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PAINT PARTY — Children, teenagers and adults turned out over the past two weeks to finish a portrait of Hudson Valley wildlife outlined by muralist Joe Pimentel on the restroom building at Memorial Park in Beacon and commissioned by the Wee Play Community Project. For a story and more photos, see [Page 17](#).
Photos by Margaux Lange

St. Philip's Hires New Rector

Priest will move from Pennsylvania church

By Chip Rowe

After a year-long search following the retirement of its longtime rector, Frank Geer, St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Garrison has named his successor.

The Rev. Amanda Eiman, an associate rector at an Episcopal church in the affluent western suburbs of Philadelphia, is scheduled to join St. Philip's in January, after she completes maternity leave for twins (a boy and a girl) expected this month. She will be the first female

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The Rev. Amanda Eiman St. David's Church

DEC Reclassifies Boat Club Site

Says pollution threat fixed

By Michael Turton

Four years after efforts began to remove toxic coal tar on the site of the Cold Spring Boat Club, the state Department of Environmental Conservation on Aug. 14 ruled that the village-owned property "no longer presents a significant threat to public health and/or the environment."

The site, located on New Street, has been home to the Boat Club since 1955. But in 2015, the DEC began replacing with clean fill, to a depth of 10 to 12 feet, soil contaminated with coal tar, a known carcinogen left behind by a manufactured gas plant that operated there in the late 19th century. The work required the clubhouse to be torn down.

Although the remediation is complete, restrictions remain. The use of its groundwater for drinking or cooking requires state approval, and DEC Project Manager David Chiusano said any redevelopment plans, including replacing the clubhouse, require approval from the DEC and the state Department of Health.

Cold Spring Mayor Dave Merandy said discussions with the club regarding its lease of the site will continue in September, noting that five years remain on the 20-year agreement. The lease was paused during remediation.

Maloney Says He Would Vote for Impeachment, But Prefers Ballots

Asserts voters seem more concerned about other issues



Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney (right) greets Donald Trump in February 2017 after the president addressed a joint session of Congress. Maloney later said he asked Trump to keep in place regulations protecting federal employees who are gay.
Photo By Tom Williams/CQ Roll Call

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney says he would vote for the impeachment of Donald Trump but prefers "aggressive oversight" by Congress and defeating the president at the polls next year to counter his "obnoxious" and

"improper" behavior.

Maloney, a Democrat who lives in Philipstown, made the remarks during a WAMC radio interview that aired in three parts in late July. His congressional district includes the Highlands.

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5Q FIVE QUESTIONS: ERIC TRUMP

By Brian PJ Cronin

Eric Trump, of Beacon, is a writer and a professor at Vassar College.

In 2016, before the presidential election, you wrote an essay for *Salon* about the difficulty of sharing your name — including your middle name, Frederick — with the Republican nominee's eldest son. Has it gotten worse?

No, that year was the worst. I started getting all kinds of emails and messages. One woman, for a week, left me messages saying "I'm your mother." Finally, I picked up and said, "Mom?" There was a long silence. I said, "It's been a long time, how are you?" She said, "Uhhhh," hung up, and never called again. I think it short-circuited her brain. I still get emails and people mailing me gifts [see right].

Have you considered going with E.F. Trump?

It was my name first [he is 13 years older]. E.F. Trump sounds too much like E.F. Hutton. I once wrote a story about Trump Tower for *The New York Times*, and they had to put a disclaimer that I was not the son of Donald Trump.

You're writing a book. What is it about?

It's based on a *Modern Love* column I wrote for *The New York Times* about eros and illness. Years ago I had renal failure. While I was waiting for a transplant, I applied to the Columbia University journalism school. I earned a master's degree with renal failure, which seems mad now. While I was there I had a relationship with a professor after taking her class. It was only 15 years later that I was able to write about it because I realized that we were *not* attracted to each other. We were both interested in the fact that my body was decaying and unravelling. It was the illness that brought us together.

How does that relate to your teaching at Vassar?

I teach a bioethics class called "The Transplanted Body." We look

at *Frankenstein*. We read a French novel called *Mend the Living*, Susan Sontag's *Illness as Metaphor*. We look at illness as an aesthetic experience, and that will be part of my book, as well. I want to show that my illness had a narrative flow, an aesthetic component, a ritualized component. I got sick and I came out the other side, like one of Ovid's stories in *Metamorphosis*. Narcissus doesn't die, he's transformed.

What do most people get wrong about *Frankenstein*?

Many people see *Frankenstein* as a warning against scientific progress. Don't fiddle with nature. But the final words of Victor Frankenstein are, "I failed to do it, but maybe others will succeed." The history of transplantation is filled with disaster and failure, people living only a few hours. What if the doctors had said, "We're playing God, and we should stop"? I wouldn't be here!



Eric Trump

ON THE SPOT

By Michael Turton

Which car "bells and whistles" do you find unnecessary?

“

Heated beverage holders.



~ Gabrielle O'Donnell, Beacon

“

Heated steering wheels.



~ Kevin Junjulas, Cold Spring

“

Rear-view cameras. I don't think they're accurate enough for parking.



~Dee Semple, Beacon

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What are Putnam's Tourist Spots?

Legislators question emphasis on golf course, farm

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

The Putnam County Legislature's Rules Committee voted on Aug. 13 to add the county's new Tourism Department to the county charter and send the measure to the full Legislature, final steps in establishing the agency.

But two legislators, Nancy Montgomery (D-Philipstown) and Amy Sayegh (R-Mahopac), questioned a provision directing the department to promote events at county-owned sites such as Tilly Foster Farm and Tilly's Table; Veteran's Memorial Park; and the Putnam County Golf Course. The provision also named Boscobel, in Garrison.

"If you're going to name one, you should name all tourist attractions," Montgomery said, while Sayegh cautioned against implying that the Tourism Department should exclusively promote county-owned facilities.

Audience members, too, questioned the wording. "It's important that you leave this with a broad base," said Lynne Eckardt, who

is on the Southeast Town Board but said she was speaking as a resident. She recommended that references to specific sites be deleted.

But Neal Sullivan (R-Carmel/Mahopac), who chairs the committee, and Jennifer Bumgarner, the county attorney, said County Executive MaryEllen Odell wants county-owned sites emphasized because she feels they were overlooked by the previous tourism agency, the Putnam County Visitors' Bureau.

"We're just highlighting key items," not diluting the message about other visitor draws, Sullivan said. "We're going to leave that language in there."

Odell named Tracey Walsh as the Tourism Department director on Aug. 7, a day after the Legislature approved funding. The move followed the dissolution of the Visitors' Bureau, with which Legislators had expressed dissatisfaction.

Walsh, a Carmel High School and Syracuse University graduate, spent the past nine years at the American Cancer Society, most recently as senior community development manager.

The county received about 20 applications for the position, according to Bumgarner. The committee that selected four finalists for Odell's review consisted of Legislator Ginny Nacerino (R-Patterson), Putnam County Finance Commissioner Bill Carlin Jr., Deputy Commissioner of Highways and Facilities John Tully, and Putnam County Golf Course General Manager Mike McCall.

Tourism generates \$63 million annually in spending in Putnam County, according to the most recent data compiled for New York State by a consulting firm.

Economic development

The draft amendment sent to the full Legislature instructs the Tourism Department to work closely with the Putnam County Economic Development Corp. (PCEDC), which, like the former Visitors' Bureau, is a nonprofit that depends on county funds and uses county office space. Its mission is to promote Putnam to businesses to add jobs and broaden the tax base.

Kathleen Abels, a Southeast resident and

former manager of community outreach and development at New York State Electric and Gas Corp., was named director of the PCEDC last month, succeeding Jill Varrichio, who left in December.

Abels spoke to the Legislature's Economic Development Committee on Aug. 13 about her plans, which include repurposing buildings "with an eye toward historic preservation"; encouraging the re-occupation of vacant structures; attracting firms in the life sciences, information technology, film and television, and other professions; and aligning the interests of the various players. "If we're all rowing in different directions, the boat just goes around in a circle," Abels said.

She pledged to concentrate her efforts on supporting infrastructure, such as two sewer projects pending in Mahopac and Brewster and a distillery in Carmel that, she said, Odell considers priorities. In addition, she cited the need to support projects that reflect innovation and entrepreneurial initiative.

Abels said her immediate agenda also includes meeting with town supervisors and other elected officials. Responding to a question from a member of the public, she said she would suggest to the PCEDC's board that its meetings be opened to the public.



Abels

Maloney (from Page 1)

After the broadcast, Chele Farley, a Republican who plans to challenge Maloney in 2020, accused him of joining "the radical left" to oust Trump.

Maloney told WAMC that "the president's conduct is deserving of impeachment," although he added, "I don't recommend that tactically." He advocated "better ways" to hold the president accountable, such as congressional probes, the intervention of federal courts, and "the good, old-fashioned democratic process of a presidential election."

However, if the House tells members that they immediately "have to vote 'yes' or 'no' on impeachment, I'm going to vote to impeach the guy," he said. And if the president ultimately defies the courts along with Congress, "you will hear me screaming from the rooftops for impeachment," Maloney said.

He said he realized his stance "doesn't make everybody happy," but that "most people in my district [which Trump won in 2016] think the circus of impeachment will not produce the accountability that we want and that we need."

Instead, he said, voters seem to favor action "on infrastructure, or lowering healthcare costs," and other crucial matters. Moreover, "I don't think it's right to decide to impeach the president for a bunch of political reasons. Nor do I think it is right to *not* impeach the president for a bunch of political reasons."

Maloney said he believe the president "deserves to be impeached, based on the facts" in a report prepared by Special Counsel Robert Mueller, who established "that the Russians engaged in a systemic, sweeping attack on our democracy" to get Trump elected in 2016.

"What's worse," said Maloney, who serves on the House Intelligence Committee, one of



Maloney (right) questioned former Special Counsel Robert Mueller during Mueller's testimony on July 24 before the House Intelligence Committee.

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several House committees investigating the president, "is that when made aware of this, the Trump campaign encouraged it, sought to take advantage of it, and made no attempt to report it to law enforcement or to stop it."

Furthermore, the Mueller investigation revealed "the extraordinary lengths the president and his team went to obstruct the investigation, keep evidence from coming out. The president and his team were unethical and unpatriotic, and in their conduct the things they engaged in went right up to the line of criminal" obstruction of justice, he said.

Maloney noted that in impeachment proceedings, "Congress does not need to follow a legal definition of obstruction" if it concludes misdeeds occurred.

Impeachment by the Democratic-controlled House would not necessarily lead to Trump's departure. The Senate, which Republicans control, would have to

agree to remove the president from office.

In an Aug. 13 press statement, Farley blasted Maloney for being "out of touch with the values and priorities of the Hudson Valley. Impeachment is a drastic step that is not supported by the American people" and by backing it Maloney demonstrates "that he no longer represents the mainstream views of this district," she said.

Last year, Farley unsuccessfully challenged Democrat Kirsten Gillibrand for her seat in the U.S. Senate. (Gillibrand is seeking the party's nomination for president.) Farley was the Republican finance chair in Manhattan but moved to Orange County, in District 18, this year.

Maloney has raised \$574,000 through June 30 for his 2020 campaign, including



Farley

Betting on Beto

When asked on WAMC whom he favors as the Democratic presidential candidate in 2020, Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney endorsed Beto O'Rourke, a former House member from El Paso, Texas. The two men were both elected to Congress in 2012. O'Rourke unsuccessfully challenged Republican incumbent Ted Cruz last fall in a race in Texas for the U.S. Senate.

"I'm supporting him because I know what's in his heart," Maloney said. "I believe he's a smart, capable person; a good, decent man" who "can represent the whole [Democratic] coalition, diverse as it is."

Maloney added that "a least a half dozen" of the contenders "would make great presidents" and "have a good shot" at defeating Trump. "I happen to think Beto is the best one, and he's a close friend, and I hope people will give him a real look."

O'Rourke is among nine candidates who have qualified so far for the third Democratic Party debates on Sept. 12 and 13 in Houston.

\$39,000 from residents of Philipstown and Beacon, while Farley has taken in \$266,000, with no contributions from the Highlands. Scott Smith, a middle-school teacher from Middletown, also has declared as an independent candidate but so far raised only a few hundred dollars.

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LETTERS AND COMMENTS

Campaign finance

We have a historic chance to shake up New York state politics for the better, but we only have a few months to make it happen.

Right now, candidates and elected officials spend hundreds of hours calling wealthy donors and seeking support from lobbyists and corporations to secure the funds they need to run for office. Because of New York's ridiculously high campaign-contribution limits, those with the biggest wallets remain the most important actors ("Whom Does the Highlands Support?," Aug 16).

This past legislative session, New York came closer than ever to passing historic campaign-finance reform. But the Democratic-controlled legislature punted the decision in March to a nine-member Public Campaign Financing Commission.

This commission has the power to drastically change the way state campaigns are financed. Lowering contribution limits and instituting a 6-to-1 match on small-dollar donations would level the playing field.

This is an unprecedented opportunity — one that the commission needs to take seriously. It's time we shift the balance of political power toward working families.

Lonnie Spinozza-Johnson, *Garrison*

Editor's note: The commission held its first meeting on Wednesday (Aug. 21); its recommendations are due by Dec. 1 and will be binding unless modified by the Legislature within 20 days. The commission has the power to authorize that the state match up to \$100 million annually in small campaign contributions.

If you consider the influence of money on the U.S. political system, the city of Beacon, with a population of about 16,000, has been

vastly outvoted not only by Philipstown, with a population of close to 10,000, but by Garrison, with a population of about 2,000. It's also curious how much local money supports candidates for office, such as for Congress, from other parts of the state and country.

Frank Haggerty, *Cold Spring*

This is a remarkable document, and it's surprising that there seems to be so little reaction to it. We are really a blue corner here, with some huge Philipstown generosity to liberal candidates, and \$429 to make America great again. Wow.

Sara Dulaney, *Philipstown*

Bird rescue

That lost parakeet that Liz Armstrong caught in Cold Spring flew a long way (*Around Town*, Aug. 16) — we tried to catch it on East Mountain Road South on Aug. 2. So glad it survived. Well done, Liz!

Kim Conner, *Philipstown*

Tourism director

According to your story ("Putnam Names Tourism Director," Aug. 9), Tracey Walsh, a graduate of Carmel High School and Syracuse University, spent the past nine years at the American Cancer Society, most recently

Tell us what you think

The Current welcomes letters to the editor on its coverage and local issues. Submissions are selected by the editor to provide a variety of opinions and voices, and all are subject to editing for accuracy, clarity and length. We ask that writers remain civil and avoid personal attacks. Letters may be emailed to editor@highlandscurrent.org or mailed to Editor, The Highlands Current, 161 Main St., Cold Spring, NY 10516. The writer's full name, village or city, and email or phone number must be included, but only the name and village or city will be published.

Corrections

In an article about the Tompkins Corners Cultural Center in Putnam Valley (Aug. 16), we gave the address as 29 Peekskill Hollow Road. In fact, it is located at 729 Peekskill Hollow Road.

In a photo essay on Juanita Rincon of Juanita's Kitchen serving the farm dinner at Glynwood (Aug. 16), we stated that her three daughters assisted as sous chefs. In fact, she has two daughters, Lea Perez and Julisa Rincon Tomizawa. We also have added a link online to the menu.

as senior community development manager, before being appointed to the job.

How is that experience at all relevant? The county needed someone who understands social media, search-engine marketing and/or has tourism or travel-related experience. It sounds like another handout to one of Odell's buddies. Putnam is such a mess.

Andrew Moss, *via Facebook*

Aid in dying

The proposed Medical Aid in Dying Act (A2694/S3947) presents New York with an opportunity to join other states in helping to prevent the prolonging of suffering for terminally-ill patients. My hope is that the law would help to grant more power to patients who are trapped in a situation where it is easy to feel powerless.

I am a co-sponsor of this legislation because I believe it is an important step in promoting patient autonomy and physician humanity. New Jersey (2019) and Vermont (2013) have both passed laws that grant terminally ill patients bodily autonomy. Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Massachusetts have proposed similar bills. I would encourage supporters to reach out to their elected representatives and express their views.

Sandy Galef, *Albany*

Galef represents Philipstown in the state Assembly.

'Green light' law

The Putnam County Legislature is mistaken in calling for the repeal of the so-called Green Light law that allows any New York resident, regardless of immigration status, to obtain a driver's license ("Putnam Passes Resolution Opposing 'Green Light' Law," Aug. 9). It should welcome the reinstitution of licensure for all

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House Rules

What the Putnam County jail tells prisoners

By Chip Rowe

According to a recent report, many jails and prisons hire outside firms to write their operations manuals, which guide officers as they interact with inmates and dictate standards such as cell size and mail procedures. We were curious if the Putnam County jail had one. In response to a Freedom of Information Law request, the Sheriff's Department shared a copy of the seven-page handbook it distributes to inmates, excerpted below. The full document is posted at highlandscurrent.org.

Although it is not included in the handbook, in 2017 the Sheriff's Department barred inmates from having any physical contact with visitors, including handshakes and hugs, because of concern about opioids being smuggled into the jail. Each inmate receives two hours of visit time each week, in 30-minute increments.

OPEN LETTER FROM THE SHERIFF

Dear Inmate:

This handbook provides you with the necessary information for you to have a safe and peaceful time while you are in this facility. This handbook contains information needed to ensure that while you are being confined in this facility in accordance with the law that you are treated in a manner designed to protect the safety of all persons herein, and to provide for the security of this Correctional Facility.

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By reading this handbook and knowing what it says you will have a good stay.

At the end of your period of incarceration, you are to return your copy of this book to

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PROCESS FOR PERSONS INCARCERATED IN THE PUTNAM COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

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You were given at least one telephone call. (If this call was outside of Putnam County, you made the call collect.)

You were photographed and fingerprinted.

You were told to shower.

You were given the necessary facility clothing to replace your personal clothing. In the event that you have court proceedings to attend, you may have one set of dress clothes kept in a secured room. Your articles of clothing will be returned to you when you leave the facility.

You were issued two (2) sheets; one (1) blanket, two (2) in the winter; one (1) towel; a drinking cup; comb; soap; toothpaste; toothbrush.

You were escorted to a cell assigned to you, where you were directed to make your bed and prepare for your stay here.

SEARCHES

You are subject to frisk, pat searches, strip searches and cell searches at any time. Strip searches will occur after contact visitation, on a random basis, or when there is reason to believe that you may possess contraband. Strip searches may also be conducted at the direction of the facility physician.

FOOD SERVICE

You will get your meal in the Housing Unit common area and then proceed to your cell and lock-in.

You must be dressed in a shirt, pants and



The Putnam County jail

shoes, with your identification, to receive your meals.

You will not remove eating utensils from the Housing Unit.

You are to remain in an orderly line, no talking, when receiving your meal.

While going through the meal line you are not to reach into the food containers unless you are told to do so.

You will be given enough time to finish a meal.

The switching or giving away of food items with another inmate is not allowed.

You cannot keep any mealtime eating utensils.

Should your behavior warrant it, the meal that is being served to you will be processed so that it is in a loaf form and served to you without any plates or utensils. This is called Meal Loaf.

You are not allowed to keep any Facility food items after the day that they are given to you.

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returned to the sender or censored.

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General library services are provided in a cooperative venture between the Facility and the Mid-Hudson Library System. The books are provided as a part of an educational, informational and recreational program to help make the period of incarceration constructive and productive.

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A nurse will deliver medications to each Housing Unit. You are expected to be ready to receive your medication when it arrives. You will be called over the public address system. You will be required to physically show the nurse and corrections staff that you are taking your medication. When you appear for medication dispensing you must bring something to drink with you; the nurse may not have water to give you. Do not share a drinking cup with another inmate.

If you are caught concealing medication, Disciplinary Action will be taken against you and the physician will be notified, who may restrict the dispensing of your medication.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Mental health services are something you should not be afraid of. There is no shame if you or someone else needs the help of a mental health worker.

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residents who drive in the state, a privilege that was restricted after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Our immigration system is broken due to more than 30 years of inaction by Congress, but that is no reason to sacrifice road safety. Let's leave immigration enforcement to the Department of Homeland Security and let the Department of Motor Vehicles concentrate on making sure that all drivers are licensed, trained and insured.

Rob Abbot, Croton

Code of conduct

In the *Editor's Notebook* (Aug. 16), the list

of those who should not be discriminated against, according to the Haldane Code of Conduct, does not include the aged. Is this an oversight on your part or an omission by the school district? In any case, it should be corrected.

Suzu Sparozic, *Cold Spring*

Editor's note: Although not mentioned in the Haldane code, which focuses on the relationships between teachers, staff and students, state education and labor law prohibits schools from discriminating against anyone or allowing anyone to be harassed because of his or her age, as well as military or marital status.

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NEWS BRIEFS

License Plate Vote

State will change design in 2020

The State of New York plans next year to change its standard license plate and is asking residents to vote online for one of five designs.



One of the five designs

The voting continues at bit.ly/plate-vote through Sept. 2 to replace the blue-and-white Empire plates, which were introduced a decade ago. The state says the new plates will be more reflective so they can more easily be read by plate readers for cashless tolls and red-light enforcement and by police officers.

Beginning in April, when drivers renew their plates, those with plates that are at least 10 years old will be issued new plates for \$25 and pay an additional \$20 if they want to keep their plate number.

State Sen. Sue Serino, a Republican whose district includes the Highlands, in a statement called the change a “money grab” and termed the design vote “a sad attempt to distract from

the fact that this is just one more way for New York State to cash in” by forcing drivers to buy plates they may not need.

State Sues Over Hudson River Cleanup

Alleges EPA let GE offhook

The State of New York on Wednesday (Aug. 21) sued the Environmental Protection Agency over the agency’s decision to grant a “certificate of completion” to General Electric for its removal of pollution from the Hudson River.

The EPA issued the certificate on April 11. It signals that GE no longer must dredge to remove polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) one of its factories dumped into the Hudson. The state argues that PCB concentrations remain too high in parts of the river.

The state maintains that the EPA doesn’t have the authority to declare the cleanup complete because the agency has failed to ensure that it protected human health and the environment.

“Hudson River fish remain much too contaminated with PCBs to safely eat, and EPA admits they don’t know when — or if — they ever will be,” said Attorney General Letitia James in a statement. “The EPA can’t ignore these facts, or the law, and simply pronounce GE’s cleanup of PCBs complete.”

The Hudson River PCB Superfund site encompasses a nearly 200-mile stretch of the Hudson River divided into two areas: Hudson Falls downstream to the federal dam at Troy (about 40 miles) and from the dam to the southern tip of Manhattan (about 140 miles). GE dredged the upper portion for six years, from 2009 to 2015, but the state says 54 tons of PCBs remain.

“Since GE settled the case in 2005, it has spent less than 1.5 percent of its profits on cleaning up the mess it made in the Hudson River,” said Greg Williams, president of Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, in a statement. “Asking New Yorkers to wait another 50 years to be able to safely eat the fish is neither reasonable nor lawful.”

Philipstown Climate Week Begins Sept. 20

Also, local carbon-footprint survey ends Aug. 31

The organizers of Climate Week Philipstown, which will take place from Sept. 20 to 29, and is modeled on Climate Week NYC, say it will include a screening of the 2018 documentary *The Human Element* followed by a panel discussion, an electric-car day, a climate art exhibit (see Page 10) and a global strike for climate.

Businesses, governments, academic institutions, arts/music organizations and nonprofits who wish to participate or host an event can email Krystal Ford at kf733@nyu.edu. See tinyurl.com/y3kna6qy.

In addition, a carbon-footprint survey by Philipstown’s Climate Smart Community Task Force will end on Aug. 31. See bit.ly/Ptownsurvey.

Train Engineer Drops Metro-North Lawsuit

Had sued for \$10 million in fatal crash

William Rockefeller, who was driving the train that derailed in the Bronx in December 2013, killing James Lovell of Philipstown and three other passengers, has dropped a \$10 million lawsuit he filed

against Metro-North.

Rockefeller, who was injured in the Hudson Line crash, said the rail service was to blame for not installing an automatic braking safety system that would have slowed the train when he went around a curve at 82 mph, or about 50 mph over the limit. Investigators concluded Rockefeller had fallen asleep.

The engineer’s lawyer, Ira Mauer, told *The Journal News* that Rockefeller was concerned he could lose a countersuit by Metro-North to recover the cost of its wrecked train. Rockefeller was not charged in the crash. His attorney called him a “scapegoat” for safety shortcomings.



Invasive Beetle Watch

State asks residents to report

The state Department of Environmental Conservation is asking pool owners in August to participate in its annual watch for invasive Asian longhorned beetles, which kills trees.

The beetles, which were introduced from Asia in packing materials, are about 1.5 inches long, black with white spots, and have black and white antennae. They leave round exit holes about the size of a dime in branches and tree trunks and sawdust on branches and around tree bases.

If a beetle is spotted or found in a pool filter, the DEC asks that photos be emailed to foresthealth@dec.ny.gov or mail the insect to the Forest Health Diagnostic Lab, Attn.: Jessica Cancelliere, 108 Game Farm Road, Delmar, NY 12054.

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NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ADOPTION OF THE DISTRICT SAFETY PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education of the Beacon City School District shall hold a public hearing on the 26th day of August, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. at Beacon High School, 101 Matteawan Road, Beacon, New York, for the purpose of discussion of the District Safety Plan for the 2019-2020 school year.

Dated: August 19, 2019
Kelly Pologe, District Clerk

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ANNUAL NEWS RELEASE - PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Beacon City School District Food Service Department today announced a free and reduced price meal policy for BEACON area school children. APPLICATIONS FOR FREE/REDUCED MEALS FOR BEACON SCHOOLS AVAILABLE ON DISTRICT WEB SITE

Local school officials have adopted the following family eligibility criteria to assist them in determining eligibility:

SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Households: Households that currently include children who receive the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) but who are not found during the Direct Certification Matching Process (DCMP), or households that currently receive Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) must complete an application listing the child’s name, a valid SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. Eligibility for free meal benefits based on participation in SNAP, TANF or FDPIR is extended to all children in the household. When known to the School Food Authority, households will be notified of their children’s eligibility for free meals based on their participation in the SNAP, TANF or the FDPIR programs. No application is necessary if the household was notified by the SFA their children have been directly certified. If the household is not sure if their children have been directly certified, the household should contact the school.

Other Source Categorical Eligibility: When known to the School Food Authority, households will be notified of any child’s eligibility for free meals based on the individual child’s designation as Other Source Categorically Eligible, as defined by law. Children are determined Other Source Categorically Eligible if they are Homeless, Migrant, Runaway, A foster child, or Enrolled in Head Start or an eligible pre-kindergarten program.

If children or households receive benefits under Assistance Programs or Other Source Categorically Eligible Programs and are not listed on the notice of eligibility and are not notified by the School Food Authority of their free meal benefits, the parent or guardian should contact the school or should submit an income application.

Other Households: Households with income the same or below the amounts listed above for family size may be eligible for and are urged to apply for free and/or reduced price meals (or free milk). They may do so by completing the application sent home with the letter to parents. One application for all children in the household should be submitted. Additional copies are available at the principal’s office in each school. Applications may be submitted any time during the school year to the Director of Food and Nutrition. Please contact Karen Pagano at 845-838-6900 ext. 2012.

Households notified of their children’s eligibility must contact the School Food Authority if they choose to decline the free meal benefits. Households may apply for benefits at any time throughout the school year. Children of parents or guardians who become unemployed or experience a financial hardship mid-year may become eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk at any point during the school year.

For up to 30 operating days into the new school year (or until a new eligibility determination is made, whichever comes first) an individual child’s free or reduced price eligibility status from the previous year will continue within the same SFA. When the carryover period ends, unless the household is notified that their children are directly certified or the household submits an application that is approved, the children’s meals must be claimed at the paid rate. Though encouraged to do so, the SFA is not required to send a reminder or a notice of expired eligibility.

The information provided on the application will be confidential and will be used for determining eligibility. The names and eligibility status of participants may also be used for the allocation of funds to federal education programs such as Title I and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP),

State health or State education programs, provided the State agency or local education agency administers the programs, and for federal, State or local means-tested nutrition programs with eligibility standards comparable to the NSLP. Eligibility information may also be released to programs authorized under the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) or the Child Nutrition Act (CNA). The release of information to any program or entity not specifically authorized by the NSLA will require a written consent statement from the parent or guardian.

The School Food Authority does, however, have the right to verify at any time during the school year the information on the application. If a parent does not give the school this information, the child/children will no longer be able to receive free or reduced price meals (free milk).

Foster children are eligible for free meal benefits. A separate application for a foster child is no longer necessary. Foster children may be listed on the application as a member of the family where they reside. Applications must include the foster child’s name and personal use income.

Under the provisions of the policy, the designated official will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the designated official, he/she may make a request either orally or in writing for a hearing to appeal the decision. Ann Marie Quartironi, Deputy Superintendent, whose address is 10 Education Drive, Beacon, NY 12508 has been designated as the Hearing Official. Hearing procedures are outlined in the policy. However, prior to initiating the hearing procedure, the parent or School Food Authority may request a conference to provide an opportunity for the parent and official to discuss the situation, present information, and obtain an explanation of the data submitted in the application or the decisions rendered. The request for a conference shall not in any way prejudice or diminish the right to a fair hearing.

Only complete applications can be approved. This includes complete and accurate information regarding: the SNAP, TANF, or FDPIR case number; the names of all household members; on an income application, the last four digits of the social security number of the person who signs the form or an indication that the adult does not have one, and the amount and source of income received by each household member. In addition, the parent or guardian must sign the application

form, certifying the information is true and correct.

Beginning July 1, 2019 in New York State, children approved eligible for reduced price meals will receive complete reimbursable breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

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Free Eligibility Scale						Reduced Price Eligibility Scale					
Free Lunch, Breakfast, Milk						Reduced Price Lunch, Breakfast					
Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly	Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$ 16,237	\$ 1,354	\$ 677	\$ 625	\$ 313	1	\$ 23,107	\$ 1,926	\$ 963	\$ 889	\$ 445
2	\$ 21,983	\$ 1,832	\$ 916	\$ 846	\$ 423	2	\$ 31,284	\$ 2,607	\$ 1,304	\$ 1,204	\$ 602
3	\$ 27,729	\$ 2,311	\$ 1,156	\$ 1,067	\$ 534	3	\$ 39,461	\$ 3,289	\$ 1,645	\$ 1,518	\$ 759
4	\$ 33,475	\$ 2,790	\$ 1,395	\$ 1,288	\$ 644	4	\$ 47,638	\$ 3,970	\$ 1,985	\$ 1,833	\$ 917
5	\$ 39,221	\$ 3,269	\$ 1,635	\$ 1,509	\$ 755	5	\$ 55,815	\$ 4,652	\$ 2,326	\$ 2,147	\$ 1,074
6	\$ 44,967	\$ 3,748	\$ 1,874	\$ 1,730	\$ 865	6	\$ 63,992	\$ 5,333	\$ 2,667	\$ 2,462	\$ 1,231
7	\$ 50,713	\$ 4,227	\$ 2,114	\$ 1,951	\$ 976	7	\$ 72,169	\$ 6,015	\$ 3,008	\$ 2,776	\$ 1,388
8	\$ 56,459	\$ 4,705	\$ 2,353	\$ 2,172	\$ 1,086	8	\$ 80,346	\$ 6,696	\$ 3,348	\$ 3,091	\$ 1,546
Each Add'l person add	\$ 5,746	\$ 479	\$ 240	\$ 221	\$ 111	Each Add'l person add	\$ 8,177	\$ 682	\$ 341	\$ 315	\$ 158

LIBERACIÓN DE NOTICIAS ANUALES - ANUNCIO PÚBLICO

Beacon City School District anunció hoy una política de alimentos gratuitos y a precio reducido (leche gratis) para los niños de las escuelas del área de Beacon.

Los funcionarios escolares locales han adoptado los siguientes criterios de elegibilidad de familias para ayudarles a determinar la elegibilidad:

Familias en SNAP/TANF/FDPIR: Las familias que actualmente incluyen niños que reciben ayuda del Programa de Asistencia Nutricional Suplementaria (SNAP), pero que no se encontraron durante el Proceso de Compatibilidad de Certificación Directa (DCMP) o familias que actualmente reciben Asistencia Temporal para Familias Necesitadas (TANF) o el Programa de Distribución de Alimentos en Reservaciones Indígenas (FDPIR) deben llenar una solicitud que mencione el nombre del niño, un número de caso válido de SNAP, TANF o FDPIR y la firma de un miembro de la familia que sea mayor de edad. La elegibilidad para obtener alimentos gratuitos basada en la participación en SNAP, TANF o FDPIR se extiende a todos los niños de la familia. Cuando la Autoridad de Alimentos Escolares se entere, las familias serán notificadas de la elegibilidad de sus niños para obtener alimentos gratuitos con base en su participación en los programas de SNAP, TANF o FDPIR. No es necesaria una solicitud si la familia fue notificada por SFA que sus niños han sido directamente certificados. Si la familia no tiene la certeza si sus niños han sido directamente certificados, debería ponerse en contacto con la escuela.

Elegibilidad categórica por otras fuentes Cuando la Autoridad de Alimentos Escolares se entere, las familias serán notificadas de cualquier elegibilidad de su niño para recibir alimentos gratuitos según la designación individual del niño como Elegible Categóricamente por Otras Fuentes, según lo defina la ley. Los niños se determinan como Elegibles Categóricamente por Otras Fuentes si son indigentes, migrantes, se escaparon de su hogar, son adoptados o están inscritos en Head Start o en un programa elegible previo al jardín de niños.

Si los niños o las familias reciben beneficios bajo programas de asistencia u otros programas donde son Elegibles Categóricamente por Otras Fuentes y no están incluidos en el aviso de elegibilidad y no son notificados por la Autoridad de Alimentos Escolares sobre sus beneficios de alimentos gratuitos, el padre de familia o tutor debería ponerse en contacto con la escuela o debería enviar una solicitud de ingresos.

Otras familias: Las familias con ingresos similares o menores a los montos indicados abajo por tamaño de familia pueden ser elegibles y se les exhorta a que apliquen para recibir alimentos gratuitos y/o a precio reducido (o leche gratuita). Pueden hacerlo llenando la solicitud que le enviaron a casa con la carta a los padres. Se debería enviar una solicitud para todos los niños de la familia. Hay copias adicionales disponibles en la oficina del director de cada escuela. Las solicitudes se pueden enviar en cualquier momento durante el año escolar a Food Service Director (título del funcionario de revisión). Póngase en contacto con Karen Pagano en 845-838-6900 ext 2012 si tiene preguntas sobre el proceso de aplicación.

Las familias notificadas sobre la elegibilidad de sus niños deben ponerse en contacto con la Autoridad de Alimentos Escolares si optan por rechazar los beneficios de alimentos gratuitos. Las familias pueden aplicar para obtener beneficios en cualquier momento durante el año escolar. Los niños cuyos padres o tutores se queden sin empleo o experimenten una dificultad financiera a mediados de año podrán ser elegibles para recibir alimentos gratuitos y a precio reducido o leche gratuita en cualquier punto durante el año escolar.

Por hasta 30 días operativos del nuevo año escolar (o hasta que se tome una nueva determinación de elegibilidad, lo que ocurra primero) el estado de elegibilidad de cada niño para recibir beneficios gratuitos o a precio reducido del año pasado continuará dentro del mismo SFA. Cuando termine el período remanente, a menos que la familia sea notificada de que sus niños están directamente certificados o la familia presente una solicitud que sea aprobada, los alimentos de los niños deberán ser reclamados a la tarifa pagada. Aunque se le exhorta a hacer esto, SFA no está obligado a enviar un recordatorio o un aviso de la expiración de la elegibilidad.

La información proporcionada en la solicitud será confidencial y se usará para determinar la elegibilidad. Los nombres y el estado de elegibilidad de los participantes también se puede usar para la asignación de fondos para los programas federales de educación

como Título I y la Evaluación Nacional del Progreso Educativo (NAEP), programas estatales de salud o de educación, siempre que la agencia estatal o la agencia local de educación administren los programas, y para programas de nutrición basados en recursos federales, estatales o locales con normas de elegibilidad comparables a las del NSLP. La información de elegibilidad también podrá ser divulgada a programas autorizados bajo la Ley Nacional de Almuerzos Escolares (NSLA) o la Ley de Nutrición Infantil (CNA). La divulgación de información a cualquier programa o entidad no específicamente autorizada por la NSLA requerirá una carta de consentimiento por escrito del padre de familia o tutor.

Sin embargo, la Autoridad de Alimentos Escolares tiene el derecho de verificar en cualquier momento, durante el año escolar, la información de la solicitud. Si un padre no proporciona a la escuela esta información, el niño (o niños) ya no podrán seguir recibiendo alimentos gratuitos o a precio reducido (o leche gratuita).

Los niños adoptados son elegibles para recibir beneficios de alimentos gratuitos. Ya no es necesaria una solicitud por separado para un niño adoptado. Los niños adoptados pueden incluirse en la solicitud como miembros de la familia donde residen. Las solicitudes deben incluir el nombre del niño adoptado y los ingresos de uso personal.

Según las disposiciones de la política, el funcionario designado revisará las solicitudes y determinará la elegibilidad. Si un padre de familia no está satisfecho con la resolución del funcionario designado, puede hacer una petición de manera oral o escrita para una audiencia y apelar la decisión. Deputy Superintendent (Título), cuya dirección es Ann Marie Quartironi ha sido designado como funcionario de audiencias. Los procedimientos de audiencia están descritos en la política. Sin embargo, antes de iniciar un procedimiento de audiencia, el padre de familia o la Autoridad de Alimentos Escolares pueden solicitar una conferencia para darle una oportunidad al padre de familia y al funcionario para que discutan la situación, presenten información y obtengan una explicación sobre los datos presentados en la solicitud o las decisiones tomadas. La petición de una conferencia, de ninguna forma, perjudicará o reducirá el derecho a una audiencia justa.

Solamente se podrán aprobar las solicitudes que estén completas. Esto incluye información completa y precisa sobre: el número de caso de SNAP, TANF o FDPIR; los nombres de todos los miembros de la familia; en una solicitud de ingresos, los últimos cuatro dígitos del número de seguridad social de la persona que firma el formulario o una indicación de que el adulto no cuenta con seguridad social, y el monto y el origen de los ingresos percibidos de cada miembro de la familia. Además, el padre de familia o tutor debe firmar la solicitud,

certificando que la información es verdadera y correcta.
A partir del 1 de julio de 2019, en el estado de Nueva York, los niños aprobados y elegibles para recibir alimentos a precio reducido recibirán desayunos y almuerzos completos reembolsables sin costo.

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Almuerzo, desayuno y leche gratuitos						Almuerzo y desayuno a precio reducido					
Número de miembros de la familia	Anual	Mensual	Dos veces al mes	Cada dos semanas	Semanal	Número de miembros de la familia	Anual	Mensual	Dos veces al mes	Cada dos semanas	Semanal
1	\$16,237	\$1,354	\$677	\$625	\$313	1	\$23,107	\$1,926	\$963	\$889	\$445
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Food Not Bombs

Newburgh chapter relies on salvaged food

By Arvind Dilawar

Each Monday afternoon, Nydia Dominguez's two granddaughters begin pestering her about "seeing the hippies," as she describes it.

The children are too young to tell time, so Dominguez must hold them off until 6 p.m., when they make a short drive from their home in Newburgh to the sidewalk beside a vacant commercial lot on Broadway that has been transformed into urban greenspace. There, half a dozen volunteers from a year-old chapter of a group called Food Not Bombs gather weekly to distribute meals, groceries, and other donations, such as books, clothes, and sometimes — to the delight of Domin-



Volunteers from Food Not Bombs prepare meals each week in Newburgh.

guez's granddaughters — toys.

Dominguez, who comes by the Food Not Bombs tables on most weeks, says she appreciates not only the meals and groceries but the sense of community it provides. She first spotted the group while driving by.

Food Not Bombs is a network of food-distribution groups that began in Boston in 1980 and now has hundreds of chapters worldwide. The Newburgh outlet began in May 2018 at The Moon on Liberty Street but moved outdoors when that community space closed.

The name of the group comes from its founders' desire to highlight that, if the U.S. military budget were redirected to feed people, hunger could be eliminated overnight. The meals are typically vegan or vegetarian and made from surplus food that restaurants or grocers would otherwise toss.

"A few friends and I had been talking about doing a Food Not Bombs-style thing here for a while," explains a 25-year-old Newburgh resident who goes by the name Rudy Tacos and co-founded the chapter. "We knew how much good food goes to waste — we also saw our friends and neighbors making the choice between food and bills every month when their paychecks don't go as far as they need to."

Rudy and a few friends began retrieving surplus food that was safe for consumption but headed from businesses to landfills because the packaging was damaged or too much was ordered. The group was able to obtain vegetables, fruits and grains and complement the donations with purchases of other ingredients to prepare vegan versions of dishes such as chili, macaroni-and-cheese and brownies. A handful of volunteers took turns collecting food, preparing and serving meals and cleaning up.

"We do not have a food-production problem in the U.S., we have a food-distribution problem," argues Annmarie Nye, a co-owner of Binnacle Books in Beacon who volunteers with the Newburgh group. "People need to eat. There's a ton of waste. Let's share."

Rudy says that the Newburgh volunteers have various political persuasions but that most would likely describe themselves as anarchists. "What we do is anarchism in practice, coming together and meeting a need in our

community without a leadership structure — just you, your friends and neighbors."

After The Moon closed, the Newburgh volunteers relocated to the greenspace on Broadway across from the Orange County Social Services Department, using fold-out tables and reheating the meals with a propane camp stove. (The food is prepared and cooked elsewhere.) Rain and snow kept them home some weeks, but as the weather improved, so did turnout, Rudy says.

After a year of outreach, the group is able to collect so much food that most of it is



given to people to take home. The volunteers have also been scouring Craigslist for donated books, clothing, toys and other goods to redistribute.

"The momentum behind the group right now excites me," Rudy says. "As we grow, we expand how much we can give away, spread the word more, and talk to people about the issues in our city — or just how their day is going."

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Rudy Tacos with a box of donated vegetables that Food Not Bombs distributes to Newburgh residents.

Photos by Meredith Heuer

How Much is Wasted?

The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates that 30 percent of edible food produced is thrown away by businesses and throwers — some 133 billion pounds — which the agency notes has "far-reaching impacts on food security, resource conservation and climate change." Working with the Environmental Protection Agency, it has set a goal of reducing food waste by 50 percent by 2030.

A study published in 2017 in the *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics* estimated the food thrown away in the U.S. could feed 190 million adults.

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Friday, Aug. 30, 7 p.m.
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Friday, Aug. 30, 8:30 p.m.
Soul Purpose
Carla Springer

Saturday, Aug. 31, 6 p.m.
Christopher Brown - No cover

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St. Philip's *(from Page 1)*

rector in the church's 248-year history.

"I am delighted and deeply humbled to accept the call," Eiman wrote in an Aug. 21 letter to the church, which appointed its first rector in 1771 and where the most recent two rectors served for 27 and 31 years. "I am grateful that this journey of mutual discernment has led us to each other."

Eiman, who grew up in northern New Jersey, earned a biology degree from Drew University in Madison, New Jersey, before enrolling at the Virginia Theological Seminary. After graduating in 2007, she taught religion at religious schools for two years before serving as a priest at churches in

Alexandria, Virginia, and Wichita, Kansas. For the last five years she has overseen worship and fellowship at St. David's Episcopal Church in Wayne, Pennsylvania. She teaches yoga and is an equestrian, as well.

"I found an initial connection with God through biology, nature and animals," Eiman told *The Current*. "But at church, after I became more active in various ministries, another parishioner asked, 'I wonder if you want to pursue the ministry of the priesthood?' I remember saying, 'Yes,' which felt peace-filled and like the right answer for my life. And it has been! And faith and science are still a great point of connectivity and fascination."

Eiman's husband, the Rev. Chris Bishop, is rector of a church that is about a 10-minute drive from St. David's, St. Martin's Episcopal in Radnor, where the couple lives in the rectory with their 2-year-old daughter, Emma. A native of Cincinnati and former documentary filmmaker who has been rector at St. Martin's since 2011, Bishop will leave that position for the move to Philipstown. He is also the founder and chairman of Stand with Iraqi Christians.

The family plans to reside in the rectory on the campus of the Garrison church.

In a letter to the congregation, the eight-member search committee wrote that Eiman "is described as calm, organized and personable; she is a fine preacher and has a strong fondness for engaging in and leading others to participate in pastoral work."

"She is plain spoken and direct, small of

stature but powerful of intellect — 'small but mighty,' says her current rector — and has a clear but not flashy sense of humor," they wrote. "She is quietly self-confident but believes in the importance of collaboration and learning about a parish and then leading it where it feels comfortable going. She is open to the breadth of the Episcopal liturgy but firmly rooted in *The Book of Common Prayer*."

Eiman was alerted to the opening by a colleague, the committee said, and she and her husband drove to Garrison on Memorial Day on a "reconnaissance mission."

Geer and his wife, Sarah, retired last year to a home they purchased decades ago in Massachusetts. For the past year, the church has been led by an interim rector, the Rev. Stephen Holton, whose contract ends in mid-September.



St. Philip's Church

ARTS BRIEFS

Apply for Gould Grant

Arts awards named for former mayor

Applications are being accepted through Sept. 6 for grants from the Clara Lou Gould Fund for the Arts, named for the former longtime Beacon mayor.

The fund said it provides grants for projects not generally supported by other local arts organizations, including artist's projects; exhibition, performance or public art projects; arts education programs; and community projects that promote local artists and activities.

The 2018 grantees were the Howland Chamber Music Circle and artist Donna Mikkelsen. Each project received \$500. Applicants must be a nonprofit or fiscally sponsored by one. See beaconarts.org/clara-lou-gould-fund-for-the-arts or email christina@beaconarts.org.

Climate Change Art Show

Deadline for submissions is Sept. 12

As part of Climate Week activities, Create Community in Nelsonville will host a Climate Change Art Exhibit that opens Sept. 28.

Artists are invited to submit paintings, photographs and other two-dimensional art inspired by climate change and designed to overcome the human tendency to value personal experience over data and to disengage from data-based representations.

The show will be juried by Cold Spring artist Andrea Connor and climate activist Krystal Ford of Garrison. Applicants must submit a resume and up to three jpg images of their work, as well as a brief statement about the work, to andrea.connor@gmail.com with "Climate Change Art" in the subject line.

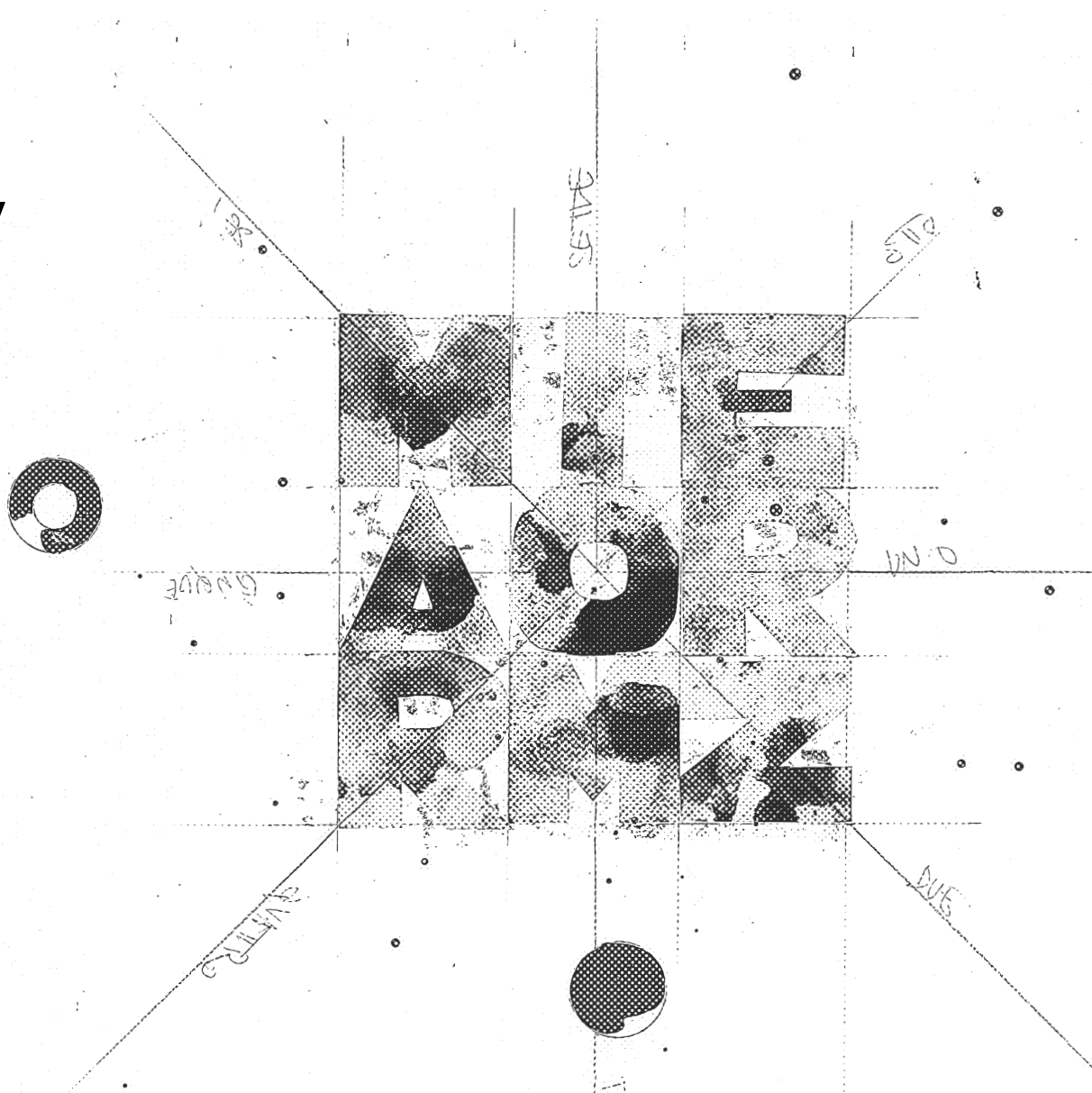
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The Calendar

Art for a Fallen Future

Turning timeless trash into practical art

By Brian PJ Cronin

Zachary Skinner's art could save your life.

Not in the metaphorical sense, although the Beacon artist's creations can provide a sense of hope and optimism even with the bleak prospects of climate change. No, Skinner's art could save your life by providing water, light, and/or food.

"This one's working right now," says Skinner as he shows off a mixed-media piece in his show, *Anthropocene Drifter*, which continues at the Garrison Art Center through Sept. 15. The piece, "Camp Solar Generator," is a rolling stand made of bamboo and other reclaimed materials propping up an array of solar panels and a 12-volt battery.

Should the art center spring a leak, "Rainwater Collector (Desert Pattern) with Rocky Stand)" will be handy. Half of the water is collected into a plastic soda bottle for drinking, and the other half is pushed via the solar-charged battery through long, slender tubes.

"I like to think of this as the umbilical cord of the exhibit," Skinner explains, as he points out that the rainwater collector and solar generator are connected to a third piece, "Wisdom Tent with 2 Anthropocene Stones and Aloe Vera," which uses the water to irrigate aloe vera plants in plastic watering cans. The battery also powers grow-lights.

Another piece, "Wind Driven Solar Cooker with Potatoes," is exactly that. It's draped in aluminum foil, which he notes is cheap and readily available and deflects more than 90 percent of solar radiation. "It has a functional aspect, but it's also this joke of a windmill that spins potatoes over

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Zac Skinner at his Garrison Art Center exhibit, *Anthropocene Drifter* Photo by Zac-Cam Studio

Permanent Agriculture

Garden design for the long term

By Alison Rooney

Permaculture may sound intimidating but, as Colin Wright explained during a workshop on Aug. 14 at Split Rock Books in Cold Spring, the word is simply a fusing of *permanent* and *agriculture* and describes a system of garden design that "recognizes the value of people and conservation."

Wright, who is a member of the Permaculture Arts Collective and also manages the Cold Spring Farmers' Market, traced the principle to the early 1950s, when it was known as "agro-forestry" and determined to green America with trees. "Two Australians took it up and made a bunch of design systems that can be scaled up and down and changed to suit wherever you are," Wright said. "Permaculture systems are modeled on natural eco-systems: What is in that energy cycle will stay in that cycle."

Wright asked the attendees to introduce themselves and explain what they hoped to take from the workshop. The participants included a digital product designer who said he understood permaculture philosophi-

cally, but needed more information on how to implement it on his property, much of which is on a slope, and a couple who bought a house in Cold Spring and were "excited to have a yard, but it's shady and wet. We don't have much experience in the natural world."

After making a few suggestions, Wright explained 12 principles of permaculture garden design:

- **Observe and interact.** Pay attention, see what's working. Where is the sun rising and setting? Is it windy? Part of the joy of being a permaculture person is being able to say, "I'm not tied to making it most efficient right away. How can I improve the land for the long term?"
- **Catch and store energy.** For example, water. What are you doing with your water? With such unpredictable weather, you should have water stored. It's easy to do with a gutter and a rain barrel.
- **Obtain a yield.** Try to skim as much as you can off nature. Mushrooms are a great example. If nature is offering freebies, take them.
- **Apply self-regulation and accept feedback.** Maybe you don't need to take everything; leave some for nature.
- **Use and value renewable resources**



Colin Wright discusses a permaculture design at the workshop. Photo by A. Rooney

and services. Use solar-power and other natural energy sources; wean yourself off fossil fuels.

■ **Produce no waste.** Everything can be used and reused.

■ **Design from patterns to detail.** An example: often a spiral is a symbol of

permaculture. Look for patterns in nature and use them as a blueprint for a way to build.

- **Integrate, rather than segregate.** It's not an and/or approach, it's both. How does an organic design system fit into a modern approach? Think, "OK, that's here — what can I do to make it better?"
- **Use small and slow solutions.** Implement them over time. It's about finding what works, small-scale and, over time, developing it.
- **Use and value diversity.** Example: it's difficult to be an organic fruit grower. Fruit trees get pulled out after five years because they're overgrown. It's resource intensive. Look at what actually grew here, traditionally. Use wild apples; don't bring in a bunch of trendy trees that are only going to work for a few years. Resiliency is an inherent component. We're in a reductionist age of gardening. It's a much more complex holographic picture, rather than a linear one.
- **Use edges and value the marginal.** Use the edges as a bio-diverse area.
- **Creatively use and respond to change.** If you notice it's windier than it used to be, consider wind power.

Taking the first steps can be daunting, so Wright suggested analyzing in terms of zones, calling it "a nice way to think about how to set up a space. What do I want close

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THE WEEK AHEAD

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

COMMUNITY

SAT 24

Book and Media Sale

GARRISON

10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403 | 845-424-3020
desmondfishlibrary.org/booksale

At this annual fundraiser organized by the Friends of the Library, browse a selection of tons of donated books, CDs and DVDs. Everything is half price on SAT 24 and fill a bag or box for \$5 from 1 to 5 p.m. on SUN 25. (Rare and signed books are excluded.)

SAT 24

Dutchess County Fair

RHINEBECK

10 a.m. – 10 p.m. Fairgrounds
6636 Route 9 | dutchessfair.com

The annual fair, hosted by the Dutchess County Agricultural Society and held nearly every year since 1842, is the second largest in the state, covering 147 acres. It features live music, carnival rides, performing pets, 12 barns of livestock, shows and activities for children, horse rings, horticulture, a museum of antiques, an arts & crafts competition, a wildlife exhibit, a marketplace and a lumberjack competition. Also SUN 25. *Cost: \$12 (\$15 gate; \$8 seniors, military; children 11 and younger free)*

SAT 24

New York International Air Show

NEW WINDSOR

9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Stewart Airport
1180 1st St. | 321-395-3110
airshowny.com

The Navy Blue Angels and Royal Air Force Red Arrows will headline the annual show that features aircraft on display as well as aerial performances. Also SUN 25. *Cost: \$18.75 to \$214*

THURS 29

Danskammer Meeting

BEACON

6 p.m. Scenic Hudson River Center
Long Dock Park | scenichudson.org

Concerned residents will discuss the proposed expansion of the Danskammer power plant on the riverfront in Newburgh and its potential impact on Beacon.

THURS 29

Plaque Dedication

BEACON

6:30 p.m. City Hall
1 Municipal Plaza | 845-838-5011
cityofbeacon.org

The Beacon Historical Society and the Tioronda Garden Club will dedicate a plaque and bench to honor former Beacon Mayor Clara Lou Gould on her 92nd birthday.

THURS 29

Go Batty!

BEAR MOUNTAIN

7:30 p.m. Trailside Zoo
3006 Seven Lakes Drive
845-786-2701 | trailsidezoo.org

Join educators from the zoo for an introduction to bats and bat detection. Meet at the picnic tables near the boat house behind the Bear Mountain Inn. Bring a flashlight. Suitable for ages 8 and older. Parking is \$10. *Free*

SAT 31

3rd New Jersey Garrison Day

FORT MONTGOMERY

10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Fort Montgomery Historic Site
690 Route 9W | 845-446-2134
nysparks.com/historic-sites

Witness a day of Revolutionary War tactical demonstrations, drills, camp life and cooking presented by re-enactors from Capt. Bloomfield's company of Jersey Greys. *Free*



3rd New Jersey Garrison Day, Aug. 31

SAT 31

Vegan Food Festival

NEWBURGH

1 – 7 p.m. People's Park
Washington and Renwick
hvveganfoodfest.com

Sample food from more than 30 Hudson Valley vegan and vegetarian restaurants at this fourth annual event. There will also be live music, yoga workshops, nutrition clinics and artisan vendors, as well as activities for children. *Cost: \$5*

TALKS & TOURS

SUN 25

The Battle of Stony Point

GARRISON

10 a.m. Boscobel | 1601 Route 9D
845-265-3638 | boscobel.org

Military reenactors will bring history to life as Gen. George Washington inspects the troops at encampments from the Revolution. *Cost: \$22 (\$18 seniors, \$13 children, free for 5 and under, discounts for members)*

SUN 25

White Glove History Tour

BEACON

1 – 3 p.m. Mount Gulian | 145 Sterling St.
845-831-8172 | mountgulian.org

See rare items from the collection using archival gloves to examine artifacts. *Cost: \$12 (\$10 seniors; \$5 children; free for children under 6, members)*

SUN 25

Story Slam Open Mic

BEACON

6 p.m. Oak Vino | 389 Main St.

Share a 5-minute true, personal story or just listen. *Free*

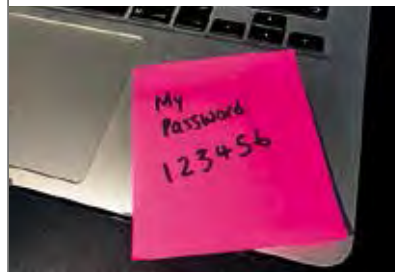
TUES 27

Managing Your Digital Passwords

GARRISON

6 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
472 Route 403 | 845-424-3020
desmondfishlibrary.org

Ryan Biracree, the library's digital services coordinator, will explain methods to keep your online information safe. *Free*



WED 28

Guided Garden Walk

PHILIPSTOWN

5:30 p.m. Stonecrop
81 Stonecrop Lane | 845-265-2000
stonecrop.org

A staff horticulturist will lead this tour of the systematic order beds with an emphasis on plant evolution and how to identify plant families. *Cost: \$10 (members free)*

KIDS & FAMILY

SAT 24

Back-to-School Block Party

BEACON

Noon – 2 p.m. South Avenue Park

Learn about the many organizations that help students in and out the classroom. The first 150 participants will receive a starter school supply kit. Sponsored by I Am Beacon and Key Food.

MUSIC

SAT 24

Tiny Concert: Liz Kelly

BEACON

1:25 p.m. Veterans' Place Bus Shelter
This 20-minute acoustic set is sponsored by BeaconArts.

SAT 24

New World Jazz Orchestra

COLD SPRING

7:30 p.m. Chapel Restoration
45 Market St. | 845-265-5537
chapelrestoration.org

This ensemble of Hudson Valley musicians will present a fresh take on standards and contemporary jazz. *Cost: \$20*

SAT 24

Luiz Simas and Wesley Amorim

BEACON

8 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
477 Main St. | 845-831-4988
imasamorim.bpt.me

The duo will perform original Brazilian music on piano and guitar as well as standards by composers such as Jobim and Caetano Veloso. *Cost: \$20 (\$25 door)*

SUN 25

MusicThon: Salon Celebration

BEACON

3 p.m. Towne Crier | 379 Main St.
845-855-1300 | townecrier.com

Since its move to Beacon in 2013, the weekly Salon Series has showcased Hudson Valley talent ranging from singer-songwriters to folk to rockabilly. The Costellos, Boom Kat, Patrick Stanfield Jones, Russell St. George, Jerry Lee



Dutchess County Fair, Aug. 24-25



Anthony Geraci, Aug. 31



Doansburg Chamber Orchestra, Aug. 31



The Ancient Law, Aug. 24

(Kitzrow), Tony DePaolo, Judith Tulloch, Open Book, Vickie Raabin, Carla Springer, Abigail Lilly, Lydia Adams Davis, Van Robison, Chihoe Hahn, Pat McGinn, Rob Daniels, Caswin Moon, Len Xiang, Adam Falcon, and Robert & Paulina Hill are scheduled to perform. *Free*

SUN 25
The Costellos

COLD SPRING
5 – 7 p.m. Waterfront
The “maverick pop” band will close the summer music series sponsored by the Cold Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. *Free*

SAT 31
Doansburg Chamber Orchestra

COLD SPRING
7 p.m. St. Mary’s Episcopal Church
1 Chestnut St. | 845-228-4167
doansburg.org
The ensemble and flutist Christine Smith will perform *Symphony in C Major Z21* by Pichl, Arriaga’s *Symphony in D Major*, Mozart’s *Flute Concerto*

No. 2 in D Major, and *Symphony 74 in E flat Major* by Haydn. *Cost: \$10 (\$9 seniors and students)*

SAT 31
Anthony Geraci and the Boston Blues All-Stars

BEACON
8:30 p.m. Towne Crier | 379 Main St.
845-855-1300 | townecrier.com
The pianist, organist and composer topped the blues and roots music charts with his latest recording, *Why Did You Have To Go*. *Cost: \$20*

SUN 1
Concert Band, Benny Havens Band, The Hellcats

WEST POINT
7:30 p.m. Trophy Point
westpointband.com
For the finale of its summer concert series, the military academy’s bands will perform pop hits and favorites and conclude with Tchaikovsky’s *1812 Overture* and cannon fire. The rain date is MON 2. *Free*

STAGE & SCREEN

SAT 24
Footloose

BEACON
7:30 p.m. Beacon High School
101 Matteawan Ave. | 845-350-2722
beaconperformingartscenter.com
In this show by members of the Beacon Performing Arts Center, a high school boy from the city comes up against a ban on dancing in a conservative small town. *Cost: \$10 (\$5 ages 18 and under)*

SAT 24
Field of Dreams

COLD SPRING
7:30 p.m. Dockside Park
coldspringfilm.org
In this screening by the Cold Spring Film Society of the classic 1989 film, Kevin Costner stars as an Iowa farmer who feels compelled to build a baseball field in his cornfield and discovers it’s a place for second chances. Bring blankets and insect repellent. *Free*

SAT 24
The Ancient Law

PUTNAM VALLEY
7:30 p.m. Tompkins Corner Cultural Center
729 Peekskill Hollow Road
845-528-7280 | tompkinscorners.org
This screening of Ewald André Dupont’s 1923 silent film, *Das alte*

Gesetz, which was digitally restored in 2017, will be accompanied with music composed and performed by klezmer violinist Alicia Svigals and pianist Donald Sosin. *Cost: \$20 (\$15 seniors, students)*

VISUAL ART

WED 28
Photograph Your Art

GARRISON
10 a.m. Garrison Art Center
23 Garrison’s Landing | 845-424-3960
garrisonartcenter.org
In this three-hour workshop, Rick Holbrook will explain how to light and stage your work, provide tips for using a camera or phone, and offer instruction on editing images. *Cost: \$50*

SAT 31
The Farm Show

GARRISON
2 – 6 p.m. Saunders Farm
853 Old Albany Post Road
845-528-1797
collaborativeconcepts.org
For its 14th annual show, artists such as Max Yawney, Hildreth Potts, Cristina Biaggi, Jill Enfield and James Cannell have created works on one of two themes: abstract and nature, or women and migration. Watch your step: the sculptures are displayed in a field shared with the

farm’s cows and horses. The Bert Rechtschaffer Trio, Chris Knoeppel, Al Hemberger and the Acoustic Vagabond will perform. The rain date is SUN 1. Continues daily from 10 a.m. to dusk through Oct. 28. *Free*

CIVIC

MON 26
Capital Project Presentation

GARRISON
9 a.m. Garrison School | 1100 Route 9D
845-424-3689 | gufs.org

MON 26
City Council

BEACON
7 p.m. City Hall | 1 Municipal Plaza
845-838-5011 | cityofbeacon.org

MON 26
School Board

BEACON
7 p.m. Beacon High School
101 Matteawan Road | 845-838-6900
beaconk12.org

TUES 27
Board of Trustees

COLD SPRING
7:30 p.m. Village Hall
85 Main St. | 845-265-3611
coldspringny.gov



The Farm Show, Aug. 31



Field of Dreams, Aug. 24

Zac Skinner *(from Page 11)*

a solar cooker,” says Skinner. “One part joke, one part functional.”

For years, Skinner has been creating what he describes as “art activism” pieces but says his work is shifting to confront climate change. He was inspired a few years ago at a conference at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology that included a discussion of geo-engineering, or the idea that to save the planet we need large-scale projects such as flooding the atmosphere with aerosols to reduce the effect of greenhouse gasses or altering the salinity of the ocean to slow glacier melting.

Many of the scientists at the conference urged caution when discussing such massive global hacking projects, arguing that we don’t know if they’ll work, and if they don’t, we can’t hit the “undo” button. But support for the idea came from a surprising source: His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, who was in attendance.

“He spoke to our history of inaction, and said there’s no time,” recalls Skinner. “While it’s admirable that man sees nature as a pristine entity and wants to protect it, the sad truth is that we’ve already ruined the world. So why not fix it?”

Skinner says he isn’t sold on large-scale geo-engineering, but the Dalai Lama’s comments led him to think about smaller scale projects and to question how pristine the Hudson Valley is, despite its romantic landscapes.



Paintings by Zac Skinner from the show

“We’re in awe of the sunsets and the cascading mountainscapes, but I remember cleaning up the riverbanks and picking up trash and impacted behind it was more trash,” he says. “We’re walking on garbage but what we see is only beauty.”

Much of Skinner’s work is made of materials he’s collected from the river and its banks. He would like humanity to stop making plastic, but since there’s so much of it, and it’s not going anywhere soon, we might as well figure out what to do with it. The rain collector, for example, sits on a platform made of

a huge hunk of plastic foam salvaged from the Hudson, and the spout is made of plastic Starbucks cups cut in half.

It’s as a backyard tinkerer that Skinner says he feels empowered to create pieces that address climate change in practical ways. He says that much of his work is also inspired by camping, the last activity left where we temporarily declare ourselves stewards of a piece of land, take only what we need, and leave nothing behind.

But the humor in Skinner’s work is also important. “Sometimes we create a wall if we

get caught up in the heaviness of these problems,” he explains. “Humor is a great tool to chip away at that wall, and make these issues a little bit more accessible. If we’re going to survive some of these serious problems, we need to lead with our creativity, optimism. It’s time to self-empower. Pick up that piece of garbage and make it into a solution.”

The Garrison Art Center, at 23 Garrison’s Landing, is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily except Monday. Call 845-424-3960 or visit garrisonartcenter.org.



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Permaculture *(from Page 11)*

to me? What won’t I visit very often?

“Break your property into zones, for example: Living (Zone 1) — the place where you spend part of each day; vegetable garden (Zone 2) — a place you go to frequently, but not every single day; Zone 3 could be berries. Zone 4: compost. Zone 1 should be close to your house, while Zone 5 could be a not-nearby orchard. All paths count as Zone 1.”

Wright then described a number of permaculture techniques. Among them are spirals which can contain a lot of micro-climates, swales, raised beds, trenches and terraces, including those in a “keyline design,” which is a method of building terraces that channel water along the length of the property.

Wright advocated planting in “guilds,” or communities of plants that have similar needs. “Guilds are like plant companions,” he said. Wright also encouraged shifting away from annual crops to perennials.

The session ended with a design exercise,



Spirals, terraces, raised beds and offshoot trails are all potential applications of permaculture design.

Photo by A. Rooney

in which participants used graph paper and colorful pens to draw their properties and structures, then brainstormed on permaculture features. Wright examined each map, offering suggestions.

Wright said he plans to present additional workshops at Split Rock as well as a workshop and foraging hike at Boscobel in Garrison in October.

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Child Care Firms Change Hands

New owners for facilities in Beacon, Philipstown

By Alison Rooney

Two longtime child care centers, one in Beacon and the other in Philipstown, have new owners.

In Beacon, the Tioronda Learning Center, a nursery school, will open on Sept. 9 under Meredith Hairston, who took ownership after Dina Wood retired. In Philipstown, Denise Giannasca is planning a grand opening for Stepping Stones Childcare and Development, a day care center, on Sept. 3.

Tioronda, located on the lower level of Christ Church, United Methodist on Union Street, began as a co-op for the families employed at Texaco in Glenham, Hairston said. "It was a collective handed from one parent to another."

Hairston, after moving to the area from Manhattan, where she had worked as a teacher, heard from a friend that the director of "a wonderful little preschool" her daughter was attending planned to retire.

"I'm essentially starting from scratch, but I'm so excited to be able to take over this fab school," Hairston said. Tioronda offers a morning program with up to 15 children per session, ages 3 to 5.

Hairston said in the past few months she has reorganized the classroom, changed the aesthetics and completed a lot of paperwork.

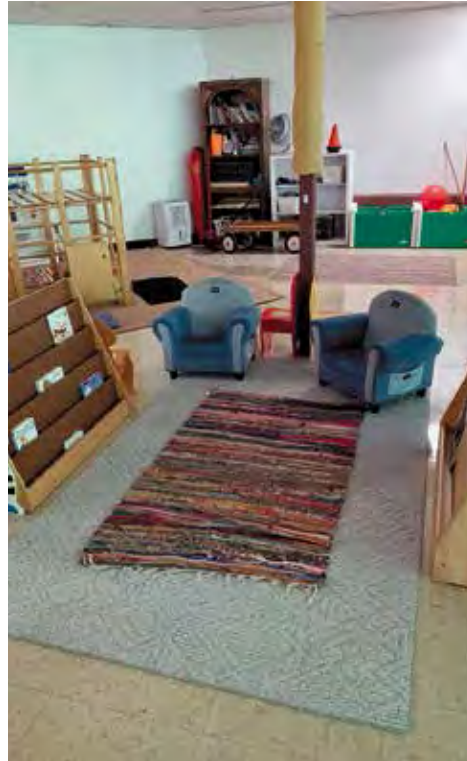
"I have a holistic view of child development," she said. "I believe it's about stories children tell us, about listening, meeting children where they are, going from there. I also feel strongly about having embedded structures, safety rules, and an emphasis on taking care of others."

"I want to create a platform for children to explore and learn at their own pace, with their own cultural differences," she said. Outdoor fun is also important. "The facility is set in this little nook off Union Street, and there's a wooded haven beyond it."

There'll be music and movement twice a week and food and nutrition. "The Methodist church has a food pantry," she noted. "I hope to build on that and connections with Fishkill Farms, the Beacon Farmers' Market and other food advocacy platforms, to do more than only focus on it at holiday time."

In Philipstown, on Lady Blue Devils Lane off Route 9, the former Serendipity Child Care is now Stepping Stones, with space for up to 42 children.

Giannasca said she had been wanting to open her own day care after working for 10 years for a firm in Wappingers Falls. She



The look is changing at Tioronda Learning Center. Photo provided

was scouting locations when a friend told her that Serendipity was for sale. She said she saw enormous potential.

She and her partners purchased the building last fall and gutted it. "We put new flooring down, put up crown molding, added new bathrooms," she said. "We have new furniture, toys and fixtures." They also replaced the front doors, upgraded security and added new swings and patio furniture.

The director is Michelle O'Meara, who has a degree in early childhood education and 15 years' experience as a teacher.

The center, which is open from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., accepts children from 6 weeks to 5 years old, Giannasca said. There are weekly yoga and visits from Tumblebus, which is a gym inside a bus, "for kids to jump around in. It's particularly needed in winter!" Snacks are provided, but children bring their own lunches. Stepping Stones also runs summer camps.

Tioronda Learning Center is located at 60 Union St. in Beacon. Call 845-831-9121 or email hairstonmeredith@gmail.com. Stepping Stones is located at 25 Lady Blue Devils Lane in Philipstown. Call 845-809-5007 or email director@childcare-steppingstone.com.

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Small, Good Things

The Time is Right

By Joe Dizney

Every once in a while you run across a recipe that makes a lot of sense, and if it doesn't require too much time in the kitchen — particularly in August — is worth a shot.



Such was the pasta-with-sweet-corn recipe presented by food writer Albert Stumm (with an assist from recipe developer Courtney Hill) last year in *Milk Street Magazine* loosely based on a 40-year-old favorite from an Italian restaurant in Providence, Rhode Island, called Al Forno.

Al Forno's chef, Johanne Killeen, quickly blanches the corn, scrapes the kernels from the cob, and tosses them with just-cooked pappardelle and tomatoes, adding habanero pepper (!?!), cilantro (!?!), and a generous splash of olive oil.

Milk Street's version ostensibly "improves" on that in a couple of ways.

First, the raw corn is grated from the cobs, creating a raw polenta-like mash, which is sauteed with a bit of minced shallot and a spare amount of habanero, which does add a surprising fruitiness and pleasant but not overwhelming heat.

The resulting hot corn "sauce" is married to the warm-cooked pasta — in this case a frilly trumpet shape called campanelle ("bellflowers" or "little bells"), which are ideally suited to carrying the corn cream — over low heat with a splash of the pasta cooking water and a knob of butter. It's then tossed with lightly-salted cherry tomatoes and chopped basil off heat.

This is a bit more complicated than corn on the cob and sliced tomatoes, but the alchemical results are a textbook example of the whole being greater than the sum of its parts. Basically dairy-free (with the

exception of some butter, for which you could substitute olive oil), the dish doesn't even ask for cheese, the starchy corn sauce as rich as any ragu.

After making the dish more than a few times — pretty much to universal surprise and satisfaction — I began to contemplate my own improvements. The major quarrel I had was with technique: grating the corn was too messy and took too much energy. Borrowing from a Melissa Clark recipe for creamed corn, I upped the number of ears, cut the kernels from the cob and pulsed them in a food processor until nearly pureed, which drastically cut the prep time and mess. To really speed things up, add the peeled and roughly chopped shallots and the seeded, deveined habanero to the food processor bowl and chop before adding the corn.

About that habanero: don't be afraid of the reputed heat. Seeding and deveining small peppers adds just a little heat, but the flavor is worth it. (Be careful seeding and chopping; wear prep gloves if necessary and do not go near your face or any other sensitive body area before thoroughly washing up.) You can substitute a comparatively milder jalapeno to diminished effect.

For the pasta, the Barilla brand campanelle is widely available, or the Sfoglioni brand "trumpets" from Cocksackie (sfoglioni.com) can be found at the Cold Spring General Store and occasionally at Fishkill Farms. You may, again to diminished effect, substitute short pastas such as penne rigate, fusilli, farfalle or Al Forno's pappardelle.

As a firm believer in the dictum, "It's never done 'til it's overdone!" allow me to suggest a couple of other nonessential adaptations:

1. Three tablespoons of sweet white miso incorporated with the butter in the final toss adds a subtle touch of umami, or
2. As a pure indulgence, 2 cups of chopped, cooked lobster meat, again added in the final stage to just heat through, creates a luxe version to seal your perfect Northeastern summer.

Joe Dizney is a designer, art director and unrepentant sensualist. When the Cold Spring resident is not thinking about food, he is foraging for, cooking or eating it. Email him at jdizney@highlandscurrent.org.



Pasta with Sweet Corn, Tomatoes and Basil

— Serves 6 —

- 1½ pint ripe cherry tomatoes, halved
- 6 ears fresh sweet corn, shucked and cleaned of silk, kernels removed
- 6 tablespoons butter, split
- 2 medium shallots, minced
- 1 medium habanero chili, stemmed, seeded and minced
- 16 ounces campanelle pasta (see left for sourcing and substitutes)
- 1 cup fresh basil, cut in fine chiffonade and lightly chopped
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper

1. In a small bowl, stir together tomatoes and ½ teaspoon salt; set aside. In a large pasta pot, heat and salt about 4 quarts water for pasta. In a food processor, pulse corn kernels until nearly smooth (nearly pureed but not quite).
2. Melt 3 tablespoons butter in a 12-inch nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add shallots and habanero; cook, stirring, until just softened. Add corn and cook about 5 minutes longer. Stir in 1 cup hot water from the pasta pot and cook over medium-low, uncovered, stirring occasionally, until slightly thickened, or 10 to 15 minutes. While corn cooks, bring pasta water to a boil. Add pasta and cook, stirring occasionally, until al dente as per package directions. Reserve 1 cup of the pasta cooking water and drain pasta.
3. Return pasta and remaining 3 tablespoons butter to pasta pot over medium-low heat. Add the corn sauce to the pasta and cook, stirring constantly, until pasta is coated, about 1 minute. If needed, add reserved cooking water 2 tablespoons at a time to achieve desired consistency. Off heat, toss pasta with tomatoes, their accumulated juices and basil. Taste, correct seasoning and serve hot.

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Painting the Town

Wee Play hires muralist to brighten park

By Alison Rooney

Muralist Joe Pimentel, when contemplating his assignment to cover a restroom building near the entrance to Memorial Park in Beacon with a mural, went with an animal theme — specifically, Hudson Valley wildlife, with a red-tailed hawk, coyote, owl, peregrine falcon, deer, rabbit, fox and black snake.

“I did the owl first, so when you’re driving down the hill, it’s looking right at you,” the artist said.

The commission came from the Wee Play Community Project, a nonprofit that provides advocacy and fundraises for Beacon’s parks and playgrounds. It asked Pimentel to design the mural, but it wanted the painting to be a community event. So, over two weeks that ended today (Aug. 23), a steady stream of children, teenagers and adults came to the park to paint.

“When people get involved, they get invested,” said Margaux Lange, an artist who serves on the Wee Play board and managed the project with Pimentel. “Not only do they get to learn about public art, but murals in public spaces have been shown to discourage graffiti and reduce vandalism. Plus, we’re supporting a teaching artist and Joe is teaching technique.”

Wee Play funded the project with proceeds from its annual spring tag sale,

and Brett’s Hardware in Beacon donated most of the paint and supplies. Wee Play created 400 sign-up slots of 30 minutes each for groups of four to eight painters, which filled quickly.

During the school year, Pimentel teaches in the Hudson Valley and Connecticut, collaborating with schools to create murals of 30 to 100 feet, typically for a week at a time. (He’s fully booked for 2019-20.) As at Memorial Park, Pimentel creates

the outlines and handles the retouching, but the painting is done by students.

His first mural was created in 2012 with Rick Price at the Tito Santana restaurant in Beacon. “Rick broke me into working on a large scale,” Pimentel recalls. “Once I got over that fear, I can’t picture anything smaller.” A school in Poughquag contacted him, then one in Titusville. By 2015 he was a full-time muralist.

Pimentel said the Memorial Park project was “a battle with

the weather: shade, sun rain. But I enjoyed all of it, especially hearing the playground noises each day. The mural is an abstract version of nature, which echoes the transformation of Beacon itself. It’s in motion, but also the natural elements are still here.”

Wee Play will dedicate the mural and a playground donor sign at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8. Next on the group’s wish list, Lange said, are additions to the playground such as rope bridges and climbing boulders.

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Pimentel applies some retouching.



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Looking Back in Philipstown

By Chip Rowe

150 Years Ago (August 1869)

A hogshhead of molasses owned by T.B. Truesdell exploded in the summer heat and its contents covered the alley leading to his grocery on West Street.

Many young ladies at Garrison's complained they did not feel safe walking the promenades in the evenings because of rowdy Cold Spring boys.



The Alleghanians, a group of vocalists and Swiss bell ringers, performed on a Saturday night at Town Hall, although some audience members grumbled that the group lacked a first-class soprano.

The wife of Harry McKeel was thrown from a wagon near Indian Brook and mortally injured when a braking strap broke.

Andrew Spaulding returned unexpectedly from Cuba, where he had been working on the cane crop, when his extra clothing, watch and horse were confiscated. Soon after, Hamilton Jaycox returned, as well, saying it had become too expensive to conduct business there because of unrest.

Poundmaster Leonard Schegel seized a flock of geese wandering on Garden Street, but released them when the owner complained.

Billings Spellman, the night watchman at the bridge near Fort Montgomery, was taking a train to his post when it failed to brake at his stop, so he walked to the rear car and jumped off. He was injured badly enough to miss a week of work.

The European Circus, complete with camels, passed through the village.

John Patterson traveled to California; it took 24 days by regular train but only seven to return aboard the Union Pacific, whose lines had been joined in May in Utah to

create the first transcontinental route.

Hamilton Fish, a Garrison resident and the newly appointed secretary of State under President Ulysses Grant, visited Philipstown and Newburgh.

The Recorder noted three local men who had been injured, including one whose hands had been crushed by an iron plate at the West Point Foundry, would have no paychecks until they recovered.

Although storeowner R.E. Dalzell suspected his silver pocket watch had been lifted by a customer when he was making change, it was found the next day where he had dropped it in the cellar while getting butter from a firkin.

When the Misses Haldane rode to the post office on a pony to fetch the mail, the postmaster was overheard saying he would rather wait on a pony than some of the "saucy children" who accompanied their parents and, when told there was no mail for the family, demanded: "Why don't you look?"

"Two picnics landed at Garrison's and the persons comprising them were of the same stamp as the Staten Islanders who came here a while ago," reported the *Recorder*. "They swarmed over Washburn & LeRoy's Hotel, stole the landlord's hat, cleaned the bar of cigars, for which they forgot to pay, and carried off the pickles from the dinner table. The only protection which a country place has against such a lawless horde is to forbid the steamboats to land."

William Lawson scattered a group of boys who were taunting and stoning Joshua Hulse "in order to make him still more crazy and to hear the foul words to which his rage would give utterance," the paper reported.

The home of Samuel Barrows on Main and Academy streets was burglarized overnight as the family slept; the thieves took a gold watch and chain as well as a leg of lamb being prepared for Sunday dinner.

A group of 40 Cold Spring families were angered by a paid "fishing excursion" that went awry. When the boat arrived, there were only 15 rooms and the passengers included a herd of bleating calves.

Three businesses on Main Street west of the tracks added street lamps.

A Spanish military boat visited the Foundry wharf to test its fitness for a 100-pound Parrott gun.

After a 5-year-old boy, sitting on the edge of the gutter, was warned to move as the Foster boys backed up a load of furniture to the post office, he walked into the street and was struck by a horse but not seriously injured.

The old Presbyterian Church on Market Street hosted an exhibit of stereoscopic pictures enlarged and illuminated by a projector, although the paying audience was distracted by boys who peered in the windows.

125 Years Ago (August 1894)

A gang of tramps attempted to break into a car on a freight engine taking a water break at Breakneck, and the crew had to fire shots to drive them off.

About 50 of the 273 voters in the annual

election of the Haldane school district were women. [Women would not be able to vote in federal elections until 1920.]

West Point announced a new battle monument would bear bronze plates with the names of 2,000 privates and 5,000 officers killed during the War of the Rebellion.



The Civil War monument at West Point

A performing bear drew a crowd on Main Street on a Friday afternoon.

The Howard Stock Co. opened its fourth, weeklong annual visit to Town Hall with a band and orchestra, plays and a child actor and singer, Le Petit Shirley.

The state passed a law making school compulsory for children ages 8 to 14. Another new law required all laborers on public works to be U.S. citizens.

John O'Connell, as he was being arrested for disturbing the peace, threw a soda-water bottle at Officer McCaffrey, striking him in the knee.

George Brown, a resident of Cold Spring, was severely burned in the explosion of a gas tank in Watertown, Massachusetts.

Although poor weather prevented an inspection of Constitution Island, members of a state commission visited other possible sites in Cold Spring for a 100-acre villa that would provide homes for 250 to 300 families of veterans. Many soldiers' homes did not admit women, and so married veterans would refuse to move in.

Mrs. W.C. Osborn hired a professional cook to offer weekly lessons for young women at the Garrison Free Reading Room.

100 Years Ago (August 1919)

Lt. William Cooley, returning from the war in France, met his infant daughter for the first time at Twin Lakes and then traveled to Cold Spring to see his mother on High Street. He brought with him 25,000 copies of *Cootie*, the regimental paper of which he was editor. His next assignment was on the Mexican border.

Capt. Dale's barns south of the village burned down when the fire equipment, hauled to the site by automobile, could not reach the

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Rose Story of Beacon allowed *The Current* to scan her copy of a phone book from 1945-46, *The Dodge Directory*, which includes listings for Cold Spring, Garrison, Putnam Valley, North Highlands, Manitou, Nelsonville and other communities. It can be viewed or downloaded at archive.org/details/coldspringnyphonebook1945.

Looking Back (from Page 19)

village water supply. The superintendent's home was also destroyed, but a hose connected to Dale's Lake protected the chicken houses.

Mrs. Thomas Groves and her brother, John Delaney, donated to the Putnam County Historical Society a Civil War muster roll for Company E., 18th Infantry (Kemble's Guards) of the New York National Guard, commanded by Lt. James Delaney. The company, which included eight officers, a 17-year-old drummer, and 26 privates ages 18 to 45, spent six weeks defending Baltimore.

J. Bennet Southard, the Republican candidate for county judge and surrogate, and the incumbent, gathered enough signatures in the eastern part of the county to get his name on the Democratic primary ballot. [Southard, a Cold Spring native, had been elected judge in 1901 and would hold the position until his death in 1928.]

Gov. Al Smith commuted the sentence of S.A. Philadelphia, who had been convicted of manslaughter in 1912 and sent to Sing Sing for killing a man in Cold Spring.

After seeing a horse abused, the rector of St. Mary's Church applied for and was named an agent for the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

A group of veterans received a charter for a local post of the American Legion, which was named for the late Sgt. George Casey.

M.F. Smith noted that because his own ice had run out, he would need to get his

supply from out of town, and so was adding 1 cent per pound to his prices.

The Town of Philipstown created two committees: one to present medals to soldiers returning from Europe, and the other to plan a memorial.

75 Years Ago (August 1944)

The chairman of the Putnam County War Price and Rationing Board said it asked the state for 60 automobile tires but was given 20.

Sgt. Hampton Scofield, a paratrooper who survived D-Day but was shot in both knees a week later by a sniper, was undergoing treatment on Staten Island. The parents of the 1937 Haldane grad lived in the North Highlands.

The Haldane school district reminded parents that, under a new regulation, they needed to present a birth certificate to register kindergarteners.

William LaDue, a lifelong Cold Spring resident, died at 70. Known as a bicycle competitor in his youth who competed at old Madison Square Garden, he operated the W.H. LaDue Sons lumberyard at the foot of Main Street.

The daughter of a Cold Spring couple was transferred from Butterfield Hospital to Reconstruction Hospital in Haverstraw with a slight case of polio. [The first vaccine was not available until 1955.]

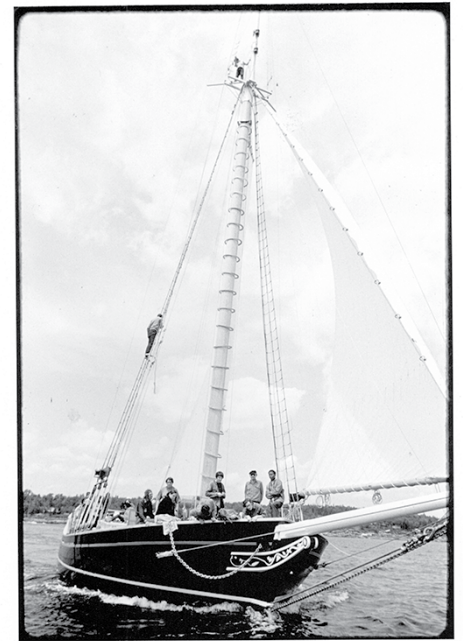
50 Years Ago (August 1969)

On Aug. 26, the sloop *Clearwater* made its first appearance in Cold Spring. A folk concert that evening drew 2,000 spectators.

A former Garrison resident, Taylor Garrison Belcher, was confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the ambassador to Peru. He had been the ambassador to Cyprus.

As a fundraiser, the Philipstown Area Jaycees and the Cold Spring Lions Club played a game of softball while riding donkeys.

Two men from the Bronx drowned while attempting to swim to Bannerman's Island,



The *Clearwater* on a test run in 1969

Photo courtesy A. Wallace Collection

a distance of about 300 feet. A third man survived and drove the 3 miles to Cold Spring to alert the police.

25 Years Ago (August 1994)

About 1,000 homes and businesses lost power between Dutchess Junction and Westchester County after a tree fell on a power line in Beacon.

William Stafford, 5, of Garrison, won the \$1,000 raffle prize at the 17th annual Butterfield Fair.

Cold Spring increased the two-hour parking limit on Main Street to four hours.

On the second day of the Garrison Art Fair, a willow tree branch fell on the display booths of potter Marilyn Price and stone etcher Daniel Brinkerhoff. There were no injuries. Price was able to push her customers outside when she heard the branch crack.

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Haldane senior captain Luke Hammond



Haldane senior Elias Henderson

Haldane *(from Page 24)*

organization to our defense," the coach said of the group. "Hopefully they'll give us the experience to be able to compete against bigger schools."

Canavan said he hopes the team's strength will be its defense. "We're looking to reduce goals scored against, and offensively we have five or six guys who can score. Everyone will have to chip in."

Canavan mentioned a handful of new players who could add a spark to the

team, including junior Andrew Silhavy, senior Fred Osborne and freshmen Will Sniffen, Ryan Eng-Wong and Aidan Hoch-Sullivan. "We're excited about what those guys can bring," Canavan said.

"We absolutely believe we can improve" on last year's record, he said. "The goal is to take a step forward."

The Blue Devils open their season at home on Sept. 9 against Poughkeepsie. Their league rivals are North Salem, Pawling and Putnam Valley.

Beacon junior
All-League forward
Warren Banks**Beacon** *(from Page 24)*

Sophomore midfielder Alex Wyant and senior center-back Shane Green also return from last season's starting lineup.

"They're right down the middle, the spine of the team," Seaman said of his veterans. "We went to the sectional semifinal the last few years, and won the league the last three. They'll help set the tone."

Seaman is also hoping for a spark from freshmen Miguel Ruiz and Derek Bileyu. "They've been impressive," he said. "Both have good strength and pace for their age, and they have experience playing on good teams. They'll be in the rotation."

The Bulldogs are hoping to continue the success of recent seasons, but Seaman knows nothing is guaranteed.

"Our non-league schedule is super challenging," he said. "We're hoping to contend for a fourth straight league title, and we're cautiously optimistic. In the back of our minds, I'm sure there is a piece that wants to get back to the semifinals, But Class A soccer is good, and the playoffs are a long way off."

The Bulldogs play in a league that includes Hendrick Hudson, Lourdes, Peekskill and Poughkeepsie. They open the season on Friday, Aug. 30, traveling to Brewster, and the first home game is scheduled for Sept. 11 against Tappan Zee.



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SPORTS



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7-Day Forecast for the Highlands

Saturday

78/58

Mostly sunny and pleasant

POP: 5%

N 6-12 mph

RealFeel 82/58

Sunday

76/54

Clouds and sun with a shower around from midday on

POP: 40%

ENE 6-12 mph

RealFeel 80/52

Monday

74/58

Times of clouds and sun

POP: 10%

E 4-8 mph

RealFeel 77/57

Tuesday

76/66

Sun and areas of low clouds

POP: 25%

E 4-8 mph

RealFeel 80/66

Wednesday

80/62

Variably cloudy and humid; a p.m. t-storm possible

POP: 30%

SE 4-8 mph

RealFeel 83/64

Thursday

84/68

Humid with intervals of clouds and sunshine

POP: 25%

NNW 3-6 mph

RealFeel 93/67

Friday

84/64

A blend of sunshine and clouds

POP: 25%

SSW 3-6 mph

RealFeel 88/68

Pollen

High

Moderate

Low

Absent

Absent

Absent

Absent

Grass

Weeds

Trees

Molds

Source: National Allergy Bureau

SUN & MOON

Sunrise Sat., 8/24

6:14 AM

Sunset Sat. night, 8/24

7:42 PM

Moonrise Sat., 8/24

12:03 AM

Moonset Sat., 8/24

2:55 PM

Last

New

First

Full

Aug 23

Aug 30

Sep 5

Sep 14

POP: Probability of Precipitation; The patented **AccuWeather.com RealFeel Temperature®** is an exclusive index of the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine intensity, cloudiness, precipitation, pressure and elevation on the human body. Shown are the highest and lowest values for each day.

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- Bygone Peruvian
- Decibel increaser, for short
- Jewels
- Greenhouse structures
- On
- Caviar provider
- Volcanic outflow
- "Eureka!"
- Not as short
- Dishes
- Ratio phrase
- Little one in the litter
- Tough puzzle
- Affirmative
- Diarist Nin
- Beta Kappa
- Learner
- Adolescent
- Prod
- Cause, as havoc
- Expose, in a way
- Hawaiian garland
- Any minute now
- Obdurate
- "Zounds!"
- Cook on a grill
- Novelist Jaffe
- "This tastes awful!"
- Leftovers recipe

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- French vineyard
- Immoderate
- Neighborhood
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- Woman's two-piece?
- Fast gait
- And others (Abbr.)
- Relocate
- Practice boxing
- Turkish title
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- Weep
- Colors
- "Meet Me — Louis"
- "Try — see"
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- Duel tool
- Actress Perlman
- Commotions
- Pen filler
- Kampala's country
- Survivor squads
- "MacArthur Park" composer Jimmy
- Addict
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- Complain
- Hide in the bushes
- Greek cross
- Autumn mo.
- Regret
- Fresh

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Answers for Aug. 16 Puzzles

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Answers will be published next week.
See highlandscurrent.org/puzzle for interactive versions.



SPORTS PREVIEW



Haldane senior center-back Jesse Sherman



Beacon sophomore All-League keeper AJ Lucas

Boys' Soccer

Haldane Keeps It Simple

By Skip Pearlman

With only two wins last season, the Haldane High School boys' soccer team is keeping things simple this fall, working to improve its game on both ends of the field.

Haldane returns seven starters from last year's 2-14 squad that went to the Class D semifinals before its season ended with a loss to Harrison.

"We have a good part of the team back, and I'm excited about the group we have," said Coach Craig Canavan. "They're enthusiastic about soccer and about learning. They have a little better foundation than last year."

Returning from last year's starting lineup are senior captain Luke Hammond, senior mid/attacker Elias Henderson, senior center-back Jesse Sherman, sophomore defender Stephen Robinson, junior defender Ben Stroll, junior midfielder John Dwyer, senior goalie Ben McPherson, and senior midfielder Collin Eng-Wong, who is injured but hopes to return in September.

"I'm hoping they bring discipline and

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Haldane junior center-mid Andrew Silhavy

Beacon Returns Core of Four

By Skip Pearlman

Last year's Beacon High School boys' soccer team had a strong season, winning its third consecutive league title and advancing in the playoffs to the Class A semifinals, where the Bulldogs lost to Somers.

This year's team may be down a few pieces, but Coach Craig Seaman believes it's ready for another strong fall.

The Bulldogs will especially miss All-State forward and league MVP Devon Lambe, the program's all-time leading scorer. All-Section center-back John Mesnick also graduated.

"We'll be a lot younger," Seaman said. "We have some freshmen, some sophomores. We have a lot of technical players with skills and versatility. We may be deeper than we have been in the past, but we are without the star."

The Bulldogs will rely on a core of four returning All-League players: sophomore goalie AJ Lucas, senior center-back Carter Pedersen, sophomore center-mid Dillan Kelly and junior center-forward Warren Banks.

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Beacon sophomore All-League center-mid Dillon Kelly

Photos by S. Pearlman