to explain it is really a nonpolitical position. I'd be all for running on a nonparty line for such a nonpolitical position.

**Linson:** The theory is that judges are politically independent even though they are elected. It's tough because even with appointments there's the possibility of political influence. The advantage of having an elected judge is that it is the choice of the people. I am confident that judicial candidates and justices understand that their role is apolitical.

### What issue do you see as being of most concern to the Philipstown community?

**Thorpe:** The heroin epidemic. In such a small community it hits us so hard. We all know every single young adult we've lost. That's why I'm getting involved with Philipstown Communities That Care. And I have a large network of providers and professionals in that area who I deal with every day. The gun issue is also a big concern such as the safe-storage ordinance that's before the town attorney now. All I can say is I'll abide by any law that comes before me.

**Linson:** The drug problem is an enormous concern; the marked increase over the past years and tragic drug deaths among our town's young people. And there's been increased local attention to gun control and responsible gun ownership. But again I would stress it's not the justice's role to determine policy. It's our job to apply the law and to explain it to people in a manner that's understandable.

### Are current drug laws too lax or too strict?

**Thorpe:** I don't think they're too lax. We need more education. When we look at a defendant before the court we need to make a determination: Does this person need help? How can we help them? It's not always about locking everybody up. We have to look case by case.

**Linson:** I can't comment on that. It's political and speaks to policy. It's a tough one and such an important issue. I'd love to shine a light on that but feel I need to stay clear of any perception that I'm commenting on something politically.

### Is there an aspect of local courts and law enforcement that you think could be improved?

**Thorpe:** I don't know — I'm not on the other side of the bench yet. I'm guessing

## What Do Town Justices Do?

By Kevin E. Foley

Few people contemplate the way local justice is administered unless they find themselves in need of the service. The two Philipstown judges, who are elected in different years and are among about 2,200 town justices in the state of New York, hear both civil and criminal cases on a part-time basis. They are required to be on call 24 hours a day. In Philipstown, the job pays \$26,000 annually.

On the criminal side, more often than not they preside over plea agreements between defendants and the district attorney's office and determine sentencing for misdemeanor offenses, which can include up to a year in prison. People arrested within the town will often be arraigned before a town judge; each of the area villages, such as Cold Spring, also has its own justice court. Justices can also issue orders of protection.

On the civil side, justices hear small claims cases in which the plaintiff is

asking for \$3,000 or less. They also handle landlord-tenant disputes.

Although Philipstown judges are usually lawyers with trial experience, state law does not require a town justice to have a law degree. This provision accommodates rural areas that may not have credentialed candidates. The state offers training for new justices and all are required to keep up with continuing education courses. Justices can continue in private practice but cannot appear before any town courts within the county where they live.

Over the last 15 years, the two main political parties have allowed each other to nominate a candidate in Philipstown without opposition. So Alan Steiner, a Democrat, faced a challenge when elected in 2000 but had no opponent in 2004, 2008 or 2012. Stephen Tomann, elected in 1995 in a three-way race with Steiner and Louis Liotti, has been unopposed in the five votes since. As elected officials, justices are expected to go through a political process without behaving politically.

they could probably use more space. Every court could use more space. I can't see any issues offhand I have a problem with.

**Linson:** Again I am going to suggest that is probably a political question.

### Is the current legal aid system in Putnam County adequate?

**Thorpe:** I deal with Legal Aid every day. They have very fine, good attorneys. The system we have right now is working. One improvement would be more funding to hire more good attorneys.

**Linson:** Legal aid is a super valuable system. It's important that anyone who comes before the court has adequate representation. Again it's not for me to say — I can't comment if Putnam County has a good system or bad. Even in the best of systems it's incumbent upon us to continually seek improvement.

### Many charges are routinely reduced in local courts. If someone is charged with doing 50 mph in a 30 mph zone, why should that be reduced?

**Thorpe:** A lot of times it's for judicial economy. Caseload is a major reason — otherwise you're going to have a lot more trials. But if it isn't your first time getting a speeding ticket you're not going to get

pleaded down, believe me. The judge still has the right — even if the attorneys agree on a plea — to not go along with that.

**Linson:** There are good arguments for and against plea-bargaining. It's imperfect but in a crowded legal system cases are resolved more quickly through a plea bargain than if they are argued. No case is a sure thing and plea-bargaining provides certitude of outcome for both sides. The appropriateness of plea-bargaining depends on the facts and circumstances and each case should be examined individually to determine if a plea bargain is reasonable.

### What should voters keep in mind as they cast their ballot?

**Thorpe:** I'm an experienced attorney. I have experience in the court system, which would allow me to hit the ground running Jan. 1 when the term begins. And I'm a member of the community. People know me. They know what I stand for — that I'm reasonable and fair.

**Linson:** I'm extremely well prepared to serve as an effective town justice. My background — my legal training and practice demonstrate that I possess the qualities needed for a good town justice — and I am dedicated to this community.

## Two Candidates Seek 10-Year Term on Putnam Court



Capone Campaign photo

Two candidates are vying for a 10-year term as one of the two justices who make up the Putnam County Court, which has jurisdiction over felonies, misdemeanors and civil lawsuits of up to \$25,000. (The term of the second judge, James T. Rooney, ends in 2020.) The judges also oversee Surrogate's Court and Family Court and are acting justices on the Putnam County Supreme Court.

The incumbent, James Reitz, is running on the Republican, Conservative and Reform Party lines. He has been a county court judge since 2007 and presides over the County Drug Court. Before being elected to the county court, Reitz was a town justice in Carmel. He received his bachelor's degree from Mercy College in 1986 and his law degree from Western Michigan University in 1989.

Gina Capone, who is running on the Democratic, Working Families and Women's Equality Party lines, has been a town justice in Putnam Valley for 15 years and has served as vice president of the Putnam County Magistrate's Association. In private practice since 1997, Capone earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice in 1990 from Pace University and her law degree from Pace in 1994.



Reitz Campaign photo



# Notes from the Philipstown Town Board

Oct. 6, Oct. 12 and Oct. 19 meetings

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

- The board scheduled a public hearing on the 2017 budget for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9. At workshops on Oct. 12 and Oct. 19, it discussed spending for emergency services and the highway and recreation departments.
- The board decided to begin adopting traffic regulations as resolutions instead of laws, a lengthier process that requires public hearings. Supervisor Richard Shea said the change was prompted by frustrations with the simple task of installing no-parking signs on Indian Brook Road after “a sudden surge in popularity of Indian Brook Road and Indian Brook Falls, with people parking wherever they wanted in vast numbers, blocking the road, and us not really having a legal maneuver to tow them away and ticket them.”
- Joining other voices up and down the river, the board expressed its “firm and unequivocal opposition” to an industry proposal to allow oil tankers to anchor



A new sign along the path to the Cold Spring Metro-North train station explains the planned Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail.

Photo by L.S. Armstrong

along the Hudson River, including between Beacon and Newburgh. The U.S. Coast Guard is soliciting public comment; the board asked that it hold public

meetings. “Certainly it’s not going to help tourism here,” Shea said. “No one wants to see 10 barges parked off the dock.”

- The board hired the consulting firm AKRF for a \$757,137 project involving an environmental impact statement and engineering and bid documents for the riverfront segment of the planned Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail, a path that will
- The board accepted a \$15,500 bid from Land Works Excavating for drainage work on East Mountain Road South. In a letter, the town’s consulting engineer, Ron Gainer, noted the project “represents the final Hurricane Irene-related work to be performed by the town” and that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) awarded Philipstown about \$16,000 to cover the costs.
- The board authorized Highway Superintendent Carl Frisenda to spend \$50,237 on a S650 T4 Bobcat Skid-Steer Loader, a compact piece of road machinery used for lifting and moving earth.
- The board appointed Max Garfinkle, a member of the Conservation Board, as natural resources review officer. He fills the vacancy created by the death in August of longtime wetlands inspector David Klotzle, 72. In addition to his 33-year career as a natural resources manager, Klotzle spent more than four decades as an outdoor educator. He began his work in the early 1970s when he was employed as a barn cleaner at the Teatown Lake Reservation in Ossining and was asked one day to lead a group of children on a hike.

## Antidote Saves Two Heroin Users on Same Day

(from Page 1)

members or friends in a home, Tudor said.

In the first case, someone in the home administered Narcan, an opiate antidote, before the arrival of first responders. In the second case, the ambulance crew administered the drug, which is known generically as naxolone.

Tudor said it is satisfying to save lives but disappointing that overdoses are happening so often. Not so long ago, he said, “it seemed we would get maybe one or two overdoses a year. In this past month, we’ve had three.” He was not sure of the total so far this year, but it’s not a local phenomenon. More than 3,000 people have been saved by Narcan across the state since 2006, according to New York health officials, but more than 1,500 of those rescues were last year.

Most heroin overdoses involve young men between the ages of 18 and 30, such as the two revived Oct. 22 in Philipstown, but

Garrison EMTs have also saved people of retirement age. Like many first responders across the country, Tudor wondered aloud if addicts feel a false sense of security knowing that Narcan is readily available; proponents of wider distribution point to studies that indicate the drug reduces overdoses and overall drug use. Whatever influences may be at play, “we’ve been busy,” Tudor said. “It’s a real shame. I don’t know what the answer is going to be.”

New York this year joined 34 other states and D.C. in allowing pharmacies to distribute naxolone without a prescription. Training in administering the drug, which also counters painkiller overdoses, is available at St. Christopher’s Inn at Graymoor in Garrison. The next scheduled session is Nov. 6. For details, email Rob Casasanta at rccasasanta@atonementfriars.org. Participants must register; no walk-ins are allowed.



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### Cold Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors to host a moderated discussion on the future of the organization.

On Wednesday, November 2, 2016 The Cold Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will host its next Chamber Mixer at Glynwood beginning at 6:00 pm. Admission is \$10 and a light buffet will be served.

After a brief presentation, the focus of this event will be a discussion among the directors, chamber members, and guests as to the continued viability of the organization and its future direction.

As with many membership organizations, the Chamber has struggled to enlist the active participation of many members over the last several years. Although events and meetings are well attended, the work to maintain the organization, the scheduling, membership development, and event planning have fallen almost exclusively to shrinking base of board members and volunteers. This path is not sustainable in the long term and doesn’t bode well for the continued health of our business or civic community.

With annual elections scheduled for year-end and several board members indicating that they will step down, the Chamber Board has determined that input from stakeholders is critical if the Cold Spring Area Chamber is to move forward. Therefore, we urge Chamber members, invite non-member local businesses, and other community organizations to participate in this important conversation with us. The Chamber actively promotes the Cold Spring and the Philipstown area as both a tourist destination and a thriving community in which to live and work. Now is the time for more of us to do the same, please join us and participate in this important community discussion.

[www.explorecoldspringny.com](http://www.explorecoldspringny.com)



## Spectra Gas Pipeline Days From Operation *(from Page 1)*

action, which is pending in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, asks the court to issue a stop-work order. The concern, said Weathers, is that the pipeline could “easily be breached.”

“Our government has a legal responsibility to protect the safety of the people who live in the area,” he said. “What Spectra is hoping for is that if the pipeline goes into operation, all this [opposition] becomes moot.”

In addition to Riverkeeper, the coalition includes Food & Water Watch, the Sierra Club Lower Hudson, Stop the Algonquin Pipeline Expansion (SAPE) and the Reynolds Hills Community.

On Oct. 10, four protestors representing another group, Resist Spectra, emerged from the pipeline, where they had holed up for 16 hours after locking themselves to each other. All four were arrested for trespassing.

Activists also blocked the doors on Oct. 26 of the Manhattan offices of U.S. Sen. Chuck Schumer. Fifteen people were arrested.

Jerry Nappi, a spokesman for Indian Point, said the plant has no position on whether the pipeline expansion is necessary. But during construction, engineers at the



Protestors outside the Manhattan offices of U.S. Sen. Chuck Schumer on Oct. 26. Photo by Erik McGregor / Resist Spectra

nuclear plant made a number of suggestions to maximize safety, he said.

For example, he said, Spectra's initial route ran too close to the plant, but after being redirected, at its closest point the pipeline is a quarter-mile away. “A failure of that pipeline cannot affect nuclear safety at Indian Point,” Nappi said.

In addition, Indian Point requested a number of enhancements, he said, such as the placement of concrete slabs over the pipeline and the use of enhanced metal and steel in its construction. The line is also buried deeper under the river in the area closest to Indian Point.

Opponents argue the pipe was not sufficiently inspected before being placed under the Hudson. In January 2015, FERC issued an Environmental Impact Statement which

concluded that while construction and operation of the pipeline had “some adverse environmental impacts,” most had been reduced to “less-than-significant levels.”

In its lawsuit, the Riverkeeper coalition asserts that FERC based its conclusion on a faulty analysis by the Entergy Corp., which owns Indian Point, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. In papers filed with the Court of Appeals, Riverkeeper says the analysis greatly underestimates the blast radius of a pipeline explosion.

“If the AIM pipeline explodes,



Detail from a Spectra map of the pipeline project



Four Hudson Valley protestors chained themselves together inside the pipeline on Oct. 10. Photo courtesy of Resist Spectra

Indian Point will go with it,” said Jennifer McCave, a Riverkeeper attorney. She said the organization wants the court to order an independent engineering analysis of the risks.

Protestors have organized against the project in other states, as well. In West Roxbury, Massachusetts, they have pushed for a pipeline spur to be rerouted because it passes near residential areas and an active quarry where dynamite is used. In June, Karenni Gore, the daughter of former Vice President Al Gore, was one of 23 people arrested at a protest there.

A group of elected officials from Boston, including the mayor, have also fought the project in federal court but lost an important decision in September over FERC's power under a 1938 act to seize property under eminent domain for interstate projects it has approved.

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## Ronnie Clark Coffey Lecture on Saturday, October 29 at 5pm

Join Ronnie for a presentation about Anna and Susan Warner and life on Constitution Island in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Ronnie is a Constitution Island Association board member and author of several books in the Arcadia “Images of America” series. These include *Constitution Island*, *Bear Mountain*, and *Harriman State Park*.

As a friendly reminder, the PHM will be open on Monday, October 31 for Halloween from 4-7pm with candy, snacks, and games. We hope you will stop by!

You will also get a chance to explore PHM's new exhibits, *The World of Anna & Susan Warner*, and a second gallery featuring highlights of the PHM collection.

Admission is \$5 for the general public and free for members. Please RSVP at 845-265-4010 or [rachel@putnamhistorymuseum.org](mailto:rachel@putnamhistorymuseum.org).

The Putnam History Museum is located at 63 Chestnut Street in Cold Spring. [www.putnamhistorymuseum.org](http://www.putnamhistorymuseum.org).





# The Calendar

## A Lasting Search for Fleeting Moments

*Photographer stakes out scenes that are gone in a flash*

By Alison Rooney

Fed up with the jargon of typical artists' statements, Ross Corsair, whose photos are part of a Gallery 66 NY exhibit that opens Friday, Nov. 4, prefers to let writer Paul Bowles answer the question, "What does photography mean to you?"

"How many more times will you remember a certain afternoon of your childhood, some afternoon that's so deeply a part of your being that you can't even conceive of your life without it?" Bowles asked. "Perhaps four or five times more. Perhaps not even that. How many more times will you watch the full moon rise? Perhaps 20. And yet it all seems limitless."

Corsair, who lives in Cold Spring, will join Lisa Cullen and Lonna Kelly in *Getting This Show on the Road*, an exhibit loosely gathered around the idea of sidetracking and maybe not always reaching the original destination. The photographer says he is intrigued by the idea of preserving fleeting moments. "My photos invite someone to ask what's going on in them," he says. "Nothing is ever staged. It's always caught."

Corsair, who works as a television and documentary camera operator and cinematographer, says he spends 90 percent of his waking hours with a still camera at the ready. Usually he happens upon a moment that becomes a photograph, but sometimes he discovers an intriguing spot and returns with the hope that something visually fortuitous will occur.

That is what transpired in his "red umbrella" photo. Attracted to the background, he came back four times. Perched in the rain, "on scaffolding that isn't there anymore," he waited. "I didn't know there'd be a red umbrella. I took 100 photos. The other 99 were miserable or just not interesting."

Corsair calls photography his way of "connecting with the world. Some friends of mine do yoga, some do



Corsair's award-winning shot



Untitled photograph ("red umbrella") by Ross Corsair

Images courtesy of the artist

chanting; this is my way." He also works on many collaborative projects "where I'm not the only one, but taking the photo is 'just me,'" he explains.

Corsair grew up mostly overseas; the child of a diplomat, he moved 23 times before the age of 17. "We'd go by plane, but all the toys would go by ship," he recalls. "By the time they got there we were on to somewhere else." Seeking community as a college student, first at Sarah Lawrence and then Columbia, he gravitated to the theater department and its "artists and misfits. I found a lot of places in the world to be violent and chaotic. But the theater was a safe place, even if the content was violent."

Theater led Corsair to films when a fellow Sarah Lawrence student asked him to help shoot a film. The film got enough attention to land its director a deal for a low-budget feature, which Corsair filmed. More work followed, although "sometimes you'd be working eight months in a row without a day off, other times there'd be eight months with nothing," he says. Corsair moved to Arizona, which had become a favorite site for filmmakers because of tax incentives the state offered. That opportunity dried up after a change in the tax law, and he returned to New York City. A few years later, he relocated to the Hudson Highlands, having visited friends here and appreciating the close-knit community.

"Here I'm part of a lot of different groups — the art crowd, the theater crowd, the political crowd," he says. "It's a small town but not a small town in mindset."

During and since that time, Corsair has



An untitled photograph by Ross Corsair

worked on independent features, shorts and documentaries, most recently as a camera operator for *Mind of a Chef* on PBS and the documentary *Best Worst Thing That Ever Could Have Happened*, which screened at the 2016 New York Film Festival. He also shoots the occasional photo for *The Current* and earlier this year won a New York Press Association award for an artistic shot of a kayaker in the Hudson.

*Getting This Show on the Road* also features Cullen's abstract paintings and collages, many of which incorporate paths or roads, seemingly twisted and convoluted yet with underlying structure. Kelly uses the road image symbolically in photos reflecting the long and twisted path taken to realize the possible ascent of the first female U.S. president.

The exhibit will run at Gallery 66 NY, which is located at 66 Main St. in Cold Spring, through Nov. 27, with an opening reception from 6 to 9 p.m. on Nov. 4. The gallery is open from noon to 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday. To see more of Corsair's work, visit [rosscorsair.com](http://rosscorsair.com).



FRIDAY, OCT. 28

**International Film Night: *Dirty Pretty Things* (England)**  
7 p.m. Howland Library | 313 Main St., Beacon  
845-831-1134 | beaconlibrary.org

**Disaster Preparedness Training**  
7 p.m. United Methodist Church  
216 Main St., Cold Spring  
845-526-3788 | prepare.ny.gov

***Education, Inc. (Documentary)***  
7 p.m. First Presbyterian Church  
50 Liberty St., Beacon  
moviesthatmatterbeacon.org

***The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee***  
7:30 p.m. Depot Theatre  
10 Garrison's Landing, Garrison  
philipstowndepottheatre.org

SATURDAY, OCT. 29

**Beacon Repair Café**  
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Howland Cultural Center  
10 a.m. - Noon. Teddy Bear Clinic  
477 Main St., Beacon  
845-831-4988 | howlandculturalcenter.org

**Make Day of the Dead Skull Masks**  
1 p.m. Howland Public Library  
See details under Friday.

**Bevis Longstreth: *Boats Against the Current* (Reading)**  
2 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library  
472 Route 403, Garrison  
845-424-3020 | desmondfishlibrary.org

***The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee***  
2 p.m. Depot Theatre, Garrison  
See details under Friday.

**Army vs. Bucknell (Women's Soccer)**  
3 p.m. Clinton Field, West Point  
845-938-2526 | goarmysports.com

**The World of Anna and Susan Warner (Talk)**  
5 p.m. Putnam History Museum  
63 Chestnut St., Cold Spring  
845-265-4010 | putnamhistorymuseum.org

Calendar Highlights

For upcoming events visit highlandscurrent.com.

Send event listings to calendar@highlandscurrent.com

**New MUSE4tet: *Black Lives Matter Suite***  
7 p.m. Howland Cultural Center  
See details above.

**Short Plays by Bertolt Brecht**  
8 p.m. Arts on the Lake  
640 Route 52, Lake Carmel  
845-228-2685 | artsonthelake.org

**Billy Gardell (Comedy)**  
8 p.m. Eisenhower Hall Theatre  
655 Ruger Road, West Point  
845-938-4159 | ikehall.com

SUNDAY, OCT. 30

**Chocolate Expo**  
10 a.m. – 7 p.m. Mid-Hudson Civic Center  
14 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie  
845-454-5800 | midhudsonciviccenter.org

**Beacon Historical Society Luncheon**  
11:30 a.m. Outback Steakhouse  
Route 9, Wappingers Falls  
845-831-0514 | beaconhistorical.org

**America's Stories**  
Noon – 5 p.m. Mount Gulian  
145 Sterling St., Beacon  
845-831-8172 | mountgulian.org

**Revolutionary Heroes of Fishkill and the Hudson River Valley (Talk)**  
2 p.m. Hyatt House  
100 Westage Business Center Dr., Fishkill  
fishkillsupplydepot.org

**Benefit Performance by Ben Neill**  
3 p.m. Manitoga  
584 Route 9D, Garrison  
845-424-3812 | visitmanitoga.org

***The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee***  
4 p.m. Depot Theatre, Garrison  
See details under Friday.

MONDAY, OCT. 31

See below for Halloween events.

TUESDAY, NOV. 1

**All Saints' Day**  
**Hudson Valley Restaurant Week Begins**  
Through Nov. 13 | valleytable.com/hvrw

**The Big Read: *Into the Beautiful North* (Discussion)**  
2:30 p.m. Howland Public Library  
See details under Friday.

**Putnam County Legislature**  
7 p.m. Historic Courthouse  
44 Gleneida Ave., Carmel  
845-208-7800 | putnamcountyny.com

**Haldane School Board**  
7 p.m. Haldane School (Music Room)  
15 Craigsides Drive, Cold Spring  
845-265-9254 | haldaneschool.org

**Whole Food-Based Living Workshop (First Session)**  
7 p.m. Butterfield Library  
10 Morris Ave., Cold Spring  
845-265-3040 | butterfieldlibrary.org  
Registration required.

**Dramatic Land Transformations in the Hudson Valley (Talk)**  
Cornwall Presbyterian Fellowship Hall  
222 Hudson St., Cornwall  
845-534-5506 | hhnrm.org

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 2

**SAT Help: College Essay Workshop**  
5 p.m. Butterfield Library  
See details under Tuesday. | Registration required.

**Cold Spring Area Chamber Mixer**  
6 p.m. Glynwood Farm, Cold Spring  
explorecoldspringny.com

THURSDAY, NOV. 3

**Mexico Travel Talk**  
1 p.m. Howland Public Library  
See details under Friday.

**Community Blood Drive**  
2 – 8 p.m. Our Lady of Loretto (Parish Hall)  
24 Fair St., Cold Spring | 845-424-3456

**Battling Invasive Species (Talk)**  
6:30 p.m. Bureau of Emergency Services  
112 Old Route 6, Carmel  
845-878-7918 | putnamcountyny.gov

**Most Likely to Succeed (Documentary)**  
7 p.m. Haldane School | Details under Tuesday.

**Town Board Meeting**  
7:30 p.m. Philipstown Town Hall  
238 Main St., Cold Spring  
845-265-3329 | philipstown.com

FRIDAY, NOV. 4

***Let's Get This Show on the Road* (Opening)**  
6 – 9 p.m. Gallery 66 NY | 66 Main St., Cold Spring  
845-809-5838 | gallery66ny.com

**Lael Morgan (Opening)**  
Buster Levi Gallery  
6 – 8 p.m. 121 Main St., Cold Spring  
845-809-5145 | busterlevigallery.com

**Army vs. Air Force (Hockey)**  
7:05 p.m. Tate Rink, West Point  
845-938-2526 | goarmywestpoint.com

***The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee***  
7:30 p.m. Depot Theatre | Details under Oct. 28.

**Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes**  
8 p.m. Paramount Hudson Valley  
1008 Brown St., Peekskill  
914-739-0039 | paramounthudsonvalley.com



FRIDAY, OCT. 28

***The Gravedigger's Tale***  
7 & 9 p.m. Boscobel Mansion  
1601 Route 9D, Cold Spring  
845-265-3638 | hvshakespeare.org

**A Night of Spirits with Medium Paul Coleman**  
7:30 p.m. Other Worldly Waxes  
211 Fishkill Ave., Beacon  
OtherWorldlyWaxes@gmail.com

**Tarot Tales and Psychic Glimpses**  
7:30 p.m. Culinary Institute of America  
1946 Campus Drive, Hyde Park  
800-838-3006 | halfmoontheatre.org

***The Bride of Frankenstein (1935)***  
7:30 p.m. Tompkins Corners Cultural Center  
729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley  
845-528-7280 | tompkinscorners.org

SATURDAY, OCT. 29

**Halloween Spooktacular**  
10 a.m. – 3 p.m. John Jay Homestead  
400 Route 22, Katonah  
518-474-0456 | johnjayhomestead.org

**Boo at the Zoo**  
10:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Trailside Zoo  
3006 Seven Lakes Drive, Bear Mountain  
845-786-2701 | trailsidezoo.org

**Pumpkin Decorating**  
Noon – 4 p.m. Fishkill Farms  
9 Fishkill Farm Road, Hopewell Junction  
845-897-4377 | fishkillfarms.com

**I Spy Halloween Trail**  
Noon – 4 p.m. Outdoor Discovery Center  
Muser Drive, Cornwall  
845-534-5506 x204 | hhnrm.org

**Tarot Tales and Psychic Glimpses**  
5 p.m. Culinary Institute of America  
See details under Friday.

***The Gravedigger's Tale***  
5:30 & 7 p.m. Boscobel Mansion  
See details under Friday.

**Cold Spring Costume Parade**  
5:30 p.m. Route 9D and Main Street  
coldspringareachamber.org  
Lineup begins 5 p.m. at St. Mary's.

SUNDAY, OCT. 30

**I Spy Halloween Trail**  
Noon – 4 p.m. Outdoor Discovery Center  
See details under Saturday.

**Pumpkin Decorating**  
Noon – 4 p.m. Fishkill Farms  
See details under Saturday.

**Ghosts and Ghost Hunting (Talk)**  
2 p.m. Howland Library  
313 Main St., Beacon  
845-831-1134 | beaconlibrary.org

**Pumpkin Glow**  
6 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library  
472 Route 403, Garrison  
845-424-3020 | desmondfishlibrary.org

MONDAY, OCT. 31

**Children's Halloween Craft**  
12:30 – 3:30 p.m. Fishkill Recreation Center  
793 Route 52, Fishkill  
845-831-3371 | fishkillrecreation.com

**Cold Spring Trick or Treating**  
4:30 – 6 p.m. Chestnut Ridge (ages 0-5)  
4 – 7 p.m. Putnam History Museum (all ages)

***The Gravedigger's Tale***  
7 p.m. Boscobel Mansion | Details under Friday

**Halloween Dance**  
8 p.m. Howland Cultural Center  
477 Main St., Beacon  
845-765-3012 | howlandculturalcenter.org



# Welcome to Spookytown

*Residents organize trick-or-treating at retirement complex*

A group of Cold Spring residents whose children have grown up trick-or-treating in the Village but never ventured to the retirement community at Chestnut Ridge have organized the first Spookytown for Monday, Oct. 31.

Dar Williams says she heard from a parent about a child who had gone trick-or-treating at Chestnut Ridge, located across Route 9D from the Butterfield development project, and discovered that everyone who answered the door was overjoyed and said no one ever came there. Williams also knew preschoolers can be overwhelmed by Parrott Street, where most trick-or-treating in Cold Spring takes place. Chestnut Ridge is a

nicely contained option for younger children.

Williams, Kathleen Foley, Julisa Tomizawa, Nancy Montgomery, Ivy Meeropol and Patricia Byron spread the word, and Chestnut Ridge residents Barbara Perkins and Rhoda Needleman alerted their neighbors. The Girl Scouts, Manitou School and Jean Cendali's art classes at Haldane contributed crafts to decorate the buildings. The Putnam History Museum had a party planned and agreed to add pizza for the seniors and children, with Angelina's providing pies at a deep discount.

"This is the greatest thing that has ever happened at Chestnut Ridge!" exclaimed Needleman. "Eventually it will be like Parrott Street for the seniors. Everyone I speak to is so excited about it, and many

## The Details

Trick-or-treaters ages 5 and younger are invited to walk through the Chestnut Ridge complex at 62 Chestnut St. from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31. From 4 to 7 p.m., there will be treats, cider and pizza for all ages at the nearby Putnam History Museum.

went right out and bought pumpkins and are talking about wearing costumes."

One concern was that many people who live at Chestnut Ridge are on fixed incomes and cannot afford candy to hand out. However, the Manitou School and Molly Straus collected more than 1,000 pieces to distribute.

"Cold Spring is in many ways a wonderful place to grow old but we could do so much better in creating real community with our elders," said Ivy Meeropol. "Spookytown is exactly what we need to be doing more of."

## Early Halloween

You never know what to expect on Halloween in the Highlands — maybe even snow — but you can always count on an abundance of cute children in costumes. We sent our photographers to capture some of the early festivities in Beacon and preparations in Cold Spring. Anita Peltonen went to the Dark Parade in Beacon on Oct. 22 and reported that



Darren Santos preps a ghouel on Parrott.

the 40 mph winds and dipping temperatures discouraged all but the heartiest residents, who at one point were outnumbered by Beacon police officers. But all ended well in the heated confines of the Beacon Elks Lodge. Russ Cusick had the easiest assignment — covering the adorables who populated the annual Hocus Pocus kids' parade in Beacon the next afternoon. (The Cold Spring parade down Main Street begins at 5 p.m. on Oct. 29.) And finally, Peltonen visited Parrott Street in Cold Spring to see how preparations were coming along at the traditional center of Philipstown trick or treating, although residents at the Chestnut Ridge retirement complex have invited preschoolers to make the rounds there on Oct. 31 starting at 4:30 p.m. (See article above.) View more Halloween photos at [highlandscurrent.com](http://highlandscurrent.com).



The Bride of Frankenstein in the Beacon Dark Parade

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# Shakespeare Festival Announces 2017 Shows

*Includes two new plays and revival of The General from America*

The Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival will present *Twelfth Night* and *Love's Labour Lost* during its 31st season next summer, as well as a revival of Richard Nelson's 1996 play about Benedict Arnold, *The General from America*, and two new plays, Lauren Gunderson's *The Book of Will* and Kate Hamill's *Pride and Prejudice*.

"At the heart of each of these plays is a story about love — of comrades and friends, of family, of country, of romantic enchantments and unspeakable longing," said HVSF Artistic Director Davis McCallum.

McCallum will direct *The Book of Will*, which tells the "mostly true story of how Shakespeare's comrades rescued and preserved his work by publishing the First Folio in 1623." McCallum will direct the play at the Denver Center for Performing Arts in January before bringing it to Garrison.

The second new play is the premiere of an adaptation of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* by Kate Hamill. Hamill's



The tent at Boscobel

File photo by William Marsh

*Sense and Sensibility* received one of its earliest readings in 2015 as part of the Festival's HVSF2 series. (*The Book of Will* and *The General from America* also were read at HVSF2, which will continue in 2017.)

Shakespeare's comedy *Twelfth Night* will play all summer, directed by Moritz von Stuelpnagel, a recent Tony nominee for his direction of *Hand to God* on Broadway. He directed *All is Calm* for HVSF in 2014 and is scheduled to direct a Broadway revival of *Present Laughter* starring Kevin Kline in the spring.

HVSF will also launch HVStories — a series focusing on the history, people and culture of the Hudson Valley — with

Richard Nelson's *The General from America*. Directed by Penny Metropulos, it is a retelling of Arnold's defection and flight from West Point during the Revolutionary War. HVSF will partner with the Putnam History Museum and other local organizations to offer related programming.

Metropulos is the former associate artistic director of the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, while Nelson, who lives in Rhinebeck, wrote the screenplay for *Hyde Park on Hudson*, the 2012 film starring Bill Murray and Laura Linney. His trio of plays, *The Gabriels: Election Year in the Life of One Family*, is running at The Public Theater in New York.

Also new for HVSF's 2017 season is a partnership with New York's The Acting Company, whose artistic director, Ian Belknap, will direct *Love's Labour Lost* featuring HVSF's Conservatory Company, an intensive training program for early-career actors. Following its run at HVSF, Belknap will take the play on tour to New York City schools with The Acting Company.

Casting will be announced early next year and tickets will go on sale in March. The plays will run in repertory from June 8 through Sept. 4.

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# When Your Backyard Forest Goes to the Birds

*Nov. 5 workshop offers guidance on creating sanctuary*

By Jeff Simms

A workshop on Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Constitution Marsh Audubon Center and Sanctuary in Garrison aims to help Putnam County landowners — particularly those with forested properties — create habitat for rare bird species through “timber harvesting,” which mimics natural forest growth and regrowth.

“Some of this is counter to what we’ve traditionally thought” about forest management, said Eric Lind, director of the 270-acre Constitution Marsh. But these and other methods can make a forest into a “working landscape” that’s friendlier to wildlife.

“This workshop will provide the information and resources available to forest landowners who are interested in learning about what is on their property and how they can plan and manage their woodlot to meet various goals, such as improving habitat for wildlife, improving recreational opportunities, sustainable timber management, and more,” said Suzanne Treyger, an Audubon New York forest program manager. “We want to emphasize the importance and value of working with a forester to plan for the

health and longevity of your woodlot, and that it’s not necessarily about cutting trees to make money, but planning and managing for the long-term.”

Lind and Bill Schuster, executive director of the Black Rock Forest Consortium, will be among the presenters at the Forest Habitat Management workshop, which begins at 9:30 a.m. Also presenting will be Chris Prentiss of Lower Hudson Forestry Services, Jennifer Stengle, a resource educator at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County and Nicole Wooten of the Hudson High-



Examples of patches of young forest, characterized by dense shrubbery

Photos: takingactionforwildlife.org



Eric Lind

Photo by J. Simms

lands Land Trust.

The periodic harvesting of timber creates more diverse forestland “patches” as trees grow back, “and we’re finding out that that period of time is quite important,” for birds like the Cerulean Warbler and Wood Thrush, Lind said. When the chicks of these forest-breeding birds fledge, they seek out these patches of “young forest” where it’s easier to find food.

But a patch of young forest — also a breeding ground for other at-risk birds — only stays young for about 15 years, Lind said, and so must be replenished. “If there’s not an adequate replacement, then birds are left out,” he said.

Cold Spring and Garrison landowners with forests on their property, as well as state parks officials, are encouraged to attend. A \$35 registration fee includes lunch and refreshments. For more information, call 845-265-2601 or email CMACS@audubon.org.

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# The Warner Sisters as Feminist Icons

## Museum opens exhibit on writer residents of Constitution Island

By Alison Rooney

When public tours of Constitution Island ended in 2009, the story of the family who lived there risked fading from local memory. That is being remedied by the Putnam History Museum in Cold Spring with its new exhibit, *The World of Anna & Susan Warner* which continues through the summer of 2017. It provides an overview of the lives of the sisters, best known for their novels, children's literature, poetry and hymns, including Anna's "Jesus Loves Me."

On Saturday, Oct. 29, Ronnie Clark Coffey, the author of a book about Constitution Island, will talk at 5 p.m. at the museum about the Warner sisters and life on the island.

Henry Warner, a New York lawyer, purchased Constitution Island in 1836 to build a summer home. Less than two years later, after he lost a great deal of his fortune to real-estate speculation, Warner was forced to move his family, including his daughters (then 12 and

17), to the island year-round.

As the exhibition shows through documents such as auction inventories and foreclosure notices, the Warners became increasingly impoverished. That was the trigger for Susan Warner to become a novelist. Her first book, *The Wide, Wide World* was released in 1850 under a pseudonym. It was a huge success, with 13 editions published over two years, multiple translations, and more than a million copies sold.

Anna Warner followed, also writing under a pseudonym, and both sisters became prolific, publishing nearly 70 novels between them. Their talents extended to sketching, with many of their drawings on display at the museum. Their Christian devotion carried them through the hardships and they spent many hours



The Warner House on Constitution Island West Point photo



The Warner sisters

Photo by A. Rooney

leading Bible studies at their home for West Point cadets.

To prepare the exhibit, the Putnam History Museum's collections associate, John Duncan, spent several days at the Constitution Island archives, now housed at Locust Grove in Poughkeepsie. Duncan says what most intrigued him was the rediscovery of the lives and works of the Warners by scholars during the 1980s, a great deal of whom assessed the sisters through a feminist framework.

"I wanted to convey not only what they produced, but what they mean today," says Duncan. The Warners had long been dismissed by critics as "reliant on feminine sentimentality and religious allegory," he said, but have since been reconsidered in the context of their times. When *The Wide, Wide World* was reprinted in 1987 by Feminist Press, the

book was presented as a celebration of the sisters as "examples of the constraints placed upon 19th-century women and the Warners' ability to break those constraints, finding a way to shape their own lives."

Besides the exhibit, the museum has a display of works from the permanent collection that includes paintings by Emil Holzhauer from the 1930s and 1940s of Cold Spring streetscapes. There is also a wall highlighting new acquisitions that will change monthly.

The Putnam History Museum, at 63 Chestnut St., is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2 for seniors and students and free for children. The Oct. 29 talk is \$5 (free for members); call 845-265-4010 for a reservation.



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# Schools Test Water for Lead

*Initial results show drinking water safe, but Garrison shuts off fountains as precaution*

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

Responding to a new state law signed by Gov. Andrew Cuomo on Sept. 6 requiring every public school district to test its water for lead, the Haldane and Garrison school districts reported their drinking supplies well below a state threshold, although as of Oct. 26 Garrison still awaited results on four of five drinking fountains.

The Beacon City School District did not respond to an email and phone message requesting information on its testing, which the state Department of Health said in an emergency regulation that all public districts must complete by Sept. 30 for elementary schools and by Oct. 31 for middle and high schools.

Administrators at Garrison, which serves grades kindergarten to 8, and Haldane, which has all grades, said that in anticipation of the mandate they tested all water fountains earlier this year and found no cause for concern.

"New York State would rather be safe than sorry," Diana Bowers, superintendent of the Haldane Central School District, said of the mandate.

The state regulations, which Cuomo

called "the toughest in the nation," were a response to concerns over pervasive lead contamination in the water system in Flint, Michigan, and fears of similar pollution elsewhere. Studies connect lead consumption by children to brain damage and behavioral problems. Aging lead pipes and solder are the most common sources for contamination.

The New York law applies to fountains, faucets and other taps, such as those on athletic fields, which provide drinking water, and requires the water have no more than 15 parts per billion (ppb) of lead. It does not apply to private schools.

## Garrison's response

Laura Mitchell, superintendent of the Garrison Union Free School District, wrote in an Oct. 21 letter to parents that, in anticipation of the law, the district tested its drinking fountains in the spring, and that all samples were well below 15 ppb.

On Sept. 27 Garrison began sampling all 59 outlets for drinkable water. Within three weeks it received results for 46, and 15 samples contained lead exceeding the 15ppb maximum, although none came from drinking fountains. She said the school immediately cut off water to those 15 sources.

The remaining 13 samples include water from four of the school's five drinking fountains, and the water was shut off as a precautionary measure. In the meantime, the school is providing bottled wa-

ter. Mitchell said Oct. 25 that she hoped to receive the results by the end of the week.

## Haldane's response

In an Oct. 26 interview and a letter sent to Haldane parents the same day, Bowers said the district conducted tests in the elementary and middle schools and Mabel Merritt Building in late September and in the high school the week of Oct. 17. Like Garrison, the district also tested its drinking water earlier this year.

The September tests found no problems with any drinking water, Bowers said in an interview. She elaborated in the letter, reporting that of 99 samples taken, 11 tested above the lead limits but all were from non-drinkable supplies in the greenhouse, science classrooms and an ice machine where a

pipe, not the machine itself, was the source.

Five sinks in the science classrooms showed troublesome levels after a test in which water stands in the basins for at least eight hours, but administrators aren't sure if the lead came from the sinks or the pipes.

The high school's results will probably not arrive until early or mid-November, Bowers said, but the district does not anticipate they will show contamination because the 11-year-old building and its water pipes are relatively new.

Lead poisoning is a concern at schools because water sits in pipes overnight, over weekends and during vacations, giving it more contact with lead pipes and solder than during consistent household use.

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## Haldane and Garrison Students Become River Scientists

*Guided by land trust educators during daylong study*

Students and teachers from Haldane and Garrison schools took part on Oct. 20 in the 14th annual statewide testing of the Hudson River. Led by educators from the Hudson Highlands Land Trust, the program is designed to give students up and down the Hudson an opportunity to collect scientific information about aquatic life, water chemistry, tides and weather and to create snapshots at dozens of locations.

The results are shared online so students can understand how their piece of the river fits into the larger Hudson estuary ecosystem. Pete Salmansohn worked with students from Haldane Middle School at Little Stony Point in Cold Spring, and Lisa Mechaley and Nicole Wooten were stationed at Garrison's Landing with middle schoolers from the Garrison School.



Haldane students Liam Mooney, Lola Ritell and Megan Ferreira study the results of a salinity test at Little Stony Point.

*Photo provided*



Trustees of the Haldane School Foundation get into the spirit of the Roaring '20s evening.

*Photo provided*

## Foundation Raises \$5,000 to Renovate Haldane Library

*Annual fall gala brings in total of \$20,000 for Cold Spring school*

The Haldane School Foundation's annual Fall Ball, held this year at Pamela's Bird and Bottle Inn in Garrison, raised more than \$20,000 for projects at the school, including a transformation of the middle and high school library.

The Oct. 14 dinner and dance, with a Roaring '20s theme, included the traditional silent auction but also featured an appeal by middle school principal Julia Sniffen that raised \$5,000 to kick-start a renovation of the library, which she noted hasn't changed much since the 1970s. (Donations to the library fund can be made at [haldaneschoolfoundation.org/giving](http://haldaneschoolfoundation.org/giving).)

More than 140 people attended the fundraiser, where many headpieces (and tables) were festooned with feathers, and fringe, spats and pearls were on frequent display. The highlight of the evening was Alex Bloomstein and Katie Bissinger of Beacon Ballet Arts Studio providing lessons in several period dances.

## Philipstown Gives Blood

*Drive scheduled for Nov. 3 at Loretto*

A community blood drive will be held Thursday, Nov. 3, from 2 to 8 p.m. in

the parish hall at Our Lady of Loretto, at 24 Fair St., Cold Spring. Donors are asked to bring identification and to eat well and be hydrated in advance.

Call 800-688-0900 for questions about eligibility. Walk-ins are welcome, or call 845-424-3456 to schedule an appointment.

## Poet to Read New Works at Cold Spring Library

*Meredith Trede has new collection*

Poet Meredith Trede will read from her latest collection, *Tenement Threnody*, at the Butterfield Library in Cold Spring at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5. Her poems tell stories of Irish immigrant life in the tenements of New York City. A reception will follow.

Trede, who lives in Westchester County, published her first poetry collection in 2011; entitled *Field Theory*, it captures small-town voices. The event is a collaboration with the Poets Network and Exchange.

## Nature Museum to Honor Buck Family

*Recognized for environmental work*

At a benefit brunch and silent auction to be held Nov. 12, the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum in Cornwall will honor Garrison resident Christopher Buck and his family's nonprofit, the Peter and Carmen Lucia Buck Foundation. An award

will recognize the Bucks as a "First Family for the Environment in the Hudson Valley."

Buck is an advisory board member for the museum. Because of the foundation's focus on land conservation, he also serves on the boards of the Hudson Highlands Land Trust and Scenic Hudson. (In addition, he is a supporter and former board member of Highlands Current Inc.) Tickets for the fundraiser start at \$125 and can be purchased at [hnnaturemuseum.org](http://hnnaturemuseum.org).

## Chapel Concert to Present World Premiere

*Composer and soprano will cover three centuries of music*

In a concert scheduled for 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Chapel Restoration in Cold Spring, composer Mikko Taylor and soprano Shannon Calandrillo will cover three centuries of music. The performance will feature works by Bach, Domenico Scarlatti, Gabriel Fauré, Heitor Villa-Lobos, Dmitri Shostakovich and the world premiere of a composition by Taylor.


Taylor is a former Cold Spring shopkeeper who last appeared at the Chapel in 2014 performing his stage piece, *Visiting with Shostakovich*. Calandrillo last performed here in 2013. A \$15 donation is requested at the door (\$10 for students and seniors).

## School Forest Committee to Hold Fundraiser

*David Gelber will discuss documentary series*

The Environmental Education Committee of the Garrison School will hold its annual fundraiser at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 12, at a supporter's home in Garrison. It will feature a talk by David Gelber, co-creator of the *Years of Living Dangerously*, an Emmy-award series telling the global story of climate change. He is also a trustee on the Garrison School Board.

Tickets are \$45 in advance or \$50 at the door. Family tickets are \$75 (\$80). For more information, email Tricia Mulligan at [terrafloratrish@gmail.com](mailto:terrafloratrish@gmail.com). Checks made payable to GUFS EE Fund may be mailed to C. Foertsch, 14 Cutler Lane, Garrison, NY 10524.



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## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

## Garrison Library Benefit Previews Election

*Panel will take place two days before vote*

The Desmond-Fish Library will host its annual Fall Luncheon at noon on Nov. 6 with two speakers on the "Road to the White House."

Thomas Kean is a former New Jersey governor who chaired the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks under President George W. Bush, which produced its *9/11 Commission Report* in 2004. Richard Brodsky is a former New York State Assemblyman from Westchester who was active in an effort to close Indian Point and is a frequent commentator and writer on the environment and politics.

The presentation, which will take place at The Garrison on Route 9, can be viewed via a live stream at the library's website by anyone who cannot attend. Tickets start at \$100 and are available by calling 845-424-3020 or at [desmondfishlibrary.org](http://desmondfishlibrary.org).

## Observe, Draw, Journal

*No experience necessary*

Storm King Art Center will offer an all-day workshop called "The Art of Observation: Creative Field Journaling" on Saturday, Nov. 5. It begins at 10:30 a.m. Led by Hara Woltz, an environmental artist, scientist and activist, participants will learn about the intersection of art and ecology using the grounds of Storm King as their inspiration and field of study. Field journals have been useful for both scientists and artists to record their observations in nature and develop ideas.

Supplies and lunch are included. Register at [stormking.org](http://stormking.org). Tickets are \$250 (\$225 for members).

## Fifty Years of Captains

*Clearwater gala set for Nov. 13*

At the annual Clearwater Gala on Sunday, Nov. 13, you have a good chance of sitting at the captain's table. Current and former Clearwater captains spanning five decades will be helming tables at the benefit and greeting guests. Since the first crew sailed the Hudson River in 1969, captains have not only served in traditional duties of leading a crew but also as environmental leaders.

Clearwater's first crew in 1969, led by Capt. Allan Aunapu, was made up primarily of musicians who gave concerts at port stops during the sloop's maiden voyage from

Damariscotta, Maine to New York City.

Clearwater will honor Capt. Jean Wort, secretary of the National Maritime Historical Society, with the Spirit of the Hudson award for her commitment to the river and the Hudson Valley. Wort has served on the boards of the Hudson Highlands Land Trust, the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum and the Constitution Island Association.

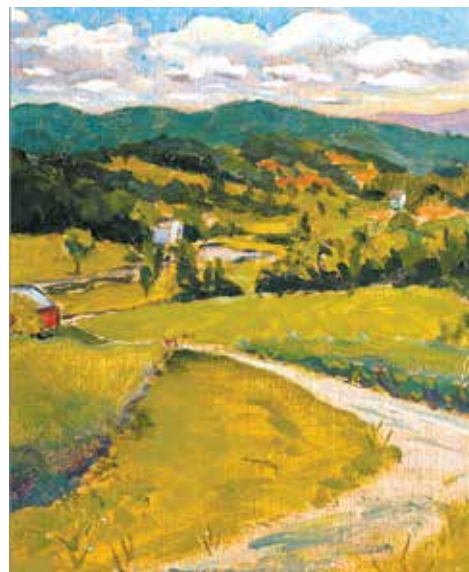
The gala will be held at The Garrison on Route 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. Tickets, which start at \$250, can be purchased at [clearwater.org](http://clearwater.org). It will feature a live auction by Nicholas Lowry of PBS's *Antique Roadshow*.

## Garrison Art Teacher's Work on Exhibit

*Reception set for Nov. 5 at Desmond-Fish*

An exhibit of work by Coulter Young, who teaches art at the Garrison School, will be on display at the Desmond-Fish Library beginning Oct. 29, with a reception scheduled for 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5. The show continues through Nov. 12.

Young's paintings depict landscapes in Tuscany, the Hudson Valley and Cape Cod. The Beacon resident's paintings are also part of the Howland Cultural Center exhibit *The Lattimore Studio Student and Alumni Art Show*, which continues through Oct. 30.



A painting by Coulter Young

## Has Your Yard Been Invaded?

*Free program offered for homeowners*

On Thursday, Nov. 3, the Putnam County Soil and Water District and Cornell Cooperative Extension will share information about a dozen of the most common and aggressive non-native plants in our



Garlic mustard is one of the non-native plants that homeowners contend with.

area and how to manage them. The program is designed for home gardeners and aims at reducing pesticide use as a control.

Since the plants have different growth cycles, controlling and eradicating them requires different approaches. The 90-minute program begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be held at the Putnam County Bureau of Emergency Services at 112 Old Route 6 in Carmel. Register by calling 845-878-7918 or email [lauri.taylor@putnamcounty.gov](mailto:lauri.taylor@putnamcounty.gov).

## Beacon

### Improv for Tweens and Teens

*Free series of acting classes at Howland*


The Howland Public Library in Beacon will kick off a three-week improvisational acting workshop for middle and high school students on Saturday, Nov. 5. It will continue for the next two consecutive Saturday afternoons. Taught by Chris Blesdoe of Improv Patrol, the sessions will provide instruction on acting skills and how to prepare and work as a team. The program is free but participants must register by calling 845-831-1164, ext. 101, or emailing [community@beaconlibrary.org](mailto:community@beaconlibrary.org).

### Songs of Change from Women

The activist organization Showing Up for Racial Justice and the Beacon Beehive will host "Fiery Women, Fierce Justice," a concert in which three musicians share original songs about social justice.

Colleen Kattau, a bilingual guitarist and songwriter, has toured with Pete Seeger and Holly Near. Rachael Kilgour performs folk music and was the 2015 Grand Prize winner of the international NewSong Music Performance & Songwriting Competition at Lincoln Center. Pamela Means is a

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## COMMUNITY BRIEFS (From previous page)



Colleen Kattau, Rachael Kilgour and Pamela Means

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singer-songwriter and jazz musician recognized for her skill as a guitarist.

The concert will take place Friday, Nov. 4, at Beahive, 291 Main St. Doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15 (\$10 for members of Beahive or SURJ), will be available at the door or in advance at beahivebzzz.com.

## Wellness Seminar for Older Women

*Two-hour workshop set for Nov. 5*

On Saturday, Nov. 5, the In My Mother's House Resource Center for Women will host a free two-hour workshop at the Howland Cultural Center in Beacon on aging and wellness for women in their 50s. Bodies change as they age and the seminar will help women understand and embrace

these changes to be comfortable in their mind, body and spirit.

Bernice Moeller-Bloom, a nurse practitioner for nearly 30 years, will be the guest speaker at the workshop, which begins at 11 a.m. For more information or to register, call 845-219-5790 or email inmyotherhouse@gmail.com.

## Buy a Book, Support the Makers

*Sargent PTO organizes fundraiser*

The Sargent Elementary School PTO has organized a fundraiser in partnership with Barnes and Noble's Poughkeepsie location for Saturday, Nov. 5. A percentage of purchases made at the store and online at bn.com using the Sargent Bookfair voucher, available at the school office or online at the PTO's Facebook page, will be used to create a Lightbulb Lab.

The lab will be a place where students can research, design, and invent creations and solve problems using technology old and new. The Barnes and Noble store is hosting a Mini Maker Faire that coincides

with the fundraiser in which children and teenagers ages 3 to 18 can participate in hands-on workshops. For more information, email sullivana@gmail.com.

## Finding Beauty in Decay

*Documentary on photographer will screen Nov. 10*

The documentary *An Art That Nature Makes: The Work of Rosamond Purcell* is a portrait of a still-life photographer best known for her shots of death

and decay. The documentary, which *The New York Times* called "haunting ... but too beautiful to be morbid," will be screened by the Beacon Film Society at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Beahive, 291 Main St., followed by a Q&A with co-director Molly Bernstein. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at beaconfilmsociety.org.

## Support Groups

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Rosamond Purcell's studio

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# Sports

## High School Scoreboard

### Football

Beacon 14, Lakeland 12  
Dobbs Ferry 26, Haldane 0

### Boys' Soccer

Nanuet 3, Beacon 2 (OT)

The Bulldogs, seeded eighth, were upset in the first round of the Section 1, Class A tournament by the No. 9 Golden Knights.

Haldane 2, Solomon Schechter 1  
Haldane, seeded third in the Section 1, Class C playoffs, upset No. 2 Schechter on a goal by Seth Warren in the 77th minute. Devin Heanue also scored and Blaine Fitzgerald had 14 saves. Haldane next faces No. 1 North Salem in the Section 1 final at 8:30 p.m. on Oct. 29 at Lakeland High. Schechter beat the Blue Devils earlier in the season, 5-0.

### Girls' Soccer

Byram Hills 1, Beacon 1 (OT)

The Bulldogs lost on penalty kicks in the first round of the Section 1, Class A tournament.

Haldane vs. North Salem (Oct. 28)

No. 4 North Salem visits the No. 1 seeded Blue Devils in the Section 1, Class C tournament.

### Girls' Swimming

Section 1 championships

Team finish: 8 of 9 teams

Top finish: 100-yard breaststroke  
8 of 32: Cassandra Ruffy 1:20.34

### Volleyball

Haldane 3, Putnam Valley 0

Henry Hudson 3, Beacon 0

Millbrook 1, Beacon 0

John Jay 3, Haldane 0

Beacon, seeded No. 12 in the Section 1, Class A tournament, travels to No. 5 Yorktown at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 28.

Haldane, seeded fourth in the Class C tournament, hosts No. 5 Hamilton at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 31.

## Soccer in the Family

The Beacon girls' soccer team has two players, senior Gabby Lucas and junior Chloe Antalek, whose mothers were members of the 1989 Bulldogs team that won the league and Class B section titles. Nicole Petrie Lucas (2003) and Stacey McKeon Antalek (2012) have both been inducted into the Beacon High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

letic Hall of Fame.

The girls, seeded seventh in the opening round of the state Class A tournament, suffered a disappointing loss Oct. 22 to No. 10 Byram Hills, losing at Armonk on penalty kicks after a 1-1 tie in regulation. The Bulldogs finished 11-6 overall and 8-1 in league play.



Nicole and Gabby Lucas



Chloe and Stacey Antalek

## Philipstown Soccer Club (Week 6)

### Boys'

Washingtonville 1, U16 Chargers 0  
New Paltz 7, U14 Warriors 0  
U13 Arsenal 2, East Fishkill 1  
U11 Strikers 1, Shrub Oak 0  
U9 Force 1, Latinos de Pok of Poughkeepsie 1  
Yorktown 4, U8 Storm 0

### Girls'

U13 Raptors 1, Shrub Oak 1

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highlandscurrent.com.**



In a U8 soccer matchup on Oct. 22, Joe Demarco of the Philipstown Storm turns the ball around against Yorktown.

Photo by Sheila Williams

## Beacon Ends Football Season 4-4

*Haldane will play tournament qualifier Nov. 4*

In a tight game, the Beacon varsity football team came from behind Oct. 21 to defeat host Lakeland, 14-12. Lakeland led 6-0 at the half and went ahead 12-0 in the third quarter before Alex Benson returned a kickoff and threw the two-point conversion to Manny Garner to make it 12-8.

As the fog began to roll in, the Bulldogs completed a fourth-quarter drive with a five-yard Benson run. The Hornets drove to the Beacon 15-yard line but Jaden Navarro intercepted a pass in the end zone to secure the win. Beacon ended its season at 4-4.

The Haldane varsity squad, meanwhile, lost Oct. 22 at Dobbs Ferry, 26-0. The Blue



The Bulldogs after their win on Oct. 21

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Devils next play Tuckahoe at 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, at Mahopac High School in a qualifier for the Class D state tournament. Both teams are 1-6; Tuckahoe's only win was a 36-15 victory at Haldane on Sept. 10.

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