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## Jacobson Wins Democratic Nod for 104

*Maloney finishes third for AG; continues House campaign*

By Chip Rowe

Jonathan Jacobson, a member of the Newburgh City Council, on Sept. 13 won the Democratic primary for the state Assembly seat representing the 104th District, which includes Beacon and Newburgh.



Jonathan Jacobson  
Campaign photo

Jacobson will face Republican and Conservative Party candidate Scott Manley, a retired police officer who is a member of the Newburgh Town Council, in the general election on Nov. 6. The winner will succeed Frank Skartados, who held the seat

from 2012 until his death in April from pancreatic cancer.

In a five-person field, Jacobson received 26 percent of the vote, followed by Kevindaryán Luján, a member of the Orange County Legislature, with 21 percent and Jodi McCredo, a member of the Beacon City Council, with 20 percent.

The other candidates were Ralph Coates, a former Poughkeepsie city council and school board member, who received 15 percent, and Alex Kelly, Skartados' director of policy development, who won 12 percent. About 5 percent of ballots were left blank.

Jacobson congratulated his "competitors — not opponents" for their "spirited campaigns," adding: "This was not a divisive campaign. Everyone talked about

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A MOO-VING LANDSCAPE — Visitors to *The Farm Show* at Saunders Farm navigated around the cows at the annual outdoor sculpture exhibit in Garrison. The show's mid-run reception is Saturday, Sept. 22, from 2 to 5 p.m.

Photo by Ross Corsair

## What's in That Backpack?

*Doctors say too much weight can injure students*

By Michael Turton

Even in the days of flash drives and digital books, a student not wearing a backpack as he or she heads to and from school has become a rare sight.

But when overloaded and worn incorrectly, backpacks can cause serious problems, especially for younger students. The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, which has issued a warning to parents about heavy packs, notes that they can injure muscles and joints and lead to severe back, neck and shoulder pain or numbness or tingling in the arms or legs, as well as posture problems because students must walk leaning forward.

The issue is serious enough that some states, including California but not New York, require school districts to lighten the load. Although guidelines vary, the consensus among doctors seems to be that a loaded backpack should weigh no more than

15 percent of a student's body weight. The American Occupational Therapy Association holds an annual National Backpack Awareness Day (this year it's Wednesday, Sept. 26) in which the group's members visit schools to weigh students and their packs.

At Haldane, school officials say they are aware of the burden. "We don't send text books home at the elementary level," said David Wallick, the principal at Haldane Elementary, adding that most parents seem to be careful about overloading their children.

At the high school, Principal Julia Sniffen said students are encouraged to visit their lockers at least three times each day and carry as little as possible in their packs. Haldane has also increased its use of dual textbooks, she says, with one book for classroom use and a duplicate to keep at home. "Our increased use of digital textbooks is also lightening the load," she said.

Sniffen said she is aware of the challenge of keeping packs from becoming too heavy. "I have two middle school children," she said, "and it's a constant struggle to get them to check their packs and carry only what is needed."

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A Haldane student walks to school on Thursday (Sept. 20).

Photo by M. Turton

## What's It All Worth?

*Development has benefits, but also costs, for Beacon*

By Jeff Simms

After 18 months of debate, the 246-unit Edgewater development has been approved by Beacon officials and should begin construction early next year. The project, near the waterfront, is the latest and largest in a string of proposals introduced over the last two years that many feel will change the complexion of the city.

Much of the debate in Planning Board and City Council meetings has been about the impact of these developments, from traffic and schools to intangibles such as Beacon's "small-town charm."

Because of those intangibles, or "quality-of-life" issues, it's difficult to quantify development as costing "this" or providing "that," says Mayor Randy Casale. But on a practical level, "unless people come and increase your tax base, you can't build programs for the people that need them," he says. "It's a whole circle."

Intangibles aside, what does the changing landscape of Beacon look like in dollars and cents?

### Impacts

Anthony Ruggiero, the city administra-

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## The Spirit of Beacon Lives!

*New committee takes over annual event*

By Alison Rooney

The annual Spirit of Beacon Day, at risk of ending after four decades when its long-serving volunteer steering committee said it needed a break, will return this year under the stewardship of a new group of organizers.

The event is scheduled for noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 30, on Main Street in Beacon (the rain date is Oct. 7), with a parade at 1 p.m.

The Spirit of Beacon Day began in 1977, according to an account in the now-defunct *Beacon Evening News*, after racial tensions had risen in the city, particularly in the school system. A community meeting was held at the Howland Public Library and attended by the county executive, the mayor, members of the school board and other community leaders. Smaller meetings were also organized. One of the better ideas to arise from the discussions was to hold a community day on the last Sunday of September on Main Street.

The first event had a parade and booths with food, crafts and exhibits from local organizations, as well as two

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## Five Questions: MARK FORLOW

By Michael Turton



While leading a tour earlier this year, Mark Forlow, at left, describes artifacts discovered at the West Point Foundry Preserve.

File photo by Guy Peifer

An exhibit opening on Sunday, Sept. 23, at the Putnam History Museum marks the bicentennial of the West Point Foundry, which operated in Cold Spring from 1818 to 1911. Mark Forlow, the Cold Spring village historian, leads tours at the site.

### What event do you wish you could have attended at the foundry?

President Lincoln's visit in 1862. It was kept secret at the time but covered in the papers about a week later. They fired 100- and 200-pound Parrott rifles for him.

### Has the foundry's role in securing a Union victory in the Civil War been exaggerated?

Its production of ordnance cannot be underestimated. It provided the Union with weapons of war at a level not matched by Confederate foundries. The Union won the battle of production, in particular in New York state.

### Why else was the foundry significant?

Its role in the development of the earliest American locomotives in the 1830s is frequently overlooked. Much of the experimentation and manufacturing of

early locomotives, such as Best Friend of Charleston, DeWitt Clinton and The West Point, took place in New York City and at the foundry.

### Who worked at the foundry?

Much of the work required skilled labor from outside the region, including workers from England, Ireland and Germany. The pay was minimal and complaints were frequent. A strike during the Civil War was resolved quickly with no increase in pay. The hottest foundry rooms had furnaces where casting was done; the melting temperature of iron is 2,200 degrees. It was hazardous, dirty and unpleasant work. There were accidents and deaths throughout its history.

### Other than providing jobs, did the foundry benefit Cold Spring?

It provided housing. Worker homes on Parrott Street were built by the foundry's last owner, Cornell Iron Works. It built a school for apprentices and workers' children; that building is now the Putnam History Museum. And construction of several churches was made possible by funding from foundry ownership.

### Support Groups

For a full list of area support groups, visit: [highlandscurrent.org/sg](http://highlandscurrent.org/sg)

## ON THE SPOT

By Michael Turton

*What was the most frightening weather event you have experienced?*



"That weird tornado in the spring. Everything was fine and within seconds the wind was insane, trees were falling and my trampoline flew into the trees."

~Ana Joanes, Beacon



"My husband and I were caught in a hurricane returning from Italy on a freighter. It was terrifying."

~Diana Mueller, Cold Spring



"I had just come to the U.S. in 1995 when Cold Spring was shut down for two days by a winter storm. It was the first time I saw snow, but it was scary."

~Jim Lin, Cold Spring

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# Nelsonville to Study Adding Sewers

## Board members cite limits of backyard septic systems

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

Nelsonville's Village Board informally agreed on Monday (Sept. 17) to pursue grant funding to study the feasibility of installing sewers in the village, where many buildings rely on septic systems and other underground disposals.

Mayor Bill O'Neill proposed the study and the four trustees agreed on the merits of determining the costs and extent of work required. They estimated that about 380 structures would require hook-ups and that streets would have to be excavated to install lines.

The pipes would connect with the 46-year-old Cold Spring sewage treatment plant.

Greg Phillips, the water and sewer superintendent for Cold Spring, said on Tuesday that the plant could handle the Nelsonville sewage although whether technical modifications might be necessary remains unclear. Also, engineers and the state Department of Environmental Conservation and other agencies would have to review the details, he said.

Nelsonville receives tap water from the Cold Spring water system, with individual households billed for usage (as they are in Cold Spring), and sewer fees presumably could be charged the same way. Given the scope of the project, "billing would be the easy part," Phillips said.

The village has contemplated its own

sewer system before. In 1968, as Cold Spring prepared to launch its sewage treatment operations, O'Neill said, Nelsonville calculated that laying its own lines would cost \$700,000 (about \$5 million today). About 20 years ago, during road work on Main Street (Route 301), Nelsonville missed another opportunity, Trustee Mike Bowman recalled.

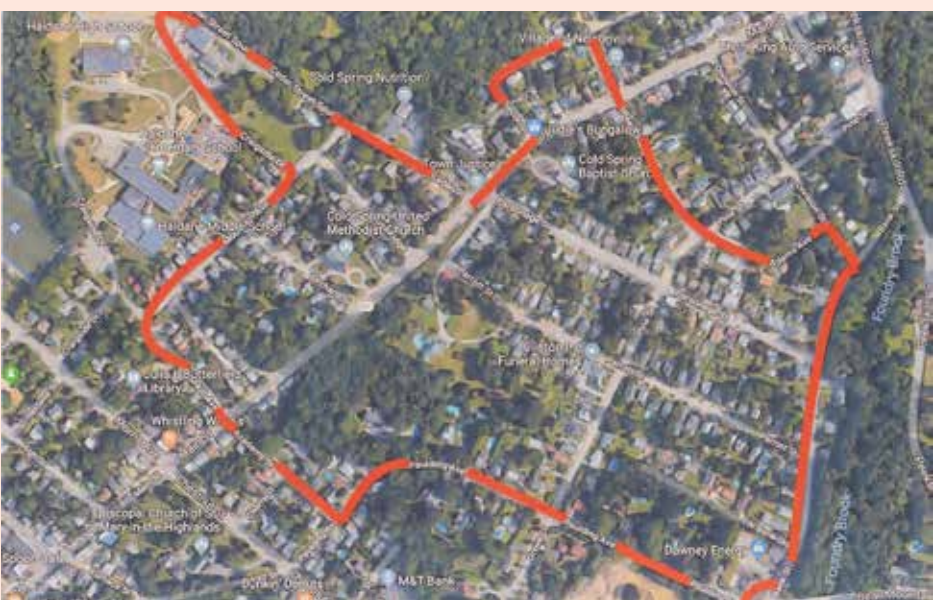
Because of its substantial cost, a sewer system would require bonding, even if the village were to receive significant grant money for construction, O'Neill said.

Residents would also have to pay for sewer hook-ups and septic system decommissioning, he noted. "That may not be a particularly popular action, although in my opinion it's one that will ultimately add to the value of homes," he said.

He said that the village's consultants have also predicted "that this would eventually lead to an overall reduction in costs," because they would be shared by a larger population. He said dependence on septic systems in a compact community raises health and environmental questions.

O'Neill emphasized that nothing major will happen immediately. "This is a huge undertaking and the only thing we can do at this point is take some small steps to evaluate our plan," he said.

Bowman described the idea as worth pursuing. "Septic systems aren't viable



**A WHEEL GOOD TIME** — The Trails Committee of the Philipstown Community Congress will host Bikes Day on Sunday, Sept. 30, through Cold Spring and Nelsonville. The 1.7-mile ride (the route is shown above) is designed to build support for the construction of more local walking and biking trails. It will begin at 9 a.m. in the upper parking lot at Haldane High School. Participants are invited to ride a bike or any other non-motorized mode of transportation, and walkers are also welcome. Email philipstowntrails@gmail.com to sign up. *Map provided*

moving forward" when homes stand in close proximity to one another, he said.

Trustee Chris Caccamise said that "every year we delay, a large number of septic systems have to be replaced or repaired."

Trustee Alan Potts found the idea "worth investigating" but said the board needed to be "cognizant of how far in debt to put our village."

The village's comprehensive plan, written in 1984 and updated in 1991, foresaw the possibility of extending sewers to the central neighborhoods of Nelsonville, where homes are close together, but not to the more suburban fringes.

In other business on Sept. 17, O'Neill reported that Bill Bujarski, the building inspector, has suggested revisions to the village code but that Nelsonville must first update its comprehensive plan. The board voted unanimously to pursue grant money to do that. "I'm not going to engage a consultant" to assist with the effort "until there's grant money," O'Neill said.

# DO YOU HAVE A DOG?

Would you like to participate in a trial the Village of Cold Spring is conducting in an attempt to control geese in the village parks?

The village will be issuing a limited number of special permits for this trial. The goal is to have one or two owners with their dog(s) visit Mayor's Park at specific times of the day from early morning till sunset. Applicants must be Philipstown residents, however village residents will be given preference.

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Give three ½hr. to 1hr. time slots, in order of preference, in which you can commit to being at Mayor's Park and the day or days for each. Depending on the response and success of the trial the Village may continue on a month to month bases.

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## ELECTION 2018

### Primary (from Page 1)

themselves and the issues, and now we will come together because we want a Democrat to represent the district in the state Assembly."

More than 8,400 votes were cast, a turnout of about 28 percent. In Beacon, McCredo won 25 percent of the vote, followed by Jacobson with 21, Coates with 20, Kelly with 15 and Luján with 11.

Jacobson edged out Luján among Orange County voters, 35 to 34, while McCredo won the most Ulster County votes, with 28 percent, followed by Luján's 25 and Jacobson with 19.

Jacobson, whose law firm focuses on

workers' compensation and Social Security disability cases, served as an assistant counsel to the speaker of the state Assembly on its Labor Committee. He was also an assistant state attorney general in charge of the Consumer Frauds Bureau in Poughkeepsie and a workers' compensation judge. He chaired the Orange County Democratic Committee for 22 years, although it endorsed Luján.

### U.S. House

Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney, whose district in the U.S. House includes the Highlands, will continue his campaign to retain his seat after finishing third in a field of four on Sept. 13 in the Democratic primary for state attorney general.



Sean Patrick Maloney

Letitia "Tish" James won the race with 39 percent of the vote, followed by Zephyr Teachout with 30 percent. Maloney finished with 24 percent. The fourth candidate, Leecia Eve, received 3 percent.

Had Maloney won the primary and general election, he would have been the first openly gay statewide elected official. He is being challenged for his House seat by Orange County Legislator James O'Donnell.

In Dutchess County, Teachout received 42 percent of the vote and Maloney 34 percent, followed by James with 20 and Eve with 2. The turnout was 30 percent. In Putnam, Maloney won 42 percent, Teachout 37, James 18

### But I Have to Work ...

Under state law, if a registered voter does not have "sufficient time" outside of working hours to vote on Nov. 6, he or she is entitled to up to two hours of paid time at the beginning or end of the shift to vote. "Sufficient" is defined as not having at least four consecutive hours between 6 a.m. and the beginning of a shift, or between the end of the shift and 9 p.m., when the polls close. Voters must notify their employers at least two working days before the election that they will take the time.

and Eve 2. Turnout there was 28 percent.

In the Reform Party primary for attorney general, Nancy Sliwa won the line in a field of three with 39 percent of the vote. She won Dutchess with 37 percent of 1,073 votes cast and Putnam with 45 percent of 133 votes.

In the Democratic primary for governor, incumbent Andrew Cuomo easily defeated challenger Cynthia Nixon, taking 64 percent of the vote. In both Dutchess and Putnam counties, the outcome was 62-37 in Cuomo's favor. On Nov. 6, the governor will face at least four other candidates, including Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro, the Republican candidate.

Incumbent Kathy Hochul won the Democratic primary for lieutenant governor, 48-42. She won Dutchess County, 53-40, and Putnam, 52-36.

# Here Are Your Choices

The general election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 6. If you are not registered to vote, the deadline is Oct. 12. In Putnam County, call 845-808-1300 or visit [putnamboe.com](http://putnamboe.com), or in Dutchess, call 845-486-2473 or visit [dutchesselections.com](http://dutchesselections.com). Candidates are presented in alphabetical order.

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Sean Patrick Maloney (DEM/IND/WE/WF)  
James O'Donnell (REP/CON/REF)

### U.S. Senate

Chele Farley (REP/CON/REF)  
Aaron Commey (LIB)  
Kirsten Gillibrand (DEM/IND/WE/WF)

### Governor

Andrew Cuomo (DEM/IND/WE)  
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Cynthia Nixon (WF)  
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Cruger Gallaudet (LIB)  
Jonathan Trichter (REP/CON)

### Attorney General

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Letitia James (DEM)  
Vincent Messina Jr. (IND)  
Kenneth Schaeffer (WF)  
Nancy Sliwa (REF)  
Michael Sussman (GRE)  
Keith Wofford (REP)

### State Senate, District 41

Sue Serino (REP/CON/IND/REF)  
Karen Smythe (DEM/WE/WF)

### State Assembly, District 95 (Philipstown)

Lawrence A. Chiulli (REP/CON)  
Sandy Galef (DEM/WE/WF/REF)

### KEY:

DEM = Democratic  
REP = Republican  
CON = Conservative

GRE = Green  
IND = Independence  
LIB = Libertarian

REF = Reform  
WE = Women's Equality  
WF = Working Families

### State Assembly, District 104 (Beacon)

Jonathan Jacobson (DEM)  
Scott Manley (REP/CON)

### Putnam County Executive

Maureen Fleming (DEM/REF/WE)  
MaryEllen Odell (REP/CON/IND)

### Putnam County Clerk

Michael Bartolotti (REP/CON/IND/REF)

### Putnam County Coroner (2)

John Bourges (REP/CON/IND)  
Michael Nesheiwat (REP/CON/IND)

### Putnam County, District 1 (Philipstown)

Nancy Montgomery (DEM/WE/WF)  
Barbara Scuccimarra (REP/CON/IND)

### Cold Spring Village Trustee (2 seats)

Lynn Miller  
Steve Voloto

### Dutchess County Surrogate Court

Michael Hayes (REP/CON/GRE/IND/REF/WE)  
Thomas Mansfield (DEM/WF)

### Dutchess County Family Court

Karen Hagstrom (REP/CON/GRE/IND/REF/WE)  
Jeffrey Martin (DEM/WF)





## ELECTION 2018

**Putnam County Executive**

After primaries for the Conservative and Women's Equality parties on Sept. 13, nothing changed on the ballot in the race for Putnam County executive.

Maureen Fleming, the Democratic candidate, had filed an "opportunity to ballot" on the Conservative Party line, hoping that more of the county's 1,831 registered party voters who made it to the polls would write in her name than vote for incumbent MaryEllen Odell, who received the party's endorsement. Odell kept the line with 292 of the 363 votes cast. There were 71 write-ins that presumably went to Fleming.



**Maureen Fleming**



**MaryEllen Odell**

At the same time, Odell filed an opportunity to ballot petition to campaign for the write-in vote on the line of the Women's Equality Party, which endorsed Fleming. In that contest, Fleming received three votes and there were no write-ins, according to the unofficial tally by the Putnam County Board of Elections.

As a result, Fleming, the Kent Town supervisor, will appear on the Democratic, Reform and Women's Equality lines, while Odell will appear on the Republican, Conservative and Independence lines.

In New York state, candidates typically try to appear on as many party lines as possible on the November ballot under the hypothesis that the more times your name appears, the more likely you are to collect the most total votes. On Election Day, voters can fill in the bubble on any line, regardless of their party registration.

**Dutchess County judges**

In Dutchess County, voters registered with the Women's Equality and Reform parties selected candidates for surrogate and family court judges.

Karen Hagstrom won 13 of 15 ballots for the Women's Equality line for Family Court judge, while Michael Hayes won 8 of 14 ballots for the line for Surrogate Court judge. For the Reform Party line, Hagstrom won 68 percent and Hayes 63 percent of 1,073 votes cast.

Hagstrom, a county district attorney, already held the Republican, Conservative, Green and Independence lines for Family Court judge. Her opponent, Jeffrey Martin, a lawyer and town justice from Red Hook, has the Democratic and Working Families lines.

In the race for Surrogate Court judge, Thomas Mansfield, an attorney in Red Hook, has the Democratic and Working Families

**Candidate Forums Set for Oct. 18, 22**

The League of Women Voters of Putnam County has invited candidates to participate in a forum on Thursday, Oct. 18, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kent Firehouse on Route 301. Those invited include candidates for state Assembly District 95 (which includes Philipstown), Putnam County executive and county Legislature District 1 (Philipstown). The county executive candidates also have been invited to participate in a second forum at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 22, at the Mahopac library.

lines and Hayes, the town judge of LaGrange, already held the Republican, Conservative, Green and Independence lines.

**Mold Found at Beacon High**

*Quickly remedied but tests will continue*

by Chip Rowe

**B**eacon school officials called a restoration service on Sept. 13 after finding mold growing on some cloth seats in the Seeger Theater at Beacon High School. A number of other schools in the region have also had mold problems, partly due to the wet weather.

In a letter to parents, Superintendent Matt Landahl said the district will run dehumidifiers and close the theater for a few weeks so that a contractor, ServPro, can treat the surfaces without interruption.

"We will continue to test for air quality throughout the high school," Landahl wrote. "We will also continue to work with our air chiller in the high school to see what adjustments or fixes need to be done to help mitigate this in the future."

In August, a custodian at the high school discovered mold that had developed overnight on desks and other

surfaces in four science rooms. ServPro cleaned the rooms over the Labor Day weekend.

Earlier this month, high school staff found mold growing on instrument cases in the band room closet and beneath risers in the chorus room, prompting the district to have ServPro clean four art rooms, the band room, the chorus room and the music room. Mold also was found and remedied in seven classrooms at J.V. Forrestal Elementary.

The district said it has added dehumidifiers and HEPA air filters and that it would review its ventilation and AC systems and conduct more air quality tests later in the year.

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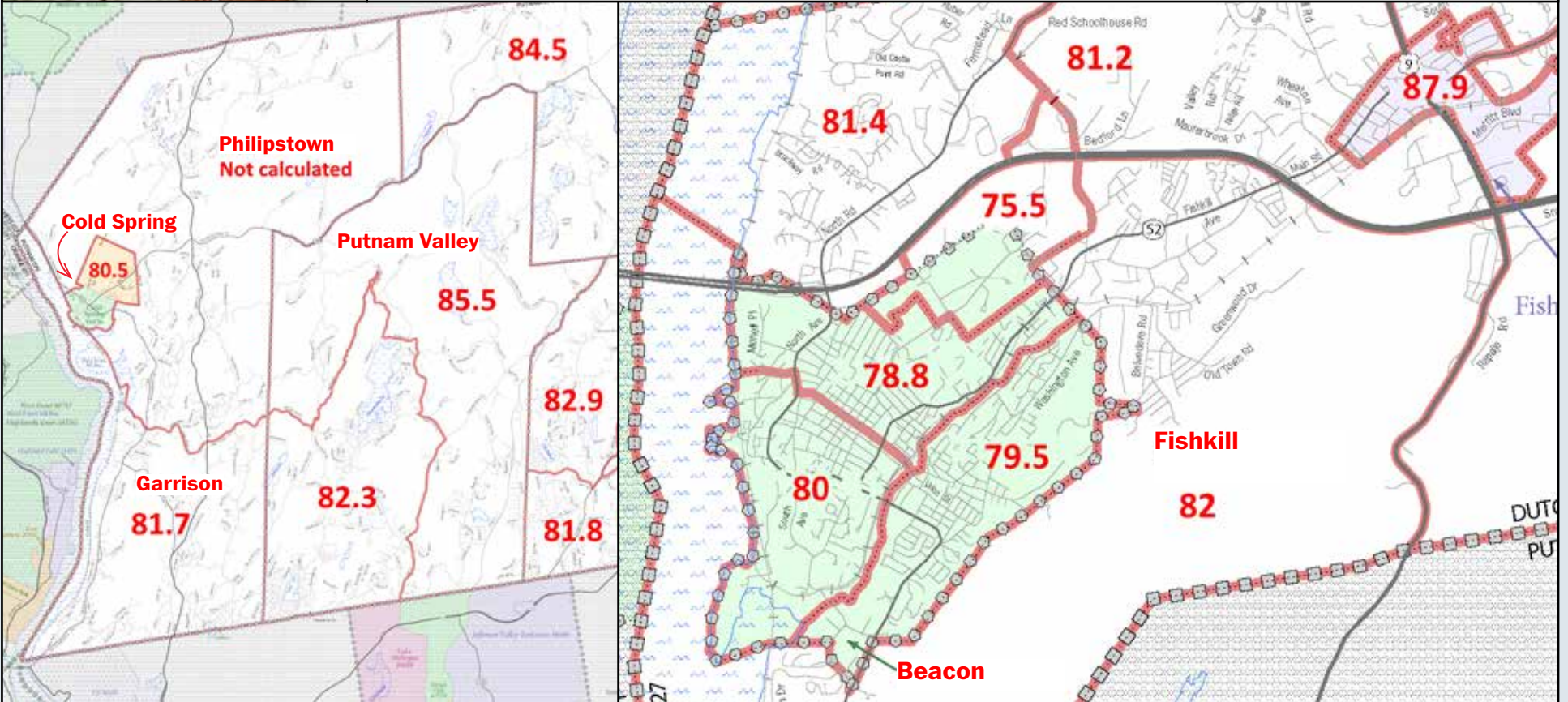






# How Long Will You Live?

After studying death rates between 2010 and 2015 in nearly every census tract (each of which has about 4,000 residents), the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention this month calculated the life expectancy at birth at a local level. Here is what the agency came up with for tracts within western Putnam County (left) and Beacon (below). Good luck.



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# Back from the Border

*'Grannies' return from protest trip*

By Brian PJ Cronin

Near the end of July, two vans packed with Highlands grandmothers and their supporters headed south from Beacon toward the Mexican border to protest a federal policy of separating undocumented families when they come into the U.S.

When the group, Grannies Respond, reached McAllen, Texas, eight days later, after making 10 stops in cities along the route, the caravan had grown to more than 200 people in 30 vehicles.

On Sept. 16, some of the participants spoke at Beacon Beahive about the trip. As Dan Aymar-Blair, the trip organizer, explained before the group left in July, the idea was to combine the moral authority of grandmothers with an event that tied into the legacy of journeys of protest, from the Freedom Riders to Gandhi's March to the Sea.

"Our idea was to protest, to have our voices heard, and hopefully make a difference," he said on Sept. 16. "What hap-

*"A big part of the trip was about seeing the impact of this policy on human dignity and human lives."*

pened was much different. A big part of the trip was about seeing the impact of this policy on human dignity and human lives. The things we saw were things we did not know we were going to see."

After the group left Beacon, it stopped in New York City and twice in Pennsylvania, once to protest at the Berks County Residential Center (one of the oldest residential detention centers in the country) and in Pittsburgh, where they met Edith Bell, a 94-year-old Holocaust survivor and lifelong activist.

The participants said they encountered two situations repeatedly along their route: Locals who were already protesting what they saw as injustices against immigrants (such as a group called Shut Down Berks) and community and religious groups who fed the travelers with potluck dinners and found them places to sleep.



The grannies marching to the site of a family detention center opening in Houston

Photos provided

"There was this sense that they were so glad that we were there to support them and the things that they were concerned about," said Tina Bernstein, who made the trip.

In Louisville, the group met two asylum seekers who said they had fled political and gang violence in Central America. They were being sponsored by local Catholic groups while they awaited their hearings.

Carla, 28, came from Honduras with her husband and three children; he and one child were being held at a detention center. She described a caravan her family had joined in El Salvador that walked to the border, sleeping on the side of roads.

She said her family spent four days together at a federal detention center where the guards called them "dogs" and threatened to take her children. Carla told the group that she would have loved to go with them to the border, but immigration officials had attached an ankle bracelet to track her movement.

Carlos, 22, the other asylum-seeker, said he crossed the border with his 6-year-old sister after their father was killed by gang members in Guatemala. He said his father had survived a previous attempted killing, and the family identified the attacker, who was arrested. They spent seven months in safe houses in Guatemala before returning home, where the gang caught up with their father.

Speaking at Beahive, the caravan participants said Carlos was probably in good shape to be granted asylum because he could provide evidence that his family had a "credible fear" of their lives being in danger if they were forced to leave the U.S.

At the border, the participants said, they learned more about the process of ob-



A marcher adds a message to the back of a van being used in the caravan.

taining asylum. They said they were told that those who were allowed to stay after an initial hearing were often discharged with a bus ticket but no information about what to do next.

The group wasn't able to tour any detention centers, which was not unexpected. Outside the largest family detention center in the country, a camp in Dilley, Texas, built in 2014 and housing 1,900 families, group members were threatened with arrest after they asked if they could go inside.

But while speaking with activists who spent their days at bus stops handing out

water and food to undocumented immigrants, the group members said they figured out what to do when they returned to New York. The group created a project called The Overground Railroad to raise money for supplies to provide to undocumented immigrants in Louisville, New Orleans, Mobile, Houston and other cities.

"We got to connect with people all across the country who are in this struggle," said Bernstein. "Every place we went, they thanked us, they came out in numbers, and the numbers kept building. I have never been hugged so much in my life."

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## What's it worth? *(from Page 1)*

tor, notes that development puts pressure on infrastructure such as roads and water and sewer systems. But “it’s old infrastructure to begin with,” he says. The city doesn’t have to build new lines, because developers are hooking into existing ones. As a result, the growth provides revenue without increasing the tax burden.

One of developer Rodney Weber’s main selling points with the Edgewater project has been its positive economic impact. The parcel on which he plans to construct seven apartment buildings is currently assessed by the city at \$400,000, but Beacon officials estimated last year that the built-out project will be worth between \$30 million and \$40 million.

Using the city’s 2018 tax rate for homes, Edgewater’s bill would be just shy of \$300,000 if it’s assessed at \$35 million. By comparison, a home valued at \$300,000 pays about \$2,500 in annual city taxes.

Beacon breaks its expenses and revenues down into three main categories: a general fund, a water fund and a sewer fund. Last year, the city increased its sewer fees by 10 percent to upgrade aging infrastructure, while water stayed flat.

Tax revenues, however, are funneled into the \$20 million general fund, which is what pays for day-to-day operations. When unexpected costs arise, such as the May sewer line break on Main Street (\$255,000) or the \$16,000 needed to launch the Beacon Free Loop bus, they are typically pulled from a “rainy day” fund balance.

There are other factors at play, as well.

Developers must follow a formula to pay municipal recreation fees, which is a standard method cities use to offset some of the costs of growth. In Beacon, those fees have helped to add staff at the Recreation Department and to fund its afterschool programs, Camp @ the Camp, the no-cost South Avenue Park Days and the Beacon Pool.

Another impact that officials consider is the health of the retailers who line Main Street, which at 1.5 miles long is a tall order for a city of only about 15,000 people to sustain.

“The more people we have living here [because of new development], the more they’ll shop here,” Casale says. “People are coming to cities [such as Beacon] so they can do that.”

### What does it cost you?

How residents pay for the costs associated with development — additional services like trash, fire or police — is reflected in the “tax levy,” or the total revenue raised through taxes. As a municipality grows and more revenue is generated from development, its leaders may increase the levy (within the state tax cap) and spend more, or maintain the levy and lower the tax rate.

Beacon has done a little of both.

Since 2013, the homestead tax rate has hovered between 8.4 and 8.8 percent. After jumping more than \$1 million in 2011, Beacon’s levy stabilized and has increased only modestly since 2013. Last year the increase was \$275,000.

But there are still the numerous intangible quality-of-life costs to consider, such

as commuting-hour traffic snarls on Route 9D, the obstruction of scenic vistas or a perceived change to Beacon’s character. It’s those costs that are being ignored, says Theresa Kraft, a city resident who is vice president of the Beacon Historical Society.

“The comprehensive plan is all about preserving landscapes and preserving Beacon’s history,” Kraft argues, “and they haven’t followed it. The city is giving it all away.”

### Schools

Breaking down development’s effects on the Beacon City School District is equally complex.

The taxes collected from homeowners (\$38.6 million for 2018-19) and state aid (\$28.2 million) account for the lion’s share of the education budget, which was \$70.5 million this year. That included an increase of \$573,000 collected from new developments, which is referred to as a Tax Base Growth Factor.

According to the district, this new money helped pay for many upgrades: hiring three new elementary school teachers that will translate to smaller class sizes; two new physical education teachers to comply with a state mandate on the num-



Construction is expected to begin on the Edgewater development, seen here in a rendering provided by the developer, early next year.

ber of minutes per week students must engage in physical activity; an additional special education teacher; a newly created director of security position; an occupational therapist assistant; and providing a laptop to every Rombout Middle School student to use during the school year.

The amount of aid sent to Beacon by the state, on the other hand, is based on a “wealth index” that measures tax intake, explains Meredith Heuer, the vice president of the school board. There are a number of factors that are considered, but as Beacon collects more taxes because of new development, its state aid could decrease.

That’s a tough balance to strike for a district that’s only recently begun to recover from budget cuts that came after the recession of 2008, she says.

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# The Calendar



Jeff Haynes

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## The Rhythm of the Woods

*Percussionist Jeff Haynes will headline Manitoga concert*

By Alison Rooney

In 1964, as a child watching the Beatles with his parents on *The Ed Sullivan Show*, Jeff Haynes fixated on Ringo.

"We were very poor and my mom pieced together a drum set for me," Haynes recalls. "She bought me one pair of sticks and when they broke, all I had left was my hands. She recognized my talent, and though it took her a year, she bought me one conga drum. My father worked long hours in the shipyards and needed to sleep when he was home, so I'd go in the closet with clothes all around me and play where nobody could hear me."

More than 50 years later, people are watching Haynes. The Beacon-based percussionist will headline the annual performance hosted by Manitoga in Garrison on Saturday, Sept. 29. The concert, *United by Nature*, takes place at the quarry pool of the former home of designer Russel Wright, around which attendees can perch and take in the woodlands view as well as the music. It celebrates the 50th anniversary of Summer in the Parks, a program

Wright created in Washington, D.C., with the National Park Service.

Along with Haynes, the bill includes poet and folk balladeer Jacob Lee Bernz, also from Beacon; singer/songwriter Casey Erdman; guitarist Sean Harkness; vocalist and Cherokee dancer and storyteller Joan Henry; singer Timothy Hill; multi-instrumentalist Premik; Native American flute player Julie Harris; and drummers Lisa Jenson (also on dulcimer) and Becky Nielsen. The drummers will be playing music rooted in Africa, Brazil and Cuba.

Haynes, who grew up on Long Island, says he has always been comfortable with playing a variety of genres. "I'd sit in with bands all the time," he recalls. "I would drive up to Orchard Beach, in the Bronx, in my Chevy Vega with a hole in the floor. I'd be the one holding [the performance] down, being the root, not soloing. Because I did that, I can record and play just about anything."

After studying communications in college, with a minor in music, Haynes became an officer at the European American Bank. "I'd play in the evenings, and I met a

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## Last Show at Matteawan

*Second Beacon gallery to close this year; will others follow?*

By Alison Rooney

The Matteawan Gallery, which opened five years ago on the east end of Beacon, will close Oct. 7. It follows the closure of a west end gallery, TheoGanz Studio, in April, after six years.

Both galleries featured local and regional artists in shows that typically opened each month on Second Saturday. Matteawan's final exhibit is a collection of sculptures and drawings by Eleanor White. By the count of owner Karlyn Benson, the gallery showed the work of 88 artists. The gallery was located in a smaller space farther east on Main before moving to its current location in 2015, which gave Benson more room to hang larger pieces.

Unlike many gallery owners in Beacon, Benson is not an artist, although she worked for many years at the Museum of Modern Art in its registrar office. She said

she chose to close her gallery because, in addition to increased family caregiving needs, there just weren't enough sales to justify the amount of work required.

"Having a gallery in Beacon requires deep pockets," observes Rick Rogers, an artist who recently stepped down as president of BeaconArts. "You have your audience on Saturday and Sunday for perhaps six hours a day. If it's a rainy day or there's cold weather, your walk-ins are few. If you open during the week, you see a trickle. To depend on decent sales in that limited time frame is unrealistic."

"Beacon is a foodie and music destination with hikers sprinkled in," he adds. "I open my studio on weekends and two of the most frequent questions I get are 'Where is a good place to eat?' and 'Any good music in town tonight?' Rarely does someone ask about the art scene."

Benson, who has lived in Beacon since 2003, says she fears the day of small-town, bricks-and-mortar art spaces may be coming to an end.

"Maybe there is a new model, maybe not a storefront," she says. "But I still love a place where you can see art in person; there's no substitute. Galleries are some-



Eleni Smolen of TheoGanz Gallery

Photo by Peter McGivney

one's vision, and offer a real perspective.

"I guess I'm more of a curator than a sales person," she adds. "You can't push an art sale too hard. And although artists support each other well here, there aren't enough collectors, which still surprises me."

Eleni Smolen, who owned TheoGanz, also said the time and money it took to keep her gallery open became a drain. She

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Karlyn Benson of Matteawan Gallery

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FRIDAY, SEPT. 21

**Book Party: Peter Kuper and Summer Pierre**  
7 p.m. Split Rock Books  
97 Main St., Cold Spring | [splitrockbks.com](http://splitrockbks.com)

**Carlos Aonzo Trio**  
Tompkins Corners Cultural Center  
729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley  
845-528-7280 | [tompkinscorners.org](http://tompkinscorners.org)

**Neko Case**  
8 p.m. Bardavon  
35 Market St., Poughkeepsie  
845-473-2072 | [bardavon.org](http://bardavon.org)

SATURDAY, SEPT. 22



**Day in the Park 5K and Festival**  
9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Green Chimneys  
33 Clearpool Road, Carmel  
[bit.ly/putnam-service-dogs](http://bit.ly/putnam-service-dogs)

**In Their Own Words: The Battle for Fort Montgomery**  
10 a.m. Fort Montgomery Historic Site  
690 Route 9W, Fort Montgomery  
845-446-2134 | [nysparks.com/historic-sites](http://nysparks.com/historic-sites)

**Trail Love Day**  
10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Breakneck Ridge  
[nynjtc.org/trailcrew/taconic-crew](http://nynjtc.org/trailcrew/taconic-crew)

**Country Fair**  
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Stony Kill Farm  
79 Farmstead Lane, Wappingers Falls  
[stonykill.org](http://stonykill.org)

**Beacon High School Sports**  
11 a.m. Girls' Soccer vs. Hendrick Hudson  
1 p.m. Football vs. Mount Vernon  
101 Matteawan Road, Beacon  
[beaconk12.org](http://beaconk12.org)

**Girls' Tennis vs. Valhalla**  
11 a.m. Haldane High School  
15 Craigside Dr., Cold Spring  
[haldaneschool.org](http://haldaneschool.org)

**Infant CPR Class**  
11 a.m. Desmond-Fish Library  
472 Route 403, Garrison  
845-424-3020 | [desmondfishlibrary.org](http://desmondfishlibrary.org)

**Intro to Pour Painting**  
11 a.m. RiverWinds Gallery  
172 Main St., Beacon  
845-838-2880 | [riverwindsgallery.com](http://riverwindsgallery.com)

**Art Walk and Open Studios**  
Noon – 5 p.m. Kingston  
[facebook.com/artwalkkingston](http://facebook.com/artwalkkingston)

**Fall Harvest Festival: The Breakneck Boys**  
Noon – 4 p.m. Fishkill Farms  
9 Fishkill Farm Road, Hopewell Junction  
845-897-4377 | [fishkillfarms.com](http://fishkillfarms.com)

**Picnic Day**  
Noon – 3 p.m. Glynwood Farm  
362 Glynwood Road, Cold Spring  
845-265-3338 | [glynwood.org](http://glynwood.org)

**Cookbook Signing with Nicki Sizemore**  
1 – 3 p.m. Cold Spring General Store  
66 Main St., Cold Spring  
845-809-5522 | [coldspringgeneralstore.com](http://coldspringgeneralstore.com)

**The Farm Show Mid-Run Reception**  
2 – 5 p.m. Saunders Farm  
853 Old Albany Post Road, Garrison  
845-528-1797 | [collaborativeconcepts.org](http://collaborativeconcepts.org)

**Sunset Tour**  
5 p.m. Manitoga  
584 Route 9D, Garrison  
845-424-3812 | [visitmanitoga.org](http://visitmanitoga.org)

**Theatre on the Road: Dracula**  
7 p.m. Bannerman Island  
Boats leave Beacon dock at 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.  
855-256-4007 | [bannermancastle.org](http://bannermancastle.org)

**Book Party: Christine Dimmick: Detox Your Home**  
6 p.m. Split Rock Books  
See details under Friday.

**Natalie Arneson: Mama Drama**  
7:30 p.m. Philipstown Depot Theatre  
10 Garrison's Landing, Garrison  
[philipstowndepottheatre.org](http://philipstowndepottheatre.org)

**Kris Davis (Music)**  
8 p.m. Howland Cultural Center  
477 Main St., Beacon  
845-765-3012 | [howlandculturalcenter.org](http://howlandculturalcenter.org)

**The Gipsy Kings**  
8 p.m. Paramount Hudson Valley  
1008 Brown St., Peekskill  
914-739-0039 | [paramounthudsonvalley.com](http://paramounthudsonvalley.com)

SUNDAY, SEPT. 23

**Philipstown Little League Bake Sale**  
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Foodtown, Cold Spring  
[philipstownlittleleague.com](http://philipstownlittleleague.com)

**Beacon Lions Club Luncheon**  
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Outback Steakhouse  
Route 9, Wappingers Falls  
845-831-8721 | [ckellybeacon@yahoo.com](mailto:ckellybeacon@yahoo.com)

**Art Walk and Open Studios**  
Noon – 5 p.m. Kingston  
See details under Saturday.

**Fall Harvest Festival: Out on a Limb**  
Noon – 4 p.m. Fishkill Farms  
See details under Saturday.

**Celebrate Our First Responders BBQ**  
1 – 3 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library  
472 Route 403, Garrison  
845-424-3020 | [desmondfishlibrary.org](http://desmondfishlibrary.org)

**Collecting Baseball (Talk)**  
1 p.m. Putnam Valley Free Library  
30 Oscawana Lake Road, Putnam Valley  
845-528-3242 | [putnamvalleylibrary.org](http://putnamvalleylibrary.org)

**Broadway in Beacon: The Pirates of Penzance**  
4 p.m. Howland Cultural Center  
See details under Saturday.

**Doansburg Chamber Ensemble**  
4 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church  
1 Chestnut St., Cold Spring  
845-228-4167

**Romie De Guise-Langlois (Clarinet) and Reiko Uchida (Piano)**  
4 p.m. Chapel Restoration  
45 Market St., Cold Spring  
845-265-5537 | [chapelrestoration.org](http://chapelrestoration.org)

**Summer Music Series: Jessica Lynn**  
5 – 7 p.m. Cold Spring Bandstand  
[explorecoldspringny.com](http://explorecoldspringny.com)

**Nils Lofgren Acoustic Duo**  
7 p.m. Paramount Hudson Valley  
See details under Saturday.

MONDAY, SEPT. 24

**Putnam County Flu Shot Clinic**  
2 – 6:30 p.m. Carmel Fire Department  
94 Gleneida Ave., Carmel  
[putnamcountyny.com/health](http://putnamcountyny.com/health)

**Beacon High School Sports**  
4:15 p.m. Girls' Tennis vs. Somers  
4:30 p.m. Girls' Swimming vs. Ketcham  
See details under Saturday.

**Beacon City Council**  
7 p.m. City Hall | 1 Municipal Plaza, Beacon  
845-838-5011 | [cityofbeacon.org](http://cityofbeacon.org)

**Beacon School Board**  
7 p.m. Beacon High School  
101 Matteawan Road, Beacon  
845-838-6900 | [beaconk12.org](http://beaconk12.org)

**Theater Acting Workshops (First Session)**  
7:30 p.m. Tompkins Corner  
See details under Friday.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 25

**Backyard Farm Skills**  
3:30 p.m. Glynwood  
See details under Saturday.

**Boys' Soccer vs Poughkeepsie**  
4:30 p.m. Beacon High School  
See details under Saturday.

**Haldane Sports**  
4:30 p.m. Girls' Soccer vs. Pawling  
4:30 p.m. Volleyball vs. Beacon  
See details under Saturday.

**Cold Spring Board of Trustees**  
7:30 p.m. Village Hall  
85 Main St., Cold Spring  
845-265-3611 | [coldspringny.gov](http://coldspringny.gov)

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 26

**Senior Bus Trip to Fishkill**  
10 a.m. Chestnut Ridge, Cold Spring  
845-424-4618 | [philipstownrecreation.com](http://philipstownrecreation.com)

**Dutchess Office for the Aging Hearing**  
11 a.m. Beacon Friendship Center  
1 Forrestal Heights, Beacon  
Email [ofa@dutchessny.gov](mailto:ofa@dutchessny.gov).

**Haldane Sports**  
4:15 p.m. Girls' Tennis vs. North Salem  
4:30 p.m. Boys' Soccer vs. North Salem  
See details under Saturday.

**Girls' Swimming vs. Port Chester**  
4:30 p.m. Beacon High School  
See details under Saturday.

**Highland Photographers' Salon**  
7 p.m. Garrison Art Center  
23 Garrison's Landing, Garrison  
845-424-3960 | [garrisonartcenter.org](http://garrisonartcenter.org)

**Behind the Scenes of Hello, Dolly! (Talk)**  
7 p.m. Beacon Historical Society  
17 South Ave., Beacon  
[beaconhistorical.org](http://beaconhistorical.org)

**Garrison School Board**  
7 p.m. Garrison School  
1100 Route 9D, Garrison  
845-424-3689 | [gufs.org](http://gufs.org)

**Memoir Writing Class (First Session)**  
7 p.m. Beacon  
Email [minkowitz46@gmail.com](mailto:minkowitz46@gmail.com) for location.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 27

**Bouncing Babies**  
10 a.m. Butterfield Library  
10 Morris Ave., Cold Spring  
845-265-3040 | [butterfieldlibrary.org](http://butterfieldlibrary.org)

**Silent Snow (Documentary, 2011)**  
7 p.m. First Presbyterian Church  
50 Liberty St., Beacon  
[moviesthatmatterbeacon.org](http://moviesthatmatterbeacon.org)

**Dance Jam**  
7 p.m. Towne Crier Cafe  
379 Main St., Beacon  
845-855-1300 | [townecrier.com](http://townecrier.com)

**Lewis Black (Comedy)**  
8 p.m. Paramount Hudson Valley  
See details under Saturday.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 28

**Lego Family Night**  
6 p.m. Butterfield Library  
See details under Thursday.

**Phantom of the Opera (1925)**  
7 p.m. Bannerman Island  
See details under Saturday.

**Guest Class and Open House**  
7 p.m. Fred Astaire Dance Studio  
3182 Route 9, Cold Spring  
845-424-6353 | [fredastairecoldspring.com](http://fredastairecoldspring.com)

**Football vs. Hastings**  
7 p.m. Haldane High School  
See details under Saturday.

**International Film Night: My Brother is an Only Child (Italy)**  
7 p.m. Howland Public Library  
See details under Tuesday.

**Fifty Miles from Times Square (Film)**  
7 p.m. Tompkins Corner Cultural Center  
See details under Sept. 21.

**Depot Docs: United Skates**  
7:30 p.m. Philipstown Depot Theatre  
See details under Saturday.

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says she wanted to put more time into her own art, which had “gone by the wayside.” When she opened the gallery she believed she would be able to sustain both the business and her own art.

Benson notes that besides just keeping the doors open, there are months of planning for each exhibit, including visits to artists’ studios (“enjoyable, but time-consuming”), publicity, handling and hanging the art and all the other administrative duties that come with owning a small business. In addition, many owners of small galleries have other, full-time jobs.

“It’s a labor of love, but after a while, you have to make money,” she says.

Nevertheless, Benson says the decision has not been easy. She thought about giving it one more year (her lease renews in October) before family considerations cemented her decision. “A gallery in a small town is not run for the money, but for the community, and I value that,” she says. “It’s important to have a place where people can see art and have a dialogue. Every weekend I met new people, and I’ll miss that.”

Benson says serious collectors are buying most of their works these days at art fairs. “Big galleries are closing in the city, too,” she says. “The thing is, here, people come to see what’s on the walls, not to shop, although, of course, I wouldn’t have been around for five years if I hadn’t made sales. My best year was 2016, but it’s been flat since. I mostly make small sales in the lower price range, and you need to make a

lot of small sales to pay your rent.

“One thing that has surprised me is that with all the development in the area I haven’t seen an increase in sales,” she says. “It seems that the people moving to Beacon in recent years are not interested in purchasing art from local galleries.”

Smolen adds that “there are numerous venues for artists to show their work here in the Hudson Valley and artists have become adept and proactive at promoting and marketing themselves. What we need is more publicity that reaches the greater New York City audience. The concept of the classic white-cube gallery may well be transitioning into new paradigms of art marketing. The bottom line is many galleries cannot afford to operate as museums.”

Barbara Galazzo, who ran Gallery 66 NY in Cold Spring, said much the same thing when she closed her space last year: Despite a steady stream of tourists coming through her door, it didn’t translate into enough sales.

Benson says she will continue to sell art through artspace.com and work with artists through a new venture, Karlyn Benson Creative Consulting. She says she also would like to organize pop-up exhibits, which Smolen has been doing. Her next exhibit, *Mountain and Rivers*



Matteawan Gallery

Photo by A. Rooney

*Without End / Paintings from a Trail*, with works by Hiro Ichikawa, opens Oct. 6 at the River Center at Long Dock Park in Beacon and runs for three weekends.

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Subtract the value of your home from the amount you have left on your loan. What's left over is the equity — or the amount you'll have post-sale. After you sell your home, you'll be a buyer again, so having some funds to put down is key.

#### 3. Interest from potential buyers

You'll want to list when you know buyers are looking. Some experts say late spring is the ideal time to sell, but peak seasons vary by region. Milder weather can increase buyer interest, but that also means more competition from other sellers.

#### 4. Changing circumstances

Location matters. Whether your neighborhood dynamics are changing, you're unhappy with the schools in your area or a new job significantly increases your commute, your community needs to fit your lifestyle.

#### 5. Home improvements

Renovations may be a wise investment, but it's best to avoid listing your home in the middle of a project. If you plan to sell your home as is, completing some minor home updates such as new paint and fixtures can be a huge selling point.

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## Haynes *from Page 9*

young lady named Donna [later, his wife], who started coming to see me play," he says. "She'd say, 'You're really good.' We started dating, and she pushed me to go into the city to jam. She enforced it!"

After getting a gig with Peabo Bryson and Celine Dion, Haynes began to feel a strong pull to leave his bank job. "It felt so good to play professionally," he recalls. Finally, he says, Donna told him, "Quit your job, I got your back."

Donna was also behind the couple's move from Brooklyn to Beacon with their daughter Valerie immediately after 9/11.

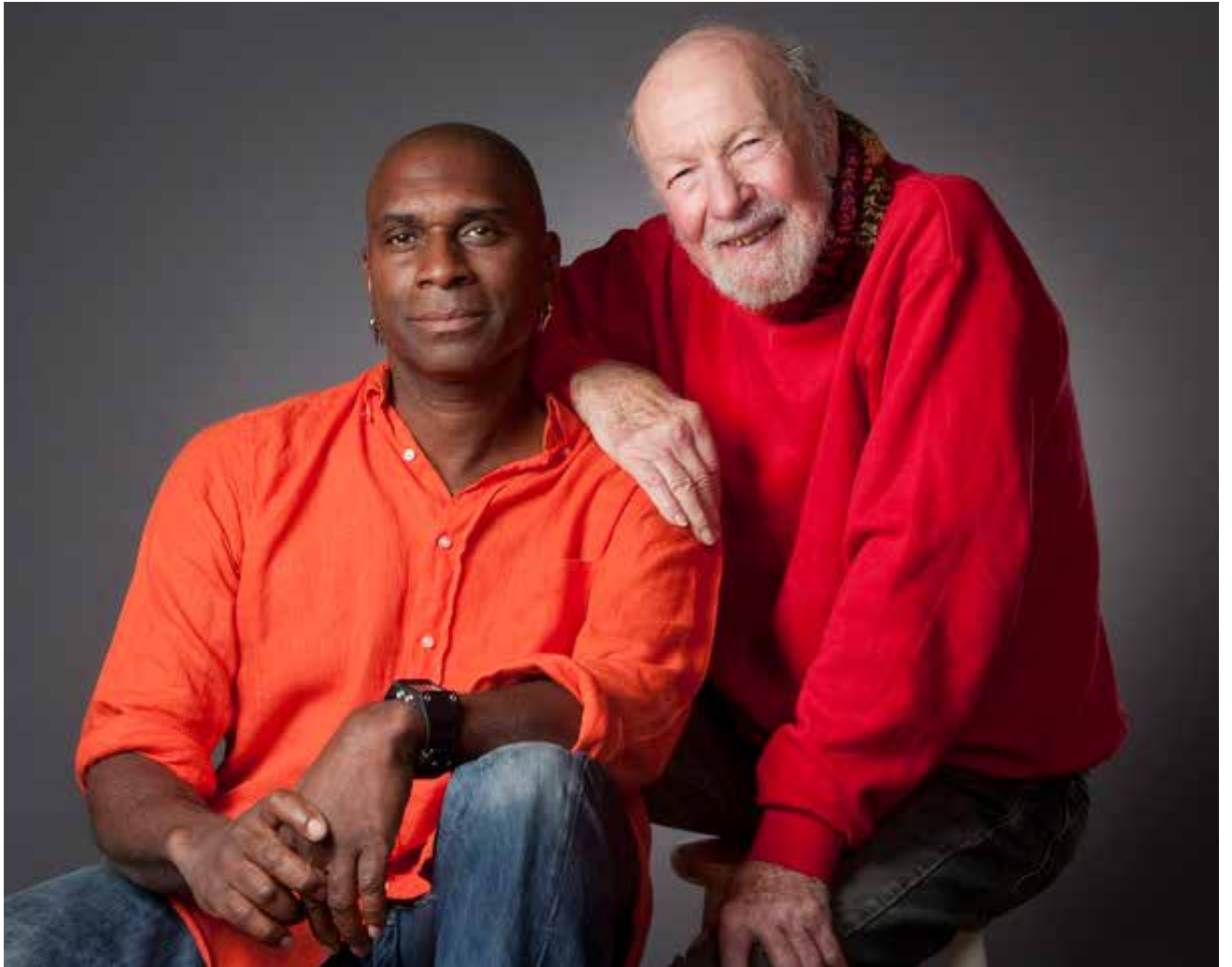
"She felt that Dia would make Beacon into a serious arts city," he says. "It brought me into a new world of music, especially after meeting Pete Seeger and opening up to folk music." (The couple had two sons in the years after the move.)

After moving north, Haynes continued to play in traveling bands (he toured with Cassandra Wilson for 22 years and will perform in November in Los Angeles as part of a tribute to Joni Mitchell) and work with artists as diverse as Pat Metheny, Aimee Mann, Herbie Hancock and Chaka Khan. He also has appeared on more than 200 albums and produces music in his home recording studio.

"I produce a lot of people in my studio, as well as my own recordings," he explains. "Pete Seeger's last five CDs were made there, and Dar Williams has recorded a few songs, too."

Haynes and Seeger began working together in 2009 on *Tomorrow's Children*, which won a Grammy for Best Musical Album for Children. In 2013, they combined Seeger's spoken words and music with works from more than 40 musicians of different traditions into an audio book, *Pete Seeger: Storm King*. After Seeger died in 2014, Haynes produced a second volume.

Tickets for the Manitoaga concert are \$45 (\$35 for members) or \$20 for children and teenagers younger than 18.



Jeff Haynes with Pete Seeger

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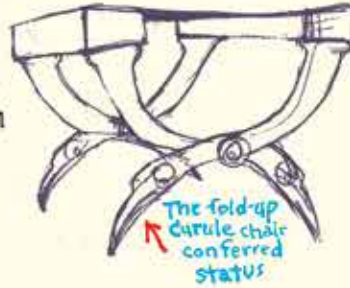


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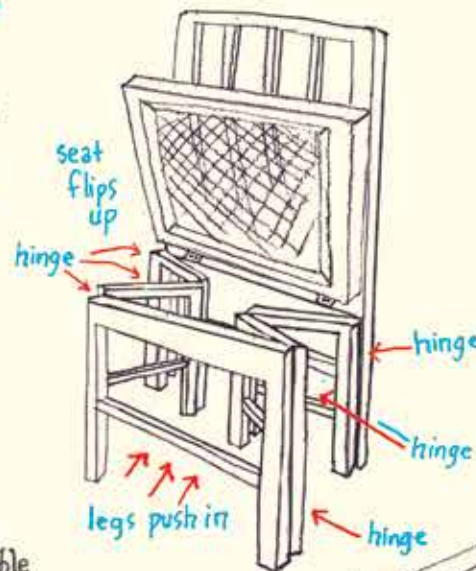
Since Roman times, warlike people have invented ways to pack up their furniture, march into their neighbors' country, and sit comfortably while they take it over.

This tactic reached its peak from 1780 to 1880 under the British and other empires. The furniture design was faultless even if the politics behind it were not.



The fold-up curule chair conferred status

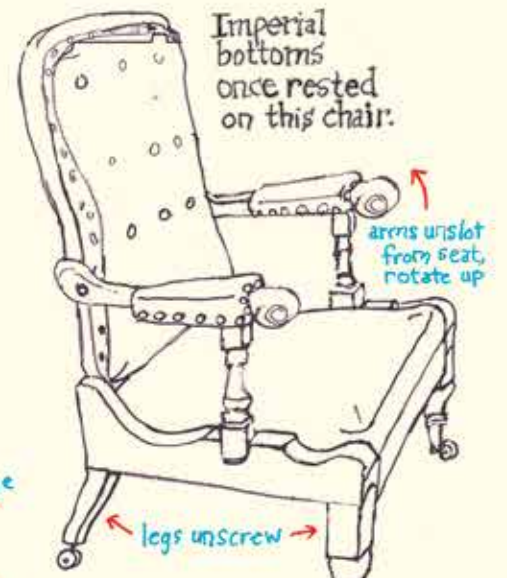
Anyone who has ever lived in a small space will covet much of what is on display.



seat flips up hinge

legs push in

hinge hinge



Imperial bottoms once rested on this chair.

arms unscrew from seat, rotate up

legs unscrew

brass header detaches, folds

High-ranking rear ends could also choose the Douro armchair with matching table made from its own packing case. Both the chair and table legs fit tightly inside, along with an enormous sense of entitlement.

leather cushion hangs from rod

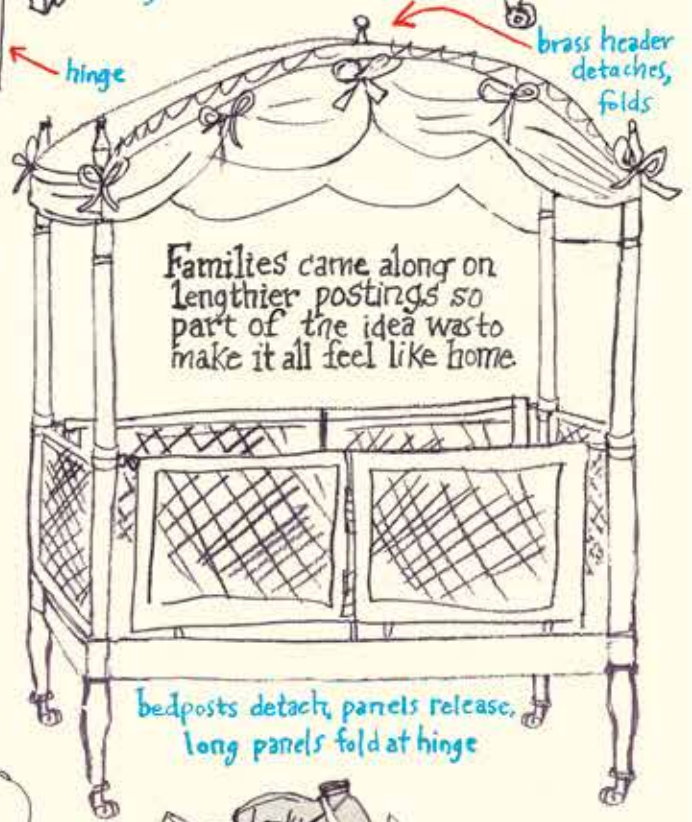
flips down

release "arms" to recline

folds

fabric straps support cushion

leather straps



Families came along on lengthier postings so part of the idea was to make it all feel like home.

bedposts detach, panels release, long panels fold at hinge



packing case with contents

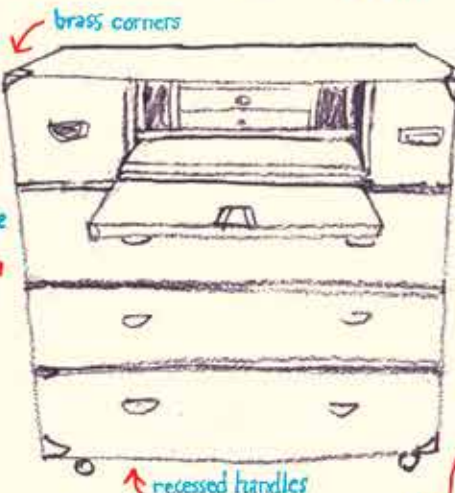
drop-leaf support swivels

legs unscrew

Obviously, life was glorious and romantic if one was on the side with the really cool furniture.

peg releases

chest with drop-front desk, often has a secret hidey-hole for papers

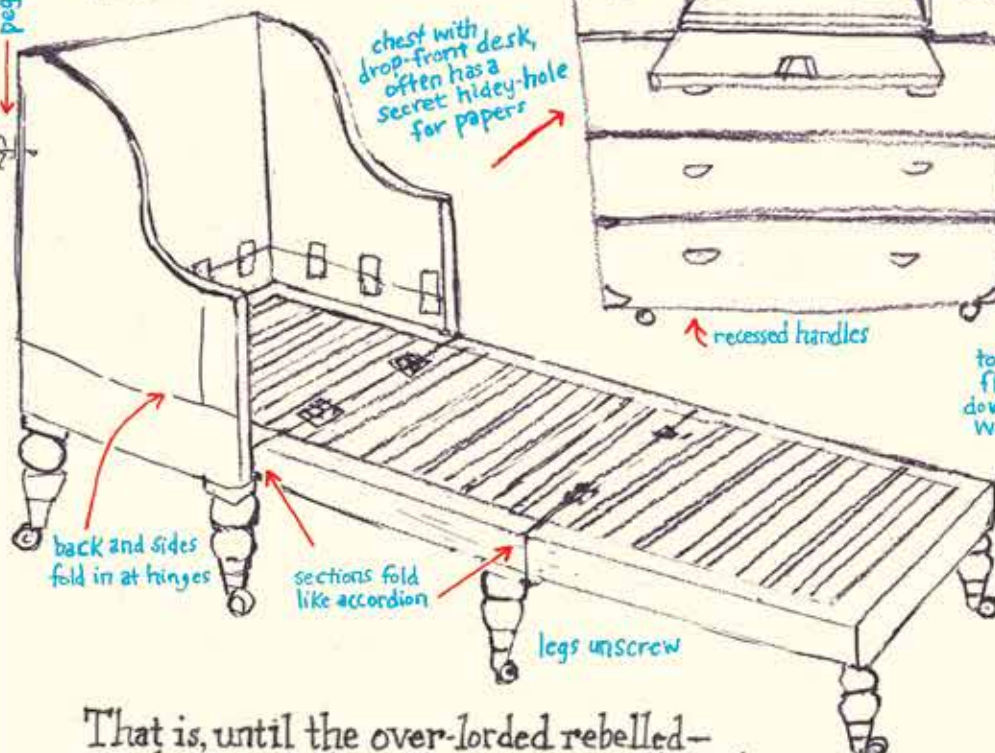


brass corners

recessed handles

torso flips down at waist

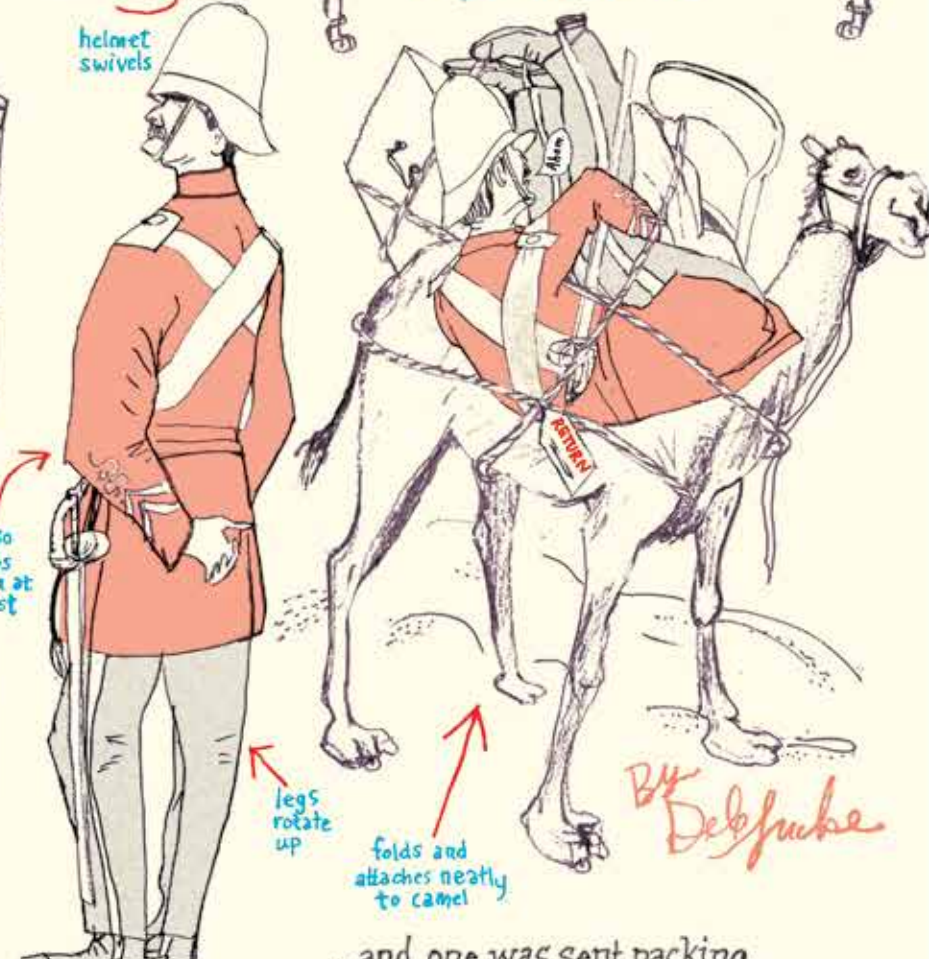
helmet swivels



back and sides fold in at hinges

sections fold like accordion

legs unscrew



legs rotate up

folds and attaches neatly to camel

By Deb Fuke

That is, until the over-lorded rebelled—at which point the entire system collapsed...

...and one was sent packing.



## Backpacks *(from Page 1)*

### Less is more

Parents may believe they are doing their children a favor by purchasing roomy backpacks, but, as with a house, stuff seems to expand to fill whatever space it has. Rolling packs lighten the load but receive mixed reviews. They tend to clutter school corridors and can become a tripping hazard. Shoulder bags, which place the entire weight of the pack on one side of the body, are also not endorsed.

The most common advice includes:

- A student should not struggle to put on or take off a pack.
- Packs should not hang more than 4 inches below the waist.
- Parents should help select packs to ensure form over fashion.
- Packs should be made of lightweight material. (Leather looks great but weighs more.)
- Packs should feature wide shoulder straps, and both should be used to distribute the weight evenly. Narrow straps dig into shoulders, hampering circulation. Hip and chest belts, along with multiple compartments, are also designed to distribute the weight. Casual observation of middle school students arriving at Haldane showed that few, if any, make use of hip or chest belts. Unused, they dangle, creating a hazard.
- A padded back adds support and offers protection from sharp objects inside the pack.
- Bottom or side compression straps help stabilize the load.
- Heavier objects such as a laptops or textbooks should be placed in the middle of the backpack, along the center of the user's back.
- Reflective strips make packs, and those wearing them, more visible.

## Backpack Tips



15% of child's body weight



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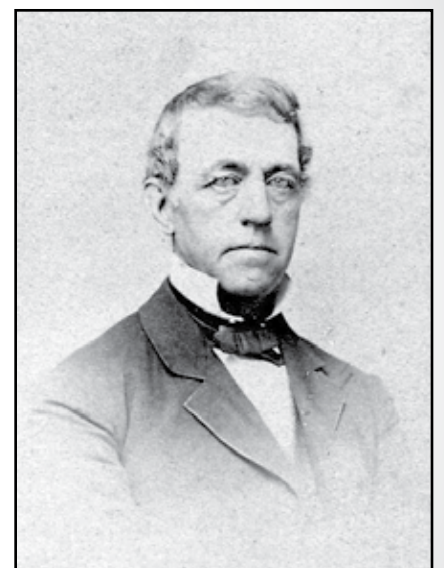


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**Small, Good Things**

# Tuna, Hold the Mayo

By Joe Dizney

Cooking (or food preparation in this case, because the recipe requires no heat) has been painted as an art or a science, a perception which unfortunately has often placed it within the strict province of experts, too complicated and esoteric for common folk.

In addition to being necessary for life, food and cooking are often spoken of in hushed and worshipful tones, pointing to deeper currents, their ecstasies well beyond the realm of mere mortals, with mysteries subject to the same sort of taboos and apprehensions as, say, sex — that other elemental human activity and need — although most of us eat a couple of times a day.

But let's bring it back to putting food on the table. Tradition, habit and routine — what we're used to — affect our tastes more than we like to admit. This was driven home as I was checking out at Adams Fairacre Farms on Route 9 in Wappingers Falls. The gentleman behind me in line wondered what I was doing with fennel.

"It's not even the holidays yet," he said, and when I questioned him in return, he said that Thanksgiving and Christmas were the only times anyone cooked or ate it in his family.

Poor fellow. It's hard to understand how such a useful and available vegetable has fallen into such neglect. A hardy vegetable-herb, fennel is indigenous to Mediterranean coastal countries and is consequently a staple of French, Italian and Greek cuisine. Although fennel's peak seasons are fall and winter, it is available most of the year.

I was shopping for fennel because it is an ingredient in this Mediterranean-inflected tuna salad, a much-requested pantry staple in our house and a particular blessing to the time-strapped designated cook. This lighter-and-brighter mayonnaise-free version makes for a quick, satisfying and flexible addition to any working menu repertoire, any time of year.

Fennel, red onion and celery are sliced thin — a mandoline makes quick work of this — and the vegetables are tossed once with a quick dressing of lemon juice and olive oil, chopped tarragon, parsley and capers. They are then tossed again with chunks of quality drained, oil-packed tuna.

The simplicity and texture of this recipe benefits exponentially from a jar or two of Ortiz or Tonnino bonito or yellowtail filets (available at Adams) left in bite-sized bits rather than flaked or pummeled to death. Bumblebee or Chicken-of-the-Sea might do in a pinch, but never use the water-packed style. This is admittedly a more expensive proposition but worth every cent. Save some fennel fronds for a final garnish.

This healthier version of a universal deli staple can be used in a usual manner: served atop a bed of greens or on a



## Mediterranean Tuna Salad with Fennel and Red Onion

Serves 6 to 8

1 medium bulb Florence fennel; sliced thin (reserve 1 to 2 tablespoons of chopped fronds for garnish)  
 ½ medium red onion, halved again, sliced thin  
 2 stalks celery, sliced thin on the bias  
 ¼ cup roughly chopped flat-leaf parsley  
 2 tablespoons (or more) capers, rinsed and drained

½ cup fresh-squeezed lemon juice  
 ¾ cup extra-virgin olive oil  
 2 tablespoons (or more) chopped fresh tarragon  
 Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste  
 12- to 16-ounce tuna in olive oil, drained

*Optional flavors:*  
 ½ cup roughly pitted and chopped black or green olives  
 ½ cup roughly chopped roasted

sweet red pepper  
 ¼ cup sliced radishes  
 One or two smashed anchovies

*Optional additions:*  
 2 cups cooked and drained white (cannellini) beans (canned is OK)  
 2 cups cooked and roughly cubed small potatoes  
 4 cups cooked, small, shaped pasta (campanelle, gemelli or rigatoni)

1. Combine the sliced fennel, red onion, celery, parsley and capers in a large bowl.
2. Whisk together the lemon juice, olive oil and chopped tarragon; salt and pepper to taste. Toss mixed ingredients from Step 1 with enough lemon-olive oil dressing to coat.
3. Break tuna into large chunks and add to vegetables, tossing lightly to incorporate. Add additional dressing if necessary. Adjust seasoning.

sandwich layered with sliced tomato, where even a smear of mayo wouldn't be out of place. Garnish either version with sliced avocado. It is best served at a cool room temperature but also nice to have on hand refrigerated.

For variation, add chopped olives, roasted sweet red peppers, smashed anchovies or a couple of chopped hard-boiled eggs, as your taste or pantry allows. Sliced radishes add a peppery crunch.

As an adaptable menu staple, a couple of cups of cooked cannellini or white beans, or an equal amount of small cooked potatoes, turns the salad into a more substantial meal. Add three or four cups of cooked, shaped pasta to the same effect, plus another splash of olive oil, a squeeze of lemon and a pinch more salt and pepper to any of these variations to correct the seasoning.

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## Oktoberfest Fundraiser

*Knights of Columbus annual party*

The Knights of Columbus will hold its annual Oktoberfest at Mayor's Park in Cold Spring from 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29, and from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 30. Tickets are available at kofc536.com or at the gate.

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*How water is brought to city*

Diane Galusha will discuss her book, *Liquid Assets: A History of New York City's Water*, at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Butterfield Library in Cold Spring. In her book, Galusha recounts the people, engineering and politics that connected reservoirs across the state to supply water to the city. Register for the event at butterfieldlibrary.org.



**ROLLING RIGHT ALONG** — The documentary *United Skates* examines a culture of skating that thrives in African-American communities in cities across the U.S. but is threatened by racism and re-zoning. The film will be screened at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 28, at the Philipstown Depot Theatre as part of the Depot Docs series with a visit from director Tina Brown. For tickets, see brownpapertickets.com/event/3604173.

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## Beacon

## Newburgh Open Studios

*Artists to welcome visitors*

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## Tell Your Story

*Writer to lead memoir workshop*

Donna Minkowitz will offer an eight-session memoir-writing workshop

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## Arts Awards for Beacon

*Towne Crier, student to be honored*

The Towne Crier Cafe in Beacon and Kyra Husbands, a recent Beacon High School graduate, will be among the 11 honorees at the annual Dutchess County Executive's Arts Awards dinner on Thursday, Oct. 4, at the Villa Borghese in Wappingers Falls. See artsmidhudson.org for tickets, which start at \$100.

## Phantom and Mummies on the Island

*Bannerman to screen classic horror films*

Bannerman Island will screen two classic horror films in coming weeks. On Saturday, Sept. 29, and Sunday, Sept. 30, the selection is *The Phantom of the Opera* (1925), and on Saturday, Oct. 6, it will be Boris Karloff's *The Mummy* (1932). See bannermancastle.org for tickets, which include transportation to and from the island.

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ART NOTES — Sheilah Rechtschaffer's show, *Listening to Jazz: A Journey*, is on exhibit at Hudson Beach Gallery in Beacon through Oct. 7. *Image provided*

## A Quartet, Plus an Oboe

*Chamber concert set for Sept. 30*

The Howland Chamber Music Circle continues its season with a performance by the Telegraph Quartet at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 30, at the Howland Cultural Center in Beacon. The quartet will be joined by oboist James Austin Smith for Erwin Schulhoff's *Five Pieces*, Mozart's *Oboe Quartet in F Major*, K. 370 and Arnold Bax's *Oboe Quintet*, before concluding the program with Dvorák's *String Quartet No. 10 in E-flat Major, Op. 51*, "Slavonic." See [howlandmusic.org](http://howlandmusic.org) for tickets.



Oboist James Austin Smith will join the Telegraph Quartet in a concert at the Howland Cultural Center in Beacon on Sept. 30. *Photo provided*

## Arctic Killer

*Film looks at chemical pollution*

Movies That Matter Beacon will screen the 2011 documentary, *Silent Snow*, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 27, at the First Presbyterian Church. Moki Kokoris, an environmental educator and founder of 90-North, which focuses on issues in the Arctic and sub-Arctic, will be the guest speaker. The documentary follows an Inuit woman from Greenland whose community is being poisoned by chemical residue, such as the pesticide DDT, attached to snow and carried by currents. See [moviesthatmatterbeacon.org](http://moviesthatmatterbeacon.org).

## Art Fundraiser for Haiti

*Vassar to hold annual sale*

The Vassar Haiti Project will hold its annual sale at Vassar College to benefit Haitian artists from Sept. 28 to 30, with a live auction planned for Saturday, Sept. 29. See [thehaitiproject.org](http://thehaitiproject.org).

## Then & Now

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# Spirit of Beacon Day

## Beacon Day (from Page 1)

entertainment stages. There was also a road race, a fashion show, a karate exhibition and a skateboarding competition. No politicians were allowed to campaign.

Gwenno James, the new chair of the event, finds resonance in that history.

“Celebrating what we have in common feels more valid than ever,” she says. “Each year the committee chooses a theme, and this year’s is Celebrating Unity. The day celebrates Beacon’s vibrant community, with everyone coming together on Main Street, showcasing our diversity, culture and volunteer spirit, and we receive generous support and contributions from local businesses and individuals.”

According to Michelle Rivas, who works in community art programming at the Howland Library, the day holds a lot of meaning to many residents.

“There was outcry last year that it might be the last Spirit of Beacon Day,”



A photograph from the 1988 Spirit of Beacon Parade that appeared in the *Beacon Evening News*

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she notes. “When folks heard it might not happen again, there was an overwhelming desire to continue.” That desire is needed, because the event is organized by volunteers and funded through donations. The city provides support through the participation of the police, fire and highway departments.

The parade, complete with floats made over the summer by groups affiliated with the elementary schools, will run from City Hall to the Howland Cultural Center. Marchers will include children and school staff, religious institutions, nonprofit organizations, veterans, community groups, businesses, City Council members and



A float from the first Spirit of Beacon Parade in 1977

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first responders.

The street festival will feature tables from community groups and nonprofits (including *The Highlands Current*; stop and say hello). This year there will also be a children’s area with entertainment and activities, probably in front of the Salvation Army building. The main stage will be located near the post office. (See spiritofbeacon.org for details and updates.)

At its peak, the day attracted as many as 8,000 participants. Attendance has declined over the past few years, but James says she has detected “a lot of interest and enthusiasm from people who have moved here over the past couple of years,” as well as those born and raised in Beacon.

She says members of the committee



A moment from a past Spirit of Beacon parade

Photo by Jeff McHugh

have received tremendous support from members of the former committee. “The people who ran this for 20 years, in particular Rose Story [who chaired the event from 2001 to 2017], Roy Cianncanelli [who organized the parade], Tony Lassiter, Bob Outer and Diane Sedore, have been incredible,” she says. “We feel extremely grateful. A lot of them have come to our meetings; they’re still involved. We want to honor their tradition.”

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# Sports

## Dutchess Classic Results

The 40th annual Dutchess Classic race was held on Sept. 16 in LaGrange. Among the half-marathon competitors was Bill Rodgers, 70, who won the New York City Marathon in 1976 and the Boston Marathon in 1978 and 1979, and in 1980 won them both. He finished in 2:00.37.

Here are results for runners from the Highlands:

- Half-marathon**  
53. Eric Diehl (Beacon) 1:42.34  
117. Vincent Fino (Beacon) 1:56.19  
152. Amber Klemann (Beacon) 2:00.22  
171. Kristy Alvarado (Beacon) 2:03.19  
213. Todd VanDuzer (Beacon) 2:10.04  
292. Ilana Tabak (Beacon) 2:24.54  
361. Kim-Hung Ng (Beacon) 2:50.16
- 5K**  
64. Demitria Fragale (Beacon), 25:30.98  
68. Robert Mayzk (Cold Spring), 25:41.5  
235. Mimi Mamo (Beacon), 34:20.5
- Kids' 1 mile**  
10. Michael Serino (age 12, Beacon), 7:38



**GOLF WINNERS** — The Southern Dutchess Country Club wrapped up its annual championship on Sept. 2. At left, Jim Corless won the third flight and Bill Connolly won the second flight, while, at right, Gary Wood took the first flight and Barry Winter won the championship flight after a 35-hole match with Glenn Hover. The two former club champions made 10 birdies between them, with Winter prevailing to win his third consecutive club title. The tournament was run by SDCC Head Pro Henry Bosch.

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3 intellectual weightiness (5)	_____
4 swanky “retirement” spot (10)	_____
5 full of chemicals (8)	_____
6 angered (5)	_____
7 runs, but not literally (9)	_____

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## Sports

### Bulldogs Shut Down Peekskill, 21-0

*First win of season for Beacon football*



Manny Garner (23) led Beacon on the ground against Peekskill with 122 yards and a TD.

*Photo by S. Pearlman*

**By Skip Pearlman**

The Beacon High School football team came up with a strong performance on a stifling day at home Saturday (Sept. 15), beating the heat and the Peekskill Red Devils for a 21-0 win at Hammond Field.

The Bulldogs (1-2) scored once in each of the first three quarters to notch their first win of the season. Peekskill fell to 0-3.

Senior quarterback Joe DeCandia scored twice on the ground and senior running back Manny Garner led the team with 122 yards rushing and a touchdown on six carries. Junior Santino Negrón added 45 yards on three carries.

"We had been inconsistent, so it was good to put four quarters together," said Coach Jim Phelan.

Besides citing the play of his quarterback, Phelan noted that "Josh Rivera had a huge play on special teams, a strip and recovery that set up one of our touchdowns

and shifted momentum." He also praised Trey Dinio for his work on the offensive line and freshman Ahmir Bell, who started at center. In fact, he said, "all three of our freshman [the others are Jason Komisar and Tyler Haydt] were impressive."

Phelan said he likes what he's seen from his backfield, as well. "Garner has been a driving force," the coach said. "The kids look to him because he goes 100 percent on every play. He, Willie and Santino give us a balance. And our offensive line is starting to come together."

Beacon grabbed an early lead after a 23-yard run by Garner put the Bulldogs on the Peekskill 1-yard line. DeCandia finished it off, and also scored from the one again in the second quarter after a 17-yard completion to Willie Rivera Jr. On Beacon's lone offensive play in the third quarter, Garner broke loose for an 80-yard TD.

The Bulldogs are scheduled to host Mount Vernon (0-3) tomorrow (Sept. 22) at 1 p.m.

### Blue Devils Roll to Win over Croton, 38-12

*Giachinta rushes for 188 yards, two touchdowns*

**By Skip Pearlman**

Haldane running back Sam Giachinta carved up the Croton-Harmon defense on Saturday (Sept. 15), rushing for 188 yards and two touchdowns and catching a pass for a third TD as the Blue Devils overpowered the visiting Tigers, 38-12.

The Blue Devils (1-1) led 8-0 at the end of the first quarter thanks to a Giachinta 66-yard TD run two minutes into the game.

A minute into the second quarter, Adam Hotaling recovered a fumble, and soon after Giachinta was off for another 66-yard scoring run.

Croton (0-2) got on the board on a three-yard run from Dorian Gardner, but Haldane answered with a two-yard score by quarterback Dan Santos scored on a two-yard burst to make it 22-6 midway through the period.

Matt Champlin caught a 20-yard TD pass from Santos, in the third, and Giachinta closed the scoring by catching a 42-yard pass.

"We got a lot from our offensive linemen," said Coach Ryan McConville. "They created holes for big runs, and Thomas Percacciolo, Champlin and Nate Allen all



Sam Giachinta busts out for one of his two rushing touchdowns in Haldane's win over Croton-Harmon. The senior captain also had a TD reception.

*Photo by S. Pearlman*

made big blocks downfield for Sam."

McConville noted that Santos took pressure off Giachinta with his passing (he was 4-of-6 for 79 yards), and that the defense also played well. "John Hankel set the tone on the first play," he said. "The Dowd brothers [linebackers Brad and Craig] ate up runs and forced them outside." Ryan Irwin and Champlin each had an interception.

Haldane is scheduled to visit Onteora tomorrow (Sept. 22) for a 1:30 p.m. kickoff. The Blue Devils will celebrate homecoming the following Friday, hosting Hastings at 7 p.m. before finishing the regular season in October with three away games.

### Beacon Girls Edge Yonkers in OT

*But fall to defending state champ Pearl River*

**By Skip Pearlman**

The Beacon High School girls' soccer team picked up a 4-2 overtime win over Yonkers on Saturday (Sept. 15) despite being short two starters.

Anisa Alzate scored both of Beacon's OT goals, after Maddie Bobnick tied the game with 11 minutes left in regulation. Emelie Lenaburg scored Beacon's first goal, and Eliza Ericson and Bobnick each had two assists for the Bulldogs (2-3). Goalie Megan Meeuwisse had four saves.

"We had three girls playing out of their natural positions and it showed during both of Yonkers' goals in the first half," said Coach Hugo Alzate. "Once Maddie tied it, we knew this game was ours to lose. We

were hoping to end it before overtime but it was harder than we expected with Yonkers playing 10 players behind the ball."

The Bulldogs had a tougher time on the road Tuesday (Sept. 18), dropping a 9-2 decision to defending Class A state champion Pearl River, ranked No. 4 in the state.

Ericson and Analiese Compagnone each had a goal, and Meeuwisse had four saves. The game began in the rain, making the field sloppy, said Alzate, noting that Beacon surprised Pearl River by scoring first on Ericson's 40-yard free kick. But by half, Pearl River was up, 3-1.

"Analiese played fantastic for us," Alzate said. "She's normally our center mid, but we played her at fullback. She probably stopped a couple of goals herself."

The Bulldogs are scheduled to host Hendrick Hudson tomorrow (Sept. 22) at 11 a.m. in their first league game. The team travels to Lourdes on Sept. 26.

**CHASING A WIN** — The Haldane girls' soccer team has struggled to start the season, with four losses. Here, senior Julia Rotando (5) chases down a ball against Walter Panas on Sept. 13. The Blue Devils played at Tuckahoe on Sept. 20 and travel to Briarcliff on Sept. 22. For more photos, see [highlandscurrent.org](http://highlandscurrent.org).

*Photo by Scott Warren*

