Santos Family Ready to Rebuild

Parrott Street fire has taken emotional toll

By Alison Rooney

As Halloween approaches, a certain wistfulness crosses the face of Melissa Santos. She and her family have always been one of the big Parrott Street draws on Halloween, with its “only for the daring” displays. But on May 19 the driveway held a different horror — it was covered with debris from a fire that destroyed the second floor and attic.

Five months later, their charred home, its upper windows boarded, still stands, providing some comfort to Santos, who sometimes sits in her backyard, where she can hear a nearby creek, grabbing a moment away from her hectic household: “Staying organized is challenging, especially because there are days when I’m on the phone the entire day relating to the fire,” Santos says. While the family is grateful to their neighbors, Maria and Rob Leiter, who immediately moved them into the cottage next door to their own house, looking at her damaged home every day has taken a toll on Santos, especially because she says there is not yet a fixed timetable for demolition and reconstruction.

An environmental assessment was performed last week; if no asbestos is found, demolition can begin soon. Bill Bujarski, the Cold Spring building inspector, has pledged his assistance, telling Melissa, “as soon as you get your plans, send them to me — I want to get you into your home.”

Once everything is green-lighted, according to architect Jamie Copeland of Hudson Design, who volunteered his services, and pending confirmation of an initial determination that the foundation is solid, their new modular home can be built rapidly. Most of the building for modular homes is done off-site, and so even with winter weather, the on-site construction can take as little as a week.

“There wasn’t an area [of the house] that wasn’t damaged by smoke and water and infused with the smell of smoke,” says Copeland, who is a volunteer with the Garrison Volunteer Fire Company. “I’ve been a firefighter for 14 years and I can never get used to seeing a house burn. It’s very different than a commercial establishment, so” (Continued on Page 3)

The Travails of Little Stony Point

Will Fjord Trail help or hinder?

By Michael Turton

Little Stony Point, the diminutive riverfront park located just beyond Cold Spring’s northern boundary, faces a number of resource management issues. But one stands out — it has become too popular.

Weekend crowds leave the area covered with litter. The parking lot fills quickly, resulting in long, hazardous lines of vehicles parked along both shoulders of Route 9D. A drought in early September provided a grim reminder of the risk taken by visitors who ignore the ongoing prohibition on swimming.

At the beach at Little Stony Point, the prohibition on swimming is largely ignored. The state considers the river inherently dangerous. “It’s not a sustainable situation,” said Henry Boyd, a master driller for the Empire State Well Drillers Association and founder of Boyd Artesian Well in Carmel. It was compounded by heavy snowfall in February. “Snow is the best recharge for ground water but the ground was so frozen that when it melted this year, it ran off instead of soaking in,” he said. The weather was wet in March, then dry through May, when the area went more than six weeks without rainfall. June was rainy, but Boyd said that once the vegetation is in full bloom, the plants soak it up and less (Continued on Page 3)

Dry Conditions Affect Wells

Winter temperatures also play a role in water supply

by Pamela Dean

While Beacon, Cold Spring and Nelsonville residents have been alerted about the low levels at municipal reservoirs and told to conserve, Philipstown residents with wells have no way to gauge their water supply.

Wells are made by drilling into the cracks of the water table and resupplied when rainfall soaks into the ground. The conditions this year have left the water table very low, however.

The U.S. Geologic Survey monitors wells around the county, including one at Bear Mountain State Park (since 2002), one near Mahopac (since 2004) and a third near the eastern border of the county at Putnam Lake (since 2006), to keep an eye on the groundwater levels, which are reported in great detail at Groundwater Watch (groundwaterwatch.nys.gov). The water at the Bear Mountain and Mahopac wells is currently below normal levels, and on Sept. 1, the Putnam Lake well reached its lowest level since the USGS began monitoring the site.

The problems began as early as January, when the area had a deep frost, explained Philipstown Supervisor Richard Shea. “Snow is the best recharge for ground water but the ground was so frozen that when it melted this year, it ran off instead of soaking in,” he said.

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October Gardening Work Can Mean Better Spring Results

Grow veggies with row covers, a hoop house or a cold frame
By Pamela Doan

Yes, you can harvest vegetables — including beets, carrots, kale, spinach, leeks, collards and turnips — from your garden in November, maybe even December, depending on conditions and timing. Go for transplants instead of seeds and get your protection up soon since it looks like we could have our first frost soon.

Plant garlic
Garlic is planted in the fall and harvested in mid-summer the following season. There are many varieties that range from mild to spicy hot. Don’t use the garlic you buy at the grocery store, though. Those bulbs are frequently sprayed with a growth inhibitor to prevent sprouting. You buy at the grocery store, though. Don’t use the garlic

Plant bulbs
Bulbs need to spend the winter in the ground to wait for the right time to sprout in the spring. Even if you don’t have a lot of time, getting in a few bulbs now to signal the start of spring will bring a lot of cheer after many cold months.

Water well and wisely
As I wrote in the Oct. 3 column, it’s been an uncommonly dry season and newly planted shrubs, trees and perennials, and evergreens (especially broad-leaf evergreens like azalea) need to go into the winter months well watered to survive.
Dry Conditions Affect Wells

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reaches the water table. During July, August, September and October, the area has little precipitation and the few storms dumped so much rain so fast that it ran off instead of soaking in. Slow and steady is the best type of rainfall for replenishing ground water.

Residents with wells need to conserve their water. Boyd advises. “Wells that are less than 300 feet deep are running out.” His business is getting three or four calls per day from homeowners with wells that are running low.

There are a few warning signs that your well may be in trouble, although Boyd says a well never goes completely dry; the level of water just gets too low to be brought to the surface. Watch for slow flow or air, both of which could be signs of low water levels. A major source of wasted water are toilets that are constantly running, which Boyd says he sees often. Never homes are less likely to have well problems because they are typically drilled deeper, both because improved technology makes it easier to do and health departments often require it. Wells that reach 200 to 500 feet below ground level are typical.

Wells are not regulated in the same way as the reservoirs, and so Dave Klotzle, Philipstown’s natural resources officer/wetlands inspector and Conservation Board member, said its role is mostly to make homeowners aware of the potential problem. “The Conservation Board, which is appointed by the Town Board, does oversee residential water usage for buildings and surfaces, however. For example, Klotzle said, “We discourage construction with impervious surfaces” because rainfall ends up in a storm drain instead of soaking into the ground. ‘Driveways can be gravel or pervious cement,” he said.

Roof water is also valuable and Klotzle said that the board wants to see that water going into a dry well or rain garden, which is a slightly depressed area that collects run-off. They’re not used to capture rain-fall, however. Use a rain barrel for that. It attaches to gutter downspouts to collect roof runoff and save water for another day. Although Philipstown doesn’t provide rain barrels, Klotzle said that some communities do and he plans to find out more for residents who have an interest. In the meantime, you can make your own. The Cornell Cooperative Extension of Putnam County is offering a one-hour workshop on Saturday, Oct. 17, in Patterson in which participants will construct a 55-gallon plastic rain barrel with spigot, mosquito screen and overflow. The cost is $45. The program, which begins at 11 a.m., will be held at the Patterson Environmental Park on South Street. Call 845-278-6738 or email js995@cornell.edu for information.

The Travails of Little Stony Point

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Over the winter, the state plans to review the management and operations of Little Stony Point, which covers about 25 acres of the 6,000-acre Hudson Highlands State Park Preserve that stretches from Annville Creek in Peekskill to Dennings Point in Beacon.

Kacala pointed out that the Fjord Trail project “grew out of local concern for safety conditions in the 9D corridor,” including Little Stony Point. She said that and other issues such as parking, garbage and bathrooms will be addressed as part of the Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed trail; work on it will begin this fall and take about two years to complete. The state parks office is acting as lead agency in that process.

A spring barn-raising

The Little Stony Point Citizens Association acts as the park’s steward on a budget of a few thousand dollars annually raised through donations and fundraisers. An admission fee has been suggested to fund maintenance, but Hartford feels “that would really detract from the community feel of the park.” Even with its limited funds, the association plans to build a barn in the spring at the park to serve as a base of operations. “The need has become more acute now that we’ve lost the caretaker’s role,” he explained. “We have concept approval from the state, and we’ve been working on a grant application.” In addition, Hartford said that a number of local contractors have pledged in-kind contributions. Hartford hopes the association will be able to expand both its membership and its role at the park. “We’ve been around for 31 years,” he said. “It would be great for us to be more of a caretaker of natural resources, a real stewardship role instead of just managing litter,” he said. That role could include building trails, eliminating invasive species and creating a larger reserve of native plants.

Anyone interested in volunteering at Little Stony Point can email Hartford at jamesphartford@gmail.com. Tax-deductible donations may be sent to Little Stony Point Citizens Association, 3011 Route 9D, Cold Spring, NY 10516, or visit the website, littlestonypoint.org for further information.

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WEEKLY EVENTS @ GROOMBRIDGE GAMES
In support of Robert Flaherty

I am writing in support of my son, Robert Flaherty. Bob has been serving on the Town Board for the past several months and will be running for this position in the coming election. He is well known in the community, honest, trustworthy, intelligent and conscientious.

Bob has always been active in community activities: as a young boy Little League and Pop Warner Football, as a teenager, in many Haldane activities and sports; and as an adult, in the Knights of Columbus, North Highlands Fire Department and numerous other undertakings.

Bob is an exceptional son. He is committed, loyal, ambitious, and thorough in completing his tasks. As always, he is there to help his family, neighbors, his friends and ours and will do the same for our community as a Philipstown councilor.

William Flaherty
Former Putnam County Legislator

In support of Tina Merando

As a registered Democrat, I generally support the candidate of the party, but in this year’s race for Philipstown town clerk, I proudly and enthusiastically give my vote to Tina Merando. Competent, responsible, hardworking, creative, cost-conscious, Tina has performed exceptionally well at the tough task of town clerk for the last 12 years and as deputy town clerk for the previous 10 years. (I hope she serves another 12 years if she chooses to run.) In all my dealings with the town clerk’s office, I always come away with a smile, totally satisfied with a job well done. Thank you, Tina, for making that happen each and every time I visit.

Two-and-one-half years ago, my spouse and I were married at Town Hall. Tina performed the ceremony. Despite our having been together for 46 years, we were very nervous on this, our wedding day. With her calm, caring and professional demeanor, Tina helped to put us at ease and made our wedding come off without a hitch. Thank you again, Tina. How could I not support such a wonderful person.

Bill Hicks, Garrison

Supporting Town Board incumbents and Barbara Scuccimara

As a 70-something senior caring for a husband with severe dementia, I have been extensively interested in local services for our older citizens. The upcoming election involves a number of local issues, but I would like to share my perspective on issues related to seniors.

Many may not be aware that the current Town Board has been extremely receptive to the needs of Philipstown seniors. Two years ago they asked the Recreation Department to offer exercise classes for seniors, free of charge. These classes have been so popular that they have increased the number offered.

Last year the board approved the Recreation Department’s request for a new staff member whose primary responsibility would be working with seniors. Ms. Cecily Hall has been a responsive addition to their staff, and has helped organize and implement senior trips and other local events.

I strongly support the re-election of the current town board based on their active interest in seniors.

Another person who has demonstrated her commitment to senior issues is our county legislator, Barbara Scuccimara. She is a pro-active legislator who actively solicits ideas from seniors, making monthly reports to the town board and to the Philipstown Seniors Club. She deserves re-election.

There are still many areas in which services for seniors can be improved, but we are very much making progress.

Lynda Ann Ewen, Cold Spring

In support of Carl Frisenda

I am writing this letter to support my father, Carl Frisenda, as the next Town of Philipstown highway superintendent. Carl has always been an outstanding role model for me in all aspects of life, especially in regards to his career. He has an unparalleled work ethic and has taught me to always do the best I can do no matter what. He is a blue-collar family man, always willing to work hard and help others in need. He cares so much about the quality of his work and maintaining high standards. He has always taught my brother and me the value of a hard day’s work.

After having worked at the Philipstown Highway Department myself for 6 years I can say that a change is definitely needed. Over the past 30 years, my tenure at Putnam County Highway Department, Carl will make an excellent highway superintendent for the Town of Philipstown and I fully support his re-election.

Matthew C. Freisenda, Hopewell Junction

In support of Adam Levy

District Attorney Adam Levy has implemented effective and sweeping change in how the justice system in Putnam County operates, which has had a huge impact on how effective it is. Crime rates dropped more than twice the state average, making Putnam the safest county in New York for the first time.

He put a strong focus on violent, repeat offenders, closing the revolving door that so frequently allowed bad people to commit crimes again. Drug Treatment Court and Mental Health Court have allowed many nonviolent offenders to avoid incarceration by seeking treatment, staying sober and performing community service.

Levy’s initiatives have also made Putnam a safer place to police and protect, not just because of his zero-tolerance policy on assaults of police officers. After the life of an undercover officer was threatened, he created “Blue Lives Matter.”

There’s one way to keep Putnam the safest county in New York: by re-electing a prosecutor who enforces the law and supports the police professionals who enforce it. Please vote for Adam Levy on Nov. 3.

Kevin McCouville, Cold Spring

Village Board Notes

From the Oct. 14 meeting

By Michael Turton

• Mandatory water-use restrictions remain in effect. Superintendent of Water and Sewer Greg Phillips reported that the 3.63 inches of rain in September maintained county-operated village reservoirs, and they remain at 58 percent capacity. He also reported that construction has begun on a new building at the sewage treatment plant. The project, which includes electrical upgrades and new aeration equipment, should be completed by early December.

• Winter parking regulations will be in effect from Sunday, Nov. 15 through Friday, April 15. Residents can park on County Road daily from 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. if street parking is prohibited due to a snow emergency, during which vehicles can be towed at the owner’s expense.

• Alternate parking is available on Kemble Avenue south of The Bowery, on the south side of The Boulevard and in the municipal lot on Fair Street.

• Street parking regulations have been suspended for the dead-end portion of Marion Avenue through Friday, April 15.

• Cold Spring resident Jeff Vidavich has been hired as a part-time clerk in the Code Enforcement Office to assist Building Inspector Bill Bajerski. Vidavich will work 10 hours a week.

• The Main Street parade season has arrived. The Haldane homecoming parade will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17. The Cold Spring Lions’ Start Your Pup Down Main at 1 p.m. The annual popular Hallowe'en parade begins at Main and Chestnut Street on Saturday, Oct. 24, at 5:30 p.m.

• The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historical Preservation, the lead agency in the development of the Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail, has issued a “Positive Environmental Impact Statement” for the proposed nine-mile route between Cold Spring and Beacon, meaning the project may have a green light. As a result, an Environmental Impact Statement must be prepared.

• The board chose not to endorse the design and location of the Fjord Trail signage within the village, choosing to wait until after the state environmental review.
Santos Family Ready to Rebuild

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personal and traumatic, and routines are upset, memories lost. Getting the family back is important to do, and luckily we found a cross-section of people committed to just that idea.

Santos urges everyone to examine their homeowner’s insurance policies carefully; she now understands much more about depreciation. The insurance adjuster goes “through every single thing,” values it, then depreciates. “It’s been frustrating having been a paying on time customer for 25 years and then having to wait so long for them to send us a check,” she says.

Although everyone in the family, including their dog, Pancho, walked away from the fire unscathed, the family has been visited by other traumas, with Melissa Santos saying she will forever be upset, memories lost. Getting the family’s new memories will be created. Good will come out of it.

As for Halloween, the family plans to be on Parroett Street as usual, handing out candy, although they’re not sure if they’ll stand in front of their burned house or join friends and neighbors, the Leiters. But they’re not about to miss it and promise that next Halloween they will be back at their old spot with a new house, ready to scare everyone again.

“They’ll get through this. Their family is intact and they’ve all weathered this together. They’ll move in and new memories will be created. Good will come out of it.”

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Real Simple Finds Community in Cold Spring

The Santos family will be subject of story by neighbor

Last May, Maria Ricapito was sitting in her living room on Parroett Street, working on her computer, when suddenly a neighbor flung open the front door, yelling that there was a fire. Ricapito heard sirens and stepped onto her porch, where she was stunned at what she saw. Directly across the street, the Santos family home was in flames. “There were flames coming out the window,” she said. “I corralled my cats and sat and watched and then came out and sat with other neighbors... It was surreal.”

Ricapito had worked as an editor at Real Simple years ago and occasionally writes for them as a freelancer. In the months following the fire, Ricapito was struck at how the community had come together in support of the family. She also had taken note of how the family was rebounding.

“I thought about it and this seemed like a story Real Simple might like,” she said. “It’s heartwarming in many ways, and leads to the question of ‘How can you help in your community?’ wherever that community is.” Her story will appear in the November issue, which will be on newsstands next week. A $5 version for the iPad will be released for download at backissues.realsimple.com.

“We hear so much about divisiveness, but this was the opposite,” Ricapito said. “I saw it — local people pitching in, handing out the outside of the house, bringing meals, dropping off donations; neighbors helping carry things out of the house; store owners starting collection jars; Girl Scouts bringing pizza; lacrosse players helping out; the Food Pantry reaching out to the family, helping them to come and get supplies; a steady stream of people coming to help.”

Over the summer, Real Simple asked Ricapito to put the word out and many of those who had helped gathered together in front of the house, along with the Santos family, for a group photograph, which will run with the story.

“They say [in journalism] there are stories all around you,” Ricapito notes, “Well, this one was right here.”

The opening of Maria Ricapito’s story in the November issue of Real Simple. Photo courtesy of Real Simple

Notice to Bidders

Town of Philipstown Highway Department

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned Town Clerk of the Town of Philipstown at her office in the Town Hall, 238 Main Street, Cold Spring, New York 10516, until 2 p.m., on October 21, 2015, when the same will be publicly opened and read aloud for the sale to the Town of Philipstown of:

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• Bank run, fill, crushed tailing – Delivered & FOB
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### The Calendar

#### Jesus Christ Superstar Opens Four-Week Run at Depot

Making it be from the soul rather than just singing

By Alison Rooney

Asher Pacht has had a year of living fairly well. The better part of 2015, he has counted himself among the denizens of Nazareth and points beyond, first taking on the mindset of Peter, and more recently, that of Jesus himself.

Pacht is now in rehearsals for Jesus Christ Superstar for the second time this year. By day he is director of development for the Beacon Institute for Rivers and Estuaries; by night, he’s been a fisherman-turned-disciple and now the savior himself, making for an interesting journey, far beyond the usual acting gig.

After playing Peter in a County Players production in Wappingers Falls earlier this year, Pacht steps into the lead role on Friday, Oct. 23, in the Depot Theatre’s production of the Andrew Lloyd Webber/Tim Rice rock opera, which made its debut in 1971. The Depot’s version will take the form of a staged concert, and it brings together a large cast, many drawn from local talent pools, under the direction of Linda Speziale.

Although there will be some movement, the presentation as sung feels right to Pacht. “There’s still a lot of acting that can be presented in a concert format; the songs don’t need a lot of movement, the presentation as sung feels right to them.”

He also questions people about why they are doing things. I’m always trying to ask myself that — that’s how I get into it. I think of times in my life when I was working on something for a long time and it fell apart. The idea of embodying a figure like Jesus is almost too much to take on — he’s almost a cypher, reflecting people’s qualities back to them. That’s about the journey, far beyond the usual acting gig.

As for the seemingly daunting challenge of portraying Jesus, Pacht gives a considered reply. “His experience is so unique and in order to access it you have to find something in your own life to filter it through,” he says. “The crux of it for me is the sense of something slipping through your fingers. Waking up, realizing something has gone wrong, and you don’t realize how bad it is until it has happened. In his first song,” he continues, “he already has a feeling things are coming apart. I think of times in my life when I was working on something for a long time and it fell apart. The idea of embodying a figure like Jesus is almost too much to take on — he’s almost a cypher, reflecting people’s qualities back to them.

Since Jesus Christ Superstar’s director, Linda Speziale, with her son, Will, who plays Peter.

Photos courtesy of Depot Theatre

### A World of Art

Beacon event has artists from around the globe

By Alison Rooney

Group residencies that allow artists to live and work together for a short time are far more common in Europe than in the U.S., says Bash Maryanska, a Polish artist and curator and resident of Beacon who has organized the city’s first International Artist Residency. It opened Oct. 12 and continues through Oct. 26 at Scenic Hudson’s Red Barn River Center at Long Dock Park in Beacon, with a reception scheduled for 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17.

The participants include Mervyn Beamish (Australia), Catherine Gerasimov (France), Rella Gronovitz (Israel/USA), Michaluk (France), Hanna Oren-Huppert (Holland), Neila Pushparaj (India/USA) and Mira Sartyan, (USA/Poland). The U.S. artists are Virginia Donovan, Mary Ann Glass, Kathryn Hart, Galina Kraasova and Rafael Quirindongo.

Their artwork is on display daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and their public work spaces are open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Besides creating and displaying their work, the artists will present talks and take part in workshops and other arts-related activities. They will also tour Dia:Beacon, Olana, Storm King, Locust Grove, the Morse estate, the Thomas Cole Museum and, in Manhattan, the new Whitney Museum and galleries in Chelsea.

Scenic Hudson, with a specific topography from Australia, the artist’s nationality is well-represented in the work, while that of many others is more abstract.

The exhibit will be a fluid one, with Maryanska continuously curating and updating the work. The public is invited to view the pieces and talk to the artists while they work. Most non-local artists are paired with Beacon-based peers.

The organizers describe the concept of an artist residency as an “opportunity for a group of artists to work in an environment that encourages innovation, support and growth. Having two weeks to focus on their work, artists find this a chance to create while meeting new artists and being exposed to different forms of art.”

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16
Pizza Night and Ice Cream Social
4 – 8 p.m, North Highlands Firehouse
504 Fishkill Road, Cold Spring
Call 845-265-9599 for takeout
Haldane vs. Pawling (Football)
7:15 p.m, 15 Craigsides Drive, Cold Spring
845-265-9204 | haldaneschool.org
Open Mic Night
7:30 p.m, Sign-ups | 8 p.m, Performances
Howland Cultural Center | 477 Main St, Beacon
845-630-4968 | howlandculturalcenter.org

Saturday, October 17
Birdseed Sale and Pick-up
9 a.m. – noon, Taconic Outdoor Education Center
75 Mountain Laurel Lane, Cold Spring
9 a.m. – noon. Taconic Outdoor Education Center
5:30 p.m, 15 Craigside Drive, Cold Spring
845-473-2072 | bardavon.org
Hudson Valley Philharmonic: This Land
477 Main St, Beacon
845-831-1134 | howlandculturalcenter.org
National Theater: Beaux Strategem
4 p.m, Private home, Cold Spring
philipstowndepottheatre.org
4 p.m. Private home, Cold Spring
philipstowndepottheatre.org

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18
Castle to River Hike (difficult)
10 a.m, Garrison Station shuttle to Castle Rock
845-424-3358 x7 | hhlt.org

Calendar Highlights
For upcoming events visit philipstown.info.
Send event listings to calendar@philipstown.info.

Beacon Slopp Club Pumpkin Festival
11 a.m – 5 p.m, Skaegers Park
1 Fishkill Drive, Beacon
845-463-4660 | beaconsloppclub.org
The HisPANICk (Comedy)
3 p.m, Embark | See details under Saturday.
Songs of Fire and Ice (Argentina and Iceland)
4 p.m, Chapel Restoration
45 Market St, Cold Spring
845-265-5537 | chapelrestoration.org

Monday, October 19
Yoga for Kids and Parents (First Sessions)
10:45 a.m, Toddler & Me (ages 1-2)
11:45 a.m, Baby & Me (ages 3-12 mos.)
Howland Public Library
313 Main St, Beacon
845-831-1134 | beaconlibrary.org
National Theater: Beaux Stratagem
1:30 p.m, Dowling Film Center
See details under Sunday.
Haldane vs. Pleasantville (Boy’s Soccer)
4:35 p.m, Haldane Schools
See details under Friday.
Cold Spring parking Committee
5 p.m, Village Hall | 85 Main St, Cold Spring
845-905-3611 | coldspringny.gov
Hudson Valley Board
7:30 p.m, Village Hall
258 Main St, Hudson Valley
845-265-2500 | villageofnelsonville.org
Philipstown/info, The Paper Candidates’ Forum
7:30 p.m, Haldane School (Music Room)
15 Craigsides Drive, Cold Spring
845-201-9254 | haldaneschool.org
Town Board Budget Workshop (Highway)
7 p.m, Philipstown Town Hall
238 Main St, Cold Spring
845-265-3329 | phillipsontown.com

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21
Senior Bus Trip to Fishkill
10 a.m, Chestnut Ridge, Cold Spring
845-424-4618 | philipstownrecreation.com
Philipstown Communities that Care Coalition
3 p.m, Denison Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison
putnamncaad.org/ctc

Town Board Budget Workshops
7 p.m, Continental Village F.D.
7:30 p.m, Recreation Department
See details under Tuesday.
Garrison School Board
7:30 p.m, Garrison School
1100 Route 90, Garrison
845-424-3689 | gfsd.org

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22
Medicare Workshop
6 p.m, Howland Public Library
See details under Tuesday.
Figure Drawing (First Session)
6:15 p.m, HVCCD
See details under Tuesday.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23
Paintings by Mary Flaherty (Opening)
6 – 8 p.m, Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403, Garrison
845-424-3000 | desmondfishlibrary.org
Haunted House
7 – 10 p.m, Philipstown Recreation Center
15 Craigsides Drive, Garrison
845-424-4618 | philipstownrecreation.com
Developing Your Intuition with Leslie Mott
7 p.m, Living Yoga Studios
3382 Route 9, Cold Spring
845-809-5900 | livingyogastudios.com
International Film Night: My Old Lady
(UK, 2014)
7 p.m, Howland Public Library
See details under Tuesday.
Hudson Valley Fort vs. Brooklyn Bulls (Football)
7:30 p.m, Dutchess Stadium
1500 Route 9D, Wappingers Falls
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Jesse Christ Superstar
7:30 p.m, Philipstown Depot Theatre
10 Garrison Landing, Garrison
845-424-3000 | philipstowndepottheatre.org
Gino Vannelli
8 p.m, Paramount Hudson Valley
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The Fire Festival of Cuba (Documentary)
8 p.m, Howland Cultural Center
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- Leadership and diligence helped Town get over $900,000 in FEMA funding to repair roads & infrastructure damaged during Hurricane Irene.
- Increased quality of life programs for seniors & all residents.
- Lifelong resident of Philipstown; family tradition of service to Philipstown.

Nancy Montgomery for Town Council
- Served two terms as Town Councilwoman, Deputy Supervisor since 2009.
- Track record of listening to residents’ concerns, taking action, & getting results.
- Initiated new programs for seniors; long volunteer experience with Philipstown Recreation.
- Consistently advocated for County resources to be located in Philipstown.
- Took the lead in planning for the sustainability of our Emergency Services.
- Tackled tough community issues like train safety & the heroin epidemic.
- Degree in Business Administration & Economics, elevator project.
- Town Board.
- Brings solid business skills & experience to the Town Board of The Osborne Association, working with incarcerated & formerly incarcerated people for over 25 years.
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- Determined to lower County taxes & stop wasteful spending at the County level; for Philipstown to have a fair share from the County Legislature.
- Seeks to bring new, high, quality, much needed businesses to our Town, expanding the tax base & local employment opportunities.
- Lifelong resident of New York State; family tradition of public service.

Christine Bokhour, who plays Judas, in rehearsal. Photo courtesy of Depot Theatre

Robert Flaherty for Town Council
- Appointed as Town Councilman in March 2015.
- Brings solid business skills & experience to the Town Council.
- Currently working on Town Hall renovations & elevator project.
- Liaison to the Philipstown Planning Board.
- Degree in Business Administration & Economics, currently Senior Project Manager at New York’s ePlus Technology.
- Strong track record of volunteerism in Philipstown, including the North Highlands Fire Department, the Knights of Columbus, & both Philipstown Little League & Pop Warner Football.
- Lifelong resident of Philipstown; family tradition of service to Philipstown.

Ann McGrath-Gallagher for Town Clerk
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- Over a decade as a parent volunteer at Haldane.
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- Will bring a fresh & friendly approach to make Town Hall accessible for all residents.
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Carl Friensda for Highway Superintendent
- 34-year veteran of the Putnam County Highway Department as Crew Chief, Construction CrewChief, & Construction Equipment Operator.
- Hands-on operations & supervisory experience & comprehensive knowledge/experience with road maintenance.
- Knows Philipstown Highway Department from the inside, often working on loan to Philipstown from the Putnam County Highway Department.
- Volunteer track record as coach for Pop Warner, vice president of the Pop Warner league chapter in Philipstown, & parent volunteer for Philipstown Little League.
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Lithgow Osborne for County Legislator
- Extensive business & real estate background includes 15 years experience as business owner, & work as a researcher & analyst on local commercial real estate.
- Track record of volunteerism including fundraising efforts at Manhattan for over a decade.
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A World of Art
(from Page 7)

Jesus Christ Superstar Opens Four-Week Run (from Page 7)

much of the art will be created indoors, the setting and spectacular time of year is an inducement to head outdoors as well, and sets will be available for those who wish to work outside.

Maryanka, who for the past 13 years has been a curator at Manhattan’s New Century Artists’ Gallery, meets many artists during her frequent travels here and abroad. “I have met such wonderful artists and developed great friendships through art, worldwide,” she said. “This is the perfect way to share ideas, problems, and solutions.”

Artists participating in the international Residency at work on their first day in the studio (from left to right: Virginia Donovan, Katia Gerasimov, curator Basha Maryanska, and Neela Pushparaj. Photo by A. Rooney)

“the passion behind the text — bringing it out, making it be from the soul rather than just singing. We want an emotional impact so that it’s not at all like just listening to a CD.”

The creative staff is Amy Dul (choreography, set construction), Tessa Dul (choreography, stage manager), Michael Mell (lighting), Damien McDon-}

(Continued on next page)
inspire each other and learn — everyone can present their story in art. It's like a conference, and also serves as a meeting of different cultures.”

Changing what's on the walls is an important part of the experience, said Maryanska, who has organized similar residencies in Arizona (Tubac), New Mexico (Taos) and Florida (St. Augustine), as well as in Europe.

"Because this show lasts two weeks, initially artists bring some work, but as they create new pieces, the show progressively changes, and I'll be changing the whole thing many times throughout," she explained. "You have to constantly be thinking of the composition, how things are hung. It's important to have a curator, with one eye, one concept because with 12 artists, you then have 12 different ideas."

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**Paintings by Dorota Michaluk of France and sculptures by Hanna Oren-Huppert of the Netherlands.**

Photo by A. Rooney
The Paper to Host Candidate Forum
Oct. 19 at Haldane School, 7:30 p.m.
The Paper / philipstown.info will host a candidates’ forum for Philipstown and Putnam County offices at the Haldane School music room on Monday, Oct. 19, in advance of the Nov. 3 general election. The school is located at 15 Craigside Drive in Cold Spring. The event, which begins at 7:30 p.m., is free and open to the public.

Unfortunately the candidates for county legislators will not be participating. A video of the event will be posted at philipstown.info.

Haunted House Opens
Oct. 23
Teen players assemble house of horrors
The Foot in Mouth Players will present their annual “horror” house for two weekends beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 23 at the Philipstown Community Center. The attraction will be open from 7 to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday through Saturday, Oct. 31. It also will be open from 5 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 25. Admission is $6 for adults and $4 for seniors and children under 12. The community center is located on Route 9D in Garrison.

Seniors Invited to Halloween Jamboree
Transportation reservations must be made by Oct. 20
The Putnam County Office for Senior Resources will host a Halloween Jamboree at the Putnam County Golf Course from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27. Lunch and entertainment will be provided, and costumes are encouraged. Reservations are required and tickets must be picked up at the Cold Spring Nutrition Center at the American Legion on Cedar Street. Transportation is available but reservations must be made by Oct. 20 by calling 845-808-2700 ext. 47130. A donation of $3 per person is requested. The golf course is located at 197 Mill St., in Mahopac. Call 845-808-1838 for more information.

Songs of Argentina, Iceland and Ukraine at Chapel Restoration
Program scheduled for Oct. 18
Mezzo soprano Christine Antenbring, pianist Mikhail Hallak and violinist Rachel Evans will present a medley of beautiful songs from Argentina, Iceland and Ukraine, along with several by Brahms, at The Chapel Restoration at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 18. Admission is free, although donations are welcome. Antenbring has won the Grand Prize at the Bellini International Voice Competition, First Prize at the Joy in Singing Competition and was a finalist in the Met National Council Auditions. She has performed in Europe, most recently as a champion of Icelandic Art Song in Reykjavik, and has appeared at the U.S. at the Carmer, Marboro and Ravinia music festivals.

Hiking Down from Castle Rock
Land Trust sponsors trek to river
The Hudson Highlands Land Trust has organized a challenging three-hour hike to Castle Rock on Sunday, Oct. 18, as a fundraiser for its Take-a-Hike! program. Castle Rock caretaker Chip Marks will lead the group in the footsteps of the Continental Army as it hiked to the river. The cost is $10 for adults and $5 for children under 12. Participants should meet at the Garrison Metro-North train station at 10 a.m.; a shuttle will be provided to Castle Rock. Registration is required, call 845-424-3358, ext. 6, or email info@hhlt.org.

Therapeutic Equestrian Center Hosts Fall Festival
Benefit includes horse show, auction and square dancing
The Therapeutic Equestrian Center will host its annual Fall Festival fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 17. The evening includes riding demonstrations and a horse show at 5 p.m., a benefit auction at 7 p.m. and comfort foods and square dancing in the ring at 8 p.m. Cowboy chic attire is encouraged. The cost is $100 per person. Visit myfeetakewings.org/events.html to purchase tickets or call 845-265-3409 for more information. The equestrian center offers Therapeutic Riding, Equine Assisted Psychotherapy, Equine Assisted Learning, Music Therapy and Art Therapy to adults and children with disabilities.

Walk to End Alzheimer’s Set for Oct. 18
 Begins at Office for Senior Resources in Carmel
The local chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association will host a 5-mile fundraising walk on Sunday, Oct. 18 at the Putnam Office for Senior Resources in Carmel to raise money for research into the debilitating disease. Walkers can form, join, or support a team with a donation by visiting hudsonvalleywalks.org. Registration begins at 9 a.m., followed by an opening ceremony at 10 a.m. and the walk at 10:15 a.m. As of Oct. 12, there

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Meadowbrook Farm at 29 Old Myrs Corners Road in Wappinger Falls, a three-generation family farm and market, has apple-cider donuts, cider, sweet corn, tomatoes, salsa, homemade pies and baked goods, eggs, honey, maple syrup, jams and jellies. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Daily. Pick your own on weekends only. Call 845-997-3002 or visit meadowbrookfarmmarket.com.

In addition, Adams Fairacre Farms on Route 9 in Wappinger will host its annual Harvest Fest on Sunday, Oct. 18, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., with pony rides, a petting zoo and face painting for children. Call 845-454-4330 or visit adamsfairacre.com.

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Owls to Descend on Beacon Institute (Page 13)

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She added: “My father died 25 years ago and I could never talk about him without tears in my eyes. After sending him a letter and infusing the words in a spirit house, I felt more at peace with his memory.”

Chien’s project was made possible with funds from the Arts Council of Rockland and the New York State Council on the Arts. For information, call 845-838-2880 or visit riverwindgallery.com.

Workshop Uses Art to Help with Grieving

Artist will lead participants in writing to the departed

Letters to the Dead: Beyond Words, a two-hour workshop by Jennie Chien, in which those who are grieving write a letter to a loved one who has passed, will be held at River-Winds Gallery, 172 Main St., Beacon at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 24. The workshop, which costs $40, provides an overview of the project, guidance in writing and materials.

“The letters to departed ones will be collected, shredded and cast into paper spirit houses, which will be the vessels that hold your words,” explained Chien, whose work is on display at the gallery through Nov. 8. The shreds from the letters will be used in a raku firing of a clay spirit house on Nov. 1 at the Rockland Center for the Arts in Nyack. The burning paper infuses the clay spirit house with the spirit of the written words, Chien explained. Participants will receive both the paper cast and raku-fired spirit house.

“Grieving is a primal emotion that can be uncontrollable,” said Chien, who lives in Nyack. “The physical act of writing to someone who has died engages the higher process of the brain and memory, which helps to control the grief. It doesn’t eliminate the grief, but having processed it, the grief becomes a part of you rather than controlling you.”

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### Community Briefs

The Paper
Sports

Tennis, Everyone?

Community Day spotlights courts and Haldane team

By Alison Rooney

The Community Play Day fundraiser held on Sunday (Oct. 11) at the Route 9 courts by the Haldane athletic booster club for surface improvements and preseason training combined demonstrations and "mini-matches" by players with invitations to visitors to participate. That mix of school and the community represents how the courts function. They are part of the Haldane campus on Route 9D (Morris Avenue) but open to the public. The school’s maintenance staff handles upkeep, putting up the nets in the spring and removing them, usually, in mid-November.

The two courts are dedicated to now-retired Haldane teacher Ray Chaplin, who steered the program over three decades during his tenure at the school. They require periodic repairs. In 1979, after Haldane voters rejected funding for the courts, Hubert Hurd, of the Cold Spring-based Nycrest Corp., donated the money. More recently, in 2012, the school received two state grants for patching and painting; as the school's booster club reported, the courts "are now the right color ... Haldane Blue."

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Corbett Francis attacks the Croton defense during the Blue Devils 3-0 home loss on Oct. 13. Photo by Peter Farrell

Top left: Taylor Farrell (1138, center), Ruby McEwen (1137, right) and Wylie Thornquist (1139, right rear) at the start of the Bobcat Run at Byram Hills High School on Oct. 10


Meghan Ferri (1135) and Wylie Thornquist (1139) sprint toward the finish line during the Bobcat Run.

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TOWNE CRiER CAFE
Saturday, 10/21 8:30pm
BACK TO THE GARDEN 1969
Sunday, 11/1 7:30pm
GEORGE WINSTON
Friday, 11/6 8:30pm
DEBBIE DAVIES
Saturday, 11/7 8:30pm
CHRIS TRAPPER guest AMY FAIRCILD
Sunday, 11/8 7:30pm
CALIFORNIA GUITAR TRIO guest SAGE
Thursday, 11/12 7:30pm
ACOUSTIC ALCHEMY
Friday, 11/13 8:30pm
MIANNON GIDDENS guest BIRDS OF CHICAGO
Saturday, 11/14 8:30pm
LIVINGSTON TAYLOR guest CHELSEA DABY

OPEN FOR BRUNCH, LUNCH AND DINNER
Mon & Wed from 4pm - Thu & Fri from noon • Sat & Sun from 10am
Kitchen closes g:30pm (Fri & Sat at 10:30pm)
Closed Tuesday