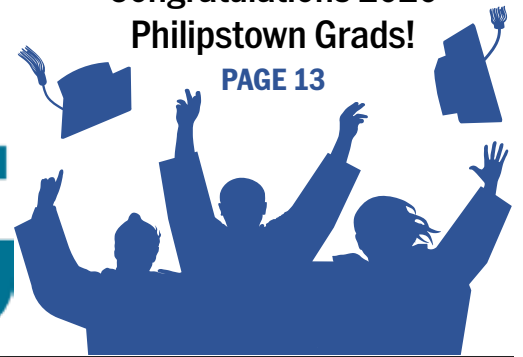


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New Trail at Breakneck

*Designed to reduce
accidents, rescues*

By Brian PJ Cronin

Hikers who find themselves in over their heads at Breakneck Ridge will soon have an easier — and safer — way to return to the trailhead.

Construction is scheduled to begin this year on a trail which will begin at the first of Breakneck's three plateaus (where the flagpole is located) and lead north down the ridge, connecting with the Wilkinson Trail near the trailhead.

The trail will follow the natural "bench," or shelf, along the ridge, hence the trail's working title as the Bench Trail, said Amy Kacala, executive director of the newly formed Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail Inc.

The trail will form a loop that can be done in less than 90 minutes, although the goal is not to provide a short hike but to reduce the number of injuries and rescues that take place on the popular trail.

Officials from the state parks department said many of the accidents occur when visitors, after making it to the first

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A NEW CLASS OF OFFICERS — The U.S. Military Academy at West Point held graduation ceremonies on June 13 for its 2020 class of 1,113 cadets, which includes 229 women, 132 African Americans, 103 Asian/Pacific Islanders, 102 Hispanics and 10 Native Americans. Despite concerns about COVID-19, the cadets were brought back to campus and quarantined for two weeks after President Donald Trump said he wanted to give the commencement address. For more photos, see highlandscurrent.org.

Photo by Bryan Ilyankoff/U.S. Army

Welcome to ... Phase 3

*Local restaurants face
more uncertainty*

By Leonard Sparks

Jim Ely said he had no choice but to close Riverview, his Cold Spring restaurant, in March as COVID-19 spread and the governor ordered non-essential businesses to shut down.

Three months later, he and other Highlands restaurateurs are in the midst of reopening under a four-phase plan created by the state. Under Phase 3, which Dutchess and Putnam could begin as early as Tuesday (June 23), eateries will, for the first time since the shutdown, be able to seat customers indoors.

Once again, Ely has no choice.

"We have to," he said when asked if Riverview will reopen its dining room. "You have to try and move ahead."



Cathryn Fadde is preparing to open her Cold Spring restaurant for indoor dining once the region is cleared for Phase 3.

Photo by L. Sparks

Riverview, Cathryn's Tuscan Grill, Max's on Main and the Roundhouse are some of the restaurants in Philipstown and Beacon that opened for outdoor dining when businesses in the Mid-Hudson Region were cleared on June 9 to move to Phase 2.

Phase 3 will allow massage therapists, nail salons, tattoo parlors and other personal-care businesses to open for the

first time since March. It will also permit restaurants to offer indoor dining at 50 percent capacity and with social-distancing and other restrictions in place.

Along with hotels, restaurants have been especially hard-hit by the shutdown, laying off workers and trimming expenses.

Their return to indoor table service is

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Beacon Police Chief to Leave Next Month

*Kevin Junjulas and top
captain will retire*

By Jeff Simms

The Beacon police chief and his top captain announced this week that each plans to leave the department on July 7.

Chief Kevin Junjulas, 52, and Capt. Gary Fredericks, who have each been police officers for 31 years, both said they are retiring. They were appointed in 2018 following the departure of Doug Solomon, who became the chief in Newburgh.



Kevin Junjulas

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5Q FIVE QUESTIONS: EVELYN WATTERS

By Chip Rowe

Evelyn Watters, who lives in Garrison, is the chief executive officer of VUniverse.

What is VUniverse? Where did it come from?

It came from a lot of pain! When you go to find a movie or show to watch, it can take 20 minutes. With a couple, it can take 45 minutes. Our service tracks what you like or hate across streaming services — Netflix, Hulu, HBO, Disney+, Amazon, Apple TV and others — and uses an algorithm to deliver recommendations. You can search multiple platforms, organize, discover. The point of the “discovery” is to pick up on quirks [in your viewing habits].

The pandemic was unexpected, but has it helped with the launch?

We had a version of VUniverse in 2011, but it was too early because there was only one streaming service [Netflix]. COVID-19

has changed people’s habits — the default [for entertainment] is going to be streaming, especially with no Shakespeare festivals, no summer camps, nothing going on.

How do you and your husband, Craig, work it out on movie night?

It’s fortunate because we both like action movies. If it has Mark Wahlberg, we will like it. But we go back and forth. The other day I watched a few episodes of *The Last Dance*, about Michael Jordan, which he had ramped up. I didn’t hate it.

Setting aside the algorithm, do you have any recommendations?

Flyboys [2006] is a hidden gem. Craig and I both liked it. *Parasite*, if you haven’t seen it. And *Rock-*

nRolla [2008], a Guy Ritchie film. I remember seeing it with Craig and we watched it again immediately. I had never done that.

You co-created the Golden Trailers, an annual awards show for movie trailers. And now this. Did you always have an entrepreneurial spirit?

I think so. When I was growing up, we would drive every Thanksgiving to my grandparents’ house on Upper Station Road in Garrison, all seven of us. It could be a long drive, because we lived all over the country, but my dad didn’t like to stop. Everyone had a sweet tooth, so I would bring a bunch of candy and sell it to my siblings and parents at exorbitant markups. It never occurred to them to compete with me.



ON THE SPOT

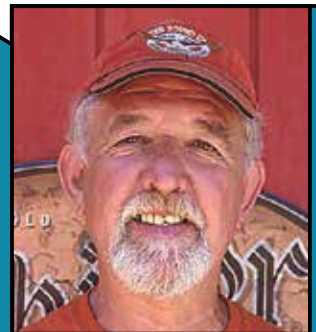
By Michael Turton

Have you ever been on a raft?

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As kids, we’d build two and have raft fights on the Hudson River off Verplanck.

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~ Billy Villette, Philipstown

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I was 14; it was a barrel-and-plywood raft on a pond in Binghamton.

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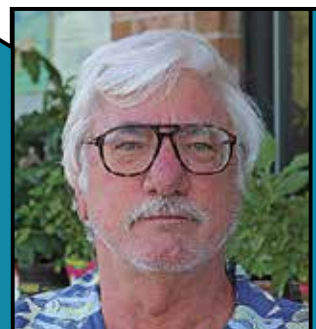


~ Lee Brown, Poughkeepsie (visiting Beacon)

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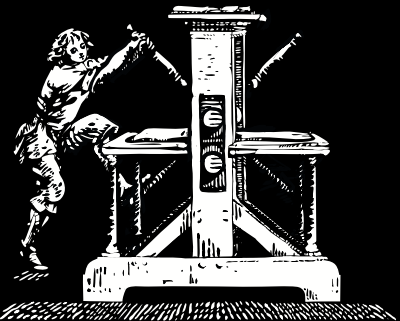
When I was 11, I was on a raft in the Red Sea in Israel.

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~ Bob Blair, Philipstown

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Two More Shops to Close in Cold Spring

But a new vintage store opens its doors

By Chip Rowe

Burkelman at 101 Main St. and Bird's Creations at 49 Main St. plan to close their retail stores, although both sell their products online and Burkelman's flagship store in New York City will reopen in July. "It's been a rough few months for us," said Burkelman's co-owner, David Kimelman. "Kevin [Burke] and I both had COVID-19 this spring, which was awful, but the intensity of caring for ourselves and attempting to do distance-learning with the kids, all while trying to keep up with a more than 400

percent increase in online sales, helped us get crystal clear about what's important to us. "We had a great five years on Main Street," he added. "It's a wonderful community, one where we will continue to reside." He said the Cold Spring location was "a bit of a personal indulgence that the economic pressures from the pandemic have made untenable." Other retailers have felt the same pressures. The Ellen Hayden Gallery and Arts and Antiques at 40 Main St. closed last month after 34 years, and Meraki is leaving its storefront at 82 Main St. for a smaller space. At the same time, a clothing store, DamnAged Vintage, opened this past weekend at 109 Main St., the former home of Chickadee Gallery. It is open Thursday to Monday.

Local School Budgets Pass

Howland library spending also approved

By Chip Rowe

The budgets for the Haldane, Garrison and Beacon school districts each passed on Tuesday (June 16), the final day that ballots could be received. The votes were held by absentee ballot under an order by Gov. Andrew Cuomo to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Garrison

The proposed \$11.5 million budget passed, 346 to 165, and incumbent trustees Jocelyn Apicello (396), Matthew Speiser (395) and Courtney McCarthy (392), who ran unopposed, were each elected to three-year terms on the seven-member board. About a quarter of the district's 2,100 registered voters participated, an increase of 20 percent over 2019. The budget passed last year with 77 percent of the vote and in 2020 with 68 percent.

Beacon

The proposed \$76 million budget passed, 2,573 to 623. Anthony White (2,515), Kristan Flynn (2,515) and Craig Wolf (2,425), incumbents who each ran unopposed, were re-elected to the nine-member board.

The district had a 21 percent turnout among its 15,300 registered voters, nearly triple the participation in 2019. The budget passed both years with 80 percent of the vote. The Howland Public Library's proposed \$1.24 million budget passed, 2,590 to 594. It represents a 5.5 percent increase in the tax levy after the library board voted in January to ask voters for more than the state-mandated 2 percent tax cap. Incumbents Karen Twohig, Thomas Rigney and Darlene Resling, and newcomers Sean Twohig and Jessica Conway, each running unopposed, were elected to fill five open board seats.

Haldane

The proposed \$25.3 million budget passed, 1,127 to 502. A proposition to spend \$175,000 on a school bus and utility equipment also passed, 1,072 to 552. Incumbent board member Peggy Clements, who ran unopposed, was reelected to a three-year term on the five-member board with 1,308 votes. The district mailed 4,600 ballots and had 35 percent returned, nearly triple the turnout of a year ago. The budget passed in 2019 with 81 percent of the vote and in 2020 with 70 percent.

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Michael Mell and Kate Dayton, Garrison
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LETTERS AND COMMENTS

Officer resigns

There is a tendency to see group action as “mob mentality,” but the truth is that enough people viewed the hiring of Officer Scott Morris by the Cold Spring Police Department as a problem and used our constitutional right to protest and reach out to elected officials (“Cold Spring Officer Resigns,” June 12).

It's also easy to see an action that was this swift and effective as “rushed,” but the opposition took detailed planning, research and time. Additionally, several attempts were made to reach out to the mayor and members of the police department but none of the calls or emails were answered, even now. I would still like to speak with elected officials and find a way, going forward, that the community can work together to make sure we are all comfortable with decisions happening in the village and decrease any lingering hostility.

It is time to look at what we can do next to ensure every citizen and elected official feels connected. That is why a group called Cold Spring Community Action has been formed at cscommunityaction.wixsite.com/mysite.

I encourage anyone who has any information or wants to start a conversation to

go to the site. No one has to share the same views of this particular topic to engage in an honest and open discussion. We're a strong and beautiful village and I'm sure it is everyone's goal to continue to make it better.

Cassandra Traina, *Cold Spring*

In *The Current's* article, Cassandra Traina noted that several attempts were made to reach out to the mayor and members of the Cold Spring Police Department about the hiring of Officer Scott Morris, without response. For me, the story starts here, with the silence.

When a predictably charged letter-writing campaign followed, members of the Village Board broke their silence with words that reflected their own highly charged and defensive emotional state: “mob mentality,” “a bombardment,” “mob psychology,” “not doing things rationally,” “blindness,” “prejudice.” This moment called for a different response — not silence and not lashing out. It called for a moment of humility to ask: What are we not seeing here that so many residents are seeing?

Here's what I see. According to the U.S. Census, Cold Spring is 90 percent white and only 1/2 of one percent African Amer-

ican. Our area has a history of Ku Klux Klan activity. To hire into this community a former New York Police Department officer with some adjudicated level of culpability for the killing of an unarmed black man is, at the very least, tone deaf. To ignore the community's requests for communication and to bristle at the tone of the subsequent response is where the problem lies. It is a problematic pattern, both in this situation and nationally.

Diana Hird, *Cold Spring*

I have always been amused and appalled by the hypocrisy of those decrying “white privilege.” When I lived in Brooklyn in a very mixed neighborhood, the most “liberal” of people I knew lived on all-white Staten Island. And so it is today, be it in Chappaqua, Garrison or Cold Spring.

As for my “white privilege,” it has been disturbed over the years by the majority of my white relatives being sent to concentration camps. No longer being able to pay them a visit in the Netherlands, I went to Auschwitz instead. They were preceded in 1647 by our cousin, Isaac De Castro Tartas, who was burned at the stake in Lisbon.

My greatest and only privilege is being a citizen of the United States of America.

Rena Corey, *Cold Spring*

Too often we hear the phrase “unarmed black man.” Ramarley Graham was an 18-year-old kid who was shot in his own home by a NYPD officer in the presence of his grandmother and 6-year-old brother. He did not have a weapon and there was no weapon in the home. I look around at all the excitement over the Haldane Class of 2020 and I hope that when people think of Ramarley they remember how much of his life he should have had ahead of him.

I disagree with the characterization of residents who raised concerns as participating in a “mob mentality” or not “doing research.” It was easy to find out about Scott Morris' role; it was covered widely in the news. Though Morris did not pull the trigger, he was the sergeant-in-charge and had power over Officer Richard Haste. What this country is talking about is systemic racism. Most of us are complicit, and it's well within our rights as citizens to want to change that. We should be grateful Cassie Traina and other residents are leading the way.

I don't, however, think it's fair to heap blame on the Village Board. Any of us could have had a say if we had been paying closer attention when Morris was hired. The same goes for the Blue Lives Matter flag (“Wide Views of Thin Blue Line,” June 5). It had

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been bothering many of us for months, but we did not speak up until Black Lives Matter gave us the courage. It should not be that way, especially for the many of us who are steeped in white privilege. Let this serve as a reminder of the importance of civic engagement on a local level.

White privilege doesn't mean you haven't experienced hardships. It means that the hardships you suffered aren't because of the color of your skin. You can walk around every day without being discriminated against in small and big ways. Many Jewish people are able to blend in as being simply "white," which is why the Nazis made them wear yellow stars.

I'm also of Jewish descent and lost significant family in the Holocaust. Their memory fuels my desire to speak up for others, and I know my grandfather would be proud of me.

Heidi Bender, *Cold Spring*

The community rush to judgment about Officer Morris was the problem. That's what people mean by "mob mentality." People could have asked for an emergency meeting to find out details, but it wasn't a request to be heard, it was a demand to fire him *now*, and that demand spread like wildfire.

Patience and humility go into good decision-making. But these virtues were nowhere to be found. In their place we had pride, rage and self-righteousness.

People wanted justice. Justice and self-righteousness can barely be in the same room together. Justice requires truth. Self-righteousness doesn't care about truth; it needs validation. It wants action. It wants victory. It delivers injustice. The rush to judgment gives us wrongful convictions, death-row overflow and innocents dying in the street. Self-righteousness is one of humanity's least attractive traits and it cares nothing about justice.

Haldane's magnificent high school drama program put up *The Crucible* not long ago. What was Arthur Miller telling us? Those lessons apply here and now, in moments of extreme fear and confusion, as much as they did in his dramatic world of Salem, as much as they did in Miller's real world of the McCarthy hearings, when he

Counting the Highlands

Response rates to the 2020 U.S. census, as of June 16, along with historical data, at right. If a household doesn't respond online at 2020census.gov, the agency sends a paper questionnaire. If there is still no response, a census taker is dispatched. Although "nonresponse follow-up" operations were delayed by the pandemic, the bureau's offices in Peekskill and Pawling have reopened.

	2020	2010	2000	1990
Cold Spring	67.4	69.1	71	72
Putnam County	64.9	66.8	67	56
Philipstown	64.2	66.2	67	64
18th District	61.5	66.5	67	65
National	61.5	66.0	-	-
Nelsonville	61.0	67.2	65	61
Beacon	60.6	65.8	54	66
Dutchess County	60.3	65.7	68	64
New York State	56.7	64.6	67	62
New York City	52.2	64.0	55	53
Newburgh	38.1	50.2	45	44

Source: 2020census.gov

wrote the thing. Because right and wrong do not change with the times or the tide, no matter how much that tide scares us.

Greg Miller, *Cold Spring*

The answer is simple and has been discussed for many years: Abolish the Cold Spring Police Department.

The reason I say that has nothing to do with the current controversy, or Black Lives Matter. The CSPD takes up a substantial portion of the village budget.

Meanwhile, the Town of Philipstown wisely does not have its own police because it is well-patrolled by the Putnam County sheriff and the state police. The sheriff has a substation in Nelsonville and regular patrols in Cold Spring and the rest of Philipstown, along with the troopers.

As far as I know, the village is not a criminal hot-spot that warrants three police forces. Getting rid of the CSPD seems like a no-brainer. Putnam Valley abolished its police department years ago and we have saved many millions of dollars.

Patty Villanova, *Putnam Valley*

Ramarley Graham's mother, Constance Malcolm, has become an activist working on police brutality issues. She could be asked why her family wanted Officer Morris to be dismissed. The NYPD isn't typically easily persuaded to ask officers to take early retirement.

Being a police officer is a privilege you earn, not a right of fraternity. If any of us are involved in a giant failure at our jobs, we get terminated. Why should it be different for police officers? That accountability, not a 30-day suspension, is essential to the amazing changes we are beginning to see.

Paul Mooney, *via Facebook*

I'm sure Officer Morris will get a position with another police department.

Patsy Young, *via Facebook*

All it takes in this village is one person who thinks he or she knows the story, and before you know it, everyone thinks they know the story, with none of them ever realizing they are all wrong.

Dana Verissimo, *via Facebook*

Imagine if elected officials were as upset and vocal about black people being killed and otherwise profiled by police as they are about this removal campaign. Racial inequity needs to be combated everywhere, including Cold Spring.

Noah Campbell, *via Facebook*

I pray the people making these judgments against Officer Morris come up against something in their past one day. Judge not least ye be judged.

Becky Janes, *via Facebook*

I hope Officer Morris sues anyone who came before the Village Board with this issue. Win or lose, give them a taste of their own medicine.

Denise Gouldner, *via Facebook*

Unfortunately, this lovely village has been taken over by liberal newcomers who think they know what is best for everyone.

Geraldine Fuller, *via Facebook*

What happened to George Floyd was terrible, and no halfway decent person doesn't see it that way. But it wasn't typical. It seems typical because the media informs us every time a white cop kills an unarmed black man, but it doesn't happen that often, and it's usually justified (but not always). In 2019, 28 unarmed men were killed by police; nine were black. Most people killed by police are

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killed by black or Hispanic cops.

Before you call me a racist for sharing what the media won't tell you, let me say that George Floyd's murder was brutal and depraved and must be answered. But his death isn't the right reason for the anger. We can use the term *systemic racism*, but I see systemic poverty. Democrats have been telling black people for decades that conservative policies keep them in poverty. But Democrats have run our major cities for decades, where the children of poor black people attend failing schools.

I used to be a very liberal Democrat, but I saw the harm done by liberal policies intended to help poor minorities. The protests over George Floyd's death are justified, but the anger you see is directed at the wrong institution. Liberals who kneel with the protestors perpetuate the myth that white cops are hunting down black men. The truth is, these men, women and children are victims not of white, racist cops, but liberal policies.

Patricia Burruano, *via Facebook*

The editor responds: The news media — local, state, national — reports every killing by a police officer, but there isn't usually a video that contradicts the official version, and the response isn't always the same. According to a database compiled by The Washington Post, there were 5,408 fatal shootings by police in the U.S. from 2015 to date (which would not include cases such as that of Eric Garner or George Floyd). It found that 352 of the deaths involved a person who was unarmed, and 123 of those unarmed people were black. (In New York state, there were 101 killings; four of those killed were unarmed, and three of those unarmed people were black.) In 2019, 55 unarmed people were shot and killed by police nationwide, including 14 black people. There is no definitive study we could find of the race of officers involved.

Our tax dollars would be better spent on more mental-health workers, social workers, addiction counselors, emergency medical technicians and crisis counselors than on poorly trained police with surplus military equipment.

Anne Marie Barber, *via Facebook*

Crosstalk

I don't know whose interests Putnam County Legislator Neal Sullivan is defending ("Shea to Sullivan: Apologize," June 12). He says that he is working for the people in the community. I don't live in his district, but I want him to know that no one in my part of Mahopac is worried about the lack of a deputy county executive.

What we are worried about are the coming layoffs in which teachers, police officers, highway crews and others whose work makes a difference in our lives face furloughs to make up for the county's massive shortfall in sales tax revenue.

That Sullivan should choose this moment to support wasting taxpayer funds on another patronage appointment is astounding. His reprehensible behavior, as reported in *The Current*, in trying to shut up another



OPPOSING THE PRESIDENT — A U.S. Coast Guard boat patrolled the Hudson River near Garrison on Saturday (June 13) while President Donald Trump spoke to 1,113 graduating cadets at West Point, who were recalled en masse to campus for the ceremony despite concerns about COVID-19. Protestors gathered at Garrison's Landing and on the water, including a group of kayakers who held aloft a series of signs that spelled out "Resist Fascism." For more photos, see highlandscurrent.org.

Photos by Ross Corsair



legislator when she had the floor is another indication of what a rude person he is. He should show a little grace and think about the community's needs instead of his own power.

Dwight Arthur, *Mahopac*

The June 2 meeting of the Putnam County Legislature, held via audioconference, was possibly the most uncivilized, unprofessional meeting I have ever heard. The entire group owes Legislator Nancy Montgomery an apology. This is what happens when members of the status quo, who see themselves as beyond reproach, become threatened by questions and change: their behavior becomes ugly and mean.

I'm sorry that someone who works as hard as Nancy does had to experience this. The questions aren't going away.

Jane Hanley, *via Facebook*

Black lives

Ninety percent of the issues being raised by the Black Lives Matter and All Lives Matter have existed for decades, and neither the state nor federal government has corrected them. Why? Because once elected, these officials work to get re-elected.

We need constant turnover among elected officials to ensure that we have legislatures with a demographic that reflects the population. To accomplish that, we need term limits. For Congress, it should be two terms for senators and five terms in the House. For the state, it should be two terms for governors and four terms for Assembly and Senate members.

This will also be good for career politicians: If they perform well at the city or county level, they can move up without running into a log-jam of representatives building up their retirement coffers.

Larry Fitzpatrick, *Wappingers Falls*

I was paying for a sandwich in the village when a man walked by and said in a loud voice, "Black lives matter? White lives matter, too."

White lives have always mattered. Because the white population is the dominant race in our county, whites control the state and federal government, health care, education and wealth. According to the studies cited by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more black people are hospitalized for and die from COVID-19 than whites. For most cancers, African Americans have the highest death rate and the shortest survival of any racial group. Black infants die at twice the rate of white infants in the U.S.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo has criticized the way we fund schools based on wealth (property taxes), so affluent suburbs can spend more per student. According to sources cited in *How to Be an Antiracist*, the black poverty rate in 2017 was 20 percent — triple the white rate. The black unemployment rate has been twice the white rate for more than 50 years. The median net worth of white families is about 10 times that of black families. White households are expected this year to own 86 times more wealth than black households.

And police shootings? According to *The Washington Post*, unarmed blacks are twice as likely to be killed by police as a white unarmed person.

So what does "Black Lives Matter" mean? It means black lives should matter as much as white lives.

Elise LaRocco, *Cold Spring*

Richter retires

Eric Richter excelled not only as a teacher at Haldane High School over the past 36 years but as a caring human being ("Exit Interview: Eric Richter," June 12). He'd make an ideal mentor for younger educators, especially after retirement. Haldane will be boosted if our community enlists his guidance. Thanks for your service!

Jonathan Kruk, *Cold Spring*



Homeland Towers says the Rockledge Road tower, disguised as a fir tree, will resemble the one, shown here at center, installed on Vineyard Road in Philipstown.

Photo by Homeland Towers

Nelsonville Issues Permit for Cell Tower

Tree-clearing and access road plans draw renewed criticism

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

Nelsonville on Monday (June 15) issued a permit for construction of a cell tower on Rockledge Road after village officials determined the disguised structure will look sufficiently tree-like and the fire department waived a ban on using a steep access road.

The Village Board, joined by William Bujarski, the building inspector, discussed the status of the tower project during a meeting held by teleconference.

In March, Bujarski rejected a building-permit application filed by tower developer Homeland Towers, citing several flaws and inconsistencies.

Designed to resemble a fir tree, the 95-foot “monopine” will stand on a stony parcel off Rockledge and Moffatt roads, above the Cold Spring Cemetery. It will be about 1.3 miles from the 120-foot tower that Homeland and its partner Verizon recently installed on a hillside on Vineyard Road, in Philipstown.

Homeland Towers separately sued Philipstown and the Village of Nelsonville in 2018 in federal court over their respective rejections of the two tower projects. Both cases were settled without a trial.

According to an email that Vince Xavier, the Homeland Towers project manager, sent village officials on June 12, the Rockledge structure will resemble the one on Vineyard Road.

“All cell towers are ugly, but that one [on Vineyard] seems to be a better version than some of the other ones out there,” said Mayor Mike Bowman.

The access road to the tower side, which has a grade of 14.9 percent, has been rerouted since the initial plans were drafted to avoid a rocky outcropping, said Bujarski.

In a letter received by the village on June 12, Thomas Merrigan, chief of the Cold Spring Fire Co., said he could exempt the

access road from gradient requirements because the risk of an emergency is lower for a cell tower than for residences and commercial businesses. He said cell tower fires are typically caused by vandalism or error (such as a welding accident) and involve brush fires; that the fire department has small vehicles designed for use in such blazes; and that the access road has enough room for the department’s largest truck to turn around.

Merrigan said the CSFC sign-off on the road was a technical assessment, not a reflection of “political” considerations. The fire company, he wrote, expressed its “extreme displeasure with any party [such as opponents to the cell tower] that may choose to use us or view us as a pawn.”

Bujarski observed in the meeting that the federal court which oversaw the litigation settlement agreed that the access road could be relocated.

He also said that the permit, which Homeland Towers picked up at the Nelsonville Village Hall on Thursday (June 18), comes with stipulations. The firm must comply with state Department of Environmental Conservation requirements, which ban construction in the area from April 1 to Nov. 1 to protect a threatened bat species. Also, Bujarski said, Homeland Towers needs to notify the building inspector before it begins removing trees. “I want to see that they comply with the plans as submitted,” he said.

The revised Homeland Towers plans include removing 66 trees, following changes in the access road routing, he said.

David Eisenbach, a Nelsonville resident, pointed out that Homeland Towers had earlier said it would remove 47 trees. “I’m not surprised that Homeland Towers pulled another bait-and-switch,” he said. “It’s not their first and it’s definitely not their worst.”

Eisenbach also criticized the access road plans. “This is going to be a very dangerous road,” with switchbacks as well as a significant grade, he said. He reminded Village Board members that “all your names will be on this approval going forward.”

Bowman responded that the board has always known it must live with its decisions and that “everything has been done aboveboard.”

Richard Villella, a Rockledge resident, said on Tuesday that the latest tweaking of the access road design does not change Homeland Tower’s intention to have it start at a right-of-way on his property. He objects to that use of his land.

Chief Retires *(from Page 1)*

The city said in a statement that both officers were eligible for retirement when they took their positions “and have been contemplating retirement for some time.”

Junjulas and Fredericks each spent nearly 25 years with the Beacon department, “rising through the ranks together,” the city said.

Junjulas, who lives in Cold Spring, did not reply to an email seeking comment but in the statement said: “It has been a privilege to serve the City of Beacon over the last 25 years and to lead the men and women of the Beacon Police Department. It has been an honor to serve this great community, and I stand ready to assist in the transition.”

The announcement came a week after the officers, along with Lt. Tom Figlia, met with the City Council to discuss Police Department policies, including the use of force. That meeting led the council to organize a community forum on public safety that will take place by video conference on Saturday (June 20).

The city is weighing how to staff the police force, and could install temporary leadership after the officers retire, Mayor Lee Kyriacou said.

“We’re seeing what kind of options we have. You have to work with the hierarchy and seniority” of the force, he said, adding that, for instance, “you can’t take a patrol person and make them the acting head of the department.”

Because both positions are managers, the city’s search will not be limited to candidates made available by the Dutchess County Civil Service agency, Kyriacou said. But there are still experience and skills requirements that must be met.

“That gives us a different set of circumstances than hiring a sergeant or a patrol person,” he said. “We’ll be as broad as we can be in our search.”

Kyriacou said while he had known for some time that the officers planned to retire, he received their written notices a day or two after the June 8 meeting with the City Council.

“I was informed when I was being installed as mayor that I might lose my chief and my captain,” he said. “They did me a courtesy by sticking around for a while and I’m grateful for that. They always viewed [their appointments] as a short-term situation, as did we.”

Members of the City Council said the search for a new chief should be informed by community input.

“Given the volume of the conversation about policing in Beacon, we owe the people a transparent process with room for public input at every turn,” said Dan Aymar-Blair, the council’s Ward 4 representative. “The new leadership of our Police Department should be committed to the course the community chooses for public safety, have a successful record as a reformer, and will preferably come from a community that has historically been over-policed.”

Over the past week, Gov. Andrew Cuomo has signed into law a series of police reforms, including the repeal of Section

Public Safety Forum

A forum on public safety and policing in Beacon will be held via Zoom on Saturday (June 20) starting at 10 a.m. It will be moderated by John Rembert, a former City Council member, and Sadé Barksdale, a 2011 Beacon High School graduate who is a therapist and educator in the Bronx. Instructions to participate are posted at cityofbeacon.org. Chief Kevin Junjulas and Capt. Gary Fredericks are not expected to take part; Lt. Tom Figlia, the department’s training coordinator, will represent the Beacon Police Department.

50-A of the civil rights law, which had kept police officers’ disciplinary records confidential, and a ban on chokeholds. The governor also signed an order requiring every local police department to create a “reform plan” that must “promote community engagement to foster trust, fairness and legitimacy” and “address any racial bias and disproportionate policing of communities of color.”

The U.S. Justice Department began working with the Beacon police in 2004 to implement policy reforms following a number of allegations and lawsuits against the city. While the agency’s oversight ended in 2016, Kyriacou said there may still be more to do locally.

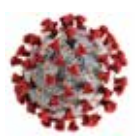
“Our main objective is to hear from the community,” the mayor said. After Saturday’s community forum, city officials will begin collecting data to “compare our department’s performance to the best practices elsewhere.”

That process will afford the city “the ability to understand how this department is doing relative to others, relative to best practices and relative to what the community would like,” Kyriacou said. “I believe the department, compared to others, is probably going to be on the better-performing side, but I don’t have the data, and we’re not going to proceed until we get it. We’ll be learning a lot and the public will be seeing all of it.”

During the council’s June 15 meeting by video conference, nearly a dozen residents asked city officials to reduce the Police Department’s budget by at least 50 percent. The department, including its detectives, has a budget this year of more than \$5 million, which accounts for about 25 percent of the spending from the city’s general fund.

One of the callers, Justice McCray, asked the council to reallocate some of that funding into community programs for young people and other initiatives to “make people feel safe, feel heard, feel welcome.”

“I am a black resident and I can say with certainty that the presence of the police force in Beacon is intimidating,” said McCray. “Right now, I don’t feel safe, and I know I’m not alone. Things need to change.”



Coronavirus Update

■ State health officials said that, as of Thursday (June 18), 1,295 people have tested positive for COVID-19 in Putnam County; 4,088 in Dutchess; 34,409 in Westchester; 13,474 in Rockland; 1,746 in Ulster; and 10,604 in Orange. Statewide, there were 385,760 positives, including 211,260 in New York City. Statewide, 24,661 people had died.

■ On June 17, Gov. Andrew Cuomo said the Mid-Hudson Region was on track to enter Phase 3 of the state's reopening plan on June 23 and that New York City was on track to enter Phase 2 on June 22. The maximum size of gatherings increases from 10 to 25 people in Phase 3, with social distancing in place.

■ On June 17, Cuomo signed legislation prohibiting health care employers from penalizing employees for making complaints of employer violations. The law will allow medical professionals "to speak more freely about their working conditions and employee or patient safety in the workplace," he said. The bill passed the Senate, 60-1 (Sue Serino, whose district includes the Highlands, voted yes) and the Assembly, 125-19 (Sandy Galef, whose district includes Philipstown, and Jonathan Jacobson, whose district includes Beacon, each voted yes).

■ Cuomo announced on June 14 that low-risk youth sports — including baseball, softball, cross-country, field hockey, crew and gymnastics — will be allowed as of July 6 for regions in Phase 3, with up to two spectators allowed per child. Adult recreational leagues also will be allowed.

■ The Department of Motor Vehicles office in Poughkeepsie opened as of June 15 for licenses, permits and non-driver ID transactions for Dutchess County residents, by appointment only.

■ Serino said on June 16 she planned to introduce legislation that would direct unused federal CARES Act relief funds to provide grants to small businesses and nonprofits to cover the costs of complying with state mandates for reopening, such as modifying the physical layout of a work



Max's on Main in Beacon had advice for its customers last week. Photo by Beacon Bed & Breakfast

space; purchasing personal protective equipment or cleaning supplies; or upgrading technology for remote work.

■ The governor said on June 16 that hospitals and group homes will be allowed to accept visitors at their discretion, with time-limited visits and visitors required to wear personal protective equipment and be subject to symptom and temperature checks. The prohibition on nursing home visitors remains in place.

■ Cuomo announced on June 14 that the open enrollment period in the state Health Plan Marketplace will be extended until July 15.

■ Cornell Cooperative Extension Putnam County is again distributing free hand sanitizer and face coverings to local farms. See reg.cce.cornell.edu.

■ The governor on June 14 reminded bars and restaurants that any violations of reopening rules and guidelines can result in the loss of that establishment's liquor license. (See Page 9.) In addition, individuals can be fined for open container and social-distancing violations.

■ Cuomo on June 13 signed legislation repealing a law that criminalized wearing a mask in public, which conflicted with his earlier order that residents must wear face coverings to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Serino voted against the bill, which passed in the Senate, 35-27. In the Assembly, where it passed, 109-35, Galef and Jacobson each voted for the bill.

■ Cuomo said the state has reached the lowest number of hospitalizations and deaths since the pandemic began. The number of hospitalizations was 1,734 on June 12, its lowest level since March 20. Thirty-two people died from complications of COVID-19 on June 12, down from a record-high of 800 nine weeks ago.

■ The Bethel Woods Center for the Arts canceled its 2020 season, which was to include shows by James Taylor, Bob Dylan, Norah Jones and The Black Crowes. Ticketholders may donate the value of their tickets, defer the value for events rescheduled for 2021 or receive a refund.

■ Questions? Dutchess County posts updates at dutchessny.gov/coronavirus and has a hotline at 845-486-3555. Putnam

COVID-19 by the Numbers

■ PUTNAM COUNTY

Number of confirmed cases:

1,295 (+13)

- New Cases in Philipstown: **3**

Tests administered:

13,975 (+1,707)

Percent positive:

9.3 (-1.1)

Number of deaths:

62 (+0)

■ DUTCHESS COUNTY

Number of confirmed cases:

4,088 (+61)

- Active Cases in Beacon: **8**

Tests administered:

49,157 (+6,888)

Percent positive:

8.3 (-1.2)

Number of deaths:

148 (+3)

Covid-19 by the Numbers Source: New York State Department of Health, with weekly changes. Data current as of June 18. New cases in Philipstown for week ending June 12.

County posts info at putnamcountyny.com/health. New York State has a hotline at 888-364-3065 and a webpage at ny.gov/coronavirus. The state also created an email list to provide updates. The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention posts updates at cdc.gov. To find a test site, visit coronavirus.health.ny.gov.

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Jim Ely on the patio at his Riverview Restaurant in Cold Spring

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Phase 3 *(from Page 1)*

overshadowed by uncertainties, including how soon people will feel comfortable enough to return to restaurants and other public spaces. The cancellation of events that typically draw thousands of diners to the area, such as the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival, also has caused uncertainty.

Cathryn Fadde, aided by a friend, spent Wednesday (June 17) cleaning the inside of Cathryn's Tuscan Grill, her restaurant on Main Street in Cold Spring. She is expecting her 2020 revenue to be half of last year's.

"This is a unique experience in history for everyone, and no one knows what's going to happen in terms of what kind of business we're going to do," said Fadde, whose restaurant will mark its 23rd year on Tuesday. (Fadde is also mourning her father, Harry Fadde Jr., who died June 9. See Page 21.)

"There are the people who are terrified and there are the people who are just so tired of being cooped up," she said. "Then there are the people who've had it and feel like they're not going to get it again and it's OK for them to go out."

While Fadde is reopening, she said she is not ready to go full-bore. She said the response was "overwhelming" when she opened her courtyard for dining on June 12 with 16 seats instead of 24. But she is not ready to open every day nor bring back two former full-time employees.

"There's not enough people coming out yet" to cover the payroll, she said. "I have to reopen slowly."

Discouraging Numbers

Nationwide, sales at restaurants and taverns fell more than 40 percent from February to May, according to an estimate by the Census Bureau. In April, nearly 27 percent of the job losses in New York — some 471,000 positions — were in the accommodation and food services industry, according to the state Department of Labor.

In Dutchess and Putnam counties, the unemployment rate in April was 14.1 percent, compared to 3.2 percent a year ago.

In addition to limited capacity, restaurants must space tables at least 6 feet apart. If spacing is not feasible, according to state guidelines, owners must install barriers at least 5 feet high between tables.

Ely says that 50 percent capacity does not necessarily translate to 50 percent of seats because of the spacing requirement. To comply with the guidelines for outdoor dining, 14 of the 20 patio seats at Riverview had to be removed, he said. The restaurant also set up tables in a parking lot.

Inside the restaurant, the number of seats will have to be reduced to 20 from

Too Close for Comfort?

A state hotline had received, as of June 14, more than 25,000 complaints about businesses that were not enforcing social distancing among customers, mostly in Manhattan and the Hamptons.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo threatened to roll back re-openings if local officials didn't enforce the laws. "People are violating everything," he said on Monday (June 15), adding that state troopers could not be relied on to enforce the rules everywhere.

On Thursday (June 18), Cuomo said he would issue an executive order that would allow the state to suspend the liquor licenses of bars and restaurants that violate reopening guidelines — including in the area immediately outside — and for the closure of other businesses.

"To the local governments I say, 'Do your job,' " Cuomo said on Monday. "We have to stay smart. And if the local governments don't enforce compliance, they're not doing anyone a favor, because ... you will see the numbers start to go up. And if the numbers start to go up, you're going to have to see that area take a step back."

The state has been forwarding an average of 17 complaints a week to Dutchess County, said Colleen Pillus, the county's spokeswoman. Ron Hicks, the assistant county executive, contacts businesses that have been the subject of complaints.

"In general, most have been very

cooperative," she said. "Often it just requires clarification on the guidance."

In Putnam County, Shawn Rogan, the director of environmental services, told legislators at a Tuesday meeting that his office, along with code enforcement officers and local police, has responded to "many complaints, not only in restaurants but in many different businesses" about a lack of social distancing.

He said the county responds by talking to the business owners, urging them to follow state rules, and follows up with additional inspections.

"We're hoping we don't ever have to go to the level of requiring an enforcement action," Rogan said. "We have that tool, but we get very good results with our education-based approach."

The state has a phone number (833-789-0470) and forms at coronavirus.health.ny.gov/new-york-state-pause to report "non-essential gatherings" or businesses that are violating social-distancing regulations. The state earlier this year increased the maximum fine for violations from \$500 to \$1,000.

Workers also can file complaints if they are forced to work at a business that is not allowed to operate, forced to report for a job that could be performed from home, or forced to work when sick, among other conditions.

65. Ely said he will have partitions made of plastic sheeting affixed to wood frames in place to allow tables to be closer together.

Riverview may not be ready to open by Tuesday, but the staff is working hard to prepare, Ely said. "If it were going to be a couple of months but you could reopen in full, then we would probably wait," he said. "But we don't know; it could be like this forever."

Harvey Kaplan, the co-owner of Max's on Main in Beacon, said he has been calling laid-off employees to see if they can return. He also is rearranging and removing tables to reduce his dining room to 60 seats from 120.

While the state's approval of outdoor dining was welcome, that business is "completely dependent on the weather," he noted.

The Roundhouse in Beacon, however, will wait.

The restaurant is fortunate to have a large patio that overlooks a waterfall on Fishkill Creek, said Katie Guerra, its general manager. It also has an outdoor event space that will be transformed into a pop-up barbecue restaurant starting today (June 19).

Although the patio quickly filled when

The Roundhouse opened for outdoor dining last week, a return to indoor dining will be delayed, Guerra said.

"We're going to hold off and get used to operating in this environment," she said. "We're not quite sure we want to take the risk for our staff to start opening inside."

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AROUND TOWN



▲ **NO MORE** — With Putnam County Sheriff Robert Langley Jr. looking on, a protestor in Brewster speaks on June 5 at a rally against police brutality and racism. Langley and Legislator Nancy Montgomery, who represents Philipstown, have attended a number of similar protests in the county.

Photo by Ross Corsair



▲ **BACKROAD SUPPORT** — A Black Lives Matter sign spotted on South Mountain Pass in Philipstown.

Photo by Kyle Good



▲ **LOCAL STATEMENT** — Junior Dabashi of Key Food Beacon and Reuben Simmons of I Am Beacon hold T-shirts the grocery store is selling for \$25 to raise funds for local businesses affected by the COVID-19 shutdown.

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The Calendar



A certificate for the Holland Hotel Co. of Fishkill Landing (later Beacon)



A scarce certificate for the American Aerial Navigation Co. of San Francisco, dated 1903, is valued at \$1,500.



The Where's Your Wife Co. was organized in Peekskill to "purchase, lease and manage theatres, opera houses and other places of amusement."

By Alison Rooney

Something You Don't Know About Me

Steve Schweikhart

Around 20 years ago, Steve Schweikhart, who lives in Cold Spring and is the Haldane High School girls' soccer coach, decided to look into an unusual birthday gift for his wife, Renie McGrath, who worked in financial management.

He wanted something which would tie in both to her professional life in Manhattan and her lifelong roots in the Hudson Valley. "I was looking for something she could feel good displaying in her city office," Schweikhart recalls.

During his search, Schweikhart stumbled across RM Smythe, a Manhattan auction house and dealer of antique stocks and bonds. "There were old file cabinets crammed with stuff," he says. "I found an 1892 railway stock issued on Renie's birthday. She still has it up."

Intrigued, Schweikhart became hooked on scripophily, or the study and collecting of stock and bond certificates. Today Schweikhart is more than a collector; he's a dealer who sells through his online store at ghostsofwallstreet.com and on eBay.

It became his primary job, in fact. "I was in publishing before that, working as a circulation auditor, so no there's no real correlation," he says. "It allowed me to stay home with the kids," Cali and Evan, who are now adults.

Initially, Schweikhart says he used eBay to learn about prices and descriptions and buying and selling, while scouring reference books, as well. "I learned that a certificate might be beautiful but not rare, or maybe it was plain but from a famous company, so you knew it would sell. It became a 'feel' thing."

Schweikhart also attended trade shows devoted to scripophily, although none still operates. He says he was "like a kid in a candy store. You'd see big dealers with boxes and boxes of stocks; companies dumped them once they'd been redeemed. Some dealers let me buy on consignment, so I could get going. Once I had enough inventory, I started selling. I tried to come up with

a catchy name and went with Stock Lobster. I changed to a more mature name two years ago."

"Over the last five or 10 years, it's become much more of a challenge to find desirable inventory, because at this point a lot of it is gone," he says. "It's a finite inventory because there are no more printed certificates. Now you have to pay a fee if you want one" from a company. Nearly all trades are now done electronically, negating the need for a piece of paper to prove you own the stock.

All of the certificates Schweikhart sells are originals that have been canceled or are for companies that no longer exist, so they have no market value

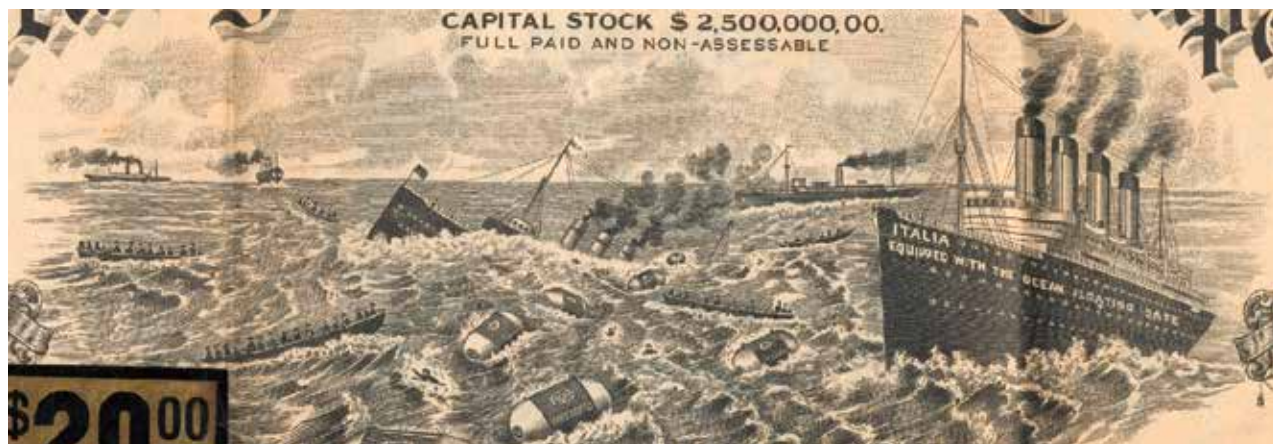
beyond their worth as collectibles.

Among his customers, he says, "some buy because they haven't seen it before, others because they have a particular interest in the company, the region or the subject. Recently I had someone who was interested in images of certain gasoline pumps. In the 1920s some pumps were manufactured with a sliver down the middle so you could see how much gas was left inside. This person was collecting the pumps and anything related to them."

In other cases, "someone has a relative who worked for a particular railroad. I had a gentleman from England who purchased an entire lot. He had rebuilt a car or a motor, and he saw I had stocks from that company. Because he was so invested in rebuilding it, he started tracking the history of the company. It's neat when a piece finds the right home like that."

Autographs are another enticing element. Many titans of business, particularly railway executives, became significant figures in their communities or nationally, and their original signatures are valued, particularly those from years before the 1930s, when many firms switched to printed signatures. For example, Millard Fillmore, the 13th U.S. president, signed shares in the 1860s of the New York Erie Rail Road

(Continued on Page 17)



Detail from a stock certificate issued by the Ocean Floating Safe Co.



A certificate for the Boston and Fishkill Iron Co. from the 1860s

THE WEEK AHEAD

Edited by Pamela Doan (calendar@highlandscurrent.org)

For a complete listing of events, see
highlandscurrent.org/calendar.

COMMUNITY

SAT 20

Community Forum on Policing and Public Safety

BEACON

10 a.m. Zoom
bit.ly/beacon-police-forum

Mayor Lee Kyriacou and the City Council will hear feedback on the Beacon Police Department and improving community relations. Former City Council Member John Rembert and Sadé Barksdale, a therapist and teacher, will moderate. Submit questions and comments to cityofbeacon@cityofbeacon.org. Register online.

SAT 20

Bannerman Island Tours

BEACON

11 a.m. – 5 p.m. | bannermancastle.org

Private boats, kayaks and canoes that can navigate in shallow waters (1.5 to 3 feet) can visit and tour the island by booking online. Also SUN 21. Weekday visits for smaller boats can be arranged by calling 845-831-6346. Continues weekly.

SAT 20

Juneteenth Celebration

NEWBURGH

1 – 4 p.m. Facebook
facebook.com/SisterQuiltersNYC

Marla Jackson, founder of the National African American Quilt Convention, will highlight some of her work and talk about her inspirations.



MON 22

Virtual Town Hall

CARMEL

2 p.m. Zoom
putnamcountybusinesscouncil.com

The Reopen Putnam County Safety Task Force, organized by the Putnam County Business Council, will hear from local businesses about reopening challenges. Register online.

WED 24

Narcan Training

DUTCHESS COUNTY

4:30 p.m. Zoom

This 30-minute course, offered by Health Department on the fourth Wednesday of each month, explains how to use naloxone (Narcan) to reverse an opioid overdose. To register, call 845-243-4428 or email at llevine@dutchessny.gov.

SAT 27

Farmers' Market

PUTNAM VALLEY

3 – 6:30 p.m.
Tompkins Corner Cultural Center
729 Peekskill Hollow Road
914-257-9095

The Putnam Valley Farmers' Market will launch its 15th season with vendors selling produce, soups, breads and other items. Wear a mask and observe social-distancing guidelines.

SUN 28

Pride Caravan Protest

NEWBURGH

facebook.com/NewburghLGBTQCenter

On Pride Sunday, the Newburgh LGBTQ Center will lead a caravan to stand up for black and brown queer people. Join anywhere from Beacon to Hudson or Kingston. Register online.

TALKS

TUES 23

Socrates Cafe

BEACON

4 p.m. Howland Public Library
845-831-1134 | beaconlibrary.org

Moderator Dan Fisherman will lead a Socratic dialogue on Zoom exploring a philosophical, ethical or socio-political issue using questions that probe underlying assumptions and statements to find a deeper understanding of the subject. Email adults@beaconlibrary.org to register.

WED 24

COVID-19 Update

GARRISON

5 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
bit.ly/HigginsCovidUpdate

Dr. William Higgins of the NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group in Cold Spring will discuss safety precautions and health tips. Register online.

WED 24

Reading with Writers Book Club

COLD SPRING

7 p.m. Split Rock Books
845-265-2080 | splitrockbks.com

Emily Dykeman will lead a discussion of *Writing Tools*, by Roy Peter Clark.

THURS 25

History Book Club

COLD SPRING

7 p.m. Split Rock Books
845-265-2080 | splitrockbks.com

The club will meet via Zoom to discuss *Say Nothing: A True Story of Murder and Memory in Northern Ireland*, by Patrick Radden Keefe.

THURS 25

Old Glory: History of the American Flag

BEACON

1 p.m. Howland Public Library
845-831-1134 | beaconlibrary.org

Author and photographer Kevin Woyce will share photographs, vintage images and live music via Zoom. Email adults@beaconlibrary.org to register.

THURS 25

Pathways to Planetary Health

GARRISON

2 p.m. Garrison Institute
845-424-4800 | garrisoninstitute.org

John Fullerton, founder of the Capital Institute and author of *Regenerative Capitalism: How Universal Patterns and Principles Will Shape the New Economy*, will lead a discussion on Zoom with Jonathan F.P. Rose, the co-founder of the Garrison Institute. Register online.

KIDS & FAMILY

MON 22

YOU Picasso Kids

COLD SPRING

10:30 a.m. Butterfield Library
845-265-3040 | bit.ly/3cuhoGn

All you will need is paper and a Sharpie, crayons or markers for this Zoom workshop led by Kinga Lesniak. Register online. Also TUES 23.

WED 24

Around the World with the Two by Two Zoo

GARRISON

11 a.m. Desmond-Fish Library
845-424-3020 | bit.ly/37FzeFO

Meet endangered and exotic animals from around the world. Register online.



WED 24

Summer Reading Kick-Off

BEACON

4 p.m. Howland Public Library
845-831-1134 | bit.ly/howland-show

Jester Jim will host this live YouTube show with comedy, songs and juggling feats.

STAGE & SCREEN

SAT 20

An Afternoon of Poetry

GARRISON

1:30 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
bit.ly/afternoonofpoetryzoom

William Lessard, Kathryn Weld and Kathleen Williamson will read from their work via Zoom. Register online.

WED 24

Hudson Valley's Got Magic

CORNWALL

7 p.m. YouTube Live
tinyurl.com/hudsonvalleymagic

Enjoy an interactive magic show featuring Derek Hughes (*America's Got Talent*) and Ben Seidman (*Penn & Teller: Fool Us*), with host Tom Pesce. The performances will benefit the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley, which has seen demand double in the last few months. Cost: \$25 to \$45 per family



FRI 26

Hunt for the Wilderpeople

GARRISON

1:30 p.m. Desmond-Fish Library
bit.ly/HuntForWilderPeople

Enjoy a Zoom movie night with a screening of this 2016 New Zealand film about a journey through the bush with a defiant city kid and his grouchy uncle.

SAT 27

Funny Hair Writing Series

BEACON

7 p.m. Zoom
donnaminkowitz.com/funny-hair-writing-series

Sign up to read a literary work of any kind for up to five minutes in this virtual literary open mic hosted by Donna Minkowitz.

SAT 27

Remotely Depot

GARRISON

7 p.m. Philipstown Depot Theatre
philipstowndepottheatre.org

The Depot Theatre promises entertainers, storytelling and a "surprise celebrity guest" at this benefit that will honor state Assemblywoman Sandy Galef. Cost: \$50

MUSIC

SAT 20

The Virtual Great Hudson River Revival

CROTON

11 a.m. – 11 p.m. YouTube Live
youtube.com/HRSloopClearwater

More than 20 performers, including Andes Manta, The Mammals, Leonard Peltier, Tommy Sands, The Scooches, James Maddock, Tom Chapin, Guy Davis, Jay Ungar and Molly Mason, David Amram, Jaeger & Reid, Jacob and David Bernz, The Rix, Mel & Vinnie, Magpie, Betty & The Baby Boomers and Ernie Sites, will perform during a livestream to benefit Hudson River Sloop Clearwater.

SAT 20

Jerry Lee

BEACON

7 p.m. Towne Crier
facebook.com/TowneCrierCafe

The singer, guitarist and songwriter from The Flurries will perform live.

TUES 23

Circle of Song Open Mic

PUTNAM VALLEY

7 p.m. Tompkins Corners Cultural Center
tompkinscorners.org

Everyone is invited to perform one song via Zoom. Email linda@tompkinscorners.org to participate.

VISUAL ARTS

SAT 20

Member Exhibit and Sale

GARRISON

Garrison Art Center | garrisonartcenter.org

The annual show and sale is being conducted online. Also SUN 21.

CIVIC

Meetings are closed to the public but streamed or posted as videos. See highlandscurrent.org/meeting-videos

MON 22

City Council

BEACON

7 p.m. City Hall
845-838-5011 | cityofbeacon.org

MON 22

School Board

7 p.m. Beacon High School
845-838-6900 | beaconk12.org

TUES 23

Primary Elections

6 a.m. – 9 p.m. | elections.ny.gov

Party primaries will be held for the presidential, congressional and state legislative offices. Absentee ballots may be postmarked through June 23.

TUES 23

Board of Trustees

COLD SPRING

7:30 p.m. Village Hall
845-265-3611 | coldspringny.gov



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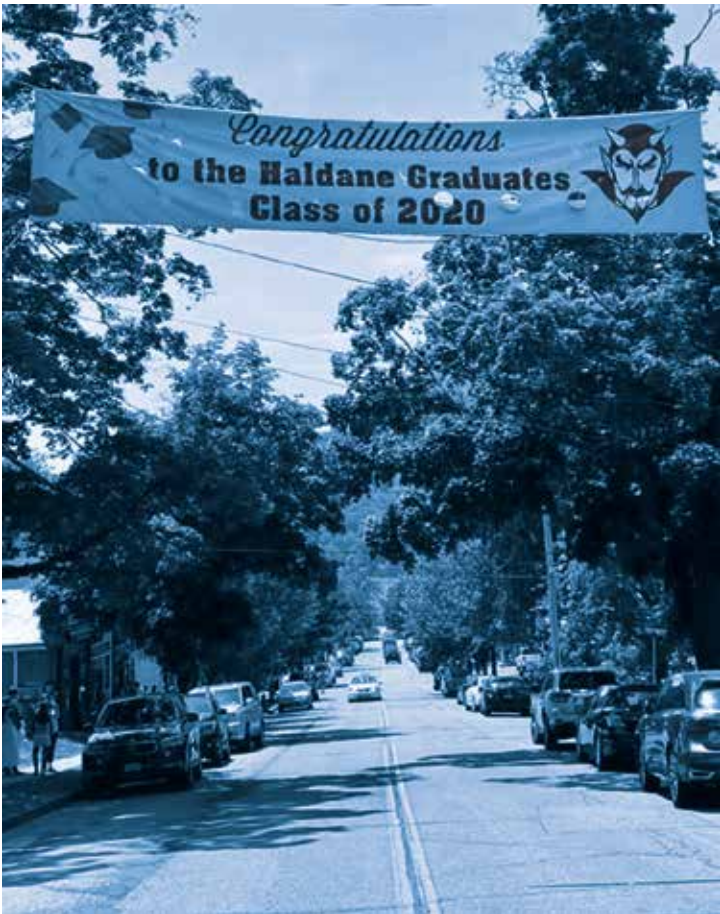


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Mouths to Feed

What Do I Know?

By Celia Barbour



On Monday morning, I sit down to write this column wearing wool socks and a fleece, a Thermos of hot coffee stationed beside my laptop. The temperature dropped deep into the 50s last night, and our house is always slow to shake off the chill. By the weekend, when this issue of *The Current* hits newsstands — when, perhaps, you'll venture out, pick up a copy and read these words — we'll all be in shorts and sundresses, taking our caffeine over ice.

If the meteorologists are right, that is. Weather reports are famously about as accurate as horoscopes: *Tomorrow, a mysterious stranger will arrive on your doorstep in the pouring rain.* Really? Not that skepticism makes me any wiser. All spring, I've been making plans around promised downpours that decide at the last minute to share their blessings with mysterious strangers up in Columbia County instead.

This has been a weird year for expertise. Suddenly, knowledge, training and professional credentials seem to provide especially flimsy protection against life's uncertainties. At the same time, we are all being called on to recalibrate the value of lived experience, in particular that of certain marginalized Americans.

As most cooks know, credentials only get you so far when it comes to feeding yourself and whoever else sits down with you at mealtime. Hands-on experience is often more valuable, along with a certain roll-with-the-punches equanimity. How else to manage the slew of mysteries and existen-

tial dilemmas that arise whenever you set out to make even the simplest treat? Take, for example, the absurd fact that the season for luscious and bountiful fruits coincides exactly with weather antithetical to the baking of pies, tarts, crumbles, etc. What expert came up with that ridiculous idea?

No matter. Bake we must, even when the backyard itself feels like an oven, if only because the fruits demand it.

One long-ago summer when my younger sister was visiting from Texas, she wowed me by rattling off from memory a formula for crumble topping: one cup flour, one cup oats, one cup brown sugar, one cup butter. *What a great thing to carry around in your head!* I thought, whereupon I wrote it down and immediately forgot it.

Since then, whenever I've made crisps and crumbles, I've tinkered with her formula, adding spices and nuts, cutting back on the sugar, trying a teaspoon of baking powder to give it loft. I've even omitted the oats and called it streusel. All along, I've been seeking the perfect crumble topping to make in bulk and keep in the freezer, so as to always have something on hand to top coffee cakes, bars, pies and those pans of random cut-up seasonal fruit I don't have the wherewithal to turn into proper desserts.

This past winter I finally found the crumble topping of my dreams, hidden in a recipe for banana muffins by pastry chef Elisabeth Pruitt, of San Francisco's Tartine Bakery. I made a single batch the first time, and thereafter tripled it every time I made it. It's too complicated a recipe for me to memorize, but I take comfort in knowing that it's in the freezer, ready to help me cope with life's many uncertainties.

Today, I hauled it out to lend purpose to a surplus of spring rhubarb, and I will use it again this weekend to whip some nectarines into shape — because my mother just called to say she'll be driving up for a (socially distanced, outdoor) visit, and I want to have something nice to serve her. Assuming the weather holds.

“ Bake we must, even when backyard itself feels like an oven, if only because the fruits demand it



A Crumble Topping for All Seasons

I usually make a triple batch and keep the extra in the freezer. You can use it to top pies, coffee cakes, bars and, of course, fruit crumbles. Adapted from *Tartine, a Classic Revisited*, by Elisabeth Pruitt and Chad Robertson.

INGREDIENTS:

1¾ cup rolled oats
1¾ cup almond flour
¾ cup sugar
1½ teaspoons cinnamon
½ teaspoon ground ginger (optional)
1 teaspoon salt
¾ cup (1½ sticks) butter, melted and partly cooled
1½ cups walnuts, coarsely chopped

In a bowl, mix together the oats, almond flour, sugar, cinnamon and salt until thoroughly combined. Pour in the melted butter, and mix until evenly distributed. Gently stir in the walnuts. Spread on a baking sheet and freeze for one hour. Break into chunks. Freeze any unused portion in a resealable plastic bag for up to 6 months.

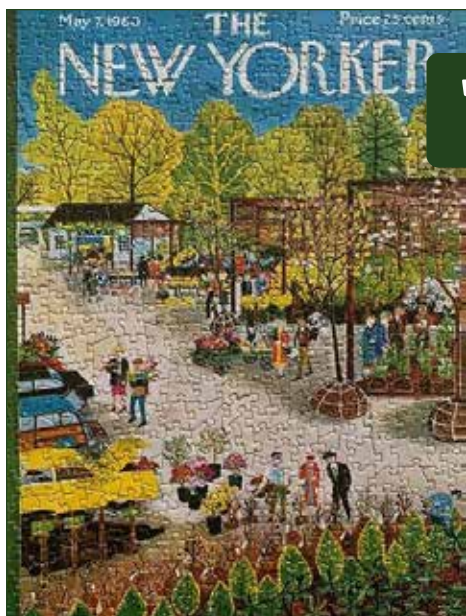
Fruit Crumble

There's no single formula for the fruit portion of a crumble, because sweetness and juiciness vary so much from one fruit to the next, and even within a single fruit as it ripens. Taste your fruit and adjust accordingly. Nonetheless, here's a rough guideline for making an 8-by-8-inch (2 quart) crumble:

INGREDIENTS:

4 cups orchard fruit (nectarines, peaches, apples) or rhubarb, cut into pieces
1 cup berries
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 tablespoon lemon juice (optional)
¼ to ¾ cups sugar, depending on the fruit's sweetness
2 to 4 tablespoons cornstarch, depending on the fruit's juiciness
1 recipe crumble topping (above)
Vanilla ice cream for serving (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. When the oven is hot, combine fruits, vanilla and lemon juice (if using) in a large bowl. In a small bowl, whisk together sugar and cornstarch until no lumps remain. Add to fruit mixture and toss to combine.
2. Spread fruit in 8-by-8-inch pan, top with crumble topping and bake 20 to 25 minutes, or until the fruit is bubbling and the crumble is golden (with hard or unripe fruits, you may need to lower the oven temperature and bake an additional 5 minutes).
3. Serve warm, with vanilla ice cream.



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Take a Number

Beacon store invites window shopping

By Alison Rooney

As one of Beacon's longest-lasting retail shops, Echo Boutique and Toy Store has had a prime double-fronted spot on Main Street for nearly 20 years, and re-invention has always been in the tool-kit for owner Karen Donohue.

The challenges of the pandemic shutdown have kept Donohue on her toes, and she's fording her way through with some creative merchandising aimed at making it as easy as possible for people to browse and buy without entering the premises.

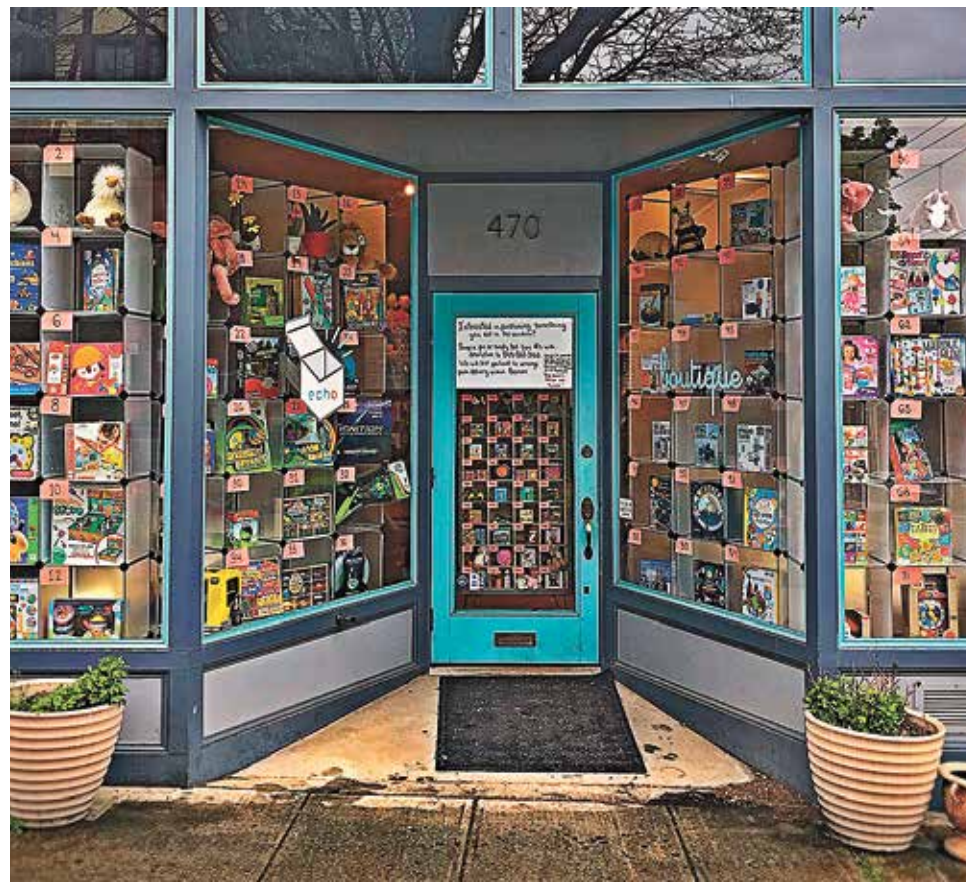
Working with the toys and other children's goodies she sells, Donohue stacked her window and door displays with more than 100 cubes, marked each one with a number and placed an item inside. Anyone interested in purchasing the item was instructed to call the store with the number and the item would be delivered to their porch, or could be picked up from hers. She also added inventory to Instagram and Facebook.

"I've always liked the cube idea," Donohue explains. "I was approached years ago to open a toy store in Grand Central Station. I couldn't do what they wanted me to do, which was a \$50,000 build-out, plus I didn't want to be underground every day. But I had come up with an idea for how it could work: the entire store filled with cubes, one toy in each, and customers would have scanners and click on each item they wanted. The orders would be sent to the register, which would have all the items ready when you checked out."

Donohue says she closed Echo to browsers before it was mandated by the state. "This store is very much an experience — you come in and you touch everything — so it didn't feel good to allow people to continue doing that. And if the perception was that I was putting people in danger by staying open, that could affect sales."

Initially interested in photography, Donohue worked in a photo store, then as a photographer's assistant, and, eventually, a prop stylist, largely for food shots. "I'd find 50 bowls and hear, 'We like the shape of that bowl, but we'd like it with a blue rim.'"

Though she considers herself shy, Donohue also describes herself as a lifelong entre-



Echo's current exterior, and a close-up (at right) that shows store items placed inside numbered cubes for easy "window shopping."



Karen Donohue

Photos provided

preneur. "As a kid I set up a stand to sell seashells and rocks — on a dead-end street."

With no background in retail, Donohue opened Echo as an art gallery to display her mother's hand-painted tables. Her first space was 10-by-10 feet and open only on weekends. Donohue stayed for three years, adding soaps and windup toys on the tables, and repeatedly asking herself, "Oh my gosh, what am I doing?"

In time, Echo moved around the bend into

a bigger space and, with it, Donohue gave up the prop styling to devote all her time to retail. "I expanded the toys, then added baby outfits," she says. "I like displaying things." Next, she dabbled in women's clothing but found the space was too small for so many types of merchandise. "Everywhere I'd slice it, people would come and be confused," she says.

She moved again, to her current location on Main Street's east end. "The influx of people with small children was starting to happen," she says. The store focused on classic toys, and she relied on her instincts for women's clothing.

"Initially I followed someone else's advice: 'You should get skirts because it's an easier fit for most people as opposed to pants.' But I dug into what I liked. I would go to the trade shows and would walk the aisles, looking at the displays. I only bought things that I loved. I'd say, 'I want that shirt in red.' They'd reply, 'But our most popular color is blue.' 'I don't care, I like the red.' By doing it that way, it became a collection. I expanded to shoes, jewelry and scarves."

Donohue says that "sometimes the way I dress, I can't believe people are asking me for advice. But if they're willing to try on a bunch of things and stand in front of the mirror, I'm able to hand them the outfit

that will work. If you know the line and the way it's cut, you can advise people."

Donohue is a wistful about the changes in Beacon over the past few years. "We have had more people and more sales, but at a certain point to me it lost something," she says. "The conversations with neighbors happen less frequently. There are more people who come in with the mindset that they can hand toys to their children to play with — and frequently destroy — while they browse. It has made things difficult."

With the very recent advent of a return to in-store shopping, with guidelines, Echo is slowly inviting customers in again, for limited hours, while still continuing to offer porch deliveries. As of earlier this week, tentative plans were to open the store this Saturday and Sunday from 12 to 4 p.m., but it's best to check Echo's social media pages and website for the latest details.

"We can keep limping along," Donohue says. "But if this is the forever plan — wearing masks and staying 6 feet apart — my business is personal. It's a lot of 'What do you recommend for a 5-year-old?' We'll try our best and wait and see."

Echo is located at 470 Main St. in Beacon. Call 845-440-0047 or visit echobeacon.com.

Schweikhart (from Page 11)

Co., David Buick signed certificates for the David Dunbar Buick Corp. in the 1920s and Frederick Pabst signed those for the Phillip Best Brewing Co. in the 1870s.

He also stocks a variety of certificates numbered 1, or the first issued, including for the Newark International Baseball Club (a Yankees farm team), the International Immigration and Colonization Association and the Never Leak Oil Tank Co.

There are fewer local certificates. From Beacon, his inventory includes certificates for the Mount Beacon-on-Hudson Associa-

tion (which operated the incline railway), the Holland Hotel and the Matteawan Manufacturing Co. There are also certificates from the Hudson Valley, such as for the Boston and Fishkill Iron Co., the Newburgh Electric Railway Co., the New York and Putnam Railroad Co., the Hudson River Navigation Corp., and the Central Hudson Steamboat Co.

In his online store, Schweikhart's inventory is organized in various ways, from company name to subject matter, including aviation, bridges, drugs, farming, fraud and scandal, government, hotels, manufacturing, media, mining, oddities, oil and gas, rail-

roads, rubber and tires, sports, technology, tobacco, trolleys and utilities. Prices range from \$1 to as much as \$1,950 (for the Fillmore certificate), but many are \$30 or less.

The fraud section includes a hodgepodge of skulduggery, from a water company in Virginia that sold an elixir, to the Wrigley Pharmaceutical Co., which exploited the similarity of its corporate name to imply a connection to the Wrigleys of Chicago. Enron represents a much more recent member of the club.

Some certificates are hard to categorize. One of Schweikhart's favorites is for the Ocean Floating Safe Co. "It produced safes

that would float when a ship sank," he says. "There's a vignette of a ship going down; it's a beautiful piece." Oddly, the company was incorporated in landlocked South Dakota.

While railroad and mining certificates were once the mainstay of the collectibles business, the demand now is for famous companies such as American Express and airlines, he says. And like many collectible dealers, Schweikhart is watching his customers grow older. Some younger people will buy certificates as gifts, "but overall the connection is being lost," he says. "Maybe it's a sign of the times. Capitalism is not exactly the most popular idea among young people."

Roots and Shoots

What's in Your Backyard?

By Pamela Doan

A recent study showed the rate of species extinctions speeding up. Our deforestation, carbon emissions and development have destroyed the habitat, ecosystems and living conditions for thousands of species of wildlife, aquatic life, plants and trees. They just disappear.

The last regal fritillary butterfly, the last wood turtle, the last rusty-patched bumble bee — most of us wouldn't recognize them, but they may no longer exist in the near future.

The numbers of beloved monarch butterflies have diminished so steeply that they, too, have been considered for endangered species status. Nearly 400 species of North American birds may not survive our rapidly changing climate. Native bee numbers have shrunk and the insect apocalypse has been in the headlines as scientists sound the alarm about population declines. The world is in free fall.

Biodiversity in our backyards is one key element that we can control, even if it's only a blip against the scale of loss. The first step is to inventory what's planted there.

Here's the inventory for 2 acres of my landscape:

Trees: Colorado spruce, black spruce, Eastern white pine, shadbush, redbud, forsythia, spicebush, winterberry, red twig dogwood, maple trees, hemlock trees, river birch, black birch, ash, oak, juniper, boxwood, cedar, witch hazel, coralberry, apple, pear, raspberries, elderberries, native cranberry bush, currants, blueberries.

Native perennial plants: honeysuckle, two types of milkweed, bee balm, bergamot, anise hyssop, golden alexanders, blue star, lobelia, mountain mint, mistflower, yarrow, blue vervain, sedums, asters, goldenrod, four types of ferns, echinacea, wild indigo, obedient plant, foxglove beard-tongue, bleeding heart, wild geraniums, foamflower, wood poppies, bloodroot, coreopsis, lavender, native grasses, Jacob's ladder, joe-pye weed, ox-eye sunflower and rudbeckia — three types.

Aren't plant names wonderful?

There's also a vegetable garden, herbs and ornamental plants I inherited, such as lilies, peonies, rosebushes and hydrangea. Name an invasive plant and it's here, too, but hasn't taken over. Yet.

When we moved here 10 years ago, the house had a lawn carved out of the forest, with forsythia and Japanese barberry dominating the landscaped areas. I've contributed everything else except the mature hardwoods and the apple and pear trees. Each season I see the rewards — more birds,



What's eating my plant? These are striking caterpillars feasting on parsely. They become black swallowtail butterflies.

Photo by P. Doan

more insects, more life around us.

A cool bonus to doing an inventory of your yard is learning that there's life growing there that you didn't know about.

Try a plant or tree identification app if you want quick (but possibly inconclusive) results. I've had mixed success with Leaf-Snap and Seek.

If you're more of a book person, find a copy of Dirr's *Manual of Woody Plants* and learn how to identify shrubs and trees by their foliage, bark, blooms and fruits. This can be a family activity.

Then, inventory in hand, try to understand what role each plant plays. Do birds use a particular plant to find caterpillars, berries, seeds or nesting? What species of insects use it for food or shelter? For example, shadbush (*Amelanchier Canadensis*) is the host plant of the white admiral butterfly and an early season source for pollinators. Birds love the berries and caterpillars it attracts.

Another example, forsythia, does not provide nectar or pollen for pollinators. It's widely planted because the deer don't eat it. It's also not native to North America.

When you identify ecological gaps, you can make a planting plan for what you want to bring in and where to place it. Features such as water sources, a brush pile, leaf mulch and patches of bare soil for ground-nesting bees can be added, too.

Other helpful resources include *The Audubon Society Guide to Attracting Birds: Creating Natural Habitats for Properties Large and Small*, by Steven Kress, and *Bringing Nature Home*, by Douglas Tallamy and Rick Darke. The Native Plant Center at Westchester Community College in Valhalla, an affiliate of the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, has lists of native plants suited for various light conditions at sunywcc.edu/about/npc.

If you'd like to know the botanical names of plants in my yard, or you have any other questions, email me at rootsandshoots@highlandscurrent.org.

New Trail (from Page 1)

plateau, realize that the hike is beyond their capabilities and look for a way down. Unfortunately, backtracking isn't always an option because there are often many other hikers climbing the ridge face.

As a result, many stalled hikers descend off-trail, trampling sensitive plant habitats. The situation also forces them, once they reach Route 9D, to walk through Breakneck Tunnel, a safety issue that the creation of the Fjord Trail would address.

Finally, inexperienced hikers who find Breakneck too challenging typically discover that bushwhacking an extremely steep ridge is much worse, which leads to injuries and rescue calls. (So many people have taken unmarked routes down that they've created visible "social trails.") Because hikers often time their ascent to watch the sunset over Storm King, some rescues also occur in the dark.

Kacala said the Bench Trail will allow hikers to get a taste of Breakneck while providing a safer way to bail out. The trail avoids sensitive habitats and will allow the state parks agency to fill in the social trails during ecological restoration projects so that "nature can reclaim" the area, she said.

"We had an ecology working group put together for this project, and they said that the best thing we can do for Breakneck's ecology is to keep people on the designated trails so that you're containing the footprint," Kacala explained. "That's what we're hoping this trail project will help support."

She said she hopes the Bench Trail will be completed by this time next year, although bad weather and the availability of trail crews could cause delays.

The Bench Trail will be the first proj-

ect undertaken by the Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail group. The initial phase of the Fjord Trail, which is envisioned as stretching from Cold Spring to Beacon, was to be a series of enhancements at Breakneck that would allow more parking while eliminating the need for hikers to have to walk alongside or across Route 9D, as well as through the tunnel.

While the connector project is still scheduled to be built by 2022, the state parks department and the Fjord Trail group began to look for more immediate solutions to the congestion and injuries at Breakneck.

The trails at Breakneck recently reopened after being closed during the COVID-19 shutdown, although Metro-North has not resumed stops at the Breakneck Ridge station that bring hundreds of people to the mountain's narrow slopes. According to counts made by trail stewards for the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference, who will be positioned at the trailhead starting later this month, peak daily visitation has grown from 400 hikers in 2014 to 2,000 hikers in 2019.

One change made during the pandemic — parallel parking along Route 9D — has been made permanent at the recommendation of the state Department of Transportation. However, Linda Cooper, director for the Taconic Region of the state parks department, said that it's become clear in recent weeks that many people don't know what parallel parking is.

"Some people, as they were getting ticketed for parking head-on, were saying, 'But I'm parked parallel to the car next to me. Isn't that parallel parking?'" Cooper said. "We've been putting barriers up to help define what it means."



Building a Bridge

Each year, engineering students at West Point design a trail bridge for Fahnestock State Park. This year, the cadets were sent home because of the COVID-19 shutdown before the bridge could be completed, so Col. Brad Wambeke, the director of civil engineering at the academy, stepped in to finish the 24-foot span on the School Mountain Road trail with his daughter, Emilie Wambeke, a college

student majoring in interior design.

The Open Space Institute provided more than \$14,000 for the project, while the state parks department obtained permits and helped with site preparation and moving the structural beams.

Each of the West Point bridges at Fahnestock — there are now three — has a distinct style. The 2020 bridge is an arch suspension bridge designed for equestrian use and to reduce stream-bank erosion.

Looking Back in Philipstown

By Chip Rowe

150 Years Ago (June 1870)

H.L. Hurlbut spoke for two hours at Town Hall on the benefits of abstinence from intoxicating drinks.

A peddler of All Healing Salve came to town and held forth about the product “with two torches and a glib tongue,” according to the *Cold Spring Recorder*. “We have not had so much nocturnal excitement since the Wizard Oil men were here.”

A special meeting of Nelsonville residents was called to vote on replacing the schoolhouse, which was often inaccessible because of flooding, but the proposition failed, 54-17.

Ed Baker, who hired John Butler’s horse in Nelsonville for what he said would be an afternoon ride in the country, was seen a week later in New York City.

James McCarthy installed a beer pump with silver trimmings at his Kemble Avenue bar.

A child of Edward Burns, sick with diphtheria, was prescribed a throat bath of steam from pure water through an apparatus left by Dr. Murdock. The child’s 33-year-old aunt came to the Market Street home to help administer the steam but her clothes caught fire from the alcohol lamp used to generate it. She ran into the street ablaze. Passersby extinguished the flames, but she died a few hours later.

Two drunk women were observed walking down Main Street at 3 p.m. on a Thursday afternoon, with one yelling: “I’m a city woman! I wasn’t born in this damned old country! I was born in the city of London!”

125 Years Ago (June 1895)

Alexander Collyer attempted to stop a runaway team of horses at Market and Main streets but was knocked down and the wagon passed over his body.

After walking into a hornet’s nest, the face of Joseph Denney of North Highlands was so swollen that he was barely recognizable.

John Gilbert, who the previous November shot and killed his brother during an argument at their home in Garrison, was convicted by a jury in Carmel of second-degree manslaughter and sentenced to eight years in prison.

Judge and Mrs. Wood left for Annapolis to visit their son, Robert, at the Naval Academy before he sailed for the Madeira Islands aboard the training ship USS Monongahela. He wrote them: “I will give you an idea of what I have been going through the last few days. Reveille at six and lashing up hammock in 10 minutes. Then rest until we are marched to breakfast at the cadet mess hall. After breakfast, march back to the ship and get ready to go to the armory to have drill in marching. Then back to the ship and go up to the masthead. I don’t mind that any more, although it looks high. After dinner, different drills until supper, and last but not least, another drill in the gymnasium at night, then a plunge bath and to bed. I tell you it is no snap.”



The USS Monongahela in the 1890s, when it was used as a Naval Academy practice ship
National Museum of the U.S. Navy



E.J. Glave, an African explorer, spoke at Haldane in the 1890s.

One of the servants of Dr. G.W. Murdock found a baby boy, neatly dressed with a bottle of milk at his side, abandoned on the stoop of the home at about 10 p.m. on a Saturday night. The Town Board appointed a committee to investigate.

In response to a questionnaire from the *New York World*, Rep. Jacob LeFever, whose district included the Highlands, said he opposed an income tax.

Mrs. Edwards Pierrepont, along with her servants, coachmen, horses and carriages, arrived from New York City to spend the summer at Hurst-Pierrepont, her Garrison estate.

Amid a bicycle craze, the *Recorder* opined that riders, usually women, who “double up the body while riding deform the human shape, present a most ungraceful appearance, invite spinal disease and lose a great part of the benefit that would otherwise accrue from the exercise.”

Two men from Garrison rode their bicycles to Coney Island.

The Board of Education voted to spend \$20 on graduation ceremonies.

The body of a man, about 40 years old, was found in the Hudson near West Point. He was well-dressed and had a new revolver and a certificate issued by the Cornwall Gold Cure to James McNally.

J. Bennett Southard, 20, of Cold Spring, received his diploma from the Columbia Law School in a ceremony at Carnegie Hall. [Three years later, Southard was appointed Putnam County district attorney. He later was a county judge for 27 years.]

Members of the Garrison Female Suffrage Club met over tea at the home of Mary Austin to dissect a speech by an Episcopal bishop at a girls’ school in Albany, during which he ranted about how tired he was hearing about “a woman’s rights.”

Workmen tapped the main pipe from the reservoir at the depot and extended a line across the tracks so the engineer could sprinkle the flower beds.

Word arrived of the death in Africa of E.J.

Glave, 31, who three years earlier had delivered several lectures at the Haldane Union School. The Englishman had been sent to the Congo (then controlled by Belgium) by *The Century Magazine* to write about the slave trade.

At a meeting of the Cold Spring Village Improvement Association, President Henry Metcalfe reported the association had planted 64 trees, placed drinking cups on all the pumps, ordered wastepaper bins similar to the one outside the post office and built a crematory at the dump on Sandy Landing to burn rubbish.

Thomas Donohue was killed by a northbound train while walking through Breakneck Tunnel after he jumped out of the way of a southbound train.

Noting that village residents had complained about a man who was opening their shutters at night to peek inside, the *Recorder* vowed to publish his name if he was caught again.

Two village justices and two magistrates recused themselves from overseeing the arraignment of Frank Brown, who had been arrested on a complaint of assault brought by James and Lillie Horton. Each judge said he was related in some way to the Hortons. The officer who made the arrest contacted two justices in Putnam Valley who said they were also relatives. Finally, at 10 p.m., he found a judge in Kent to arraign his prisoner. A jury later found Brown not guilty.

Charles Scofield of North Highlands planted 4 acres of cucumbers to meet the demand for pickles.

The Recorder noted its disapproval of “floating saloons” anchored a short distance from the western shore of the Hudson. Customers were taken in boats to the scows to drink, then “sent ashore to sleep off their jag and fight and disturb the peace.” It noted that, on a single Sunday, one boat went through 31 kegs of beer.

100 Years Ago (June 1920)

Frank Moss, a Cold Spring native who became a celebrated crusader against graft, died at age 60 at his home in New York City. As a young lawyer, Moss was named general counsel to the Society for the Suppression of Crime and later was an adviser to the Lexow and Mazet committees, which investigated police corruption. In one of his last speeches, Moss said: “Many a man who has started out to expose graft in some official circles has lost interest when some police or other official has whispered quietly in his year. Even ministers of the gospel have been known to have been so affected. I fear then that it is pretty nearly true, as a saloon keeper once said to me, that every man has his price.”



Frank Moss around 1915 Library of Congress

75 Years Ago (June 1945)

Ellen Repp, a contralto who toured with the USO, performed for 600 people at the 7th
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Gergely Pediatrics

COVID19 PANDEMIC

It has been a busy few months here at Gergely Pediatrics trying to keep our doors open and everyone safe. Our patient and staff safety remains our number one priority.

Since Wednesday, March 25th, we have been seeing all sick children via telehealth video appointments only and will be continuing to use telehealth for all sick visits until we feel it is safe to resume in office visits. We are now seeing well children ONLY in our office. Please call today to schedule your annual physical. We are following the guidelines of the American Academy of Pediatrics to continue seeing all healthy, well children in our office.

We are taking the following precautions:

- Pre visit COVID symptom and history screening for all visits
- Modified Provider Schedules with reduced patient volume
- Remote Check-in: we will have a streamlined check-in process. Forms and co-pays can be processed remotely.
- Where possible, patients will skip the front desk and proceed directly to the exam room.
- Upon arrival, everyone who is 2 years and older (who will tolerate) will have to wear masks.
- In addition to prescreening for COVID-19 symptoms before arrival, screening will be done upon arrival, including but not limited to temperature screening.
- Social Distancing: We have changed appointment time slots in order to space out scheduled appointments
- Disinfection and Cleaning: Our locations are repeatedly and thoroughly sanitized after every patient is seen throughout each day. Exam rooms are cleaned with EPA approved wipes between patient visits.
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We will be remaining closed on Saturdays but still available by phone. If you should get the answering service and feel that you cannot wait until we open up again, please leave a message with the service. We will continue to keep you informed as events change. Please continue to check our website for update: gergelypediatrics.com

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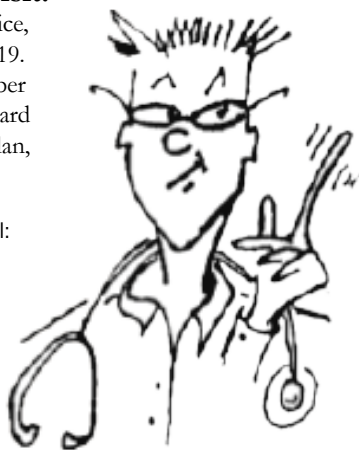
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Looking Back (from Page 20)

War Bond Rally held at the Haldane Central High School. The program also featured a screening of 50 feet of motion-picture film taken from the plane of Lt. Martin Adams of Nelsonville as it strafed a truck convoy in Germany and scored a direct hit on an enemy fighter plane. [Adams, 25, had been killed in action the previous year.]

Sgt. Joseph Etta was honorably discharged and returned home after 35 months of duty in which he participated in major campaigns in Algeria, French Morocco, Tunisia, Sicily, Normandy, Northern France, Central Europe, the Rhineland and Ardennes. He was greeted at Grand Central Station by his brother, Staff Sgt. Anthony Etta, who had arrived home seven days earlier after being liberated from a German prison camp. [Joe Etta turned 102 in April.]

Mayor William Dardess Jr. urged residents to plant a Victory Garden to provide food for the winter, noting that the gardens accounted for 20 percent of the fresh vegetables grown in the U.S. in 1944.

50 Years Ago (June 1970)

A week after the sloop Clearwater visited Cold Spring, a resident complained in a letter that "local yokels" had cut its lines, thrown beer cans and stones, and accused Pete Seeger and his crew of being Communists, without recourse.

Spec. 4 Wayne Robinson of Nelsonville returned home for a 30-day leave after completing the first year of his tour of duty in Vietnam.

The Rev. James Edge, who was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Philipstown from 1926 to 1940, died in Portland, Oregon.

Esther Mekeel retired from Haldane after 47 years of teaching there. At graduation, she received a bouquet from members of the Class of 1923.

The Philipstown Volunteer Ambulance Corps, in its fifth year, purchased an ambulance with four-wheel drive.

The Democratic County Committee, unhappy that members of the breakaway Concerned Democrats of Putnam County who represented Philipstown and Patterson were going to join the committee, voted with 19 of 106 members present to eliminate the two seats. It argued that election law didn't say it couldn't abruptly change the number of seats on the committee, but a state judge ruled that "such an interpretation would outrage fundamental fairness and result in absurdity."

The Philipstown Board of Assessors reported the state had lowered the assessment of the Penn Central by 24 percent because of a loss in revenue by the railroad.

The Omega Chemical Corp. plant on Kemble Avenue burned to the ground in an overnight fire. Chief Joseph Etta said that because of the chemicals in the building, the 200 firefighters from four departments on the scene could not get near the blaze. The plant manager and its seven employees resumed operations in a Quonset hut constructed about 1,000 feet away.

25 Years Ago (June 1995)

State Sen. Vincent Leibell announced he



Haldane Senior Wins Art Competition

Painting will hang in U.S. Capitol

A painting by Haldane senior Anneke Chan, "Pool Party," was selected to represent New York's 18th District in the annual Congressional Art Competition, the office of Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney announced on Thursday (June 11).

Chan's work will be exhibited in the Capitol building in Washington, D.C., for a year beginning in September.

Chan, who is the salutatorian at Haldane, plans to pursue a dual degree in studio art and anthropology at Tufts University. She is the first Haldane student to win the 18th District competition.

had secured \$175,000 to replace the bridge over the Metro-North tracks at Little Stony Point, which the state had deemed unsafe and ordered demolished. Soon after, it was noted that while the funds had been appropriated, they had not been "released."

Following a six-week investigation by the Putnam County Sheriff's Department, a 20-year-old Philipstown man was arrested for selling undercover officers a half pound of marijuana.

Sylvia Wallin was appointed branch manager of the Houlihan Lawrence real-estate office on Main Street.

The Advanced Art class at Haldane High School worked with the Garrison Art Center to paint murals on the entrance of the train underpass on Main Street.

A Wappingers man was arrested after a canceled check with his name was found in a pile of garbage and furniture dumped along East Mountain Road South.

OBITUARIES

Harry Fadde Jr. (1929-2020)

Harry C. Fadde Jr., 90, died June 9 at his residence in Cold Spring.

Born July 10, 1929, in Newark, New Jersey, he was the son of Harry and Catherine (Martz) Fadde. His wife, Geraldine, died in 2002.

After his service in the U.S. Marine Corps, Harry was the owner and operator of Harry C. Fadde & Son Radiators in Linden, New Jersey, and later operated Hudson Valley Trains on Main Street in Cold Spring. He was a member of the Train Collectors of America.

Harry was a member of the Elizabeth Lodge #289 B.P.O. Elks, where he was a Past Exalted Ruler. He was also a parishioner at Our Lady of Loretto in Cold Spring and was a familiar face greeting visitors at the Cold Spring Chamber of Commerce booth at the foot of upper Main Street.

He was a music fan and followed the band The Revivalists for many years with his daughter, Cathryn, as it toured.

Besides his daughter, who owns Cathryn's Tuscan Grill in Cold Spring, Harry is survived by his grandchildren, Shari De Gregorio, Henry Favire and Kamae Fadde; and six great-grandchildren. His son, Harry Fadde III, died in 2015.

A private cremation has taken place at Cedar Hill Crematory. Memorial donations may be made to PlusOnePlusOnePlusOne, c/o Matt Yasecko, 7616 Washington Boulevard, River Forest, IL 60305. In the memo line, note "RevCauses in Harry C. Fadde Jr's memory."

**Antoinette Frisenda (1927-2020)**

Antoinette "PeeWee" Frisenda, 93, a longtime resident of Cold Spring, died June 5 at her home, surrounded by her family.

She was born May 31, 1927, in Peekskill, the daughter of Carlos and Maria (Renza) Menga. She married Salvatore Frisenda, who died in 2007. Antoinette was a devoted member of Our Lady of Loretto in Cold Spring.

She is survived by her son, Carl Frisenda (Denise) of Cold Spring, who is the Philipstown highway superintendent; her grandchildren: Anthony, Matthew, Granite, Ceara and Logen Frisenda; and her great-grandchildren: HaileyJade, Giuliana, Aurora, Kristjan and Sigurbjorn. Her son, Joseph Frisenda, died in 2007. Her siblings, Louis Menga, Anna Gallo, Constance Pascale, Mercy Uva, Josephine Anderson and Louise McGrath, also died before her. A graveside service was held on June 12.

**Ellen Gerentine (1946-2020)**

Ellen R. Gerentine, 73, a lifelong Beacon resident, died April 2.

She was born at Highland Hospital in Beacon on April 18, 1946, the daughter of Arthur and Jane (Pickles) MacDowell. She met her husband, Joseph Gerentine, at Beacon High School. They married on Feb. 9, 1968. He died eight



days before her, on March 25.

Ellen graduated from SUNY Delhi and began work at IBM in an administrative role before leaving to raise her family. She spent many nights constructing handmade gifts for craft fairs at St. Joachim's school, adorable clothes or gifts for family and friends and countless costumes for Halloween or for the stages at St. Joachim's or Forrestral Elementary School.

She also spent many years fluffing and refining window displays at the Village Cupboard, owned by friends on Main Street in Fishkill. She also joined the Wappingers Dance Educators, sharing her choreography and designing and building many props for its annual recitals.

She is survived by her children, Joseph Gerentine (Grant Varjas), Kristen Owens (Howard Jr.) and Michael Gerentine and (Taina Lopez); and her grandchildren: Jayna Owens (Naazir Gardner), Quincy Owens, Aidan Gerentine and Luciano Gerentine.

Joe Gerentine (1948-2020)

Joseph M. Gerentine, 71, a lifelong resident of Beacon, died March 25.

Joe was born on July 8, 1948, at Highland Hospital in Beacon, the son of Joseph and Raffaella (Corrado) Gerentine. His father owned a barber shop on Eliza Street. He met his future wife, Ellen MacDowell, at Beacon High School. They married on Feb. 9, 1968. She died eight days after him, on April 2.

He attended Albany Business College after high school and worked for the Beacon Department of Public Works in the summers. After graduating from college, he spent his career at IBM in East Fishkill. He later worked at the Carvel Country Club as the director of golf and then worked and retired from the New York City Department of Environmental Protection in Valhalla.

Joe played basketball and football in middle and high school, and as place-kicker during his senior year was given the nickname "Joe the Toe." He and a team of friends organized annual baseball tournaments to honor fallen Beacon police detective Brian Ferrone. He also coached the 49ers team of the Beacon Pop Warner football program and played on the Gallagher Shell's fast-pitch softball team.

His life included many memberships, but the primary one was in the St. Rocco's Society, his family said. He and many Gerentine men before him occupied board or trustee positions throughout the history of this club. He also was frequently found with his wife at annual fairs in the courtyard of St. Joachim's school, Beacon Day celebrations, St. Rocco's carnivals that took place on Henry Street, "O" Street in Seaside Park, New Jersey, and his newly formed family in Old Orchard Beach, Maine. A favorite family memory was Joe driving the "Queen" in St. Patrick's Day parades and celebrations, known then as Beacon's Chug-a-Thon.

He owned a bar Zep's Place in the 1970s, which was known for its fried calamari. He and his wife also waited on many customers of Barb's Deli.



Besides his wife, he is survived by their children, Joseph Gerentine (Grant Varjas), Kristen Owens (Howard Jr.) and Michael Gerentine and (Taina Lopez); and their grandchildren: Jayna Owens (Naazir Gardner), Quincy Owens, Aidan Gerentine and Luciano Gerentine. He also is survived by two sisters, Susan Stella (Peter) and Andrea Oliver (Rick).

Carmine Ricci (1932-2020)

Carmine A. Ricci, 87, a resident of Cold Spring for more than 60 years and formerly of Croton-on-Hudson, died May 7 at NewYork Presbyterian-Hudson Valley Hospital in Cortlandt Manor.



Born in Brooklyn on Oct. 30, 1932, he was the son of Vincent and Gelsomina (Occhini) Ricci. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict and was honorably discharged as a corporal. On Jan. 11, 1957, he married Doris Cooper.

Known to many as "Lefty," he worked as a mechanic and shop foreman for the Putnam County Highway Department for 20 years. Additionally, Carmine served as a police officer, village justice of Cold Spring and security guard for Boscobel. He belonged to the VFW and American Legion, and was a past president of the CSEA. He was also longtime member of the Cold Spring Boat Club.

Besides his wife, Carmine is survived by his children, Christine Amato (Anthony) of Greentown, Pennsylvania; Maryann Nastasi (Thomas) of Cold Spring; and

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OBITUARIES

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Carmine "Tony" Ricci Jr. (Kim) of Marlboro; his grandchildren, Christopher Burguiere (Caroline), Jessica Burguiere-Smith (Jeff), Thomas Nastasi Jr. (Sophia), Lindsay Stanford (Eddie), Nicholas Nastasi (Emily), Kitrina Bellucci (Nicholas), Michael Amato (Karen), Dante Nastasi, Kyle Ricci, Anthony Amato Jr. (Joy) and Daniel Amato.

He is also survived by 15 great-grandchildren and three brothers, Frank Ricci, Salvatore Ricci (Eileen) and Edward Ricci (Eileen).

A private service was held, followed by interment at Cold Spring Cemetery.

Doris Ricci (1937-2020)

Doris Barbara Ricci, 83, a Cold Spring resident since 1960 and formerly of Beacon and Croton-on-Hudson, died June 1 at NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital in Cortlandt Manor. On Jan. 11, 1957, she married Carmine Ricci Sr., who died on May 7.

She was born in Beacon on April 1, 1937, the daughter of Chandler and Doris (Niver) Cooper. Doris was a member of the Cold Spring/South Highland United Methodist Church, the Cold Spring Boat Club Ladies Auxiliary and the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary. She worked for many years as a silkscreen printer at Fairgate Rule Co. in Cold Spring. She enjoyed crafts and especially cherished spending time with her grandchildren.

Her survivors include her children: Chris-

tine Amato (Anthony) of Greentown, Pennsylvania; Maryann Nastasi (Thomas) of Cold Spring; and Carmine "Tony" Ricci Jr. (Kim) of Marlboro; her grandchildren, Christopher Burguiere (Caroline), Jessica Burguiere-Smith (Jeff), Thomas Nastasi Jr. (Sophia), Lindsay Stanford (Eddie), Nicholas Nastasi (Emily), Kitrina Bellucci (Nicholas), Michael Amato (Karen), Dante Nastasi, Kyle Ricci, Anthony Amato Jr. (Joy) and Daniel Amato.

She is also survived by 15 great-grandchildren; and her siblings, Claira Staples, Chandler Cooper (Mary) and Robert Cooper (Kathy).

A private service was held, followed by interment at Cold Spring Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Cold Spring/South Highland United Methodist Church, 216 Main St., Cold Spring, NY 10516.

Teresa Van Tassel (1936-2020)

Teresa Van Tassel, 83, a lifelong resident of Cold Spring, died June 7 at her home, surrounded by family members.

She was born in Cold Spring on June 19, 1936, the daughter of Joseph and Rachel Percaciolo. On June 29, 1957, she married George Van Tassel, who died in 2013.

Teresa was a member of Our Lady of Loretto in Cold Spring and a founding member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the North Highlands Fire Co. She was employed by the Putnam County Office for Senior Resources

as a driver for its Meals on Wheels program.

Teresa took great pride in cooking and Sunday meals were her specialty, her family said. She loved attending all the special events in the lives of her children and grandchildren. Another joy was QVC. A week would not go by without an order, quickly calling for all the specials on shoes and pocketbooks.

She is survived by her children, George Van Tassel (Laura) of Leesburg, Virginia; John Van Tassel (Kristin) of Cold Spring, who is a member of the Philipstown Town Board; and Teresa Lyons (Michael) of Hopewell Junction. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Amanda Geiser (Jayson), Michael Lyons Jr., Hilary Lyons, Gabrielle Van Tassel, Kevin Van Tassel and Ryan Van Tassel; and a great-grandchild, Spencer Geiser.

A graveside service was held June 18 at the Cold Spring Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice Care in Westchester & Putnam, Health Division, 540 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, NY 10591.

Jim Yeaple (1944-2020)

James C. Yeaple, 76, a lifelong resident of Beacon, died June 9 at his home, surrounded by family members.

Jim was born in Beacon on April 21, 1944, the son of Elmer and Elizabeth (Best) Yeaple. On Dec. 23, 1972, he married Jalene Branson.

Jim served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1961 to 1966. He served in Vietnam

and received a Purple Heart. Upon his discharge, he served in the U.S. Navy from 1967 to 1969. Jim also served in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1978 to 1983.

He worked as a corrections officer for 29 years and retired from Downstate Correctional Facility. He was a life member of the Beacon Fur, Fin & Feather Association and also a member of the Marine Corps League, Carmen Ramputi Detachment 861 in Beacon. He had a great sense of humor, his family said.

In addition to his wife, Jim is survived by his children, James Yeaple (Danielle) and Dawn Mahodil; his grandchildren, Jonathan Mahodil and Alyssa, Brianna and Caitlynn Yeaple; a great-grandson, Ashton Mahodil; and two brothers, Richard Yeaple and Peter Yeaple.

Funeral arrangements were private. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society (cancer.org), Hudson Valley Hospice (hvhospice.org) or the Disabled American Veterans (dav.org).

Other Recent Deaths**Beacon**

Margaret Bates, 83
Benjamin Cole, 74
The Rev. Luke Guastella, 98
Mary Lopez, 88
Cheryl Springett, 47

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ACROSS

1. St. Louis landmark

5. Hostel

8. Grime

12. Silver salmon

13. Kan. neighbor

14. Sandwich cookie

15. Destruction

16. Thrilling

18. Passage

20. Idles

21. Still

22. "You've got mail" co.

23. Really fun time

26. Leave out

30. Thither

31. Beer cousin

32. Queue

33. Shout out

36. Co-star with Ball, Amaz and Frawley

38. Branch

39. Dine

40. Larynx output

43. Surpasses

47. "My bad"

49. By word of mouth

50. Night light?

51. Atmosphere

52. Loosen

53. Paquin or Quindlen

54. Final (Abbr.)

55. Exam

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DOWN

1. Land measure

2. Sauce thickener

3. Stylish

4. Sweethearts

5. Klutzy

6. Adjoining

7. Leno's network

8. "Is that so?"

9. Eye part

10. Landlord's due

11. Garb

17. Sporty Camaro

19. Emeritus (Abbr.)

22. Chopper

23. "See ya"

24. Bagel topping

25. Anti-apartheid org.

26. Shade source

27. Samovar

28. "What's up, —?"

29. Ram's mate

31. Intent

34. Gap

35. War god

36. Carpet cleaner, for short

37. Went to a restaurant

39. Put forth, as energy

40. — cava

41. The yoke's on them

42. PC picture

43. Painter Nolde

44. Sea eagle

45. June honorees

46. Coin aperture

48. Water (Fr.)

7 LITTLE WORDS

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES

1 person from Rio de Janeiro (9)

2 right now (6)

3 final touches in a reno (8)

4 Leonard Cohen, for one (10)

5 boost (7)

6 expanding in width (10)

7 test for acidity (6)

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Answers for June 12 Puzzles

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Renegades Season Delayed Indefinitely

*First game for team was
scheduled for June 18*

The New York-Penn League, which includes the Hudson Valley Renegades, announced on June 12 it was delaying the 2020 season indefinitely because of the COVID-19 shut-down. At the same time, Major League Baseball and the Players Association continue to negotiate an abbreviated season that would begin in July.

The New York-Penn League, which is Class A, short-season, or the fifth of six levels in baseball's minor leagues, said it would "continue to monitor" the situation. It canceled the All Star game usually held in late August.

The Renegades, who have played at Dutchess Stadium in Wappingers Falls for 26 years, were scheduled to open their 2020 season on June 18. The team is an affiliate of the Tampa Bay Rays. Along with the Brooklyn Cyclones, an affiliate of the Mets, it competes against teams from West Virginia, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Vermont.

In mid-May, the Renegades prepared a reopening plan for games at the stadium in case the league went ahead with the season.

SUMMER CAMP UPDATE

4th Wall Theatre Camp

WAPPINGERS FALLS

Online | facebook.com/4thwallproductions

Four, 1-week sessions beginning July 6,
ages 7-18

All Sport Camp Fit

FISHKILL

845-896-5678

allsporthealthandfitness.com

Eight, 1-week sessions, beginning July 6,
weekdays 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., ages 4-12

Army Sports

WEST POINT

Canceled for 2020

Ballet Arts Studio

BEACON

845-831-1870 | balletartsstudio.com

Online in June and July; ages 3-5, 6-12, 12
and older

Beacon Art Studios

WAPPINGERS FALLS

Canceled for 2020

Beacon Music Factory

845-765-0472 | beaconmusicfactory.com

Songwriting camp, six weekly sessions
beginning June 29, grades 6-12

Be Creative as Possible

BEACON

845-905-2338 | becreativeaspossible.com

Three, 1-week sessions, beginning June
29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., ages 3-5

Camp @ The Camp

BEACON

Canceled for 2020

Camp Combe

PUTNAM VALLEY

845-526-0808 | ymca-cnw.org

Nine, 1-week sessions, beginning June 29,
grades pre-K to 8

Common Ground Farm

WAPPINGERS FALLS

845-231-4424 | commongroundfarm.org

Seven, 1-week sessions, beginning July 13,
ages 3-12

Compass Arts

BEACON

917-648-4454 | compassarts.org

Garrison Art Center

845-424-3960 | garrisonartcenter.org

- Summer Arts in a Box, three 1-week sessions, starting June 29, grades K-8
- Summer Art Institute, grades 9-12, is canceled

Hot to Trot Stables

PHILIPSTOWN

914-906-3563 | hottotrotstables.webs.com

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday,
9 a.m.-3 p.m., ages 5 and older

Hudson Valley Renegades

WAPPINGERS FALLS

renegadesbaseballcamps.com

The state is allowing day camps to reopen on June 29, but the commissioner of health on June 12 said that overnight camps will not be allowed.

Hudson Valley Shakespeare

COLD SPRING

Canceled for 2020

Kid's Place

BEACON

845-838-9934 | kidsplacebeacon.org

Manitou School

COLD SPRING

845-809-5695 | manitouschool.org

Seven, 1-week remote sessions beginning
June 29, ages 6-12

Philipstown Recreation

Canceled for 2020; theater camps online

Stepping Stones

COLD SPRING

845-809-5007 | childcaresteppingstones.com

Eight, 1-week sessions, beginning July 6,
ages 2-5

Stony Kill Farm

WAPPINGERS FALLS

Canceled for 2020

Storm King Art Center

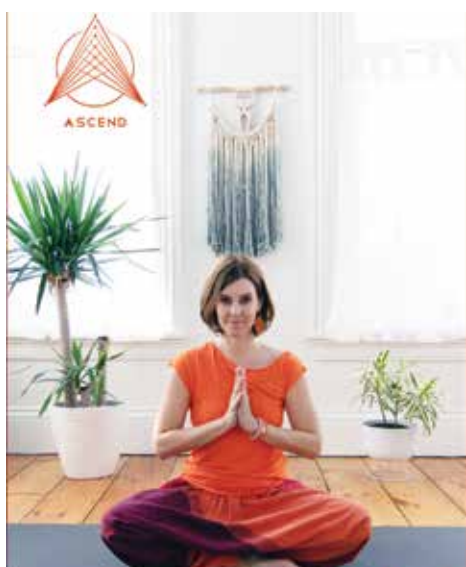
NEW WINDSOR

Canceled for 2020

Surprise Lake Camp

COLD SPRING

Canceled for 2020



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