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Breakneck to Close for Repairs

Town Board also talks merger for highway departments

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

ew York State will close the Breakneck Ridge trail, parking lot and area around the train stop indefinitely as of Jan. 1 to survey trail conditions, undertake repairs and begin constructing the Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail.

Philipstown Supervisor Richard Shea announced the closure at the Town Board's monthly meeting on Sept. 7. Shea also said the state has started placing no-parking signs on Route 9D from Little Stony Point Park, just past Cold Spring, to the ruined Cornish estate. See Page 8.

In other business, Town Board members suggested Cold Spring and Philipstown consolidate their highway departments.

The board also honored the Garrison Volunteer Ambulance Corps, which won the Putnam County Emergency Services Agency of the Year Award.

Breakneck closure

Shea said the state planned to close the entrances to the mountain "until they get a handle on things." During the closure, the Metro-North train will no longer stop at Breakneck, and "the whole area is going to be closed," he said.

On Monday (Sept. 11), regional park staff referred questions about the duration of the closure to Albany, where higherups did not (Continued on Page 3)



TAKING NOTES — The Howland Chamber Circle held an "instrument petting zoo" on Sept. 9 at the Howland Cultural Center in Beacon. After the children examined the instruments, which included violins and a cello, acoustic guitar, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, flute, clarinet, xylophone and piano, adults played them briefly to demonstrate their sounds. For more photos, see highlandscurrent.com.

Photo by Ross Corsair

\$500K for Tioronda Bridge

First step toward restoration of historic crossing

By Jeff Simms

years-long campaign by the Beacon Historical Society to restore the historic Tioronda Bridge in Beacon has received a boost from the New York State Department of Transportation, which awarded the project \$500,000.

Beacon officials will now move forward

designing the revamped bridge and looking for additional backing.

Frank Skartados, a Democrat who represents Beacon in the state Assembly, informed the City Council of the grant on Sept. 5. He also pledged to help Beacon find money for the balance of the project, which is expected to cost upward of \$1 million.

The grant "should go a long way toward getting this project off the ground," Skartados said, adding in a statement that the Tioronda (Continued on Page 6)

Beacon Schools Consider Police Presence

Police chief pushes to add school resource officer

By Jeff Simms

The Beacon police chief has recommended to the school board that it allow him to assign a police officer, known as a school resource officer (SRO), to the district.

In response, board members and administrators say they want more input from the public before making a decision.

Chief Doug Solomon, accompanied by an SRO from Poughkeepsie, spoke at the board's Aug. 28 meeting, with Solomon commenting that school safety is "one of the things that keeps me up at night."

> "The district is not where it needs to be regarding safety plans."

> > ~ Police Chief Doug Solomon

In an interview this week, Solomon said his proposal wasn't made because of disciplinary problems at any of the Beacon district's six schools.

"This is in response to issues that are more global than that," he said. "The district is not where it needs to be regarding safety plans."

Beacon Superintendent Matt Landahl, in his first year (Continued on Page 2)

Head Over Heels for Cold Spring











While his friend Nate McPherson films, Zach McCarthy of Garrison performs a back flip on Main Street. Don't tell his mother...

Photos by Slade Schlomo

Five Questions: ALAN BROWNSTEIN

lan Brownstein, 72, is vice president of public policy for the Hepatitis B Foundation (hepb.org). He and his wife, Patty, moved to Cold Spring in 2015.

This sounds odd, but how did you get into Hep B?

For many years I was the CEO and president of a number of national health organizations, including the American Liver Foundation. I worked with scientists and doctors to develop "business plans" for developing treatments. I retired in 2013, but last year the Hepatitis B Foundation asked me to head up a national campaign for a cure.

Why should people be concerned about the virus?

Among those infected, it becomes chronic in as many as 5 percent of adults, 90 percent of newborns and 50 percent of children by age 6, which can lead to cirrhosis and liver cancer. That's about 250 million people worldwide, and it leads to 800,000 deaths annually. It's also expensive. By one estimate the medical costs associated with Hep B, such as liver transplants, in the U.S. top \$4 billion annually. Globally, the virus most commonly travels through "vertical" transmission, or from

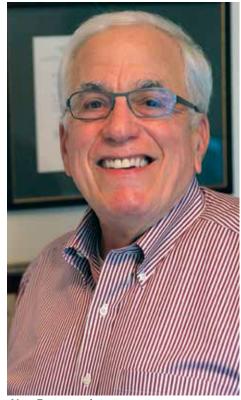
mother to child. In the U.S. it's more often transmitted "horizontally" through sex and injection drug use. The opioid epidemic has caused a major spike.

How did the foundation come about?

It was founded in 1991 by two couples in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, including a nurse and research scientist, who had seen the effect of the virus on a local family. They began with an annual budget of \$50,000. Today it's \$9 million, which comes mostly from donations and federal, state and corporate research grants. In 2003 it opened the Baruch S. Blumberg Institute, which is named for the scientist who discovered the virus and developed a diagnostic test and vaccine. He won the Nobel Prize.

A pill introduced in 2016 cures Hepatitis C. Is Hep B far behind?

The challenge is that while the Hep C virus has three places you have to attack, Hep B has six, and they are located both at the core and surface of the cell. New cases can easily be prevented with a vaccine given at birth, although adults can get it, as well. But that doesn't help people who already have the virus.



Alan Brownstein

Photo by Sheila Williams

When will we have a cure?

We're shooting for 2025. Given what we have learned about the virus, we calculated it can be done if we increase federal research funding by \$37.8 million annually, which is nothing in terms of government spending. We are trying to convince Congress and scientists at the National Institutes of Health that it's a winnable battle.

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Beacon Schools Consider Police Presence (from Page 1)

with the district, said he has worked with school resource officers in the past and recalled "countless" times he conferred with the officers on safety and security.

He, too, stressed that the officer would not be brought in to "to fix some problem" at Beacon High School or anyplace else. But in his experience, "it always went better and was less complicated" when an officer familiar with the schools was called to diffuse a volatile situation.

In Beacon, the officer that Solomon said he would assign is a 10-year veteran of the department and has completed state training required of school resource officers. He would float between the five schools within city limits. (A sixth school, Glenham Elementary, is located in Fishkill.)

When the Beacon school board discussed the idea again at its Sept. 11 meeting, members were split. President Anthony White said it would improve safety, but Antony Tseng, echoing comments by a number of parents, said the board should consider the implications carefully before stationing a police officer in the schools.

"How is he going to click with our system here?" Tseng asked. "Is he going to participate in all our culture shifts that we're trying to do, or is he going to be a bystander in that?"

In Cold Spring, the Haldane campus has had a Putnam County sheriff's deputy as a school resource officer since the fall of 2015. Prior to the county Legislature approving the hire, the debate centered mostly on the expense of adding the position. For the 2016-17 school year the officer cost the district about \$77,000.

City Administrator Anthony Ruggiero said Beacon would pay half the cost of the school resource officer if the board approves the assignment.

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immediately respond.

Along with temporarily closing Breakneck, park authorities plan "to educate people and disperse them into the other 60 or 70 square miles of parkland," create a park-and-ride lot on the Taconic Parkway with shuttles to the state parks, and ferry visitors from the Cold Spring train station to parks, Shea said. Philipstown contains sections of both Hudson Highlands and Fahnestock state parks.

"Breakneck is a mess. The mountain is a mess. The Route 9D corridor is a mess. I don't know what the solution is. We need some answers, now."

"We have other hikes that are just as nice" as the trek up Breakneck, said Barbara Scuccimarra, who represents Philipstown in the Putnam County Legislature. "This is a beautiful spot we live in and people want to come. I can't blame them."

Unfortunately, she said, "Breakneck is a mess. The mountain is a mess. The Route 9D corridor is a mess. I don't know what the solution is. We need some answers, now."

Scuccimara said she has met with county transportation manager Vinny Tamagna and Linda Cooper, director of the park system's Taconic Region, to discuss using the county-operated green trolleys for the



A view of the Hudson in 2011 from the Cold Spring Highway Department garage on Fair Street

Photo by L.S. Armstrong

planned runs between the Cold Spring station and parks, starting in the spring.

County, town and state officials intend to meet in Philipstown on Tuesday, Sept. 19, to discuss Breakneck, which attracts more than a thousand visitors a day on summer weekends and crowds the two-lane Route 9D with parked vehicles.

Highway departments

Shea remarked that the Philipstown Highway Department, based on Fishkill Road in Nelsonville, needs an updated building, and that the garage itself is "an eyesore.

Councilor Nancy Montgomery proposed they think in broader terms. "Are we ever ready to have a conversation about consolidation with the Cold Spring Highway Department?" she asked, adding that state funding exists for evaluating and implementing municipal consolidations.

Conceding that consolidation frequently "is a scary word," Montgomery said that less drastic-sounding options include sharing services, "which we already do," and having a common headquarters.

Cell Tower Update

The Philipstown Town Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and Conservation Board in the past week each discussed the placement of cell towers. For the latest developments, see highlandscurrent.com.

"It's a great idea," Shea responded. He noted the merger this summer of the village and town building departments went well and that a joint highway operation could reduce overhead costs while preserving employment levels.

"We're not talking about getting rid of any positions," he said. "We'd still need the people to work" on both village streets and town roads.

Shea suggested a merger could free up valuable real estate: a picturesque bluff, overlooking the Hudson, now occupied by the Cold Spring garage.

"I just don't see that as the highest and best use of that property," he said. "It's a beautiful waterfront piece" that could possibly be a park, he said; other board members concurred. The Cold Spring Comprehensive Plan recommends the same and also endorses use of a common facility.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Merchants on Main

I looked at the survey handed out to Main Street merchants by Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress and found the questions very odd ("Too Many Visitors, or Not Enough?" Sept. 8). I couldn't figure out what the answers could have possibly revealed of any usefulness. I'd be curious to know what the specs were for the survey, what goal the survey was intended to achieve and how much it cost

The fact that legislators did not attend the meeting is disturbing. We pay our legislators to do a job. If we're paying private consultants to do the legislators' jobs, can we deduct the consulting fee from the legislators' salaries?

Diana Hird, Cold Spring

How about factoring in the competition from neighboring counties, such as the cachet of Beacon with its drop-dead museum, Dia, and the flight to venues with experiences for millennials. Cold Spring may have had its day. Radical ideas are needed,

Are you registered to vote?

f not, a registration form can be downloaded at the Boards of Elections sites below, or requested by phone, and must be postmarked by Friday, Oct. 13, to take part in the Nov. 7 general election.

To vote absentee, an application must be completed and postmarked by Oct. 31.

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not the old standby, Pattern for Progress. Ann Fanizzi, Southeast

The Main Course

Their scones are the best! ("5 Questions: Christine Kaufmann and Eileen Lahey," Sept. 8). Orange-cranberry and pecanraisin are my favorites. The lentil and salmon cakes are excellent too.

Olga Driscoll, Cold Spring

Favorites: Key lime scones, the pea soup and the tarragon chicken salad.

Patricia Haas Johnson, Cold Spring

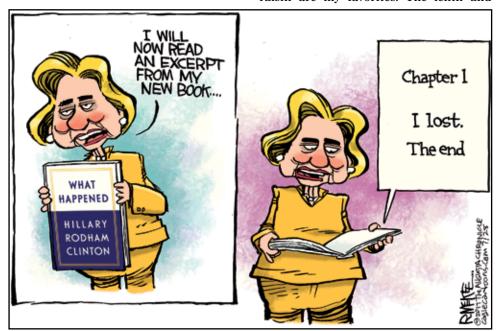
I live for their orange-cranberry scones and salmon cakes with mustard dill sauce. I will even call ahead to ask when the salmon cakes are available. When they have the pear scones. I absolutely lose my mind.

I once ordered 25 mini pear scones for my daughter's baby shower because they were so perfect. It's a client's fault for getting me hooked on turning into their parking lot a few years ago.

I forgot to mention their cole slaw. I have never like cole slaw until I tried theirs.

Madeleine DeNitto, Fishkill

And what about the peanut cookies? One a day for me. Blueberry scones are another favorite. The crab cakes are sinful - Icould go on, but Main Course food is divine and Eileen, Christine, Kevin and the entire staff are wonderful. Eileen and Christine will even clean your glasses if they see the (Continued on next page)



Taking it to the Street By Anita Peltonen

Where would you evacuate to, if you had to?



"I probably would not be able to evacuate, due to lack of funds and a car. Many in this community are in that position." ~Liz Velez, Beacon



"Eden Village Camp, west of Cold Spring. It's a self-sustaining eco-village with a farm, goats, chickens and cabins." ~Bekah Starr, Beacon



"My father was just talking to us about it yesterday! We'd go to the mountains — to the Catskills."

~ Ben Enno, Hopewell

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (from previous page)

glasses are dirty.

Leonora Burton, Garrison

Disbanding the police

Putnam County should learn from Wappingers Falls ("Wappingers Falls Disbands Police," Sept. 8). Are there any candidates who are serious about consolidation and reducing taxes in Putnam? School-district administration consolidation would be a good start.

Armanda Famiglietti, Carmel

Smart move on Wappingers' part, but the article would have been more informational if it cited our current Cold Spring circumstances, where the village is patrolled by upward of 16 part-time officers, the Putnam County sheriff, the MTA Police and the New York State Police.

Michael Bowman, Cold Spring

A tribute to pay phones

It is with great interest that I read your report on photographer Sheila Williams' attempt to find the last payphones in the Highlands ("Last Call for Payphones," Sept. 1), as I've been working on a pay phone photography project of my own for a good long while.

In the early 1990s, when it became clear to me that pay phones were going to be dead-on-arrival at some point, I started photographing every pay phone I passed in lower Manhattan, where I lived.

At the time I didn't think too much about



Photo by Dirk Westphal

it, because I was quite busy and having a lot of fun. In fact, I kind of forgot about it, as I did with many other of the hare-brained exercises that I undertook at the time.

Somehow, someone saw my project and offered a few of the photos for sale at a New York City gallery. They were lifesized, about 2-by-3 feet each. The edition sold out, so I'm starting another one and also working on a book — a *phone* book, if you will, coffee-table style.

Dirk Westphal, Garrison

Nelsonville cell tower

Great work, everyone! ("Nelsonville Residents Object to Cell Tower," Sept. 1). Let's not look at this ugly tower, disguised as a gigantic fake tree. Let the phone companies put it in a discrete location and let the community benefit from the rental income. Or, better yet, offer free Wi-Fi. That would be a draw for tourists and tech-savvy guests to our beautiful town.

We have terrible phone coverage on AT&T and T-Mobile. A new tower, perhaps hidden in the Church on the Hill steeple, could offer all residents and visitors better coverage.

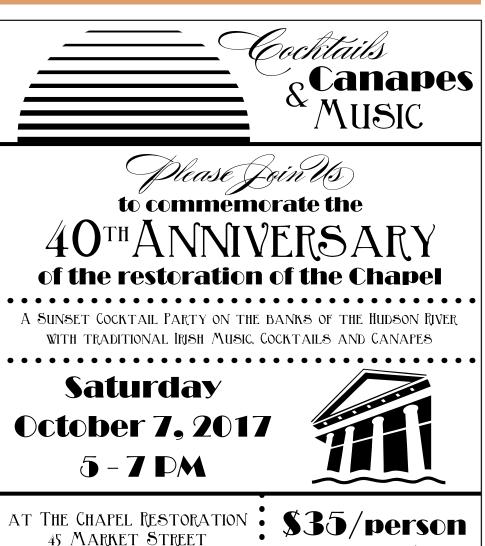
Randy Federgreen, Philipstown

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\$500K for Tioronda Bridge (from Page 1)

"isn't just another bridge — it's one of the most scenic places in Beacon. With Beacon growing the way it has, this haven for enjoying nature is needed now more than ever."

Built around 1870, the 110-foot, three-span bridge, also known as the South Avenue Bridge, crosses Fishkill Creek and originally linked water-powered mills and factories with rail lines in Fishkill. If rebuilt, it would connect residential neighborhoods with Madam Brett Park and recreational trails south of the city.

The iron bridge, which was 16 feet wide, was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976, the first bridge from



The iron bow-string trusses in 1987

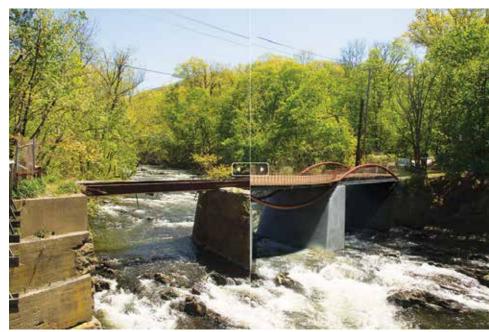
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Dutchess County to be recognized. After falling into disrepair, it was closed to traffic in 1985 and disassembled in 2006. The trusses were eventually placed against a fence at the Beacon Transfer Station.

Before being taken down, the bridge was a "rare surviving example of the iron bowstring arch-truss bridge" built in the years after the Civil War, according to the application for it to be named a national landmark. It was built by the Ohio Bridge Company of Cleveland, a small firm that closed in 1873. The bridge design was only thought to exist on the 1867 patent until the Tioronda was "matched" to it in 1973. A bridge in Allegheny County, Pennsylva-

nia, is the only other known example.

The idea of rebuilding the bridge has come up many times, with the City Council last year contracting with the Modjeski and Masters engineering firm to design the project. Council members also have debated whether the bridge should be rebuilt for one or two lanes of traffic, along with room for pedestrians, while police and fire officials have expressed concern that the bridge be wide enough for emergency vehicles. Skartados - crediting Beacon council member Lee Kyriacou with the assist



On the left, the remains of the bridge as it appears today after being dismantled in 2006; on the right, a conceptual drawing of how it might be restored.

Images courtesy General Idea

on seeking out alternative designs — proposed that it be rebuilt with a walkway and one lane of low-speed vehicular traffic.

The Beacon Historical Society, which produced an online video that reviews the structure's history and significance, was relieved to see progress on what it called, in 2015, "a preservation story waiting for a happy ending." Vice President Theresa Kraft said on Sept. 14 that the group was "thrilled that initial funds have been secured," saying it envisioned the bridge as a "heritage destination."

The city is researching additional grants, Beacon Administrator Anthony Ruggiero said. The state funding should help attract additional money because it increases the likelihood the project will be completed, he added.

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Parking Ban Coming on Route 9D

Also, art will roll through Cold Spring

By Michael Turton

Parking will soon be banned along Route 9D just north of Cold Spring, a move that should help alleviate hazardous conditions created by vehicles that park there during the peak hiking seasons. Mayor Dave Merandy reported at the Sept. 12 meeting of

the Village Board that he and Philipstown Town Supervisor Richard Shea met with representatives of the state departments of transportation and parks, the state park police and Scenic Hudson and Hudson Highlands Land Trust to discuss the congestion.

The Department of Transportation agreed to install no-parking signs along the east side of Route 9D north from the newly completed Washburn Trail parking lot. Parking will also be prohibited along the west side of Route 9D from the Little Stony Point Park office to Fair Street in Cold Spring.

Merandy said Shea will contact the Putnam County Sheriff's Office regarding enforcement because the park police have only eight officers who cover both Westchester and Putnam counties. He also noted that Cold Spring police officers can't issue parking tickets beyond the vil-



Michelangelo Pistoletto (in white hat) will bring Walking Sculpture, shown here in Havana, to Cold Spring in November. Galleria Continua Archive

lage boundary, which is just south of Little Stony Point Park.

Transportation officials said the signs should be installed within three weeks, although Merandy commented, "I wouldn't hold my breath."

Merandy said plans for the proposed Hudson River Fjord Trail call for measures along 9D to slow traffic, including a possible reduction in the speed limit. The limit from just south of Beacon to Cold Spring is 55 mph, although it drops from the village to Bear Mountain Bridge to 40 mph.

Art below the tracks

On Nov. 4, Michelangelo Pistoletto, one of Italy's most prominent Arte Povera artists, will transform the lower Main Street area of Cold Spring into a venue for his performance art. The event will celebrate the opening this past June of the Italian art space Magazzino on Route 9 in Philipstown.

The November event will harken back to

Pistoletto's 1967 performance piece *Sfera di giornali*, in which he pushed a sphere fashioned from newspapers through the streets of Turin. In Cold Spring, he will create a 1-meter sphere from pages of The Current, *The New York Times* and The *Putnam County News & Recorder* that will be rolled across Market Street from Lunn Terrace to Main and the bandstand.

Magazzino's Lithgow Osborne explained that the performance will underline the facility's connection and commitment to Cold Spring and Philipstown while seeking to "create an engagement with the viewer and the artist by observing and moving the sphere as it passes by."

In other business ...

- Officer-in-Charge Larry Burke of the Cold Spring Police Department reported that in August the department received 61 calls for service and issued 44 parking tickets and 33 moving violations. Four arrests were made, including of a patron who allegedly did not pay a restaurant bill. Burke also recommended that security cameras be installed at Mayor's Park and outside Village Hall.
- Superintendent of Water and Wastewater Greg Phillips said he was unhappy with the pace of work on repairs to the village dams. Phillips said he told the engineering firm, "We feel we have been placed on a back burner."
- The mayor and trustees lauded middleschool students who painted five recycling cans for the village.
- Karen Doyle was appointed to the Code Update Committee.

Primary Election Results

From the votes taken on Sept. 12 The general election is Nov. 7.

Beacon Council, At-Large (Democratic, two seats)

George Mansfield, 677*
Lee Kyriacou, 646*
Ali Muhammad, 414
Write-in, 14
Muhammad will appear on the Nov. 7 ballot as an independent.

Beacon Council, Ward 1 (Green)Paul Yeaple, 7
Write-in, 3

Dutchess County Legislature District 16 (Democratic)

Frits Zernike, 331 Ved Shravah, 146 Write-in, 1

Putnam County Legislature District 8 (Republican)

Amy Sayegh, 364 Dini LoBue, 271* Write-in, 2

Putnam County Legislature District 8 (Conservative)

Amy Sayegh, 20 Dini LoBue, 12*

Putnam County Legislature District 8 (Independence)

Amy Sayegh, 19 Write-in, 8

LoBue, who was seeking her fourth term representing Mahopac and Mahopac Falls, will not appear on the Nov. 7 ballot.

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If you'd like to make a tax deductible monetary donation, checks payable to St. Mary's Church may be dropped off at one of the above Main Street businesses.

Riders in the Storm

Springers buffeted by Irma

by Anita Peltonen

helagh Speers of Cold Spring has just started a new job in Miami. Her husband, Greg Gunder, videographer for *The Current*, plans to follow her in a few months.

But the couple recently got a strong dose of how Florida is different from the Highlands as Shelagh was forced to evacuate from her coastal home due to Hurricane Irma. Like millions of other Florida residents, she heard shifting predictions of where Hurricane Irma was heading and that it might be traveling at 150 mph and spread 500 miles wide.

Speers drove west on Wednesday, Sept. 6, then corrected, driving north and east hundreds of miles in buffeting winds and rains and heavy traffic to St. Augustine, where friends from Garrison, Dan and Cindy McEvoy, had offered their vacation home. On Saturday, Sept. 9, she drove inland to a home in Clay Hills owned by the family of the organist at her church in Miami.

"I am safe and sound," she reported by email from Clay Hills. "We made it through the night! It is still very blustery with gusts of 50 miles per hour but the general wind is about 20 miles per hour.

"No more rain, thankfully! Power is out and internet is very spotty. Outside is a real mess, with tree branches and Spanish moss strewn everywhere.

"The house is absolutely fine. Solid as a rock. Several pecan trees blew down in the night, and our only real drama was when a huge branch broke off with a mighty crack and crashed to the ground right outside my bedroom window. That was about 2 a.m. We dragged my mattress into the other room, and I slept in the closet there. The wind got worse but eventually we all went back to sleep.

"Now we just wait around for things to die down and the power to come back. Could be a while. I feel God has truly protected me this week in every way. I am blessed and very thankful."

Debbi Milner, formerly of Cold Spring, who now lives in Ormond Beach, on the coast northeast of Orlando, says when Irma first hit the news the eye was heading their way. "We made evacuation plans for Atlanta and spent the week boarding up the house and preparing for devastation," she said. "As the storm got closer, it began to veer west and then was on a path for Atlanta.

"The roads were getting clogged by cars that had run out of gas, so we switched gears to the plan to stay in our home and create our own shelter. In the end, we stayed when the storm was heading far enough west.

"The house is 122 years old and we counted on her strong bones to protect us. When the storm began, the winds howled



Shelagh Speers on Sept. 10 with fallen tree limbs in Clay Hills, Florida, after she drove north from Miami to escape the brunt of Hurricane Irma

Photo provided

and the sea churned. At 7 p.m., three hours into the storm, a gust of wind blew off the lock of a hurricane-rated window in our bedroom. We had tools and lumber ready to seal it right up.

"Otherwise, we suffered minimal damage. We lost the landing to the steps we inherited after [Hurricane] Matthew, and have two small downed trees, one with our prized bunch of bananas. (Yes,

we have no bananas.) In the morning, we saw the trail of the gust of wind by following the plants whose leaves were scorched off.

"Overall, the damages are far less than with Matthew, which cleared a lot of things away. We still have no power, but we are so very grateful to have come through this successfully and wish the best for all those in Irma's wake."

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The Calendar

The Jazz Master

Larry Moses continues popular improv workshop

By Alison Rooney

arry Moses' father was an accomplished trombone player who wanted his young son to be one too. There was just one problem: At the time, his arms were too short.

"My uncle played trumpet, and I could reach the valves" on that, Moses recalls. "That was it for me."

Moses, 64, a Beacon resident for the past decade, became a professional trumpeter and leads the seven-member Latin Jazz Express. He will lead a 90-minute jazz improv workshop for all instruments at the Beacon Music Factory beginning Thursday, Sept. 21, and meeting weekly through the end of November. Beginners are welcome.

The musician grew up in Queens and attended the Berklee College of Music in Boston to study composition, arrangement and theory. When he graduated, the Buddy Rich Orchestra had a rare opening in its four-strong trumpet section; he auditioned by sitting in for

two sets during a New York City performance. He left after hearing another musician's audition, thinking he was out of his league. Later he learned Rich was looking for "a more all-around player," he says. "I guess eating your veggies and fruit in music is a good thing."

"My uncle played trumpet, and I could reach the valves. That was it for me."

Moses spent six months touring with Rich, a noted taskmaster. "He was intense — he'd growl at you, but it was amazing and I absorbed so much," Moses says. He next had an opportunity to sub for the Thad Jones-Mel Lewis Orchestra, which played a regular Monday night gig at the Village Vanguard.

"It was my 'wow' band," he says. "It turned out they were going on tour." One of their trumpeters left for the Count Basie band, and Moses got the call: "Can you join us in Wichita in two days?" He stayed with the orchestra for four years, touring in Scandinavia and recording five albums.

The lure of Broadway interrupted Moses' orchestra days. It wasn't the



Larry Moses and Derrick James perform at the Towne Crier in July. Photo by Ralph Baskin

bright lights, he says, but the steady paycheck. "Broadway musicians are unionized, there are health benefits, a pension plan," he explains. "It's sad because jazz musicians dedicate their life to it, but there are only a few Wynton Marsalises around. The students I have now that are promising — I make sure they know the deal, and I stress to them

that they should get their bachelor's degrees and teaching certification, because, you know, food and shelter are good things to have."

Moses' first Broadway show was Sugar Babies, and he went on to play for hits such as Cats, Dreamgirls and Les Miserables. His last show was Come Fly Away, which (Continued on Page 11)

Crafted by Neighbors

Beacon boutique specializes in handmade and local

By Alison Rooney

Residing in the Main Street space in Beacon occupied until 18 months ago by Clay, Wood and Cotton, the boutique specializes in goods crafted in the region. Its proprietor, Liz Ferrara, stocks the work of about 30 designers who create everything from greeting cards to wood benches. Ferrara sold her handmade jewelry at Clay, Wood and Cotton and so was familiar with the space when it became available.

The shared DNA of the items on display is that they were handmade by artisans working between upper Westchester and Albany, on both sides of the river. Artists usually find her through a recommendation or at craft fairs, or occasionally they will pop in to talk about their work.

"I love it when people come in and tell me their stories," she says. "It's encouraging to hear that all of this is out there and going on."

She says locals often say things like,

"You had a thing in your window two weeks ago and I didn't get a chance to come by then." They also purchase a lot of the cards. By contrast, visitors are pleased to learn that many of the items for sale were made in Beacon. "The people visiting from the city tend to look at the furniture, lighting and ceramics, and often mention how much less expensive they are than in the city," she says.

When something sells out, the artists bring in something new, so the stock is ever-changing. On a recent visit, there were driftwood wall hangings and clocks; walnut candle holders; a wool weaving framed in antique oak; a vintage soda crate repurposed for display; cards made from collages of fabric and paper; hand-knit stuffed animals; and "beard oil" for bewhiskered millennials. There was also a bench made by Keith Decent



Ceramic bowls by Robert Powchik of Peekskill and wooden spoons by Andrew Rouse of Beacon are the focal point of the second room at reMade.



Liz Ferrara, proprietor of reMade

Photos by A. Rooney

with wood salvaged during the restoration of the sloop Woody Guthrie.

Ferrara said she was inspired to focus on local crafts in part due to her disappointment when traveling and "finding things which were imported which didn't represent the area; it just didn't feel right. Here it's all things that have been loved, made (Continued on Page 12)

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15

Beacon Independent Film Festival

7 p.m. One October (Documentary) University Settlement | 724 Wolcott Ave. 10 p.m. Opening Gala | Dogwood, 47 E. Main St. 845-418-3992 | beaconindiefilmfest.org

Horror Film Night: Bride of Frankenstein (1935)

7 p.m. Boat leaves Beacon dock for Bannerman Island | 855-256-4007 | bannermancastle.org

Tibetan Singing Bowls Sound Bath

7:30 p.m. SkyBaby Yoga | 75 Main St., Cold Spring 845-265-4444 | skybabyyoga.com

Tim Eriksen Trio

7:30 p.m. Tompkins Corners Cultural Center 729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley 845-528-7280 | tompkinscorners.org

Aery Theatre 20/20 Play Festival

8 p.m. Philipstown Depot Theatre 10 Garrison's Landing, Garrison 845-424-3900 | philipstowndepottheatre.org

Bell. Book and Candle

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

Don McLean

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

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16

Ultimate Family Yard Sale

8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Stormville Airport 428 Route 216. Stormville 845-221-6561 | stormvilleairportfleamarket.com

Theater Day

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Beacon High School 101 Matteawan Road, Beacon 845-838-6900 | beaconk12.org

West Point Yard Sale

8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Enter through Thayer or Stony Lonesome gates

Putnam Service Dogs Day in the Park

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. FDR State Park, Yorktown Heights 917-449-5359 | putnamservicedogs.org

Beacon Independent Film Festival

10 a.m. - 10 p.m. University Settlement Camp See details under Friday.

HHLT Take-A-Hike: Veo! Veo!

10 a.m. Little Stony Point Park, Cold Spring 845-424-3358 | hhlt.org

Children's Art Program (ages 4-12)

11 a.m. & Noon, Butterfield Library 10 Morris Ave., Cold Spring 845-265-3040 | butterfieldlibrary.org

Calendar Highlights

For upcoming events visit highlandscurrent.com. Send event listings to calendar@highlandscurrent.com

Children's Expo and Public Safety Day

11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Smith Campus 112 Old Route 6, Carmel | putnamcountyny.com

Senior Picnic

Noon - 4 p.m. Mayor's Park | Fair Street, Cold Spring 845-265-3611 | coldspringny.gov

Hudson River Craft Beer Festival

1:30 - 5:30 p.m. Riverfront Park, Beacon americaontap.com

Irene O'Garden and John Pielmeier (Reading)

2 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library 472 Route 403, Garrison

845-424-3020 | desmondfishlibrary.org

Cold Spring Lions Pig Roast

3 - 7 p.m. Taconic Outdoor Education Center 75 Mountain Laurel Lane, Philipstown coldspringlions.org

War of the Worlds Radio Play

3 p.m. Bannerman Island | Details under Friday.

Introduction to Cub Scouts (grades K-5)

4 - 5:30 p.m. Philipstown Recreation Center 107 Glyncliffe Dr., Garrison | 845-265-9199

Aery Theatre 20/20 Play Festival

4 & 8 p.m. Philipstown Depot Theatre See details under Friday.

Margarita Meyendorff: D.P. (Reading)

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

Manitoga Sunset Tour

5 p.m. 584 Route 9D, Garrison 845-424-3812 | visitmanitoga.org

Bell, Book and Candle

8 p.m. County Players | See details under Friday. Robert Klein

8 p.m. Paramount Hudson Valley See details under Friday.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17

Beacon Independent Film Festival

10 a.m. - 8 p.m. University Settlement Camp See details under Saturday.

Javaka Steptoe: Radiant Child (Reading)

10:30 a.m. Binnacle Books | 321 Main St., Beacon 845-838-6191 | binnaclebooks.com

Fall 5K Fun Run and Environmental Fair

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Vassar Farm 124 Raymond Ave., Poughkeepsie vassar.edu/directions

Carnival and Patronal Festival

Noon - 3 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church 1 Chestnut St., Cold Spring 845-265-2539 | stmaryscoldspring.org

Diane Diachishin (Irish and Bluegrass)

12:30 p.m. Bannerman Island | Details under Friday.

Bell, Book and Candle

2 p.m. County Players Theater See details under Friday.

Aery Theatre 20/20 Play Festival

4 & 8 p.m. Philipstown Depot Theatre See details under Friday.

Chefs for Clearwater

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

Pacifica String Quartet

4 p.m. Howland Cultural Center 477 Main St., Beacon 845-401-3677 | howlandmusic.org

Poetry Trail Opening Celebration

4 p.m. Outdoor Discovery Center | Muser Drive, Cornwall | 845-534-5506 x204 | hhnm.org

Recreating the Wild (Talk)

4 p.m. Hastings Center Malcolm Gordon Road, Garrison 845-424-4040 x202 | thehastingscenter.org

MONDAY, SEPT. 18

Beacon City Council

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

Go, Granny D! (Music)

7 p.m. Tompkins Corner Cultural Center See details under Friday.

Nelsonville Board of Trustees

7:30 p.m. Village Hall 258 Main St., Nelsonville 845-265-2500 | villageofnelsonville.org

TUESDAY, SEPT. 19

Trip to Hotel Fauchere & Grey Tower

9:15 a.m. Philipstown Recreation Center 107 Glenclyffe Dr., Garrison 845-424-4618 | philipstownrecreation.com

Morning at the Museum (ages 2-5)

10 a.m. Putnam History Museum 63 Chestnut St., Cold Spring 845-265-4010 | putnamhistorymuseum.org

Family Farm Tour

3:45 p.m. Glynwood 362 Glynwood Road, Cold Spring 845-265-3338 | glynwood.org

Haldane School Board

7 p.m. Haldane School (Music Room) 15 Craigside Dr., Cold Spring 845-265-9254 | haldaneschool.org

The City We Love; The City We Want to See

8 p.m. Howland Cultural Center | 477 Main St., Beacon | 845-401-3677 | howlandculturalcenter.org

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20

Mah Jongg Open Play

10 a.m. Old VFW Hall | 34 Kemble Ave., Cold Spring 845-424-4618 | philipstownrecreation.com

Pick-Up Soccer (ages 18+)

6 p.m. Philipstown Park

845-424-4618 | philipstownrecreation.com

Rosh Hashanah Eve Service

8 p.m. St. Mary's Parish Hall 1 Chestnut St., Cold Spring

845-265-8011 | philipstownreformsynagogue.org

THURSDAY, SEPT. 21

Rosh Hashanah Morning Service

10 a.m. St. Mary's Parish Hall See details under Wednesday

Rosh Hashanah / Tashlich

11:30 a.m. Cold Spring Waterfront 845-265-8011 | philipstownreformsynagogue.org

Citizen Preparedness Corps Course

6 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library See details under Saturday.

Community Dinner for Hudson Valley Seed

6:30 p.m. Hudson Valley Brewery 2 Churchill St., Beacon | hudsonvallevseed.org **Great Books Discussion**

6:30 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library See details under Saturday.

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

FRIDAY, SEPT. 22

Fall Begins

Marcy B. Freedman: FemFlora (Opening)

10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Echo | 470 Main St., Beacon 914-271-5891 | marcybfreedman.com

Walter De Maria: Truck Trilogy (Opening)

11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Dia:Beacon | 3 Beekman St., Beacon | 845-440-0100 | diaart.org

3:30 p.m. Butterfield Library

Kids in the Kitchen (grades K-2)

See details under Saturday. The Art of Inventive Repair

6:30 p.m. Boscobel | 1601 Route 9D, Garrison 845-265-9575 | boscobel.org

Aery Theatre 20/20 Play Festival 8 p.m. Philipstown Depot Theatre

See details under Sept. 15. Bell. Book and Candle

8 p.m. County Players | See details under Sept. 15.

Curtis McMurtry

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





First Birthday Celebration & Kirtan Saturday, September 30th, 7pm 89 Dewindt in Beacon, bebhaktiyoga.com



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The Jazz Master (from Page 9)

featured an on-stage orchestra that played the original arrangements to many Sinatra songs while Twyla Tharp dancers performed downstage.

At the time, Moses lived in the heart of the Broadway district and could get a call at 7:30 p.m. and be there at 7:45, he says. He balanced the more lucrative Broadway work with playing with bands led by Maynard Ferguson and Eddie Palmieri, among others.

Like a refrain from one of the standards he plays. Moses answers the "What brought you to Beacon" question with "It was a woman." He volunteers no further details, but adds that he loves the city and leading his jazz workshops, "It's all ages, from an excellent 16-year-old upright bass player to guys older than me. They all keep coming back each term, which is great. There's also a lot of homework involved, a lot of math, actually, in learning about chord symbols, how notes interact."

If there are enough sign-ups, Moses separates the most advanced students into a separate session. Whether the musicians are advanced beginners or reasonably expert. Moses, who has also taught in the Bard College Big Band Jazz Ensemble program, keeps it chill. "Whatever the level, we go at tempo-di*learno* − it's a musical term − not really! - but we go through everything slowly and I'll point out important things about the chord movement, guide tones,



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The Pushbacks

he director of the Beacon Music Factory, Stephen Clair, wears many hats, including producer, songwriter and musician. His band, Stephen Clair and the Pushbacks, will release its latest album, Push Back, on Nov. 2, with a show at the Towne Crier Café. A music video for the track, Take It Downtown, shot in Newburgh by Mark Westin, can be viewed at highlandscurrent.com.



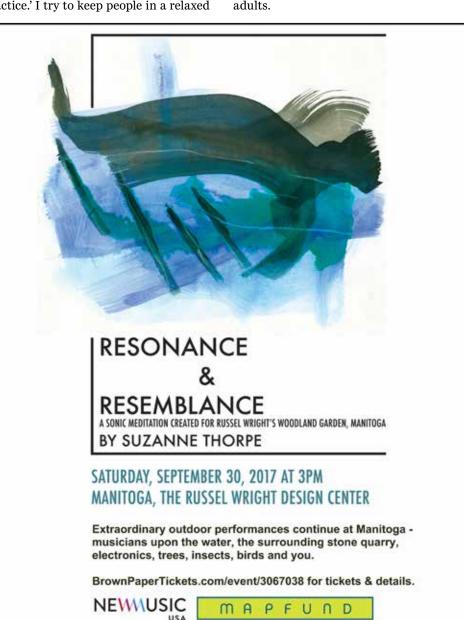
The Pushbacks: Jay Nicholas (bass), J Why (drums), Stephen Clair (guitar, vocals), Sarah Terrell (keys, vocals) and Brad Hubbard (baritone sax) Photo by Tony Cenicola

congruent notes, things that help you recognize the skeleton of the song.

"Miles Davis said something like 'You do all the work at home and then you forget about it and try to be spontaneous up there.' Back in the day the jam sessions went fast and if you couldn't keep up you'd hear 'Get off the stage and go practice.' I try to keep people in a relaxed

mode to absorb the music."

For more information about the workshop, which costs \$290, visit beaconmusicfactory.com or call 845-765-0472. The center, at 333 Fishkill Ave., offers a variety of other group classes for guitar, bass and composition, as well as rock 'n' roll "boot camps" for teens and





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with love."

The Orange County native started designing jewelry in high school, then studied art education at SUNY New Paltz.

"I decided I didn't want to teach, so I became a bookkeeper, which has helped me with the business side of things," she says. After cofounding a photography business, she took "a long time coming back to jewelry. I gave myself a lot of space to exercise my creative juices."

ReMade will participate in Windows on Main, which runs from Sept. 22 to Nov. 12. The theme this year is "Art and Commerce" and the boutique will reflect it by showing large objects from an experienced maker at fixed prices in one window, and, in another, smaller objects made by someone who has never sold them commercially, priced at whatever you want to pay. "We'll explore the idea of how people value art," Ferrara explains.

ReMade, at 133 Main St., is open Thursday through Monday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. or 6 p.m. Visit remadehandmade.com.



Above, a vintage soda crate repurposed by **Keith Decent as a** display cabinet: at right. handmade cards

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Day Trip

Hudson

Books, brews, shopping and firetrucks

By Michael Turton

ith summer winding down, a weekend excursion that doesn't demand a marathon, high-speed drive on a congested interstate has great appeal. Put Hudson, New York - less than 70 miles north on the Taconic Parkway on your day trip short list.

Many reasons to visit

Founded by New England whalers who valued it as a port, Hudson was incorporated in 1785. Today it has 6,500 residents, 300 historic buildings, a waterfront, 51 antique shops, 10 miles of historic streets, a lighthouse, 10 performance spaces and 18 galleries.

The Columbia County Chamber of Commerce office at 1 Front St. offers a diminutive booklet with block-by-block details of everything to be found along Warren



Fall color cruises depart from Henry Hudson Park.



Downtown Hudson

Street, the colorful and architecturally pleasing main drag.

You can park your car and leave it for a good part of the day, as Hudson by foot − or boat − is a good way to go. At Henry Hudson Riverfront Park through October, the 49-seat Spirit on Hudson and the 14seat Little Spirit provide daily tours that last from 45 minutes to four hours. Fall foliage outings are 90 minutes.

First park of its kind

Promenade Hill, overlooking the Hudson River near Front and Warren streets, was perhaps the first park in the U.S. established to protect a scenic vista. It's also known for its 12-foot, 1896 bronze statue of St. Winifred by sculptor George Bissel.

With more than two dozen restaurants and pubs with such intriguing names

as Mexican Radio, Wunderbar & Bistro, Crimson Sparrow and American Glory BBQ, there is no reason to go hungry or thirsty.

Books, brews and firefighting

Bookstores should have a lot of — well books, and the Spotted Dog and Ale's 10,000 possibilities won't disappoint. It's also a pub that features craft ales and a selection of wines. Could make for pleasant reading. In addition, as the city has boomed, it developed a reputation for live music and theater at venues such as Club Helsinki, Hudson Opera House and Stage Works.

Don't miss the Museum of Firefighting operated by the Firemen's Association of the State of New York at 117 Harry Howard Ave. With 50,000 square feet of exhibit space, it (Continued on Page 14)

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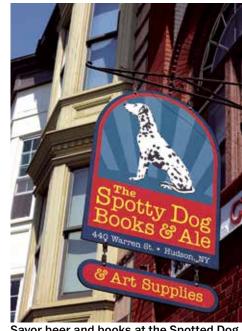
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houses one of the premier collections of fire-fighting equipment, from the 1731 Newsham Pumper to the 1939 American LaFrance Scout, whose art deco design earned it the nickname "the ugly American." Exhibits include kid-friendly photo ops from manning the fire hoses to getting behind the wheel of the Bush Buggy.

Out in the country

After you've walked Hudson, take your car into the countryside. There are a slew of orchards and farm stands nearby. One of the most convenient is Taconic Orchards on Route 82, operated by the Feller



Savor beer and books at the Spotted Dog.



Olana, now a state historic site, was the home of Hudson River School artist Frederic Church.

Photos by M. Turto

family for more than 100 years. Compared to 2016's meager harvest, "there's a real bumper crop of fruits and vegetables this year," Arnold Feller said. "There an awful lot of apples, pears and Concord grapes," not to mention tomatoes and sweet corn.

Olana, the 19th-century home and studio of Hudson River School painter Frederic Church (1826-1900), lies just south of Hudson and deserves a day trip of its own. A national landmark, the site is managed by the state parks department.

Church was a global explorer and his home's combination of Victorian architecture and Middle-Eastern decorative motifs reflects his travels. The interior remains much as it looked in the 1890s and includes paintings, sculptures and antiques from around the world. One exhibit, *Overlook*, has an installation by Teresita Fernández.

If you don't take a cruise, get out the telephoto lens and snap the picturesque Hudson-Athens Lighthouse, also south of the city. Built in 1874 and automated in 1950, it is owned by a nonprofit and still guides ships and boats through the Middle Grand Flats. The next tour is Oct 9. Call 518-822-1014.





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Cook On

Apple Soup Sendoff

By Mary Ann Ebner

Parewells bring on mingled emotions. Some signal "goodbyes" and others "so longs," with hopes to stay connected even over long distances.

When the time came to farewell Hungarian friends last week, I wished them well. But the family was sad to leave and none of us wanted to overshadow the moment with the permanence of a goodbye. For my friend, Orsy, the thought of returning to Budapest brought on more anxiety than exhilaration.

I met Orsy and her husband, along with their two young sons, in 2016 when they arrived in New York with plans to spend about 15 months in the country for a work assignment. Even on its worst days, with flaws presenting themselves in many ways, America earned their admiration and respect. They made the most of an opportunity.

Moving back to Hungary will reunite an extended family, but life in their native country promises challenges, economically as well as socially. As a teacher, Orsy considers the job market unstable and the unrest of everyday Hungarians trying to prepare the next generation to be a concern. She's not a worrier but a practical realist.

There's nothing posh or pretentious in her nature or her kitchen. She's that neighbor who makes guests feel at home when the menu calls for little more than a cup of mulled wine shared around a crackling



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fire in her backyard. The fare is simple yet blissful. Flatbread pizzas, salads and soups are fitting remembrances of my Hungarian friends, and with apple season near peak harvest in the Hudson Valley, Hungarian apple soup provides the perfect motivation to drop in on an orchard.

Don't settle for any old apples to make this recipe. Fresh McIntosh softens up nicely and during the weeks ahead, they will be ready by the bushels across the Hudson Valley. The apple soup works well puréed or as a chunky stew. Try it in between, with a few pieces of apple offering a more structured consistency.

To sauté the apples, choose quality butter for best results. Orsy insists that European butter tastes far different than American butter. She didn't say "better," but I'll say it. I found small tubs of Ronnybrook Salted European Style Butter at the Glynwood farm store. Its taste and texture, high in butterfat with less moisture than bigger commercial brands, makes it a perfect fit for the Hungarian apple soup ingredient list.

With local butter, Hudson Valley apples and a little dry white wine, the ingredients will produce a tangy taste with a kick of spice for a sweet fruit soup. For more savory soup, sauté the apples with potatoes and carrots and blend smoothly.

Best wishes to Orsy as she heads back to Budapest. Revisiting the Hudson Valley and the U.S. through her eyes helps me realize the good fortune to live easily in my own backyard, welcoming the splendor of simplicity.



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Hungarian apple soup

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Hungarian Apple Soup

Yield: 4 servings

6 medium apples
4 tablespoons salted butter
1 teaspoon cinnamon
½ cup sugar

juice of 1 lemon 3 cups water 1 cup white wine ½ cup buttermilk 1 tablespoon flour

- 1. Peel, core and dice apples. Cook apples with butter over medium heat for 5 minutes, stirring until apples soften. Add clove, cinnamon, sugar, water and lemon juice. Simmer 5 minutes.
- 2. Mix in wine, water and buttermilk. Whisk in flour, bring to a low bowl and cook 5 to 10 minutes to reduce wine. Remove from heat. Remove clove. For creamy texture, pulse mixture in blender 2 minutes. For a chunkier apple soup, cool and serve at room temperature.



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Chamber Concert

Trio Kisosen to perform at Chapel

Trio Kisosen will perform at the Chapel Restoration in Cold Spring at 4



Trio Kisosen will perform at the Chapel Restoration on Sept. 24. Photo provided

p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 24. David Colwell (violin), An-Lin Bardin (cello) and Naomi Niskala (piano) will play Mendelssohn's *Piano Trio in C Minor*, Schubert's *Notturno in E Flat Major* and Brahms' *Piano Trio in C Major*. The concert is free but donations are welcome.

UFOs Where?

Experts will discuss phenomenon

Cheryl Costs and Linda Miller Costa, who research unidentified flying objects, will discuss three centuries of UFOs in the Hudson Valley at the Putnam History Museum in Cold Spring at 5 p.m. on

Saturday, Sept. 23. Admission is \$5 for members and \$10 otherwise. Call 845-265-4010 or search for "Hudson Valley UFO" at eventbrite.com.

Are You Ready?

Free training for disaster prep

The Desmond-Fish Library in Garrison will host a free training session with the state Citizen Preparedness Corps at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 21. It addresses how to prepare and respond to disasters, including supplies to keep on hand. Register at dhses.ny.gov/aware-prepare/nysprepare/registration.

Oktoberfest in Cold Spring

Annual Knights' party is Sept. 23-24

The Knights of Columbus, Loretto Council No. 536, will host its annual Oktoberfest at Mayor's Park in Cold Spring on Saturday, Sept. 23, and Sunday, Sept. 24. The fundraiser will include live music, food and German beers. Admission at the door is \$5 and includes one raffle ticket. Dinner tickets starting at \$15 are available on Eventbrite.com (search for "Oktoberfest in Cold Spring"). Bratwurst, roast pork, sauerkraut, potato pancakes, Bavarian pretzels and German desserts will be served.



THIS WAS BOUND TO HAPPEN — Tara Vamos is looking for the owner of a lost parrot found in Cold Spring on ... Parrott Street. Call 845-264-9565.

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Information meeting Sept. 16

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(from previous page) fifth grade, will hold an informational meeting from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 16, at the Philipstown Recreation Center in Garrison. For information, call Cubmaster Gary Gunther at 845-265-9199.

Beacon

'Friendraiser' at Howland

Library to host auction, art show

During its second annual Friendraiser on Saturday, Sept. 23, the Friends of



A quilt by Karen Twohig will be for sale at a fundraiser for the Howland Library on Sept. 23.

Photo provided

the Howland Library will hold a silent auction of goods donated by Beacon businesses, a Small Works art show with all artwork priced at less than \$100 and a White Owl sale table with new, vintage and handcrafted items. The event takes place from 1 to 5 p.m. at the library.

Community Dinner

Fifth annual benefit is Sept. 21

On Thursday, Sept. 21, Hudson Valley Seed's fifth annual Let's Eat community dinner benefit will be held at the Hudson Valley Brewery in Beacon. The nonprofit makes weekly visits to schools in Beacon, Newburgh and Garrison, engaging students in growing vegetables and learning about healthy eating. Tickets are \$35 at hudsonvalleyseed.org/events.

Joyful Seniors

One-woman show explores ageism

Mindy Fradkin will perform a onewoman show exploring ageism and the experience of being a "senior" at the Howland Cultural Center at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23. Tickets for *Ageless Wonders* are \$8 and \$10. Following the performance, Fradkin will be joined by barber Anthony Mancinelli, 106.

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Dar Williams will speak at a panel in Beacon on Sept. 19. Photo provided

Visions for Beacon

Panel discussion set for Sept. 19

The Howland Cultural Center will host a conversation with Dar Williams and Jonathan F.P. Rose at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 19, titled "Beacon: The City We Love; The City We Want to See." Williams' latest book, What I Found in a Thousand Towns, includes a chapter devoted to Beacon. Rose is the author of The Well-Tempered City. The free event will be moderated by City Council member Peggy Ross.

Spirit of Beacon

Annual festival is Sept. 24

Spirit of Beacon Day kicks off on Sunday, Sept. 24, with a parade up Main Street at 1 p.m., beginning at City Hall. Arts Mid-Hudson will present its One River, Many Streams festival from 2 to 4 p.m. with music, dance, and performance at the intersection of Main and Cedar streets. The rain date is Oct. 1.

5K for I Am Beacon

Fundraiser has both walk and run

Am Beacon will host a 5K run/walk at Memorial Park on Sunday, Sept. 24, to raise funds for its Making a Difference Scholarship Fund for seniors at Beacon High School. Registration starts at 8 a.m. and the race begins at 9 a.m. Register online for \$30 by searching for "Beacon" at runsignup.com. Strollers and all fitness levels are welcome.

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Uniting to Determine our Community's Future

This is the final opportunity for Philipstown Residents (Garrison, Cold Spring, Nelsonville, Continental Village, North Highlands) to put forward an actionable proposal in answer to the question:

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*To submit an actionable priority at this forum, please email philipstowncommunitycongress@gmail.com.

Can't make the meeting? Submit the same personal information and summary of your priority via email by September 21.

To review neighbor's proposals from forums #1 & #2 and learn more about the initiative visit: www.ecologicalcitizens.org/philipstowncommunitycongress

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SAY CHEESE — Janine Junjulas, Krissy Irwin and Julie Lombardo of the Haldane Football Association prepare nachos at the concession stand during the Blue Devils' home game against Woodlands on Sept. 9 Photo by Kim Giachinta





FUNERAL HOMES MERGE - The Libby Funeral Home in Beacon, owned by Eileen and Jarett Quick, right, has merged with Ballard-Durand funeral services of White Plains, owned by Matthew Fiorillo, at left. Photo provided

BIG WIN - At left, Charlie Plummer of Cold Spring on Sept. 9 won the Marcello Mastroianni Award for Best Young Actor at the Venice Film Festival for his work in the film Lean on Pete, which will be released in February and also stars Steve Buscemi and Chloe Sevigny. Photo provided

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Sports







A GOOD DAY FOR FOOTBALL – The Haldane Blue Devils, above, took the field before their game against Woodlands on Sept. 9. How can you tell? Clean pants. The two teams were tied, 14-14, at the half, but the Falcons pulled away to win, 34-20. (Photo by Kim Giachinta) At top left, senior Jaden Navarro of Beacon High School pulls down a 45-yard pass from quarterback Joe DeCandia during the Bulldogs' 32-18 victory over Poughkeepsie. (Photo provided) At left, Merrick Williams of the Philipstown Hawks' third-and fourth-grade team heads for the end zone during a scrimmage in Armonk. The Hawks open their season on Sept. 17 on the Haldane turf. (Photo by Sheila Williams)



Joe DeCandia

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Highlands Current Athlete of the Week Joe DeCandia, Beacon

The junior quarterback was 11 for 20 for 140 yards and three touchdowns in the Bulldogs' decisive 32-18 win over Poughkeepsie on Sept. 9.

"The pass that put us ahead for good was a 45-yard bomb to senior wide receiver Jaden Navarro," said Coach Tony Truscello. "Joe avoided the rush and showed the coolness under pressure that is needed for his position."

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Haldane Girls' Soccer, Down Three Stars, Regroups; Boys Await North Salem By Leigh Alan Klein

he girls' soccer program at Haldane High School has been a standard for success, with six consecutive regional championships.

Teams gunning to end that streak: Putnam Valley, North Salem and Pawling.

Gone this season is Coach Gary Van Asselt and three Class C All-State players in Missy Lisikatos (Le Moyne), Alzy Cinquanta (SUNY Cortland) and Hannah Monteleone (Pace). The Blue Devils lost to defending state champions Port Jefferson in the

Succeeding Van Asselt is Ed Crowe, who moves over from coaching the junior varsity boys' team. He also has coached the modified girls' team.

The team did not have enough girls to field both a junior varsity and varsity team, so it has a roster of 25, including a number of eighth-graders.



Cameron Palikuca (13) controls the ball for Haldane

Sophomore Anna Rowe (26) races to midfield in the Blue Devils' win over Briarcliff. For more photos, see highlandscurrent.com.

Photos by Scott Warren

The keys to success lie with the defense and goalkeeping, Crowe said, to keep pace with a grueling schedule, with four games in the next seven days (including at Beacon on Sept. 22). The team plays with four midfielders and two strikers.

Key players, according to Crowe, include:

- Allison Chiera: The senior has a powerful foot and is a magnet for the ball. In a 4-1 victory over Briarcliff, she dominated in the attack zone with two goals.
- Jade Villella: As center defender, the sophomore plays one of the most important positions on the field for the Blue Devils. She does a great job positioning and clearing the ball, and her composure is impressive.
- · Kate Dwyer: The junior is an aggressive, vocal leader who manages the game from midfield.

The boys' team at Haldane is looking to improve on its 8-7-1 record last season, and the team to beat, says Coach Stephen

Schweihart, is North Salem, the defending Class C state champions.

"We knocked them off twice during the regular season last year, 2-0 and 1-0," he noted, which helped the Blue Devils win the league title with a 4-1-1 record. In the sectionals of the state tournament, North Salem got its revenge, scoring in the 100th minute to win, 1-0. (Despite the loss, Schweihart called it "one of the most unbelievable matches I have ever been associated

The coach says his team wants to be unpredictable this season by varying tempos to keep opponents off guard.

The team has 26 players, down from 30 last season. As with the girls' team, Haldane did not have enough players to field a iunior varsity squad.

"Our numbers have been down now for three years or so, but participation levels seem to be quite cyclical at Haldane," Schweihart said. "Every three to five there is a drop, which is usually followed by a resur-

This Week's Games

Saturday, Sept. 16

Beacon and Haldane Cross Country at Suffern Invite, 8:25 a.m. Beacon Girls' Soccer vs. Albertus Magnus, 11 a.m. Haldane Girls' Tennis vs. Pawling,

Haldane Volleyball vs. Briarcliff, 11 a.m.

Beacon Football vs. Nyack, 1:30 p.m.

Haldane Football vs. Onteora, 1:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 18

Beacon Girls' Tennis vs. Haldane, 3:30 n m Beacon Volleyball vs. Carmel, Haldane Boys' Soccer vs. Croton, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 19

Beacon Volleyball vs. Henry Hudson, 4:30 p.m. Haldane Cross Country at North Salem, 4:30 p.m. Haldane Girls' Soccer vs. Pawling, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 20

Beacon Boys' Soccer vs. Ketcham, Beacon Girls' Swimming vs. Magnus, 4:30 p.m. Haldane Boys' Soccer vs. Pleasantville, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 22

Beacon Girls' Soccer vs. Haldane, 4:15 p.m. Beacon Volleyball vs. Haldane, 4:15 p.m. Haldane Girls' Tennis vs. Peekskill, 4:15 p.m. Haldane Boys' Soccer vs. Woodlands, 4:30 p.m.

Varsity Scoreboard

Cross Country

Warwick Wave Boys 2 14 Jayen Lare, Beacon (17:53.80) Bovs 1

19 Adam Silhavy, Haldane (17:08.70) Girls 1

12 Taylor Farrell, Haldane (21:04.90)

Woodlands 34, Haldane 20 Beacon 32, Poughkeepsie 18

Boys' Soccer

Bronxville 3, Haldane 0 Edgemont 3, Haldane 0 Beacon 9, Gorton 1 Beacon 8, Henry Hudson 0

Girls' Soccer

Bronxville 3. Haldane 0 Haldane 4, Briarcliff 1 Allison Chiera (2), Bella Monteleone

(1), Kate Dwyer (1), Abigail Platt (12 saves) Croton 5, Haldane 1

Jade Villella (1) Rye 2, Beacon 0

Girls' Swimming

Beacon 96, Keio Academy 74 100 Freestyle 1. Claire Wood (1:07.28) 200 Freestyle 1. Gabriela Ferrone (2:38.88)

Volleyball

Westlake 3, Haldane 1 Haldane 3, Blind Brook 0 Beacon 3, Brewster 0 Tessa Nilsen: 9 aces, 8 kills; Grace Affeldt: 15 assists Pearl River 3. Beacon 1 Eastchester 3, Beacon 0

gence of similar length."

Key players, according to Schweihart, include:

- · Kyle Zimmermann. The senior co-captain plays multiple positions.
- Cameron Palikuca. The senior co-captain is a vocal leader on defense. His speed will be critical.
- Andre van Dommele (senior), Jason Chimbo (junior), Justin Villa (senior) and Henry Weed (junior) control the midfield.
- Dan Rotando. The senior defender has one of the longest throw-ins in the area.
- Hudson Gell. The senior needs to be one of the team's lockdown defenders.
- Aidan Siegel. The senior is new to the goalkeeper position.