‘Hate Has No Home Here’  
Dutchess activists raise funds for anti-bias yard signs

By Brian PJ Cronin

Gavin McInnes, who lives in Westchester County, is best-known as the founder of The Proud Boys, an organization he refers to as an all-male “Western chauvinist” drinking club but that the Southern Poverty Law Center classifies as a hate group and Twitter considers a violent extremist group. One would think that he’d be hard to offend.

And yet, on Dec. 28, McInnes sent letters to his neighbors in Larchmont asking them to remove yard signs that had been posted around the neighborhood that he felt were directed at him. The signs, which were created by a Chicago community organization and designed to be nonpartisan (blue on one side and red on the other), feature a U.S. flag in the shape of a heart and the words “Hate Has No Home Here” in several languages.

The news of McInnes’ letter and the signs caught the eye of a member of the Dutchess County Progressive Action Alliance. At the time, anti-Semetic fliers had been posted at several Beacon churches and Dutchess County colleges. The activist, who asked to remain anonymous, said she was moved.

She said, “And they were conveying a beautiful message that needed to get out there.”

The activist shared a post on Facebook that included a link to a GoFundMe campaign in February, within three

By Jeff Simms

Five years after soliciting proposals for the 39-acre former Beacon Correctional Facility site, New York State has awarded development rights to a food and farming hub.

Urban Green Food’s proposal to create a campus with farming, a restaurant and a hotel, along with a network of public trails, was selected last week by Empire State Development, the state’s real estate development agency. Organizers say the project at the site, which straddles Fishkill and Beacon, will create 300 temporary construction jobs and up to 250 permanent jobs.”

That could be a year or more away, however; once finalized, the proposal must go through a lengthy approval process, beginning with an environmental review by the Beacon Planning Board. But Mayor Randy Casale said this week that Urban Green Food has checked off virtually “everything we would like to see happen” at the site, including providing

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Food and Farm Wins Former Prison  
Beacon development proposal could create 250 jobs

By Chip Rowe

Voters on Tuesday (May 21) overwhelmingly approved school district budgets in Cold Spring, Garrison and Beacon for 2019-20 and added new members to the Haldane and Garrison boards. Voters in Garrison also approved increasing funding for the Desmond-Fish library from $75,000 to $300,000 annually.

According to the New York State United Teachers union, only 10 of 576 school district budgets across the state were defeated on Tuesday. Eight of those 10 budgets were among the 18 in which districts asked voters to override the newly permanent, state-mandated tax

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School Budgets Pass Easily in  
Beacon, Cold Spring, Garrison

By Chip Rowe

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MARCI REAVEN

FIVE QUESTIONS:

By Brian PJ Cronin

Marci Reaven is a curator of Hudson Rising, an exhibit at the New-York Historical Society in New York City that examines two centuries of ecological change and environmental activism on the river. She will speak on Saturday, June 1, at the Putnam History Museum.

What inspired the exhibit?

The historical society has a wonderful collection of Hudson River School paintings. These 19th-century painters were thinking about the landscape and the environment in different ways, and Louise Mirrer, our president, thought it would be interesting to use their art to look at the landscapes from the vantage point of modern times.

Did anything surprise you?

Yes — the extent to which the Hudson River region was an incubator for environmental thinking and action throughout the Industrial Era — the exhibit starts in the 1820s — and how much it has defined the present.

The river is often cited as the birthplace of the American environmental movement. Would you agree?

Whenever you talk about the “birthplace” of something, one always can think about other places where similar and contributory events happened, so birthplace is always tough to defend. But the sheer extent of the uses people made of the landscape and the degradation — but also change — that happened as a result of all of those uses, did bring to the fore lots of tough, contentious concerns. It was in those challenges that a lot of environmentalism developed.

What was the biggest challenge of putting together Hudson Rising?

How to bring the outside in. The exhibit is about nature and the environment, but we’re in a museum with no windows. So we brought in objects that people can touch, such as bricks, and slag from the Cold Spring furnaces. We created scenery drawn from paintings. We have live-edge tree slabs, we brought in lumber, we brought in fish. We did lots of things to help people feel the river and the landscape.

Has your personal view of the Hudson changed?

I’m not a native New Yorker. I’m from California, so I had a lot to learn. But I understood better how intimately the city is tied to the river. I began to see myself as a citizen of the Hudson River region.

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Two Beacon Residents Die in I-84 Crash
Police say car hit tree in median
Two Beacon residents were killed on May 17 when their SUV crashed into a tree in the median along Interstate 84 near Montgomery, according to the New York State Police.
Police said Heather Morgan, 36, and Derrick Jones, 37, died after a Dodge Journey being driven westbound by Morgan left the road at about 6:40 a.m.
The cause of the crash is under investigation. Anyone with information is asked to call the State Police at 845-457-1389.

Morgan was a graduate of Beacon High School who worked for many years in the food service industry, including at Dunkin’ Donuts in Cold Spring. Among her survivors are her six children and their father, her parents and two sisters.

A funeral is scheduled for Saturday, May 25, at the Riverview Funeral Home by Halvey in Hopewell Jct., Wappingers Falls & Surrounding Areas. Information on his survivors was not immediately available.

Former Towing Firm Owners Arrested
Police say couple engaged in fraud
The former owners of a Mahopac firm called Top Notch Towing were arrested by New York State Police on May 21 and charged with fraud.
Frank Inzano, 47, and Shannon Inzano, 42, both of Carmel, were charged with four felonies: attempted criminal possession of a weapon, grand larceny, filing a false statement and tax fraud.
The state police, working with the state Department of Transportation, the Putnam County district attorney and the state Department of Transportation, investigated the couple following a complaint that they billed exorbitant charges. The police say the Inzanos stole more than $50,000 through fraudulent billing practices, possessed five illegal handguns, and committed tax fraud.
The Inzanos were arraigned before the Town of Carmel Court and released on their own recognizance to reappear on June 24.

Teachers Raising Funds for Colleague
Haldane Spanish teacher battling illness
Teachers and staff in the Haldane school district are raising funds to help pay medical bills for Bruno Ribeiro, a Spanish teacher who has been out on sick leave for most of the year.
The Haldane Faculty Association, Haldane Civil Service Employees Association and Haldane Administrators Association, along with Haldane’s district office employees, on May 16 organized a fundraiser at gofundme.com/help-our-friend-and-colleague-with-medical-costs. In its first four days, the campaign raised more than $10,000.

Man Dies After Beacon Stabbing
Alleged assailant charged with manslaughter
Beacon police arrested a 22-year-old man on Saturday (May 18) after a man he allegedly stabbed a week earlier died from his injuries.
The suspect, Keano D. Munoz, was arraigned in Beacon City Court on a manslaughter charge and remanded to Dutchess County Jail on $150,000 cash / $300,000 bond.

In a statement, police said officers responded at about 8 p.m. on May 11 to South Davies Terrace after a report that a man had been stabbed. The victim, identified as Richard Viera, 55, was transported to St. Luke’s Hospital in Newburgh and then to Westchester Medical Center, where he died on May 17. Police said the two men knew each other.

Police say couple engaged in fraud
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There is precedent for courts to rule that sperm can be used for “postmortem assisted reproduction,” but typically the request is made by a surviving spouse.

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Response to hate

Thank you for the excellent — and frightening — article on local white supremacists, “The Extremist Next Door” (May 17). Exposing these people and their organizations is the first step in exposing their lies and the cynical dishonesty their cause is based on.

Steven Ventura, Beacon

Any racism on the bases of ethnicity or skin color can only be overcome by shining light on it. To discuss it openly is healthy. Our community has come a long way, but there is always room for improvement. As Martin Luther King Jr. said, “I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear.”

J. Carlos Salcedo, Philipstown

“The Extremist Next Door” shows the complexity of our community. It is not as clear-cut as we had imagined, or as positive as we had hoped.

The church calls us to the positive aspects of our nature and to build up our community. We invite those souls who are lost in the sin of white supremacy, or other sins, to turn and follow where Jesus led the way.

Our communities are complicated. Our families are complicated — in history and today.

You note a relative of the Osborn family of Garrison whom you describe as a white supremacist. There was another Osborn relative who was an attorney in New York City before the Civil War. He defended escaped slaves from their former masters, who would re-enslave them. When he lost a case, in that miscarriage of justice which characterized our country at that time, he helped them escape to Canada. He also helped black colleges.

During the Civil War, when President Lincoln dedicated the battlefield at Gettysburg, he said: “Four score and seven years ago, our fathers dedicated on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the principle that all men are created equal.”

We are a new nation, not like the old nations of Europe that were divided by race and class, and where many served the few. We were driven or dragged here. Now we attempt to build a new nation, where all might be equal, regardless of race and class.

St. Philip’s began as a church of the privileged few in Garrison. But that changed after the Civil War, and perhaps because of it. Many Civil War veterans lie in our churchyard. The priest was a returning Union Army chaplain. He led his people in service to the surrounding communities, of many races and classes.

Happily, we still follow his lead, and invite others to help — of whatever race or class or faith or political views. In fact, the most compassionate person in Jesus’ parables was an immigrant — the good Samaritan.

In this complicated world, let us build up our community together, and love our neighbors as ourselves.

Rev. Stephen Holton, Garrison Holton is the interim rector of St. Philip’s.

Thanks for your superb journalism in covering “the extremist next door.” When I started reading the article, I had no idea that the extremist was literally next door — ouch! Your coverage is a wake-up call for all of us in the Hudson Valley that hate is pervasive (i.e., not just in someone else’s neighborhood) and must be addressed with love and education — and with resistance.

I hope that your journalism will spark a community conversation about constructive ways of addressing this matter among religious, civic and other leaders in Beacon and Cold Spring. Maybe The Current could host a meeting inviting our leaders and Highlands residents to explore options. My only concern is that such a conversation may inadvertently create a platform for white nationalists. But shining a light on darkness is the best road to take.

Alan Brownstein, Cold Spring

Congratulations for your article, “The Extremist Next Door.”

Unfortunately, as we continue to evolve as a nation, deep divides threaten the fabric of our society. We are seeing white supremacy erupt in riots and slaughter. Many of your readers are members of minorities and need to be protective of their security.

Shortly after the article was published, a link to it was shared on the Philipstown Locals group on Facebook. Someone in that organization immediately decided that it should be removed. I am trying to understand what they might have been thinking: That the community should not be kept informed of local white supremacy activity? That there is nothing to worry about? That hate-mongering is acceptable?

Thank you for keeping us aware of what is going on around us, giving us the opportunity to stand up for our beliefs and fight bigotry.

Cali Gorevic, Cold Spring

This was excellent reporting, as well as a reminder to our community. I thought it was important that other locals know about the article so I shared it on Philipstown Locals. It was taken down. Now, that is a moment of truth. When a newspaper article is taken down because two people complain about it being a “political” posting [which is not allowed on the group], you have to ask yourself, what is political about the article?

Joanne Kenna, Cold Spring

It comes as no surprise that awful people like Jesse Dunstan and the like are in our midst; there are racists everywhere. His despicable ideology is born of ignorance and perpetuated through hate.

I am compelled to wonder what was in this man’s past that put him in his current state of being; he grew up in Garrison, which I would like to think was progressive during his formative years.

Although it is thought-provoking, his individual story is not worth dwelling on. Since the election of Donald Trump as president of the U.S., hatred and stupidity have come out of the shadows and into the mainstream once again. It’s worse than most people thought and individuals like Dunstan are living proof. It will take a concerted effort to put them back in their rightful place, the sewers of history.

My thanks to The Current for having the courage to shine a light on the dark side of things here in the Hudson Valley.

Richard Shea, Philipstown

Shea is supervisor of Philipstown.

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Letters and Comments

What Can I Do?
The Southern Poverty Law Center, which tracks extremists, has created a guide to what individuals and communities can do in response to bias and hate. It can be downloaded at bit.ly/spc-guide.

We should continue to take steps to defend and protect ourselves, both at home and at synagogues.

We should continue to be in coalition with people of good conscience, with African-Americans, immigrants, LGBT folk and others who are targeted by white supremacy.

We should continue to hold our elected officials accountable for how they protect us from domestic terror.

And most of all, we should live our values as proudly and loudly as we can. One of our core values is that we all are in different hues and faiths — all images of the One God and we all bleed red just the same — no one life is more valuable than another. So with that in mind, I want to invite all of us — Jews, Christians, Muslims, Hindus and all people of good conscience, who find the ideology of blood-purity repugnant, to live our values at the Units of Love blood drive on Sunday, June 2, as a form of protest. It will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lewis Tompkins firehouse at 13 South Ave., in Beacon.

The blood collected that day will not just go to Jews or just to African-Americans or just to Muslims. It will go from human beings who open their hearts to other human beings in pain, suffering from accidents or from cancer.

I recognize that the U.S. blood system has a complicated racial and ethnic history, and that even to this day its treatment of LGBT donors is deeply problematic. Nonetheless, I cannot imagine a better rejoinder to our white supremacist neighbors, who think their blood purer than ours, than to fill the blood system with the donated blood of Jews and blacks and Mexicans and Muslims.

May our blood supply be so diverse that people who feel that it’s appropriate to discriminate and do cruel things will not feel it’s appropriate to discriminate. And may the blood of others who are targeted by white supremacy.

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Have You Been a Victim of Hate?
Because there is no reliable data on hate crimes, harassment or intimidation, the nonprofit newsroom ProPublica launched a project called Documenting Hate. It includes an online form that allows victims or witnesses to report bias incidents that are shared confidentially with civil-rights groups and journalism outlets that are members of the project, including The Current. See highlandscurrent.org/hate.

No Home for Hate
The Hate Has No Home Project was born in a neighborhood in Chicago where 40 languages are spoken at the local elementary school.

Carmen Rodriguez and her neighbors in North Park had organized several community projects such as Ribbons of Peace (residents put ribbons on their front railings to promote their community as a peaceful one) and All Are Welcome (signs created in response to the mass shooting in June 2016 at Pulse, a gay nightclub in Orlando). But in the fall of 2016, a surge in anti-immigrant sentiment prompted the group to create a new campaign, “Our community is particularly sensitive to the issue of foreign nationals not being welcome,” said Rodriguez. Two students at the elementary school suggested the phrase, “Hate Has No Home Here,” a local artist came up with the design, and signs went up around North Park.

“What we didn’t count on,” recalled Rodriguez, the group’s co-founder, “was the power of the internet. It got a lot bigger than what we intended.”

Shortly after the November 2016 election, images of the sign started spreading online. Rodriguez had posted a link to the artwork on a community association’s homepage, and the traffic on Thanksgiving Day crashed the website.

“People were calling me, and I was yelling ‘I’m making pies!’” Rodriguez says.

Today the group has its own site at hatehasnohomewhere.org where the artwork can be downloaded, it also has a map where visitors can learn where to find signs or note where they have spotted them, which includes laws worldwide.
In Memoriam

May 24, 2019

The ‘Lost’ Faces of Vietnam

In 2014, of the 58,300 names on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund Wall of Faces (vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces), 24,000 had no photos. Only one state, Wyoming, had images of all of the men and women whose names appear on the memorial in Washington, D.C.

The National Newspaper Association put out a call to members to alert readers to the missing photos. Five years later, 38 states are complete, and only about 1,300 photos still missing.

The remaining states include New York, where about 500 photos are missing, mostly for service members from New York City and Long Island.

In the past two years, photos have been located and posted for Beacon natives Thomas Devine (Army), Everett Foster (Air Force), John Jay Bennett (Army) and Philip Mattracion (Navy). Only one Dutchess County native remains without a photo: Michael Garlo, a Marine from Fishkill who was killed in 1969.

The names of service members from the Hudson Valley or nearby who are still without photos are below. If you have an image of any of these service members, please contact us at editor@highlandscurrent.org.

- Richard Davis Jr. (b. 1945), Mount Vernon, Marines, d. Sept. 27, 1968
- Joseph Ficara (b. 1950), Yonkers, Marines, d. Aug. 20, 1969
- Michael Garlo (b. 1948), Fishkill, Marines, d. Aug. 21, 1969
- Ramon H. Gonzalez (b. 1939), Newburgh, Army, d. Feb. 13, 1968
- James J. Hefner (b. 1948), Goshen, Army, d. Aug. 19, 1968
- Dennis M. Hotaling (b. 1949), Middletown, Army, d. March 23, 1971
- Raymond C. Jackson (b. 1945), Mount Vernon, Army, d. Jan. 15, 1967
- James G. LaFleur (b. 1947), Middletown, Army, d. May 30, 1968
- Moses J. Lewis (b. 1947), Mount Vernon, Army, d. Dec. 31, 1967
- Bruce E. Reed (b. 1948), Peekskill, Army, d. Feb. 28, 1969
- Franz X. Wallner (b. 1936), Yonkers, Army, d. June 11, 1966

Photos have been located and posted in the past two years for these Beacon residents who died in the Vietnam War.

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World War I
- Percy W. Arnold
- Edward Burns
- George A. Casey
- Charles N. Claimos
- Charles DeRhan
- John R. Fisher
- Clarence Fahnestock
- James Harvey Hustis
- J. Paulding Murdock

World War II
- Martin E. Adams
- Edward Budney
- H. Ellis Bowden
- Gerald Dale
- Warren E. Kittner
- W. Russel Farrell
- Ralph Fleming
- Arthur Gilman
- Walter Glanville
- Thomas Lutz
- Stanley Matthews
- Anthony Nastasi
- Allen W. Olsen
- Joseph V. Richardson
- Lester B. Roberts
- Arthur Warren

Vietnam
- Aldon Asherman
- John Bennett
- Keith Livermore

Beacon

World War I
- John J. Bump
- Frank Cramade
- Herman G. Deike
- George H. Deveson
- Frank D. Fairclough
- Frederick A. Garrison
- Frederick Harris
- Austin Robinson
- George Stafford
- James J. Tomlins
- Frank H. VanHouten Jr.
- William B. Wilson

World War II
- Arthur J. Baxter
- John H. Beattie
- Robert A. Bennett
- Luigi F. Bettina
- William J. Brennan
- John W. Briggs
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Vietnam
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- Thomas E. Devine
- Everett Foster
- Philip R. Mattracion
- Terrence E. O'Neil
- Philip R. Mattracion
- Everett Foster
- John Jay Bennett
- Thomas Devine
- John Keto
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The men remembered here died during their wartime service, either during combat or from disease or accidents. The Philipstown list is taken from the war memorial at Main and Chestnut streets, Cold Spring. The Beacon list was compiled by Robert William Phillips for the Beacon Historical Society.
A Long, Thin Line of Personal Anguish

By Ernie Pyle

NORMANDY BEACHHEAD, June 17, 1944
— In the preceding column we told about the D-Day wreckage among our machines of war that were expended in taking one of the Normandy beaches.

But there is another and more human litter. It extends in a thin little line, just like a high-water mark, for miles along the beach. This is the strewn personal gear, gear that will never be needed again, of those who fought and died to give us our entrance into Europe.

Here in a jumbled row for mile on mile are soldiers’ packs. Here are socks and shoe polish, sewing kits, diaries, Bibles and hand gear that will never be needed again, of those who fought and died to give us our entrance into Europe.

Here are toothbrushes and razors, and water buckets, first-aid kits and jumbled pitifully looking for his masters.

There is a dog still on the beach today, still lovingly, as though it were his last link with one soldier hitting the beach at H-hour with a banjo slung over his shoulder. The most ironic piece of equipment marking our beach — this beach of first despair, then victory — is a tennis racket that some soldier had brought along. It lies lonesomely on the sand, clamped in its racquet, not a string broken.

Two of the most dominant items in the beach refuse are cigarettes and writing paper. Each soldier was issued a carton of cigarettes just before he started. Today these cartons, by the thousand, water-soaked and spilled out, mark the line of our first savage blow.

Writing paper and air-mail envelopes come second. The boys had intended to do a lot of writing in France. Letters that would have filled those blank, abandoned pages.

Always there are dogs in every invasion. Here is a dog still on the beach today still pitifully looking for his masters.

He stays at the water’s edge, near a boat that lies twisted and half sunk at the water line. He barks appealingly to every soldier who approaches, trots eagerly along with him for a few feet, and then, sensing himself unwanted in all this haste, runs back to wait in vain for his own people at his own empty boat. ***

Over and around this long, thin line of personal anguish, fresh men today are rushing vast supplies to keep our armies pushing on into France. Other squads of men pick amidst the wreckage to salvage ammunition and equipment that are still usable.

Men worked and slept on the beach for days after the last D-Day victim was taken away for burial.

I stepped over the form of one youngster whom I thought dead. But when I looked down I saw he was only sleeping. He was very young, and very tired. He lay on one elbow, his hand suspended in the air about six inches from the ground. And in the palm of his hand he held a large, smooth rock.

I stood and looked at him a long time. He seemed in his sleep to hold that rock lovingly, as though it were his last link with a vanishing world. I have no idea at all why he went to sleep with the rock in his hand, or what kept him from dropping it once he was asleep. It was just one of those little things without explanation that a person remembers for a long time. ***

The strong, swirling tides of the Normandy coastline shift the contours of the sandy beach as they move in and out. They carry soldiers’ bodies out to sea, and later they return them. They cover the corpses of heroes with sand, and then in their whims they uncover them.

As I plowed out over the wet sand of the beach on that first day ashore, I walked around what seemed to be a couple of pieces of driftwood sticking out of the sand. But they weren’t driftwood.

They were a soldier’s two feet. He was completely covered by the shifting sands except for his feet. The toes of his GI shoes pointed toward the land he had come so far to see, and which he saw so briefly.

Ernie Pyle, a columnist and war correspondent, was killed in April 1945 at age 44 during the Battle of Okinawa. This column is reprinted with permission of the Scripps Howard Foundation.

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8. Small Appliances
9. “Empty” Water base Paint Cans
10. One (1) large appliance per household (with no Freon)
11. Wooden Furniture (i.e. tables, chairs, desks, etc.)

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:
1. Tires
2. Oil, fuel and chemical tanks (propane, butane, etc.)
3. Motor Vehicle parts or their components (i.e. fenders, doors, hoods, body sections, interiors, engine blocks, radiators, transmissions, drive shafts, axles, muffler systems, filter, gas tanks, etc.)
4. Hazardous materials such as, but not limited to drain oils, antifreeze coolants, pesticides, chemicals, lead paints, asbestos materials (i.e. insulation, shingles, pipewrap, etc.)
5. Explosives (i.e. ammunition, etc.)
6. Lead batteries and household batteries (except small batteries used in a normal household)
7. Metal drums (i.e. 55 gallon drums, etc.)
8. Building Materials
9. Yard Waste (i.e. leaves, trees, limbs and branches, grass clippings, etc.)
10. Lawn Mowers
11. No Appliances with CFCC (Freon) i.e., air conditioners, dehumidifiers
12. Computers and computer monitors
13. No TVs

ALL MATERIAL MUST BE READY FOR PICK UP NO LATER THAN 6AM

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School Votes (from Page 1)
cap, it said. The Haldane, Garrison and Beacon budgets were each below the cap.

Haldane
In Cold Spring, voters approved the proposed $29.6 million budget, 465-130. It represents an increase of 2 percent from last year, which is under the state-mandated tax cap.

The board also asked voters to approve spending of up to $1.6 million on capital improvements (which passed, 497-122) and up to $75,000 for a school bus and equipment for utility vehicles (which passed, 457-116).

Haldane had three candidates for two seats on its five-member board, currently filled by Sean McNall, the artistic director of education for the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival, who received 328 votes, and the second seat will be filled by Karen Nelson, who did not run for re-election to her second full term. Daly won a third, 3-year term with 411 votes, and the second seat will be filled by Anne Dinio, the business manager for the district, said she could not provide theprecise tax rate per $1,000 of assessed property value until the tax warrant is prepared.

There were two candidates for two seats on the seven-member board currently held by Jill Corson Lake and Derek DuBois, who did not run for re-election to a fourth term. Lake got 318 votes to win a second term and newcomer Sarah Tormey, a romance novelist who is president of the Garrison’s Children Education Fund (GCEF), received 339. Because GCEF’s bylaws do not allow its board members to also serve on the school board, Tormey will step down and be succeeded by Karen Nelson.

The Garrison district had a 21 percent turnout among its 2,055 registered voters. Under the approved budget, the tax rate will increase to about $140 annually.

The owner of a Garrison home assessed at $225,000 annually will increase the percentage of public support in its $678,000 budget from 20 percent to 45 percent. It said other libraries in the Mid-Hudson Library System average 78 percent public support. The library board said the additional $225,000 annually will increase the percentage of public support in its $678,000 budget from 20 percent to 45 percent. It said other libraries in the Mid-Hudson Library System average 78 percent public support.

“On behalf of our board of trustees, many thanks to all who voted ‘yes’ for the library referendum, and to all who voted ‘no,’ as well,” said Anita Prentice, president of the library board, in a statement. “Our library’s mission is to sustain democracy, and that’s what happened. Throughout this process, people have listened to each other and disagreed respectfully, an ideal of civic discourse.”

Beacon City School District residents approved a $73.6 million budget for 2019-20 by a vote of 749-193, which represents a 6.6 percent turnout among 15,066 registered voters.

The spending, which is an increase of about $3 million, or 4.3 percent, over last year, is just under the state-mandated tax cap for the district of 4.4 percent. It will increase the taxes on a Beacon home assessed at $300,000 by about $200 annually.

School officials say the budget will pay for an additional elementary school teacher, new high school courses such as Introduction to Italian and a social worker who will be based primarily at the high school and specialize in the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse.

Voters also approved spending up to $450,000 to purchase two school buses and four vans (727-243) and to allow the district to shift funds to increase spending on a capital improvement project by $700,000, to $9.7 million, after bids to install lights at an athletic field came in higher than expected (740-232).

Three incumbent board members, all seeking their second, 3-year terms, ran unopposed. Meredith Heuer received 314 votes, followed by Michael Rutkoske (786) and Anthony Tseng (678). The candidates won easily in 2016, the first of three consecutive election cycles that saw voters install an almost entirely new school board.
Maloney Proposes Replacing MTA
Also, derides President Trump’s ‘unethical’ conduct

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney on Sunday proposed replacing the MTA and Port Authority in the mid-Hudson Valley with a regional agency to oversee trains, transit, Stewart International Airport and related infrastructure.

In a May 19 “town hall” forum at the Memorial Building in Beacon, the four-term Democrat, whose Congressional district includes the Highlands, also urged voters to read the report by special counsel Robert Mueller on Russian interference in the 2016 election and outlined ways, including impeachment, that Democrats can confront President Donald Trump.

Hudson Valley transport
Maloney told the 75 or so people who attended the forum that he has been “working on a bunch of ideas that will help the Hudson Valley.” For example, he said, “we should get out of the MTA [Metropolitan Transportation Authority]. I would create an HVTA [Hudson Valley Transportation Authority] that would exercise control.”

Speaking as a resident of the mid-Hudson Valley, Maloney (who lives in Philipstown) urged state and other officials to “give me the airport, give me the bridges, give me the primary assets that are now managed, or mishandled, or are just down the priority list of things like the MTA or the Port Authority because nobody has got time to focus on our stuff; they’re focused on New York City. I’d rather have the controls, have the bonding authority, locally, so those assets are prioritized and so there’s a regional transportation plan.”

That plan, he suggested, should include ongoing east-west transit between Beacon and Newburgh. “Let people get to work easier from Newburgh,” which he said is “dying for some of the economic activity that’s going on here” on the east side of the river. If Newburgh-area residents “can get to that [Metro-North] express train to go to New York City, it would transform Newburgh.” In addition, a new transportation network could “get you to Stewart Airport so that the combination of commuting and airport traffic and economic activity and tourism across the river all can justify this capital expenditure,” he said.

He noted that the effort would require federal funding and policies “that reward regional transportation plans,” along with resources for other area needs, such as “the nuts and bolts, the bridges, sewers, roads.”

MTA includes Metro-North, which operates trains to New York City on the Hudson Line, serving Garrison, Cold Spring, Beacon and other municipalities; the Harlem Line in eastern Putnam County and southeastern Dutchess County; and the New Haven Line, in Connecticut. With NJ Transit, it also provides the Port Jervis line, west of the Hudson River. The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey operates Stewart Airport in New Windsor.

Neal Zuckerman, a Garrison resident who represents Putnam County on the MTA governing board, said the results of Maloney’s idea could vary, depending on how it is implemented.

If the HVTA contracted with Metro-North, residents would lose their presence on the MTA board, where their clout is already diminished, he said (Zuckerman and the Dutchess, Rockland and Orange representatives share a single board vote.) “Unless the MTA spins off Metro-North, we would have taxation without representation,” he said. “That is what Connecticut has,” because the state pays the MTA for service but has no board representation.

Establishing an independent HVTA “is a bigger question,” he added. “It has, like so many things in life, pros and cons.”

Neither Port Authority or MTA executives responded to requests for comment on Maloney’s idea.

Challenging Trump
Maloney also discussed the battles by Democrats in Congress with Trump.

“Every American should read the Mueller report,” he said. “It’s a depressing and thorough litany of unethical, improper and unpatriotic conduct by the president and his campaign. We’re going to have an election [next year] and this ought to be a big issue.”

Maloney is on the House Intelligence Committee, one of the panels probing foreign interference in the 2016 election, Trump’s finances and allegations against him. The administration has refused to cooperate, forcing the House to issue subpoenas.

“It’s not OK to flout Congress and ‘we need to enforce those subpoenas’ in court, Maloney said, predicting victory. (This week federal judges in New York City and Washington ruled in favor of House committee requests for financial data Trump sought to keep secret.) He added that the House must continue its “aggressive oversight” and noted that while it could impeach the president, the Republican-controlled Senate would still have to remove him.

Maloney listed three routes forward for those who oppose the president: impeachment and removal; a demonstration of criminal liability; or voting him out of office in 2020 — the latter being “the biggest and best opportunity,” he said, although “we have to be working on all three. We will win, but I can’t make it happen as fast as you might want.”

Nelsonville (from Page 1)

adding that “it really takes someone who knows what they’re doing, to do this.”

Under state law, after a current trustee becomes mayor, he or she can appoint someone to fill the newly vacated board seat. The appointed trustee will serve until the spring election.

Caccamise became a trustee in August when O’Neill tapped him to replace Thomas Robertson, who also had served only two months of his trustee term before resigning.

Speaking from the audience, Robertson contended that well before this year’s election Caccamise “knew about” his relocation. Another audience member mentioned rumors of an effort by Caccamise and others to take control of the board before he left. He ran as a team, with Pedlosky and Mechaley.

“I don’t want anyone to have the impression I ran thinking, I’ll just leave,” if elected, Caccamise said. “That was absolutely not my intention.”

“The other trustees are hearing about this for the first time tonight,” Pedlosky said. “It’s a surprise to us, as well.”

Robertson refused to back down. “I’m really disturbed by your election,” he told Caccamise. “You shouldn’t have run. I hope you’ll be gone before the next meeting. I’m glad you’re going.”
Beacon Prison (from Page 1)

tax revenue for the city, involving local businesses and creating trails for biking and walking.

Casale said he believes Urban Green Food hopes to receive the permits necessary to open the “tunnel road” — a single-lane, unmaintained road that runs under Interstate 84 and ends at Dutchess Stadium — to bike and pedestrian traffic.

According to Empire State Development, it will work with the developer on the site plan and the environmental review. After that’s complete, Beacon and Fishkill officials will be asked to set up a joint zoning-approval process. The project also must be approved by the Empire State Development board, the state comptroller and the state attorney general.

New York State is offering $6 million in grant funding for the redevelopment of the site, but that requires a separate application and is subject to the project obtaining all the necessary approvals.

If the project is approved, Urban Green Food, an offshoot of Urban Green Builders, a New York City-based real estate company, plans to partner with All You Knead bakery and Common Ground Farm to transform the prison commercially and also make it “a place where people can get outdoors and take care of themselves,” said Sarah Simon, Common Ground Farm’s director.

The nonprofit Common Ground leases farmland from the state at the Stony Kill Farm Environmental Education Center, and would now be able to expand its operations with programming at both sites, she said. It is considering several opportunities at the former prison, including an “incubator” for small farm-based businesses and developing a partnership with the Beacon school district to “grow food that can go right into the cafeteria” at the high school, which is adjacent to the site.

“It’s not just the acreage that makes this appealing for us,” she said. “There’s not another space like this in Beacon that comes with the infrastructure for offices or educational facilities. It’s an opportunity to do things we can’t do at Stony Kill.”

An advisory committee that helped select the project included Casale, Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro, representatives for state Sen. Sue Serino and Assembly Member Jonathan Jacobson, Fishkill Supervisor Bob LaColla and Beacon schools Superintendent Matt Landahl.

New York first asked for proposals for the property in 2014, a year after the prison was decommissioned. (Before the prison opened in 1981, the site was home to the Matteawan State Hospital.) The request prompted only a single proposal, from the New York City-based Doe Fund, which wanted to create a farming and job-training center to help homeless and low-income people seek employment and self-sufficiency.

The Doe Fund withdrew its proposal in 2017 after a coalition of officials — including Casale, Molinaro and Serino — asked Gov. Andrew Cuomo to reject it because they argued it had evolved from an economic development plan to one “inconsistent with the site’s mixed-use, recreational and destination development potential.”

Project organizers will appear at the Beacon City Council’s June 10 meeting to provide more details about their plans, Casale said. “This can be great for Beacon if it’s done and it’s done right,” he added.
Magical Mystery Tours

Meet the Artists

Hello Neighbor involves 10 “lead” artists who each oversee one environment, including some creation that will be done on-site during the exhibit.

Ryan Biracree (Beacon), the Desmond-Fish Library digital services coordinator, will share his cabinet of curiosities. (He’s also a taxidermist.)

Kit Burke-Smith (Beacon), the art center’s education coordinator, has brainstormed an environment in which elements are created with repurposed yarn.

Steve Gerberich (Newburgh) turned discarded labor-saving devices into fantastical Rube Goldberg-esque sculptures.

Carla Rae Johnson (Peekskill), a sculptor, made an environment called “Bridge” that will feature a meticulously crafted wood sculpture that brings together the visual and verbal.

Gene Panczenko (Peekskill), a technical director, has worked in video and audio to create one surprise environment; his ambient music will fill another.

Kat Stoutenborough (Beacon), a fiber artist, made an environment called “The River” with repurposed objects, textiles, light and whimsy.

Carla Rae Johnson (Peekskill), a sculptor, made an environment called “Boudoir,” in which you’re looking into a woman’s conversation with herself, as she gets ready,” Phipps says.

Joan Vogt (Cortlandt Manor), an artist and assemblage-maker, starts with items she finds in thrift shops or the side of the road. Her installation, “Trevi Kitchen,” provides a look at a private moment of longing.

Candace Winter with some of her creations for “The Woods” (Continued on Page 19)

Art center to offer immersive exhibit

There have been many installations at the Garrison Art Center, but perhaps nothing quite like what is coming on June 1.

Katie Schmidt Feder, the center’s director, has organized a transformation of its two galleries into what is being described as a “collaborative immersive art experience” titled Hello Neighbor: A Look Into the World of Others & Into Other Worlds.

In this case, over four weekends, visitors will be invited to navigate a far different art center than they are accustomed to. “Although we have far less square footage [than immersive exhibits mounted in Santa Fe, New York City and elsewhere], we are using many of the same fundamental concepts,” explains Schmidt Feder, including “collaborative creation by artists, designers and craftspersons whose work might not be the type to be exhibited in a traditional gallery setting; utilizing recycled and repurposed materials; exploring not just the visual but audio and sensory.”

Ten artists were invited to participate; about 20 others were selected after an open call in which they submitted dioramas or through participation in workshops. Their work comes in multiple forms — light projection, textiles, dioramas, gadgets and even a cabinet of curiosities — and are designed, when seen through windows (a la Rear Window), to evoke other worlds.

“I’m absolutely loving it because you...” (Continued on Page 19)

Breaking the Silence

Concert in Beacon to highlight mental-health services

When a member of Karen James’ family began to have mental-health issues four years ago, she and her brother Brandon didn’t know where to turn.

“I like to consider myself pretty well-informed in terms of social services and what’s going on,” she said, “but when you’re in the thick of it, you’re trying to figure stuff out and it’s overwhelming. You’re dealing with the hospital, the insurance, what’s covered, what’s not covered, what resources are available to you.”

Fortunately, a friend who is a former social worker steered them to the Mid-Hudson chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). The nonprofit “helped us to understand the system, they empowered us, they gave us a voice. And that helped us to help our family member,” she said.

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THE WEEK AHEAD
Edited by Pamela Doan (calendar@highlandscurrent.org)
For a complete listing of events, see highlandscurrent.org/calendar.

MEMORIAL DAY
SUN 26
Maritime Service
COLD SPRING
11 a.m. Waterfront dock

MON 27
Parade and Service
COLD SPRING
9 a.m. Village Hall | 85 Main St.
Organized by the VFW and American Legion posts, the parade will stop at the monuments at Main and Chestnut Streets, the Mountain Avenue Cemetery, the Church on the Hill, the Nelsonville Village Green memorial and the Cold Spring Cemetery.

COMMUNITY
SUN 26
Elks Car Show
BEACON
1 – 4:30 p.m. Elks Lodge
900 Woicott Ave. | 914-474-1891
Admire classic vehicles from the 1940s to 1960s in all classes.

THURS 30
Hudson Valley Access to Health Care Coalition
COLD SPRING
9:30 a.m. Old VFW Hall | 34 Kemble Ave.
Judy Farrell of the Philipstown Town Board is co-chair of the coalition, which has representatives from Putnam, Westchester, Dutchess, Orange and Rockland counties and shares information and resources to improve access to health care services.

THURS 30
Coffee with a Cop
GARRISON
11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Dolly’s
7 Garrison’s Landing | 845-225-4300
putnamsheriff.com
Bring your questions and concerns to Putnam County Sheriff’s Deputy Anthony Tolve during conversation on the patio.

SAT 1
Farm With Your Farmer: Weeding
COLD SPRING
9 a.m. Glywood | 362 Glywood Road
845-265-3338 | glywood.org
Learn about tools and techniques to keep your garden weed-free — and find out which weeds are tasty. Free

Summer Gala, June 1
SAT 1
Illuminated Festival
NEWBURGH
Noon – 10 p.m. Lower Broadway
newburghilluminatedfestival.com
This annual festival will include three stages with musical performers, as well as art, dance, poetry, theater, multicultural food, performance artists and activities for children. Free

SAT 1
Summer Gala
COLD SPRING
5 – 9 p.m. Boscobel | 1601 Route 9D
845-809-5750 | hvshakespeare.org
This annual event will include a dinner and garden party to raise funds for the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival. Guests who dress in fairytale-inspired costumes could win tickets to see Into the Woods. Cost: $350

SAT 1
Units of Love Blood Drive
BEACON
11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Lewis Tompkins Firehouse
13 South Ave. | bit.ly/UnitsofLove
Organized by the Beacon Hebrew Alliance. Volunteers are also needed for set-up and clean-up. Email ellen@beaconhebrewalliance.org.

ANIMALS & NATURE
SAT 25
Open Barn
WAPPINGERS FALLS
11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Stony Kill Farm
79 Farmstead Lane | 845-831-3800
stonykill.org
Barn guides will talk about the chickens, cows, pigs and sheep that live at the farm. Free

SAT 1
Turtle Talk
GARRISON
10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Green Chimneys
400 Doansburg Road | 845-279-2955
bit.ly/birds-of-prey-day
This annual event, now in its 27th year, will include more than 100 raptors handled by falconers from across New York and Connecticut (as well as Lauren McGough, a Mongolian eagle hunter from Oklahoma who was featured last fall in 60 Minutes). Cost: $15 ($5 children ages 3-11, seniors)

KIDS & FAMILY
TUES 28
New Moms & Infants Group
GARRISON
11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403 | 845-424-3020
desmondfishlibrary.org
The group is open to all, including pregnant women who would like to join the community of new moms. Email whiteside.ks@gmail.com.

TUES 28
First Burst Community Day
GARRISON
1 – 4 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403 | 845-424-3020
desmondfishlibrary.org
The community is invited to celebrate summer with a 25-foot climbing wall, bounce house, races and games, juggling, live music, garden activities, arts and crafts, kite flying and ice cream. The rain date is SUN 2. Free

TALKS & TOUR
TUES 28
Psychedelic Salon
COLD SPRING
6 p.m. Split Rock Books | 97 Main St.
845-265-2080 | splitrockbkbs.com
Members of the Permaculture Arts

SUN 2
Birds of Prey Day
BREWSTER
10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Green Chimneys
400 Doansburg Road | 845-279-2955
bit.ly/birds-of-prey-day
This annual event, now in its 27th year, will include more than 100 raptors handled by falconers from across New York and Connecticut (as well as Lauren McGough, a Mongolian eagle hunter from Oklahoma who was featured last fall in 60 Minutes). Cost: $15 ($5 children ages 3-11, seniors)
Collective will lead a discussion of the healing power of psychedelic drugs. Reservations required. Cost: $20

TUES 28
Scam-Proof Your Life
GARRISON
6 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403 | 845-424-3020
desmondfishlibrary.org

Learn how to protect your personal data and accounts from scams. Free

WED 29
Hidden Treasures of the Hudson Valley
BEACON
7 p.m. St. Andrew’s Church
15 South Ave. | 845-831-0514
beaconhistorical.org

In a talk sponsored by the Beacon Historical Society, Tony Musso will discuss lesser-known historical sites that played an important role in the growth of the Hudson Valley. Free

SAT 1
Linda Dahl
COLD SPRING
4 p.m. Butterfield Library
10 Morris Ave. | 845-265-3040
butterfieldlibrary.org

As part of the ongoing Writers Reading at the Library series, Linda Dahl will discuss the art of fiction (“the truth that didn’t happen”) and read from her Erica trilogy. Free

SAT 1
Hudson River Rising
COLD SPRING
5 p.m. Putnam History Museum
63 Chestnut St. | 845-265-4010
putnamhistorymuseum.org

Marci Reaven, the vice president for history exhibitions at the New-York Historical Society, will discuss an exhibit she curated there, Hudson Rising, that examines through art and artifacts how the river “has been an incubator for our ideas about the environment and our relationships to the natural world.” See Page 2. Cost: $10 (members free)

SAT 25
Decora
BEACON
8:30 p.m. Towne Crier | 379 Main St. 845-855-1300 | townecrier.com

The musician and performance poet brings together folk and hip-hop. Christine Dominguez will open. Cost: $25 ($30 door)

SUN 26
Schroeder Umansky Duo
COLD SPRING
4 p.m. Chapel Restoration | 45 Market St. 845-265-5537 | chapelestoration.org

Violinist Amy Schroeder and cellist Felix Umansky will be joined by pianist Yalin Chi for a program that includes Dvorak’s Trio in F Minor, Op. 65 and Chausson’s Piano Trio in G minor, Op. 3. Donations are welcome. Free

SUN 26
Breakneck Ridge Revue
BEACON
7 p.m. Towne Crier | 379 Main St. 845-855-1300 | townecrier.com

The band, which includes Andrew Revkin, David A. Ross, Patrick Stanfield Jones, Todd Giudice and Mark Murphy, will be joined by the Trouble Sisters. Cost: $15 ($20 door)

THURS 30
Ukulele Open Mic
BEACON
7 p.m. Towne Crier | 379 Main St. 845-855-1300 | townecrier.com

Held every other month, the Uke Open Mic is hosted by Wendy Matthews of the Educated Fleas, who will be looking for performers to feature at the next Hudson Valley Ukulele Invitational. Sign-up begins at 5 p.m. Free

SAT 1
Rock Out 4 Mental Health
BEACON
Noon – 4 p.m. Riverfront Park
rockout4mentalhealth.com

This fundraiser, organized by I Am Beacon, will feature performances by The Costellos, Noetic, Tony E., Dilson Hernandez, Russ St. George, Jerry Krtov and Charge the Mound. See Page 11. Free

SAT 1
The Mallet Brothers Band
PUTNAM VALLEY
8:30 p.m. Towne Crier Café | 379 Main St. 845-855-1300 | townecrier.com

This band from Maine plays a mix of Americana, jam, roots and rock. Cost: $35 ($50 door)

SAT 25
International Artists Residency
BEACON
3 – 6 p.m. Scenic Hudson River Center
8 Long Dock Park | beaconarts.org

At this reception, meet the artists who have been working since May 12 in the Red Barn and view works they have created.

SAT 25
Eco Print Workshop
BEACON
Noon - 3 p.m. New York Textile Lab
146 Main St. | newyorktextilelab.com

Using regionally sourced flowers and leaves, participants can experiment with “eco printing” on silk textiles using steaming and hammering to extract pigment. Registration required. Cost: $65

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729 Peekskill Hollow Road | 845-528-7280
tompkinscorners.org

The husband-and-wife duo Maura and Pete Kennedy will perform songs from their latest release, Safe Until Tomorrow. Cost: $20 ($15 seniors and students)

SAT 1
Expansions Crossroad Music Project
BEACON
8 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
477 Main St. | 845-765-3012
howlandculturalcenter.org

Goldie and the Wolves — with Golde Green, Chris Shaw, Bill Imperial, Rafael Figueroa and Olu Akiwumi — will be joined by Evolution, which includes Rachel Evans, Debra Kaye and Scott Beall. Cost: $20 ($35 door)

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SUN 26
Hudson Valley Free Day
BEACON
11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Dia:Beacon
3 Beekman St. | 845-440-0100
diaart.org

On the last Sunday of each month, the museum opens its doors to no charge to residents of Dutchess, Putnam and other nearby counties. Present identification that includes proof of residency at the admissions desk. (Hudson Valley Free Days are sponsored by Kiki McMillan, Charlie Pohlad and the Pohlad family.) In addition, residents of Beacon, Chelsea, Fishkill and Glenham are admitted free every Saturday and Sunday.

SUN 26
Dan Botkin
BEACON
3 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
477 Main St. | 845-831-4988
howlandculturalcenter.org

Botkin, who is one of 34 artists who contributed to an exhibit to mark the 100th anniversary of Pete Seeger’s birth that ends on MON 27, will discuss his series of 12 paintings, For Everything There is a Season, that was inspired by Seeger’s song, “Turn! Turn! Turn!” and Ecclesiastes 3:18. Free

FRI 31
Posenkes Sessions
BEACON
6 p.m. Dia Beacon | 3 Beekman St. 845-440-0100 | diaart.org

In the first of a series of lectures about aspects of the work of Charlotte Posenenske, Rey Akdogan and Alan Ruiz will discuss form, followed in subsequent weeks by labor, space and play. Reservations required. Free

SAT 1
Hello Neighbor
GARRISON
3 – 11 p.m. Garrison Art Center
23 Garrison’s Landing | 845-424-3960
garrisonartcenter.org

There will be food and an I Spy program from 3 to 5 p.m. for children ages 5 and older at the opening of this multimedia exhibit. From 5 to 6:30 p.m., curious cocktails and fascinating finds will be shared. At 9 p.m., the Nightkeepers program will begin with electronic music artist Kida aura, projections and lighting. See Page 11. Cost: $20 ($5 for ages 5 to 17)

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THE WEEK AHEAD

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SAT 1
Leaves of Grass, Clay and Bronze
COLD SPRING
3 p.m. Magazzino Italian Art
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In the second installment of a four-part series of lectures, Reconsidering Arte Povera, Emily Braun, an art history professor at Hunter College, will explore parallels between Giuseppe Penone’s art and writings of Walt Whitman, specifically Leaves of Grass (1855).

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SAT 25
The Artichoke
BEACON
8 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
477 Main St. | 845-831-4988
artichoke.brownpapertickets.com
Hosted by Drew Prochaska, this episode of the ongoing storytelling series will feature performers who have told their tales on The Moth, Story Collider and Comedy Central Presents. Charming Disaster will provide music. Some material may not be suitable for children. Cost: $15 ($20 door)

FRI 31
Unpresidented
BEACON
7:30 p.m. Catalyst Gallery
137 Main St. | 845-831-1870 | catalystgallery.com
Actor and SiriusXM host John Fugelsang will present his one-man show, which he describes as “the true story of a comedian trying to raise a toddler while his country was electing one.” To RSVP, email sparksbk@gmail.com. Cost: $5

FRI 31
And Then They Came for Us
BEACON
7:30 p.m. First Presbyterian Church
50 Liberty St.
moviesthattere beacon.org
Shown as part of the ongoing Movies That Matter series, this 2017 documentary presents an account of the incarceration of 120,000 Japanese-Americans after Japan bombed Pearl Harbor in 1941. Free

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Garrison Art Center
A Dose of Salt Air

Nelsonville salon offers ‘recharging’ room

By Alison Rooney

The bracing yet soothing properties of sea air have been part of rest cures and unwinding for centuries. Now, you don’t have to drive to the ocean to partake — it’s in Nelsonville at Hudson River Healing & Wellness, a new spa that includes a salt room, sometimes called a salt cave or grotto.

The spa’s owner, Tara Sweet-Flagler, is eager to tell people about it. “There are natural caves around the world from which salt is drawn,” she explains. “There are qualities in this salt which are used for wellness activities.”

Sweet-Flagler, who, over the past 20 years, began and developed the exercise physiology program at Dutchess Community College (where she still teaches), says alternative healing practices such as yoga, meditation and salt air have improved her own life over the past five years as she struggled with fibromyalgia and chronic pain.

“I felt so depressed — it was, ‘why can’t I move?’” she recalls. “I tried meditation class, then healing techniques, Qi Gong, cupping, others. I became exposed to all of these methods.” Nevertheless, her own experience aside, “this isn’t just for people who are ill; in fact, it should be part of a wellness routine.”

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Sweet-Flagler’s small space on Nelsonville’s commercial stretch is dominated by its salt room, which is a cloistered chamber of Himalayan salt blocks illuminated by crystal lamps. The floor is covered with crushed salt that resembles sand (shoes must be removed but there are no other clothing restrictions). Customers can opt to relax on a zero-gravity chair, on pillows resting on the crushed salt, or in the salt. The temperature is maintained at 68 to 70 degrees with 40 to 50 percent humidity. There is calming background music and deep breathing is encouraged.

The room is large enough for small groups, including several that meet weekly. There’s a Thursday morning meditation and a Monday afternoon children’s play group in which toddlers can play in the salt while caregivers relax. Therapy sessions such as massage, reflexology, acupuncture, reiki, Thai bodywork and crystal healing treatments can also be booked.

The balance of the space is dedicated to retail products, including many cannabidiol (CBD) items. “I keep hearing back from people who are trying them that they’re great for sleep issues, anxiety and for pain,” says Sweet-Flagler. The spa holds a CBD happy hour on Fridays at 6 p.m., which begins with a CBD treat and ends with a cup of CBD tea.

Hudson River Healing & Wellness is located at 290 Main St. A 45-minute salt-room session is $35. For more information, visit hrhealingwellness.com or call 845-240-1822.

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First Graders Map Main Street

By Michael Turton

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To volunteer for the event or to donate, visit rockout4mentalhealth.com.

First graders from Haldane explored Main Street on May 20. Photo by Jennifer Quick

Also reviewing Cold Spring businesses

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On May 20, Hocker’s students visited the Foundry Cafe and peppered owner and chef Jeff Consaga with questions they had prepared, ranging from “How did you get the idea for this restaurant?” and “What is the best thing on the menu?” to “Where does the cafe name come from?” and “Why should people come to the Foundry?”

Hocker’s class also voted to review the Cold Spring Cheese Shop, The Country Goose, Split Rock Books and Hudson River Expeditions. Quick’s class will review Hudson Hil’s, Homestyle Bakery and Creamery, Cold Spring Pizza, Blue Olive and Whistling Willie’s.

Students will work in teams to write their reviews and record them, using photography taken during each visit. The videos will be linked to a QR code that will be displayed at each of the 10 businesses, so that a passerby can photograph the code with his or her phone to view the video. The QR code will also be placed on the map, which the two classes will produce collaboratively after exploring Main Street on foot. It will be displayed at the Chamber of Commerce information booth at the foot of Main and at Nelsonville Village Hall. The project will be presented to parents on June 19.
The Family of Ann Meeropol thanks the communities of Philipstown and Beacon for everything you did to support us as we cared for our beloved wife/mother/mother-in-law/sister/grandmother in the final months of her life. It made all of the difference in the world.

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Salted Honey Pie

For one 9-inch pie; serves 8

**Susan’s Foolproof Crust**

- 7 to 8 tablespoons unsalted butter (high fat European-style)
- 1 cup organic unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1 scant tablespoon sugar
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup ice water (or a bit more)

1. Cut butter into dry ingredients with a pastry cutter until pebbly (the consistency of coarse meal). Add water a little at a time and stir with a fork or your fingers just until a slightly sticky dough forms and holds together. Form into a puck shape, wrap in plastic wrap and refrigerate for an hour, or up to 24.

2. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Remove dough from fridge, unwrap onto a floured surface and roll into a rough ball. Wrap in plastic wrap and refrigerate for an hour, or up to 24.

3. Carefully lift an edge of the pastry onto a floured rolling pin and roll the rest of the dough out on the pin. Roll out to a 12-inch circle. Fold and crimp the excess under itself. Gently press dough to the bottom of pan and up the sides. Prick the bottom with a fork and chill for 20 minutes.

**Honey Pie Filling**

- 4 whole eggs (at room temperature)
- 1¼ cup buttermilk
- ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
- ¼ teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
- ¾ cup wildflower honey (warmed slightly)
- 3 tablespoons melted butter
- 3 tablespoons flour

1. In a medium bowl, whisk together eggs, buttermilk and vanilla extract until smooth. Add nutmeg and whisk to incorporate. In another bowl, whisk honey and melted butter and slowly stream this mixture into the egg-buttermilk mixture, whisking constantly to incorporate. When blended and lump-free, sift flour into the custard, whisking to incorporate. Cool and strain mixture into cooled pie shell.

2. Cover edge with a shield or foil. Place pie on a baking sheet on bottom rack of preheated oven. Bake for 15 minutes, then remove briefly and cool on a rack while you prepare the filling.

3. Place pie on a baking sheet on bottom rack of preheated oven. Bake for 30 to 45 minutes until custard sets. Cool on a rack while you prepare the filling.

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Exhibit (from Page 11)
don’t have to hold back on anything and you can work with things you don’t normally,” says Candace Winter, a contributing artist.

The centerpiece of the exhibit will include artwork made during two community textile workshops. The space will also feature an Art Automat, where small works and goods by participating artists will be on display for purchase.

Admission to Hello Neighbor requires a ticket, which is $20 for adults and $5 for children and teens ages five to 17 at garri-sonartcenter.org/coming-up. Groups of six or seven people will move through the space at 10-minute intervals. The first gallery is more voyeuristic, according to Schmidt Feder, and the second more immersive. She hints at an “interesting” method of connecting between the two.

There will be three opening parties on Saturday, June 1. The first has staggered admission times beginning at 3 p.m. and includes I SPY activities and food for families; the second, at 5, 5:30 and 6 p.m., has been dubbed Curiosity & Cocktails; and the third, at 9 p.m., called Night Peepers, will feature projections, black-light painting, and a performance from electronic music artist Audra Kizina, whose music and embroidery art will also be featured in parts of the exhibition.

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Rhyme Time toddler playgroup begins Friday, June 21!
MARITIME HONOR — The Putnam County Sheriff’s Department honored former deputy Charles Moore (left) on May 15 by naming one of its new patrol boats after him. Moore, a former Marine who served two tours in Vietnam, joined the department in 1967 and was a member of its first SWAT team, its first undercover narcotics agent, and its first chief dive officer; he also organized its first toy drive. Moore, who retired in 1987, is shown with Capt. James Babcock Jr. Photo by Lydia JA Langley

SUN (AND FOOT) POWER — Garrison School Principal Alex Levine rides a solar-powered bicycle during a Youth Climate Summit held at the school on May 17. The day-long event was attended by middle school students from Garrison, Manitou, Haldane, Putnam Valley, Highland Falls-Fort Montgomery, Carmel, Byram Hills and Tarrytown who were instructed to create action plans for their schools or districts. For more photos, see highlandscurrent.org. Photo by Ross Corsair

50 YEARS OF SAILING — State Assembly Member Jonathan Jacobson (right), whose district includes Beacon, presented a proclamation from the Legislature on May 17 to Greg Williams, executive director of Clearwater, aboard its namesake sloop to honor the organization’s 50th anniversary. Photo by Brian PJ Cronin
Looking Back in Philipstown

By Chip Rowe

150 Years Ago (May 1869)

John Tilford of Nelsonville reported that he had been returning on the river from Newburgh when he helped rescue an intoxicated man, Patrick Lynch, who had jumped into the river. Tilford and others were barely able to keep Lynch from jumping back into the water.

Gas pipe leaks at the corner of Main and Chestnut killed five maples on the east side of Chestnut — “standing monuments of the poisonous effects of coal gas upon the roots of trees,” according to the Cold Spring Recorder.

After Willie Pelham returned to his father’s jewelry store on Main Street (where he sleeps) to find the rear door ajar, he cocked his revolver to search for the thieves he suspected (incorrectly) were hiding inside. A sudden start discharged the pistol, and Pelham shot himself in the left hand.

J.B. Bosseau of Highland Falls sent a check for $45 to J. Goodsell of Newburgh, but the “J” looked so much like an “I” that the post office gave it to Isaac Goodsell, who cashed it. When Joseph Goodsell found out, he had Isaac arrested.

A valuable team of horses owned by Samuel Avery was standing unfastened in a yard when it jumped over the wall, ran down Paulding to Chestnut and onto Wall and then to Furnace, where they fell and the mare broke a leg, rendering her useless.

Twenty-six trees planted last spring made a continuous line from Division Street in Nelsonville to Furnace Street in Cold Spring. The village advised homeowners opposite the trees to position tying posts between the roots of trees, according to the Recorder.

The 285-foot yacht Margarita, owned and sign up for email notification.

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**Saturday**
75/58
More clouds than sun

**Sunday**
83/59
Some sun

**Monday**
80/56
Partly sunny

**Tuesday**
81/64
Mostly cloudy

**Wednesday**
89/64
Chance for a strong thunderstorm in the afternoon

**Thursday**
79/59
Mostly cloudy with showers possible

**Friday**
76/61
More clouds than sun

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**SudoCurrent**

By King Features

**ACROSS**

1. Macbeth’s title
6. Hot dog side dish
11. Tar
12. Bay windows
14. Mr. Ed’s owner
15. President Woodrow —
16. Suitable
17. Aristocratic
19. Pair
20. Fishing need
22. U.K. fliers
23. Ball of yarn
24. Gold-finger?
26. Copious oil wells
28. Water barrier
30. Mainlander’s memento
31. Outstanding
35. Kitchen lure
39. Apiary house
40. Tease
42. Strait-laced
43. Commotion
44. Olympian’s award
46. Mound stat
47. Infamous middle name
49. *Die Hard* star
51. Taxed
52. Loud sounds
53. Fight

**DOWN**

1. Taiwan’s capital
2. Having a handle
3. Priestly garment
4. It may be a proper subject
5. Slip-up
6. Cereal quantity
7. Canal of song
8. Have a bug
9. Get snug and cozy
10. Not as fast
11. Honey bunch?
13. Hemingway’s “The — of Kilimanjaro”
18. Satchel
21. Tureen accessory
23. Tweet
25. 7-Down’s mule
27. Red or Black
29. Copes
31. Wrap
32. Neatens (up)
33. Develop
34. Disencumber
36. Threatening conclusion
37. More like a mud pit
38. Accumulate
41. Sunrises
44. Encounter
45. Narnia’s Aslan, e.g.
48. DIY buy
50. Perjurer’s pronunciation

**Pollen**

Source: National Allergy Bureau

- Grass
- Weeds
- Trees
- Molds

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Answers will be published next week. See highlandscurrent.org/puzzle for interactive versions.
No. 3 Haldane Perseveres, Then Meets No. 2

Boys’ lacrosse record season ends in semi-finals

By Skip Pearman

T he Haldane High School lacrosse team, seeded No. 3 in the Section 1, Class D playoffs, defeated No. 6 Dobbs Ferry in dramatic fashion on May 17, winning in overtime, 13-12, but three days later ran into No. 2 Briarcliff, which ended the Blue Devils’ historic season.

After finishing the regular season with two decisive wins over North Salem and a 14-2 record, Haldane received a bye in the Dutchess County Girls Golf Invitational on May 14, the Beacon girls’ golf team had four players named to the All-League team: Analiese Compagnone (ranked 7th), JoAnna Galbo (11), Brielle Travis (13) and Diana Campos (16).

Boys’ Soccer

Haldane senior Devin Heanue signed a letter of intent to play soccer this fall for Binghamton University.

Girls’ Golf

After placing third in the inaugural Dutchess County Girls Golf Invitational on May 14, the Beacon Dutchess County Girls Golf Invitational.

Girls’ Basketball

Haldane junior Bella Monteleone was named fifth-team All-State by the New York State Sportswriters Association among small high schools and junior Olivia McDermott was named to the ninth team.

Boys’ Discus

1. Mark Guzman (20-03.5)

Girls’ Triple Jump

1. Alicia Williams (4-09)

Boys’ High Jump

3. Jagger Crowe said of his goalie. “He kept us in it a close game,” he added. “It was only in the last few minutes they pulled away. I couldn’t ask for a better effort.”

The Blue Devils, who finish at 15-3, had never advanced so far in the regionals. With its first league title, its best record ever, and its first victory over rival Putnam Valley, Crowe was liking what his team accomplished.

“T never easy to be the smallest school in Section 1, and the kids did everything that was asked,” he said.

The Blue Devils also for the first time had four players who reached 100 career points: sophomore Darrin Santos, juniors Jagger Beachak and Mame Diba and senior Sam Giachinta, who finished with 200.

“T can’t say enough about the character of this team,” Crowe said. “They played from behind, from ahead, they never gave up, and it was a fantastic season.”

In the loss to Briarcliff, Giachinta had five goals and two assists, and Beachak and Santos each had a goal. John Hankel tallied 22 saves in goal.

Haldane reached its semifinal thanks to its thrilling victory over Dobbs Ferry (13-5) in the quarterfinals. Haldane came back from four down in the third quarter to tie the game, and from two down in the fourth. With the teams trading goals, the Blue Devils tied it at 12-12 with 4:24 remaining.

Less than two minutes into the sudden-death, Santos took a pass from Beachak and buried it from 12 yards out.

Giachinta ended the game with four goals and four assists. Besim Diba notched a hat-trick and two assists, Beachak had a hat-trick, Santos had two goals and one assist, and Will Westerhuis had a goal. Hankel had 15 saves.

“John played phenomenal in both games,” Crowe said of his goalie. “He kept us in it against Briarcliff, and against Dobbs in overtime he came up with a huge pass that started the game-winning play. And for Sam to produce the way he did in both games [nine goals, six assists] as a two-way midfielder, I believe he’s the best player in our area. Brad Dowd neutralized their faceoff guy for us, and gave us good defensive play overall.”

Giachinta called it “one of the craziest games I’ve ever been a part of. We don’t let the goals [deficit] affect our mentality, we just try to get back in the game in any way possible.”

Mame Diba said a key was that the Blue Devils kept their composure. “We struggled on ground balls and turned the ball over a bit, but we played well,” he said. “This is an amazing group of guys, and it’s been a great season.”

Softball

Haldane (12-3) received the No. 1 seed among four teams in Section 1, Class C, and will host No. 4 Keio (2-12) on May 28. The winner will advance to the title game on May 30.

Beacon (8-13), the No. 19 seed of 20 teams in Section 1, Class A, on May 22 upset No. 14 Lincoln (9-9), 27-4, and was scheduled to travel to No. 3 Pearl River (15-4) on May 23.

Baseball

The Beacon High School squad has been inconsistent on offense all season, and that inconsistency hurt the eighth-seeded Bulldogs on May 20 as they bowed out of the Section, 1 Class A playoffs in the first round with a 4-0 loss at Dutchess Stadium to ninth-seeded Harrison (12-9).

Harrison scored once in the fourth inning, twice in the fifth and once in the sixth, and that was it. The Bulldogs, who finished 12-6-1, managed just three hits off Huskies starter Mike Corso, a pitcher they had chased out in the second game of the season.

“We couldn’t hit the fastball, and that’s something we’ve worked on,” said Manager Bob Atwell. “He shut us down.”

Matt Monzoeillo started for Beacon, allowing eight hits and taking the loss. “Matt pitched well enough to win,” Atwell said, “but we didn’t help him” with six errors.

Nick Lepere was the only Bulldog to have success at the plate, going 2-for-3.

In the Section 1, Class C tournament, which includes four teams, No. 4 Haldane hosted the first game of a best-of-three series against No. 1 Tuckahoe on May 20, 4-0, and was scheduled to host the Tigers on May 23 for Game 2. See highlandscurrent.org.