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Maloney, Lawler Win in 17; Ryan vs. Schmitt in 18

November ballot set for
Congress in Highlands

By Chip Rowe

Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney easily defeated a challenger running to his left on Tuesday (Aug. 23) for the Democratic line on the November ballot to represent the redrawn U.S. House District 17, which will include Philipstown.

The five-term incumbent, who lives in Philipstown, will face Michael Lawler, a state Assembly member from Rockland County who won 75 percent of the vote in the Republican primary, according to unofficial results compiled by the state Board of Elections.

In the general election for the redrawn District 18, which will include Beacon, Pat Ryan, the Ulster County executive, will square off against Republican Colin Schmitt, a state



Maloney



Lawler



Ryan



Schmitt

Assembly member whose district includes part of Orange and Rockland counties.

In statement issued about 90 minutes after the polls closed, Maloney, who won
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When Beacon Was on the Air

For decades, WBNR
informed, entertained city

By Leonard Sparks

Two days after the New York Giants beat the Denver Broncos on Jan. 25, 1987, to win the Super Bowl, the team's players paraded through Beacon.

Or at least they did in the South Avenue studio of WBNR.

Listeners tuning in to the AM station on Jan. 27 heard Bob Outer, then-vice president of sales, and Dave Scholes, the news director, describe a procession of 18 floats and six marching bands on Main Street. Amid the music and buzz of spectators, the broadcasters interviewed Coach Bill Parcells, linebacker Harry Carson and other Giants players.

Joe Daily, then the longtime morning show host and program director, laughed earlier this month as he recalled the fictitious celebration — floats pulled by a car from "Foothill Motors," music played by

bands that did not exist and crowd noise courtesy of a recording made at Times Square on New Year's Eve.

The Giants, who participated in the gag, agreed to let Scholes and Maggie Carbaugh, a WBNR staff member, tape interviews with players and Parcells before the Super Bowl had even taken place.

Some people, believing there was an
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Bob Outer joined WBNR in 1963.

Photo courtesy Louise Outer

How They Voted

Governor signs round of bills
passed by state legislators

By Chip Rowe

Through this week, Govs. Andrew Cuomo and Kathy Hochul had signed 1,333 bills passed during the 2021-22 legislative session, which ended in June. Another 54 await Hochul's signature. Fifty-five have been vetoed.

Below are summaries of select laws and the votes cast by Republican Sue Serino (whose Senate district includes the Highlands), Democrat Sandy Galef (whose Assembly district includes Philipstown) and Democrat Jonathan Jacobson (whose Assembly district includes Beacon).

Voting laws

On June 24, Hochul enacted legislation that requires election workers, when the "express intent of a voter is clear," to ignore stray marks, stains or writing that might otherwise disqualify an absentee ballot. The bill's sponsors hoped the law would "eliminate costly legal challenges."

Passed by Senate, 42-20

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 104-42

Galef ☒

Jacobson ☒

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BUTTERFLIES AND BLOOMS — To close out a weeklong celebration on Aug. 13, Stony Kill Farm in Wappingers Falls offered hayrides, henna on hands, music from The Big Band Sound, a 20-piece jazz orchestra, and plenty of delights for young visitors. *Photo by Ross Corsair*

5Q FIVE QUESTIONS: AMANDA GROSS



By Alison Rooney

Amanda Gross, in partnership with the Compass Arts Creativity Project, recently installed a sculpture, “You Belong,” outside the Beacon Music Factory.

Who came up with the idea for this piece?

I did. Last fall I saw there was a grant opportunity from Compass Arts to do something local. I didn’t get that grant, but I wanted to do a project anyway and [Compass Arts founder] Gina [Samadge] was on board. I’ve been wanting to get into public art for a long time. Originally, I thought it would be more participatory, with more kid involvement, but it didn’t work out that way. I started in March and April, planting the seeds for plants I wanted to go around the sculpture. It was the first time I’ve worked with these materials, and it was fun experimenting. When first proposed, the sculpture was going to be more set back, but



once I started, I realized how big it would be. I went to Gina and said I’d like to put it in front, and she said, “Go for it.” It was installed at the beginning of July.

What came first, the text or the design?

The text. A lot of public art is not as explicit as I would like it to be, so I wanted it to be spelled out. Like many people, I struggle with social anxiety. I also wanted this to speak to the Beacon audience, especially because there are class issues here between older, blue-collar residents and new Beaconites. It’s important to say “you belong” to everyone.

Why did you include plants?

I thought that would be important in building community. I wanted to use edible plants — which is ironic because the sculpture is located next to a mini-food pantry. If there were more space to grow edibles, there’d be less need to have a food pantry. I wanted to label all the plants, to say, “This is your community,” that is, the community you belong to extends to the community of animals that live in it. As it turns out, there’s a large bush nearby with woodchucks. They

emerge to eat the snap peas that I planted.

What will happen to the sculpture?

It’s biodegradable. I want to create public art that is climate-aware. I also needed it to be colorful and retain the textures of the natural materials. When I moved to Beacon from Chicago in 2017, my partner and I started a garden using natural materials like bamboo trellis. I wanted to move into natural materials and incorporate that. If climate control is the biggest issue of our time, everybody has to be involved and included in the solution. We’re an interconnected ecosystem.

Does “You Belong” connect to the friendly lettering?

Oh, yeah. They’re both huge components. A lot of public art focuses on the negative. I wanted something positive that people could move toward, something welcoming. One of my neighbors said she could feel that I put my heart into it.

It reflects radical inclusion, with that term implying that everything goes beyond the more common spectrums of gender, ethnicity, age, etc., to include all beings, all animals, the ecosystem in which we live. The message of radical inclusion is timely, when many people feel “othered” due to LGBTQ+ status, race, neurodiversity, disability. It all extends beyond humans. I don’t kill anything, including bugs. In our own garden my partner and I try to see what grows on its own, including those things which may not be native but are thriving. It’s great to already see a response to that. An 11-year-old neighbor said she thought it was cool. That was wonderful to hear, unprompted. It makes me happy that the “you belong” message is resonating; that’s how I want kids to feel.

ON THE SPOT

By Michael Turton

Who was your first crush?

“Luis Rivera in second grade. He brought me barrettes, but he moved away.”



Jacqueline O'Halloran, Beacon

“Mira Rolfish in third grade. She sat right in front of me; I was enamored.”



Thom Joyce, Beacon

“The teenybopper TV star who played Shawn Hunter in *Boy Meets World*. His plaid shirt and hair put me in a tizzy.”



Gretchen Wells, Cold Spring

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Judge OKs Sullivan on Ballot in County Race

Defers to Board of Elections, state law

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

In a decision released Monday (Aug. 22), a state judge allowed Neal Sullivan, who chairs the Putnam County Legislature, to appear on the general election ballot as the Conservative Party candidate for his seat, although the same judge last spring ordered Sullivan to not run for that office — at least, not as a Republican — after he submitted flawed nominating petitions.

The latest ruling by Judge Victor Grossman of Putnam Supreme Court cited a July 13 determination by the two county Board of Election commissioners that Sullivan's earlier withdrawal as the Conservative Party candidate and the party's selection of a replacement failed to meet state law requirements.

“It's hard to get on the ballot and it's hard to get off the ballot.”

Catherine Croft

Putnam County election commissioner

Consequently, Sullivan will appear on the Conservative line on the Nov. 8 ballot for his District 9 seat, said Catherine Croft, the Democratic commissioner, on Thursday (Aug. 25). Erin Crowley, a Mahopac resident who successfully challenged Sullivan's nominating petitions, is the Republican candidate.

Elected to the Legislature in 2016 and re-elected in 2019 as a Republican who also held the Conservative Party line, Sullivan represents part of Carmel and Mahopac.

He planned to run on both the Republican and Conservative tickets again this year but faced a Republican primary challenge from Crowley, whose campaign questioned some petitions signed by Republican voters to get him on the ballot. The dispute went to court, where, Grossman, on April 29, issued a “stipulation” order declaring that Sullivan “by his own consent, shall not run for, and, if elected, shall not take the oath of office or serve as a member of the Putnam County Legislature for the term commencing Jan. 1, 2023.”

On July 7, a representative of the Conservative Party and Crowley signed a certificate naming her as its candidate; the party filed the form with the Board of Elections on July 11. Meanwhile, Sullivan, on July 8, submitted a form to the board declining the Conservative Party line on the upcoming general election ballot.

However, on July 13, Croft and Kelly Primavera, the Republican election commissioner, determined that both forms were void because the deadlines for substituting a candidate and declining a candidacy had expired in mid-April (before the judge ruled) and because no primary election for the position occurred.

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Sullivan

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LETTERS AND COMMENTS

Lost officer

I grew up in Beacon and knew Charles Lucy II and Charles Lucy III, the son and grandson of Officer Charles Lucy, who was killed a century ago, in August 1922 ("A Lost Officer Remembered," Aug. 19). Good police and good people. Rest in peace, sir, and thank you for your service.

Ed Crusie Jr., *Beaufort, South Carolina*

Fireworks

Considering how dry our environment is right now, with a brush fire in Garrison just this past week, it would be prudent for the Cold Spring Village Board to postpone the fireworks display planned for the Community Day on Sept. 3.

I'm not sure anyone loves fireworks as much as I do, but I worry that embers could spark brush fires. It would be irresponsible to tap into our depleted reservoir just to drown a fire.

It's doubtful the rain that fell earlier this week will be enough to eliminate fire risk and refill our water source.

Wouldn't it be fun to have fireworks on New Year's Eve?

Lynn Miller, *Cold Spring*

Editor's note: On Thursday (Aug. 25), Cold Spring canceled the fireworks, noting village reservoirs had dropped to about 45 percent capacity.

Prickly pears

Yes, Pamela Doan, most of us gardeners feel like your prickly pear looks — depressed ("Roots and Shoots: Last Plant Standing," Aug. 19). I've been trying to water veggies and pollinator plants with well water; the rain barrels have been dry for weeks; we're losing established evergreen trees and shrubs. But thanks for commiserating!

Zshawn Sullivan, *via Facebook*

Speed limits

The state may be allowing municipalities to lower their speed limits to 25 miles per hour ("Law Allows Lower Speed Limits," Aug. 19), but drivers have to drop their speed, too. We don't see that happening in many places. And double lines, stop signs, yield signs — all seem optional for some people.

Karen Twohig, *via Facebook*

There are other driving habits that are just as important as driving at an appropriate speed: not passing on the right in a four-way intersection; signaling 100 feet before you turn; not tailgating; staying in your lane. A lot of people around here break all these commonsense rules. Obeying traffic rules for the public good is not such a terrible burden.

David Limburg, *via Facebook*

If people drive any slower than they already do, we would have to go in reverse.

Laurie Gallio, *via Facebook*

Speed limits don't mean anything if a road is built to be driven on fast.

Harrison Manning, *via Facebook*

I've confirmed with the New York Conference of Mayors and the state Department of Transportation that this law does not apply to the speed limit on Route 301/Main Street in Nelsonville because it's classified as a state highway, not a local road.

Chris Winward, *via Facebook*

Winward is the mayor of Nelsonville.

Rock Street wall

Jane Silver Timm's letter in the Aug. 19 issue, regarding the dangerous situation caused by a recently constructed stone wall

on Rock Street in Cold Spring, made me wonder how this happened.

It seems it happened with the village's knowledge, permission and assistance. The building permit attached to the telephone pole near the wall was issued Sept. 8 and is good for two years. On June 11, the village sold the property on which the wall now sits for \$10 and other "good and valuable consideration." The quitclaim deed was signed by Mayor Kathleen Foley.

So, exactly who got what here? We can see the buyer got the land they needed to build the wall. We assume the village received \$10. We know everyone who lives, bikes, skateboards, walks or drives on Rock Street now has a more dangerous street. What we don't know is who got "good and valuable consideration" that makes this a good deal for the village, and what was it?

Bill Pugh, *Cold Spring*

Ridership

Metro-North is still too expensive for the lack of demand ("MTA Finances Worsen," Aug. 12). The recent "hybrid-commuter" pricing model feels like a failed attempt to coax riders back. People want a model that reflects the actual usage and demand trends.

John Olsson, *via Instagram*

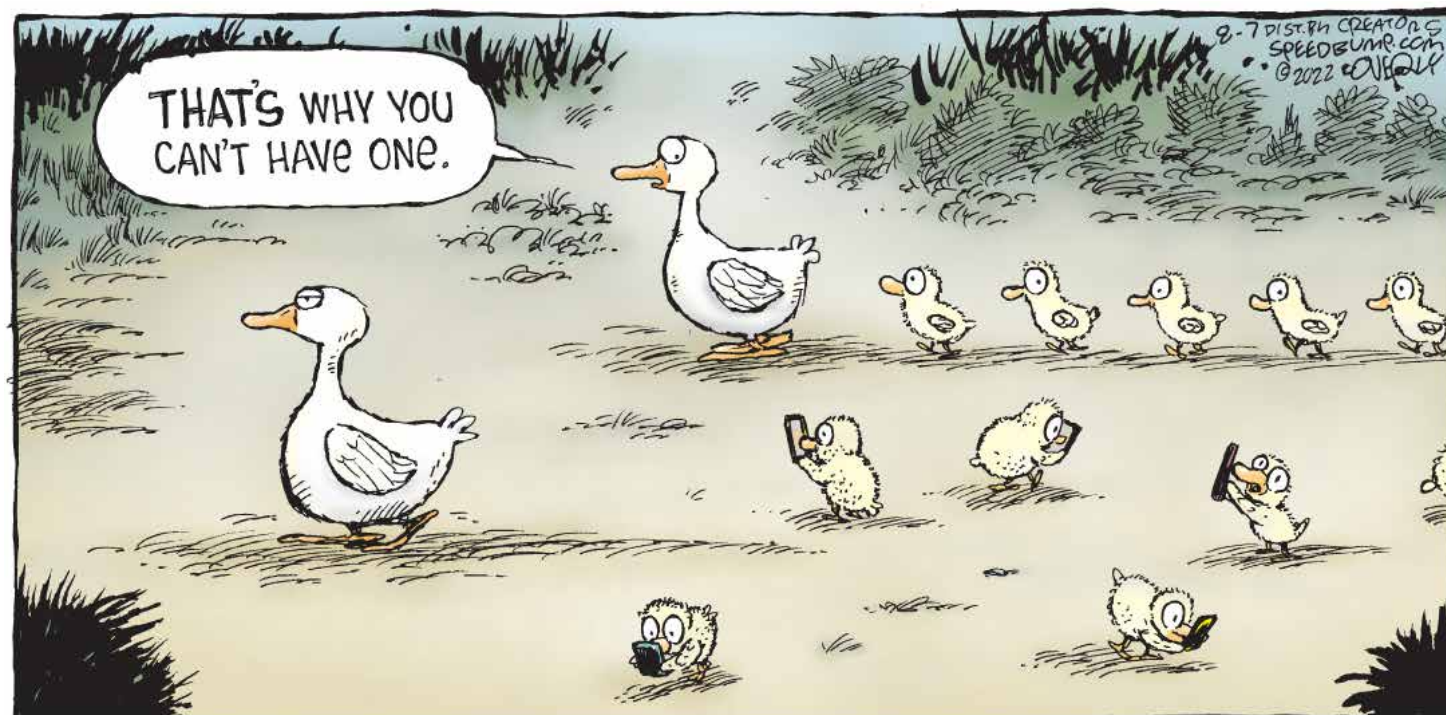
I have a feeling that work-at-home is here to stay.

Jane Riley, *via Instagram*

Looking back

Sadly, the 15-year-old who died 50 years ago in a Beacon house fire was my mother's sister's child ("Looking Back in Beacon," Aug. 19). It is something that we will never

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forget. My parents opened up their home for the family to stay with them, and my husband and I did the same. In his spare time, my dad helped rebuild the Rombout Avenue house so they could move back.

Cheryl Allen, *via Facebook*

Legal marijuana

Congrats, Hudson River Hemp, on your budding business (“Ready for Harvest,” Aug. 19).

Carlin Felder, *via Instagram*

What’s the outlook for local gardeners who want to grow cannabis? Are there or will there soon be legit seed and seedling sources?

Elizabeth Triano, *via Instagram*

White guys! Meanwhile hundreds, if not thousands, of people of color are still in prison for marijuana dealing or distribution. Also of note: Because they are felons, they cannot get a state license to grow or distribute.

William Haigney, *via Instagram*

Editor’s note: To clarify, the law does not automatically exclude felons. Instead, it states that applications from people who, during the previous three years, have been convicted of fraud, money laundering, forgery or using minors to sell or distribute illegal drugs will trigger an expanded review process.



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Crunching the Numbers

Beacon housing market hot; city has more affordable apartments than most

By Jeff Simms

Earlier this month, Dutchess County released its annual rental housing survey, which has been published by the Planning Department since 1980. As in recent years, its numbers for Beacon are skewed because the managers of six developments, accounting for 333 apartments, did not respond.

Though incomplete, the numbers show rents are significantly higher in Beacon, on average, than in the county as a whole. The survey also found 770 subsidized or below-market-rate apartments in Beacon, or nearly 18 percent of the county’s “affordable” stock.

However, the most recent data compiled by the City of Beacon, from March, counted 851 affordable units. Assuming the rest of the county data is accurate, that would mean more than 19 percent of the affordable housing in Dutchess is located in Beacon, although the city accounts for only 5 percent of the population. (The City and Town of Poughkeepsie together have about 60 percent of the county’s affordable stock.)

Dutchess County this month also issued, for the first time, a report on homes for sale. According to its data, the median home price in Dutchess rose each year from 2016 to 2021, topping out at about \$380,000 last year. From 2010 to 2020, the price of homes in Beacon rose from the second-lowest in the county to the third-highest.

Dutchess planners credited low interest rates with the decrease between 2011 and 2019 in the percentage of “cost-burdened” county homeowners who spent more than 30 percent of their income on housing, from 40 percent to 24 percent. For a household earning the

“In 2021, Beacon’s housing market was the most active in the county, with more than 6 percent of its homes listed for sale.

Dutchess Establishes Housing Trust Fund

\$12 million plan to utilize pandemic relief money

The Dutchess County Legislature on Aug. 22 unanimously approved spending \$9.3 million in American Rescue Plan funds and \$3 million from savings to launch a housing trust fund.

The fund will feature components for housing creation and preservation; infrastructure and development support; and first-time homeownership. It was one of the recommendations made in the spring by planners who compiled a housing needs assessment for the county.

Developments eligible for funding include newly constructed affordable rental housing, rehabilitation projects and adaptation of non-residential structures. Developers also could receive funding to expand or extend water and sewer infrastructure for affordable and mixed-income developments. And a first-time ownership program will assist residents who can afford a mortgage but don’t have the savings to cover the down payment or closing costs.

The initial application round, which will not include the first-time ownership program, is expected to begin in late September.

Coming and Going

Moving to	# of people
NYC → Dutchess	5,906
Dutchess → NYC	951
Long Island → Dutchess	513
Dutchess → Fairfield, CT	317
Fairfield, CT → Dutchess	234
Dutchess → Litchfield, CT	183
Dutchess → Myrtle Beach, SC	176
Dutchess → Long Island	165
Dutchess → Albany	126
Albany → Dutchess	111
Dutchess → Palm Beach, FL	111
Litchfield, CT → Dutchess	101
Dutchess → New Haven	99
Hudson, NJ → Dutchess	84
Los Angeles → Dutchess	55
New Haven, CT → Dutchess	55

NYC → Putnam	1,372
Putnam → Fairfield, CT	634
Putnam → NYC	394
Fairfield, CT → Putnam	189
Long Island → Putnam	150
Putnam → Long Island	76
Putnam → Litchfield, CT	62
Putnam → Myrtle Beach, SC	58
Putnam → Palm Beach, FL	46
Putnam → New Haven, CT	41
New Haven, CT → Putnam	41

Source: Figures for 2019-20 reported in Moving In, Moving Out, Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress (July 2022)

median income in Dutchess — \$100,500 a year — that would amount to \$2,513 per month.

A county housing assessment released in April estimated that 52 percent of Dutchess renters were cost-burdened.

Last month, Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress released a report that analyzes migration to and from nine counties in the Hudson Valley; it shows former New York City residents driving the housing market, particularly in Beacon.

In 2019-20, Pattern reported, 105,716

people moved into the region and 105,087 left, for a net gain of 629 — the first increase in more than a decade. The Hudson Valley had a net gain of 33,394 residents from New York City, including 4,955 in Dutchess and 978 in Putnam.

Dutchess County’s overall net gain was 1,062. In 2021, Beacon’s housing market was the most active in the county, with more than 6 percent of its homes listed for sale. During five consecutive years, one of every 20 Beacon homes changed hands.

What the Survey Found

	Average Rents in Beacon*	Average Dutchess Rents			Average Dutchess Rents (Below Market Rate**)		
	2021	2021	2019	2017	2021	2019	2017
1 - Bedroom	\$2,052	\$1,513	\$1,304	\$1,224	\$878	\$829	\$806
2 - Bedroom	\$2,468	\$1,831	\$1,586	\$1,482	\$1,159	\$1,123	\$1,053
3 - Bedroom	\$3,250	\$2,324	\$2,073	\$1,996	\$1,236	\$1,253	\$1,216

* Based on a sample of 47 units (not all developments responded). Excludes affordable housing

** Includes senior housing

NEWS BRIEFS

Lofts at Beacon Expansion
Going to Planning Board

Mixed-use project is in Fishkill Creek zone

The Beacon City Council voted Aug. 15 to send a proposal to expand the Lofts at Beacon apartment complex to the Planning Board for environmental review.

The two-story building would include 28 one-bedroom lofts and 30,000 square feet of commercial studios. City code requires the council to approve the conceptual plans for proposals in the Fishkill Creek development zone, while the Planning Board is responsible for reviewing the architectural, engineering and other details.

The proposal also includes a 95-space parking lot and a section of the Fishkill Creek Greenway and Heritage Trail.

Beacon VFW Gets
Kitchen Grant

County awards \$14K for renovations

Dutchess County on Aug. 19 announced \$150,000 in grants to 11 veterans' organizations for programming, upgrades and other needs.

In Beacon, Post 666 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars was awarded \$14,000 to upgrade its kitchen, which is used by the various veteran organizations in the Memorial Building. The money will be used to buy new appliances; upgrade lighting;

add countertop and cabinet space; install a stainless steel sink for larger pots; and replace the floor and damaged ceiling tiles.

In addition, Guardian Revival will receive \$15,000 to train and provide three companion dogs for veterans.

Beacon Calls for
Water Conservation

Drought-like conditions persist

Beacon officials are asking residents to voluntarily conserve water as the Highlands continues to deal with a mostly rainless summer.

Beacon's three reservoirs are at about 70 percent capacity; the city also draws water from two wells in Fishkill. If the reservoirs drop to 60 percent, the city code requires the mayor to impose usage restrictions.

State Releases Green
Corridor Plan

Report identifies connecting habitats

The state Department of Environmental Conservation on Aug. 11 announced the completion of a "green corridors plan" for the Highlands.

The project, funded by a \$50,000 grant administered by the DEC's Hudson River Estuary Program, was led by the Hudson Highlands Land Trust.

The plan used conservation and land use

plans, scientific data and field study, and community feedback from residents to identify areas that connect wildlife habitat, such as forests, marshes and meadows. To read the report, see bit.ly/green-corridors-plan.

Beacon Proposal Sent
Back to Workshop

Accessory dwelling law gets little support at hearing

The Beacon City Council said last week it will continue to review proposed amendments to simplify the process for creating accessory dwelling unit (ADU) apartments in single-family residential zones.

The council, which has discussed the proposal for a year, heard from four residents during an Aug. 15 public hearing who argued it would do little to provide affordable housing. Council Member Dan Aymar-Blair said he agreed, and that the city should add a pricing scale to ensure any new rental units are affordable.

Deer in Dutchess
Confirmed Dead from EHD

Discovered in Dover Plains, DEC says

The state Department of Environmental Conservation said on Aug. 17 that it has confirmed that a white-tailed deer found dead in Dutchess County was killed by Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease.

The deer was found in Dover Plains. It marked the first confirmation of EHD in the state in 2022; the agency is investigating reports of other dead deer in Dutchess that may have had the illness.

The EHD virus is transmitted by biting midges; it does not spread from deer to deer and humans cannot be infected by deer or bites from midges.

The virus was first seen in upstate New York in 2007, and in Rockland County in 2011. In 2020, an outbreak centered on Putnam and Orange counties, with reports of about 1,500 dead deer. In 2021, the DEC received more than 2,000 reports of dead deer, including in Dutchess.

Once infected, a deer may appear lame or dehydrated and usually dies within 36 hours. Outbreaks are most common in the late summer and early fall. Sightings of sick or dying deer should be reported online at bit.ly/EHD-report.

Land Trust Adds to Board

Cold Spring resident among new members

Five new members were elected Aug. 7 to the volunteer board of the Putnam County Land Trust, including a Cold Spring resident, Cary Ziter.

The 15-member board advises the land trust in protecting forests and wetlands, wildlife habitats and water resources. Ziter was elected to a two-year term to fill a vacant seat.

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Former Sheriff's Son Accused of Having Child Porn

New sheriff changes policy day before naming him

By Chip Rowe

The Putnam County Sheriff's Department on Aug. 18 announced the arrest in May of Robert L. Langley III of Mahopac on four counts of possessing child pornography.

Langley III, 36, is the son of former Sheriff Robert L. Langley Jr., who until recently resided in Philipstown. Sheriff Kevin McConville defeated Langley in the November election.

The sheriff had issued a news release on Aug. 10 reporting the arrest of an unnamed Mahopac man on child porn charges. On Aug. 17, the department announced a change in its policy on news releases, saying it would begin identifying suspects. It then amended the Aug. 10 release by adding Langley III's name.

As of Thursday (Aug. 25), no other past releases had been updated with names.

In its initial release, the department said investigators had received information from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force that images and videos of child

sexual abuse were being shared online from a residence in the Town of Carmel, which includes Mahopac. A search warrant was executed on May 25.

Langley III was charged with felony possession of child pornography and released pending an appearance in the Town of Carmel court.

The Sheriff's Department said that it had stopped including names in its news releases after consulting with the county Law Department. In its Aug. 17 announcement of the policy change, it cited a lawsuit filed against the county three years ago that resulted in a financial settlement. The individual had been named in a news release before charges were dropped, it said. Jennifer Bumgarner, the county attorney, did not respond to an email asking for more details.

In its statement, the Sheriff's Department said it would continue to withhold names that "compromise ongoing investigations and/or witnesses." The state Freedom of Information Law allows police to withhold information that they determine would interfere with investigations or legal proceedings; deprive a person of a right to a fair trial; identify a confidential source; or endanger someone's life.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

PUTNAM COUNTY

Number of cases:

27,899 (+135)

Positive Tests, 7-day average:

9.0% (-0.7)

Percent vaccinated:

88.4

Cold Spring: **95.8** / Garrison: **88.4**

Number of deaths:

130 (+2)

DUTCHESS COUNTY

Number of cases:

75,105 (+384)

Positive Tests, 7-day average:

10.1% (-1.6)

Percent vaccinated:

78.1

Beacon: **73.6**

Number of deaths:

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How They Voted (from Page 1)

On June 26, Hochul enacted a law that allows candidates for party delegate positions to indicate their gender as "X." In some cases, election law required parties to list candidates by gender on nominating petitions and ballots, or that a county leader and the assistant be of different genders.

Passed by Senate, 50-13

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 102-36

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Event tickets

On June 30, Hochul enacted a law that increases fines for using "bots" to purchase event tickets online; prohibits fees on tickets delivered electronically; bans the resale of tickets that were free; and requires the price of a ticket to remain the same throughout the online purchase process. The regulations go into effect Aug. 29.

Passed by Senate, 63-0

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 149-0

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

'Hateful conduct'

On June 6, Hochul signed legislation that requires social media networks to have mechanisms in place to restrict "hateful conduct," defined as posts that "vilify, humiliate or incite violence against a group or a class of persons on the basis of race,



Serino, Jacobson, Galef

color, religion, ethnicity, national origin, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression."

The Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press expressed concern about the law, noting that "vilify" and "humiliate" are vague enough that the statute could stifle discussions or criticism protected by the First Amendment. It also noted that the law's definition of social-media network is broad enough that it could include news sites.

Passed by Senate, 59-4

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 112-37

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Human trafficking

On July 20, Hochul enacted a law requiring inns, hotels and motels to train employees who deal with guests to recognize signs of human trafficking. Hochul also approved bills that passed unanimously in the Senate and Assembly requiring Thruway rest stops, truck stops, airports, Port Authority bus terminals, bars and strip clubs to post information to help trafficking victims,

including a national hotline number.

Passed by Senate, 61-0

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 142-2

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Fake weapons

On Aug. 16, Hochul signed a law requiring fake weapons to be translucent or colored white or bright red, orange, yellow, green, blue, pink or purple, with some exceptions such as for props for theatrical productions.

Passed by Senate, 47-15

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 144-3

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Park smoking

On July 15, Hochul signed legislation that bans smoking at state-owned beaches, boardwalks, marinas, playgrounds, recreation centers and camps. The bill exempts the Adirondack and Catskill parks, as well as parking lots, sidewalks adjoining parks and areas not used for park purposes.

Passed by Senate, 56-7

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 135-11

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Disability rights

On July 26, Hochul signed a law allowing a person with an intellectual or developmental disability to establish a "supported decision-making agreement" with a

"trusted person" that is not as restrictive as legal guardianship.

Passed by Senate, 61-0

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 145-3

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Two other laws supported by Serino, Galef and Jacobson changed references to "mentally retarded" in statutes to "people with intellectual or developmental disabilities" and "mentally ill" to "individuals with a developmental disability."

Breastfeeding

On July 5, Hochul enacted a law that requires airports to provide a space for breastfeeding away from public view beyond the security screening area.

Passed by Senate, 63-0

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 147-1

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Holocaust

On Aug. 10, Hochul enacted a law that requires the Education Department to survey schools to ensure they are providing appropriate lessons about the Holocaust, as has been required since 1994. The bill's sponsors said the legislation was introduced in response to an incident in 2017 in which high school students in Oswego were assigned to make a case for the "Nazi point of view."

Passed by Senate, 61-0

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 145-0

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Criminal justice

On Aug. 8, Hochul signed a law that expands the hours during which parolees can work or attend school. The law's sponsors noted that parolees often must receive substance-abuse treatment between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., which makes it hard to work or attend class only during business hours.

Passed by Senate, 61-0

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 146-0

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Hochul also signed legislation to replace the word *inmate* in state laws passed after May 2021 with "incarcerated individual." Serino voted no and Galef and Jacobson voted yes on earlier legislation that covered all state laws to that point.

Passed by Senate, 48-15

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 132-15

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

Tax exemptions

On Aug. 8, Hochul enacted legislation that allows municipalities to increase the maximum annual income for people older than 65 and people with disabilities to receive a property tax exemption from \$29,000 to \$50,000.

Passed by Senate, 62-0

Serino ☒

Passed by Assembly, 148-0

Galef ☒ Jacobson ☒

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Primary Results *(from Page 1)*

with 66 percent of the vote, said: “Voters in the Hudson Valley have spoken: They want leaders who will put partisanship aside to get real results. Thank you to the people of NY-17 for your faith in me. It is the honor of my life to represent Hudson Valley families in Congress, and I am humbled to have the Democratic nomination and opportunity to continue fighting for our communities.”

“Thank you to [state] Sen. Alessandra Biaggi for running a good race. This primary made us stronger and together we will keep fighting for a better future for our country, starting with holding this seat and holding the House.

“Now is the time to come together and ensure the Hudson Valley resoundingly rejects the radical, anti-choice, pro-gun policies of MAGA Republican Mike Lawler.”

Lawler also began testing his campaign messaging, issuing a statement at 10 p.m. that called Maloney “completely out of touch with Hudson Valley voters. When we needed public safety, he gave us cashless bail. When we needed tax relief, he raised taxes. When inflation began eating up household budgets, Maloney, [House Speaker Nancy] Pelosi and [President Joe] Biden raised middle-class taxes and spent hundreds of billions more, guaranteeing higher inflation. When we needed SALT [tax] deduction relief, Maloney rubbed salt in our wounds.

“Maloney doesn’t understand our needs because Maloney doesn’t live like us. He uses tax dollars to fly in and house household employees [a reference to an allegation made in a recently filed ethics complaint]. He has a government car and driver and expects us to pay \$23 to enter Manhattan with his new congestion pricing tax. He gallivants around the world on government junkets while we’re hard at work, and travels the country working to re-elect America-hating radicals like AOC [Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York] and [Rep.] Ilhan Omar [of Minnesota] instead of working for us.”

District 18

Ryan won the Democratic primary for the new District 18 with 83 percent of the vote. He will face Schmitt, who Maloney called “dangerous” in a statement in support of Ryan issued 10 minutes after he declared victory in his own primary.

“His record of corruption and total

embrace of insurrectionists prove he’s too radical to represent the Hudson Valley,” Maloney said in his role as chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. “While he pretends to be a moderate, his views and actions reveal the truth about his far-right extremism. When up against Pat Ryan, voters are going to see Colin Schmitt for the corrupt, toxic and dangerous politician that he is.”

Schmitt responded: “As a lifelong Orange County resident, the voters here and throughout the new congressional district will not tolerate a representative in Congress who turned his back on law enforcement and marched with defund the police activists. After knocking on tens of thousands of doors, I can assure you that voters in our district do not support Pat Ryan’s radical ideology that is out of touch with the values we share in the Hudson Valley.” Schmitt promised to “restore checks and balances to Washington.”

District 19

Ryan also won a close race to fill the District 19 seat of Antonio Delgado, who resigned to become lieutenant governor, over Marc Molinaro, the Dutchess County executive.

Ryan will serve in Congress through the end of the year while also campaigning to become the representative for the new District 18. Molinaro is the Republican candidate for the new District 19 and will face attorney Josh Riley, who won the Democratic primary on Tuesday over Jamie Cheney.

State Senate

There was no primary on Tuesday for the state Senate seat that will represent Beacon and Philipstown. The Democratic and Working Families candidate is Julie Shiroishi, a Beacon resident who is the former chief of staff for Jonathan Jacobson, whose Assembly district includes the city. The Republican candidate is Rob Rolison, the mayor of Poughkeepsie.

State Assembly

The primary for the state Assembly was held in June. Dana Levenberg won the Democratic line for the district that includes Philipstown and is now represented by Sandy Galef, who will retire. The Republican candidate is Stacy Halper. Vanessa Agudelo ran unopposed for the Working Families line but the party has now endorsed Levenberg. Jacobson is running unopposed.

Tuesday’s Results

House District 17 (Philipstown)					
Democratic	Total	%	Dutchess	%	Putnam
Alessandra Biaggi	9,917	33	379	27	975
✓ Sean Patrick Maloney	20,074	66	992	71	2,864
Republican					
Shoshana David	379	3	41	2	39
Charles Falciglia	1,197	8	148	8	145
William Faulkner	1,596	11	197	10	472
✓ Michael Lawler	10,585	75	1,433	76	1,794
Jack Schrepel	161	1	17	1	41
Conservative					
William Faulkner	132	12	17	13	33
✓ Michael Lawler	1,000	87	114	86	150

House District 18 (Beacon)					
Democratic	Total	%	Dutchess	%	
Aisha Mills	4,459	13	1,783	11	
Moses Mugulusi	923	3	321	2	
✓ Pat Ryan	28,881	83	13,079	84	

House District 19 (Special Election)					
Marc Molinaro (R/CON)	62,952	49	12,972	52	
✓ Pat Ryan (D/WF)	65,943	51	12,112	48	

Source: Unofficial results from NYS Board of Elections. Percentages may not add to 100 because of rounding.

Here Are Your Election Choices

The general election will be held on Nov. 8, with early voting from Oct. 29 to Nov. 6. The last day to register to vote is Oct. 14. If you are not sure of your status, see voterlookup.elections.ny.gov.

FOR PHILIPSTOWN	FOR BEACON	FOR BOTH
House District 17 Michael Lawler (R, CON) Sean Patrick Maloney (D, WF)	House District 18 Pat Ryan (D, WF) Colin Schmitt (R, CON)	State Senate 39 Rob Rolison (R, CON) Julie Shiroishi (D, WF)
State Assembly 95 Stacy Halper (R, CON) Dana Levenberg (D, WF)	State Assembly 104 Jonathan Jacobson (D, WF)	U.S. Senate Joe Pinion (R, CON) Thomas Quiter (LIB) Diane Sare (LaRouche) Charles Schumer (D, WF)
Putnam Executive Kevin Byrne (R, CON)	Dutchess Sheriff Jillian Hanlon (D, WF) Kirk Imperati (R, CON)	Governor Kathy Hochul (D, WF) Lee Zeldin (R, CON)
Putnam Clerk Michael Bartolotti (R, CON)	FOR COLD SPRING Village Trustee (2) Laura Bozzi Tweeps Woods	Attorney General Sean Hayes (LIB) Michael Henry (R, CON) Letitia James (D, WF)
Highway Supervisor Adam Hotaling (D)		

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County Race *(from Page 1)*

Five days later, Crowley's campaign sued Sullivan and the Board of Elections to force the board to accept Sullivan's withdrawal and replacement by Crowley on the Conservative Party line. After voluminous written arguments from both sides, Grossman ruled that there was nothing in the April 29 stipulation that required the commissioners to remove Sullivan from the Conservative line.

Further, in his decision, dated July 29 but posted online only this week, Grossman said that state election law "makes it clear that the failure to file a certificate declining the party

nomination" by the deadline "is a fatal defect."

Croft said Thursday that "absolutely the key factor is the date" — in this case, before mid-April — that candidates file petitions to appear on the ballot and are thus recognized as legitimate. At that point, they are generally locked in, even if they change their minds. "It's hard to get on the ballot and it's hard to get off the ballot," she said.

Moreover, according to Croft, although state election law provides for some contingencies, nothing covers the unusual circumstances in this case.

Attorneys for Sullivan and Crowley each declined to comment.

Accusations and Obscenities

By Liz Schevtchuk Armstrong

Members of the Putnam County Legislature convened June 23 for more than four hours in committee meetings and a special, all-member session, as the hands of the clock crept beyond 10 p.m.

Over the course of the evening in the county office building in Carmel, the legislators dealt with at least two dozen agenda items, ranging from the routine (approval of minutes) to the weighty (Sheriff's Department funding).

But as Neal Sullivan, of Carmel-Mahopac, who chairs the Legislature, concluded the final session, Legislator Nancy Montgomery, who represents Philipstown and part of Putnam Valley, brought up something new: an accusation that Sullivan had hurled obscenities outside a committee meeting at which legislators discussed overtime during the tenure of former Sheriff Robert Langley Jr.

"I am extremely disappointed," said Montgomery. "I just heard from a constituent who was approached in the hallway by our chairman and called a four-letter word."

Sullivan banged the chairperson's gavel. "All right, we're going to..." Intense gaveling continued. "It's not on our agenda. I call for adjournment."

Undaunted, Montgomery continued. She said the chair likewise had "threatened a sheriff's deputy." She said Sullivan should be removed from office and that he was "unfit to be chairman."

Sullivan responded that Montgomery "should've been removed long ago. You're lucky we didn't remove you."

"I don't accost people in the workplace," she said.

Deputy Sheriff Kevin Osika told *The Current* that Montgomery was referring to an incident in which Sullivan confronted him and Langley.



Crowley with her husband, Deputy Kevin Osika

Osika is the husband of Erin Crowley, the Republican candidate for Sullivan's seat. Earlier in the year, she challenged Sullivan's nominating petitions, bumping him from the line, although he will appear as the Conservative Party candidate. There is no Democratic candidate.

Osika said that Sullivan first confronted Langley, calling him a "fucking asshole." Osika said he objected, noting the presence of a 10-year-old child.

Sullivan likewise "made reference to an internal [Sheriff's Department] issue that he should have no knowledge about," that involved Osika and had been resolved in 2021, Osika said. "He was aggressive, yelling, got in my face, brought up that old incident, saying: 'Don't think we forgot about that one.'"

Sullivan declined comment about what occurred. Osika said he felt he had been threatened and filed a report with the New York State Police. (In the report, which *The Current* obtained Aug. 11 through a Freedom of Information Act request, an investigator said he had concluded no laws were broken.)

Osika's attorney, Michael Sussman, said he wrote Sullivan to remind him that "elected officials and those otherwise serving the public should behave in a professional and civil manner and that what was reported to me deviates from that standard."



Violist Milena Pajaro-van de Stadt, pianist Gloria Chien, Artistic Director Arnaud Sussmann and violinists Jennifer Frautschi and Stella Chen

Photos provided

The Calendar

Filling the Days with Music

Boscobel to host its first chamber festival

By Alison Rooney

Following the departure this year of the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival, which had been a summer tenant at Boscobel for more than 30 years, the historic site in Garrison had 150 days to fill.

"It was important to us as an organization to think about what could be uniquely Boscobel experiences, so that visitors could appreciate us not just as a stage, but as the main player," says Jennifer Carlquist, its executive director and curator.

One of those experiences will be the first Boscobel Chamber Music Festival, with a performance by the Emerson String Quartet on Saturday (Sept. 3) and three other concerts through Sept. 11.

"We felt that we needed to present programs which matched the high quality set for us by the incomparably beautiful landscape," she says. "We looked at our core values to guide us in a process of developing what we want to do."

Those values, she says, include natural history, Boscobel's location in the Hudson River Valley and its 18th-century neoclassical mansion.

A music festival felt like just the right fit, she says. There have long been concerts on the grounds, but nothing tied them together.

As the pandemic wound down, many arts organizations contacted Boscobel looking for venues, Carlquist says. At the same time, Arnaud Sussmann, a New York City resident who is the artistic director of the Chamber Music Society of Palm Beach, asked if Boscobel would be interested in joining forces. Both organizations were interested in expanding their reach, particularly by attracting high-caliber musicians, Carlquist explains, and Boscobel didn't want to be "just the setting for a festival, but instead a part of it."

With Sussmann's help, and after much planning, the Chamber Music Festival emerged. It will open with the Emerson String Quartet, as its first stop on a yearlong



The Emerson String Quartet

farewell tour. It will perform Ravel's *String Quartet in F Major* and Beethoven's *String Quartet No. 8 in E minor, Op. 59 No. 2*.

Sussmann, a violinist who has performed with the American Symphony Orchestra, the Paris Chamber Orchestra and the Jerusalem Symphony, among others, and who spent two years training with Itzhak Perlman, says he is pleased with how the elements of a festival have come together. "As artistic director, my most important guiding principle is that of artistic excellence," he says. "I strive to program great music, performed by great musicians."

"What better way to celebrate chamber music for this inaugural festival than by featuring some of the most beloved and timeless pieces ever written for this art form? That includes Brahms and Mozart's

clarinet quintets, Ravel and Beethoven's eighth string quartets, as well as Schubert's *Trout Quintet*. I'm also thrilled to present Ralph Vaughan Williams' *Quintet*, a piece that is rarely heard on concert stages and that is absolutely gorgeous."

The festival's artists include violinists Jennifer Frautschi and Stella Chen; violist Milena Pajaro-van de Stadt; cellists David Requiro and Nicholas Canellakis; double bassist Blake Hinson; pianist Gloria Chien; and clarinetist Alexander Fiterstein.

The festival wanted to give the visiting musicians a fuller experience than standard template of arrive, rehearse, perform, depart. So Boscobel arranged for them to stay with local hosts, take part in a free concert on Thursday (Sept. 1), and visit local attractions such as the Storm King Art Center and Cold Spring Farmers' Market, as well as do some hiking.

"The musicians are reacting incredibly positively to the whole program," says Carlquist. "They're naming it as one of the reasons they said yes" to the invitation to perform.

The musicians will also interact with

The Schedule

SEPT. 3

Emerson String Quartet

Ravel: String Quartet in F Major
Beethoven: String Quartet No. 8 in E minor, Op. 59 No. 2

SEPT. 5

Chamber Music on the Lawn

Brahms: Clarinet Quintet in B minor, Op. 115
Mozart: Clarinet Quintet, K. 581

SEPT. 10

Schubert's Trout Quintet

Schubert: Piano Quintet in A major, D. 667 "Trout"
Vaughan-Williams: Piano Quintet in C minor

SEPT. 11

Family Concert

students, from kindergarten to college, with Q&As and classes. A family concert is scheduled for Sept. 11, and the musicians will have open rehearsals for children on Sept. 1 and 8. Reservations are required through the schools or by calling Boscobel.

"It's such a critical time to reclaim an interest in music because many kids put down their instruments during the pandemic and didn't pick them up again," says Carlquist. "All the school trip cancellations disrupted many children's chances to hear live music, some for what would have been the first time."

Some performances will take place on the Great Lawn, but most will occur in the West Meadow in a new, 5,000-square-foot space with air conditioning and Wi-Fi.

"We needed a space like that to launch this festival," Carlquist says. "There's no such thing as a rain date; the instruments must be protected. The beauty of this design is that it was worked out carefully with sound engineers so our neighbors wouldn't be bothered. When you're in that pavilion, you feel like you're in a garden."

"This is our debut season," says Carlquist, "and we're hoping it continues and grows."

Boscobel is located at 1601 Route 9D in Garrison. For program details, see boscobel.org. Festival tickets range from \$25 to \$85, with a 20 percent discount for Boscobel members. There will be a free shuttle every 20 minutes from the Cold Spring train station beginning two hours before each concert and for an hour after. Face masks and proof of vaccination or a recent (72 hours) negative test are required for indoor performances.

THE WEEK AHEAD

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COMMUNITY

SAT 27

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SAT 27

Dutchess County Fair

RHINEBECK

10 a.m. – 10 p.m. Fairgrounds
6550 Spring Brook Ave.
dutchessfair.com

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SAT 27

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BEACON

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Labor Day Celebration, Sept. 3

SAT 3

Hub 5K and Fun Run

COLD SPRING

9:30 a.m. Bandstand
845-260-1001 | philipstownhub.org

The 5K run or walk will begin at 9:30 a.m. and a Family Fun Run at 10:30 a.m. Proceeds benefit the Philipstown Behavioral Health Hub. Register online. *Cost: \$10 or \$40*

SAT 3

Hudson Valley Wine & Music

NEWBURGH

Noon – 6 p.m. Waterfront
1 Washington St. | hudsonvalleyfest.com

Sample products from local wineries and enjoy jazz, funk and R&B music. *Cost: \$33.82*

SAT 3

Community Day

COLD SPRING

4 – 9:30 p.m. Dockside Park
coldspringny.gov

Enjoy face painting, a dunk tank, balloons, merchant tables and a pie contest (drop off entries before 4 p.m.). The Hometown Band will perform at 7:30 p.m.

SAT 3

Labor Day Celebration

WEST POINT

7:30 p.m. Trophy Point
westpointband.com

The conclusion of the academy's summer music series will include the Hellcats, the West Point Band and the Benny Havens Band, accompanied by cannon fire and fireworks. The rain date is SUN 4. *Free*

VISUAL ART

FRI 2

Maria Pia Marrella

COLD SPRING

5 – 8 p.m. Buster Levi Gallery
123 Main St. | busterlevigallery.com

Recent work by the artist will be on view through Oct. 2.



Time to Remember, Aug. 31

SAT 3

Farm Project

BREWSTER

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tilly Foster Farm
100 NY 312 | collaborativeconcepts.org

Collaborative Concepts will present work by 35 sculptors throughout the Farm, including Laurie Sheridan's "Sun Worshippers" and Natalya Khorover's "Prayers for the Planet." The opening reception is scheduled for 3 – 5 p.m. with music from the Kvasova Folk Singing Group and the Bert Rechtschaffer Trio. The artwork will be on view daily through Oct. 30.

STAGE & SCREEN

SAT 27

Romeo and Juliet

GARRISON

7:30 p.m.
Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival
2015 Route 9 | 845-265-9575
hvshakespeare.org

Kurt Rhoads and Nance Williamson star in this interpretation of the fated lovers' story directed by Gaye Taylor Upchurch. Also MON 29, THURS 1, SAT 3. *Cost: \$10 to \$95*

SUN 28

Mr. Burns, A Post-Electric Play

GARRISON

7:30 p.m.
Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival
2015 Route 9 | 845-265-9575
hvshakespeare.org

After the electrical grid fails, a group of people come together to share memories and stories that have been lost on hard drives. Also WED 31, FRI 2, SUN 4. *Cost: \$10 to \$95*

TUES 30

Last Action Hero

BEACON

5 p.m. Story Screen
445 Main St. | storyscreenbeacon.com
At this monthly celebration of

VHS-era cinema, Story Screen will host a video and film marketplace and a pasta dinner, followed at 7 p.m. by a screening of the 1993 film starring Arnold Schwarzenegger. *Cost: \$8*

FRI 2

Little Shop of Horrors

BEACON

5 & 6 p.m. Boats leave dock
845-831-6346 | bannermancastle.org

Ellen Greene, Rick Morannis and Steve Martin starred in this 1986 comedy, which will be screened outdoors on Bannerman Island, about a giant plant that develops a taste for humans. *Cost: \$40*



FRI 2

Lit Lit

BEACON

7 p.m. Howland Cultural Center
477 Main St. | 845-831-4988
howlandculturalcenter.org

Sign up to read from work in any genre for 5 minutes at this literary open mic, or just come to listen. Email litlitseries@gmail.com.

SAT 3

The Ivy League of Comedy

BEACON

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

Kerri Louise, Joe DeVito and Shaun Eli will perform. *Cost: \$30 (\$35 door)*

KIDS & FAMILY

FRI 2

3D Printing Workshop

COLD SPRING

3 p.m. Butterfield Library
10 Morris Ave. | 845-265-3040
butterfieldlibrary.org

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Estate Planning Workshop
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5:30 p.m. Memorial Building
413 Main St. | dutchessny.gov
Alexander Keenan, an attorney based in Hopewell Junction, will discuss how veterans can prepare their estates.

MON 29
Paint and Sip
COLD SPRING
6 p.m. Butterfield Library
10 Morris Ave. | 845-265-3040
butterfieldlibrary.org
George Wynand will share techniques and guidance for adult artists of all levels who can enjoy a glass of wine during the session. Registration required.

MUSIC
SAT 27
Doansburg Chamber Ensemble
COLD SPRING
7 p.m. St. Mary's Church
1 Chestnut St. | 845-228-4167
doansburgchamberensemble.org
A string trio with flute and oboe will perform works by Cambini, Sussmayr, Boccherini and Mozart. Attend in person or watch a virtual performance at the website. *Cost: \$15*



Daughtry, Aug. 30

SAT 27
Howard Britz Trio
PUTNAM VALLEY
7:30 p.m.
Tompkins Corners Cultural Center
729 Peekskill Hollow Road
tompkinscorners.org
The jazz musicians will perform music from their latest release, *Comfort and Joy*. *Cost: \$20*

SAT 27
Buskin & Batteau
BEACON
8:30 p.m. Towne Crier | 379 Main St.
845-855-1300 | townecrier.com
The duo combines piano and violin with harmonies that include ironic, silly and gritty folk music. Native American songwriter and flute player Bill Miller will open. *Cost: \$25 (\$30 door)*

MON 29
Keith Pray's Ortet
BEACON
8:30 p.m. Quinn's | 330 Main St.
facebook.com/quinnbeacon
Pray (saxophone), Mike Novakowski (guitar) and Dave Berger (drums) will perform as part of Quinn's weekly jazz series. *Cost: \$15*

TUES 30
Daughtry
POUGHKEEPSIE
7:30 p.m. MJN Convention Center
14 Civic Center Plaza
midhudsonciviccenter.org
For the Dearly Beloved Tour, the band will perform with opener Pop Evil. *Cost: \$35.50 to \$74.50*

FRI 2
Will Stratton & Noga Cabo
COLD SPRING
6 p.m. Cold Spring Coffeehouse
92 Main St.
Watch live music in an intimate setting at the weekly music series.

FRI 2
Kyra Gordon
BEACON
6 p.m. Private home
The singer and songwriter will perform music from her latest release, *Soul of a Showgirl*. Email helen@helenzuman.com by WED 31 to reserve a seat at the potluck and concert.

FRI 2
Damn Tall Buildings
BEACON
8:30 p.m. Towne Crier | 379 Main St.
845-855-1300 | townecrier.com
Avery Ballotta, Max Capistran

and Sasha Dubyk will play their original style of old-time music and bluegrass. *Cost: \$20 (\$25 door)*

SAT 3
Emerson String Quartet
GARRISON
6 p.m. Boscobel | 1601 Route 9D
845-265-3638 | boscobel.org
Boscobel's inaugural Chamber Music Festival kicks off with the nine-time Grammy winners performing a program that will include works by Ravel and Beethoven. The festival continues through SUN 11. See Page 11. *Cost: \$85 (\$165 with reception; \$45 ages 4 to 18; 20 percent discount for members)*

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MON 29
School Board
BEACON
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Damn Tall Buildings, Sept. 2



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Questions are welcome, and can be directed to: contactus@putnamchorale.org. If you are interested, you may also call 845.279.5099 for more information.

PAID NOTICE

Small, Good Things

Navigating the Maize

By Joe Dizney

Although the one-two punch of drought conditions and extended spells of heat is putting inordinate stress on summer produce, it's still corn season and as much worth celebrating, as best we can.

Of course, there's nothing like an ear (or two) of corn on the cob, as fresh as possible, heated just enough to plump the kernels and augmented only by a pat of butter and pinch of salt. But when supply and conditions are less than optimal, it's worth considering other options.

Grilling or roasting adds a fragrant smokiness and caramel sweetness to sweet and supersweet varieties. But the drought conditions pretty much rule that out in the here and now.

Esquites is a Mexican word for roasted corn, but it also identifies a street food of grilled or roasted kernels shaved from the cob; mixed with a dressing of mayonnaise, lime juice, chiles and herbs; and topped with shredded cheese. Served in disposable cups (and sometimes called "cup corn"), esquites is a more

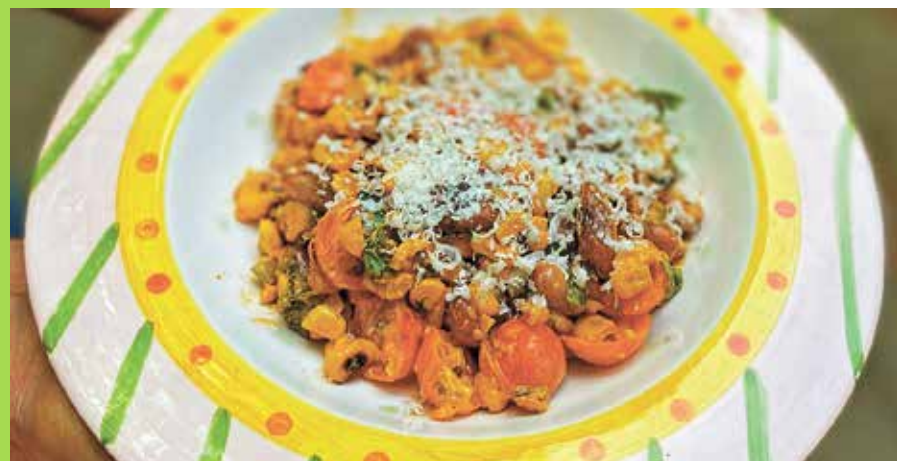
portable alternative to drippy ears of maize.

Truth be told, no grilling or roasting is required — kernels scraped from the cob can be quickly tossed, pan-roasted and caramelized in a skillet (or my preferred utensil, a wok). Tossed with sliced scallions, minced jalapeños, the simple and foolproof dressing, and topped with a grating of *cotija* (an aged Mexican cow's milk cheese), the corn will give you a credible version of this abjectly *non*-pedestrian snack. And it can be served year-round: It's as easily prepared with thawed frozen corn.

It's also the starting point for something a bit more substantial. Here I've combined the basic esquites with two other staples of the meso-American pantry, beans and tomatoes.

For the beans, I used beautiful speckled snowcap beans from Rancho Gordo, but almost any medium to large, meaty variety would do. I suggest pintos or cranberry beans and love the other speckled varieties. And while canned beans will do in a pinch, the effort to make your own pays dividends. As for tomatoes, you couldn't do any better than the currently abundant Sungold cherry tomatoes from Four Winds Farm and other growers.

This more substantial variation also provides a protein bump for vegetarians, as well as offering a side dish for carnivores and piscatarians. It's great picnic food at room temperature and becomes an excellent platform atop a bed of greens (with maybe a sliced avocado?) for a self-contained dinner salad.



Esquites, Bean & Cherry Tomato Salad

6 TO 8 SERVINGS

2 tablespoons vegetable oil
4 ears fresh corn, shucked, kernels removed (about 3 cups)
Kosher salt
2 cups cooked pinto beans, rinsed and drained
1½ cups cherry tomatoes, halved
½ cup scallions, green parts only, sliced fine
1 to 2 jalapeños, seeded, stemmed and minced
1 tablespoon Mexican oregano*

2 tablespoons mayonnaise (Sir Kensington's avocado oil mayonnaise, if you can find it)
2 tablespoons plain whole milk Greek yogurt
Grated zest and juice of 1 large lime
2 to 3 cloves garlic, grated on a microplane grater (about 2-3 teaspoons)
2 to 4 teaspoons chile powder, to taste**
4 ounces cotija cheese, shredded fine (substitute Parmesan, Romano or crumbled feta)
½ cup cilantro leaves, chopped fine

1. Heat oil until shimmering in a large skillet or wok over high heat. Add corn and toss once or twice. Salt lightly and cook without stirring until it begins to char (about 2 minutes). Toss again and stir, repeating the process to char on the second side. Continue to toss and char until corn is well-colored all over (about 10 minutes). Transfer to a large bowl to cool.

2. Prepare the dressing: Whisk together the mayonnaise, yogurt, lime zest and juice, grated garlic and chile powder. Add half of the cheese and stir to incorporate. Salt to taste.

3. Add the beans, scallions, jalapeño and cherry tomatoes to the bowl of charred corn kernels and toss gently to combine. Add the dressing and chopped cilantro, tossing lightly again to coat and incorporate the leaves. Correct seasoning if necessary, and top with the remaining cheese sprinkled over all.

* To differentiate, dried Mexican oregano is much more fragrant than common dried varieties.

** Chile powder is made of strictly dried varietal chile peppers, as opposed to *chili* powder, which usually contains other spices such as cumin, salt and black pepper. Chile powder will allow you to choose your preferred heat level or smokiness.

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An Altiplano bag sold at Paulette

The vintage rack at Hyperbole

Clothing That Lasts

Local boutiques promote sustainability

By Kat Merry



Stephanie Doucette owns Doucette in Cold Spring.

Photos by K. Merry

For Stephanie Doucette, putting together an outfit each morning is as essential as that first cup of coffee.

"Clothes say so much about who you are," says Doucette, a designer who owns a women's boutique bearing her name on Main Street in Cold Spring. "There is so much power in choosing what to wear every day."

Doucette's designs not only boast color, flair and quality; every garment she makes is sustainable, meaning it is designed, manufactured and distributed in ways that minimize environmental impacts.

After decades working in the fashion industry, Doucette says she had seen enough of the waste produced by mass-marketed clothing. In 2005, she launched a line of "rescued" fabrics and timeless silhouettes custom-made in the garment district of New York City. "I know every hand that touches each garment," she says.

In the years since, she has noticed a steady growth in clientele (70 percent of her customers are return buyers) and competition.

Just across the street in Cold Spring is Jacqueline Azria's boutique, Paulette, which opened in early 2020. Azria says she prioritizes sustainable brands, noting that "customers are starting to pay attention to the story behind my products."

One of her most popular suppliers, Altiplano, is based in Guatemala and manufactures garments using recycled materials and natural dyes. The company also funds local education and nutrition programs.

The brand is a bit pricy, but "my customers develop a connection to the story and the mission, so they feel confident spending a little extra money," Azria says.

If price is a deal breaker, some residents have adopted another strategy to promote sustainability: thrifting. Maeve Allen, an artist, says she cares about her fashion footprint but has found sustainable brands are usually out of her price range. So she devel-

oped "a knack for finding gems" at thrift and consignment shops.

"There is so much pollution caused by polyester and other synthetic fabrics, so I've stopped shopping for 'fast fashion' as much as possible," Allen says. She frequents Blackbird Attic, a consignment store in Beacon.

Another thrifter, Jason LaRoche, shares an affinity for Blackbird Attic, which has a men's section. He's happy to splurge for a sustainably made item once in a while. "Money comes and goes, so put it toward the better choice," he advises.

Judiann Romanello joined the movement in 2020 when she opened Damn Aged Vintage in Cold Spring, which stocks higher quality, secondhand finds. "I dig through people's basements to rescue clothing that would otherwise end up in a landfill," she says.

Before opening, Romanello had developed a following on Instagram, where she sold seasoned treasures from her Manhattan apartment. Opening a storefront was a triumph, she says, because it gave her more space and creative agency, allowing her to reach customers in what had been her favorite Hudson Valley locale.

Romanello notes that her business is more than putting decades-old garments on a hanger. She selects inventory that will hold up over time and restores, deep cleans and repairs each item.



Judiann Romanello stocks secondhand items at her Cold Spring store, Damn Aged Vintage.

At Hyperbole in Beacon, owners Andrea Podob and Carolyn Baccaro stock an impressive collection of vintage and thrifted pieces, along with sustainable brands. "Sustainability can mean a lot of things, but for us, the question we ask when searching for unique products is, 'Was this thoughtfully produced?'" says Baccaro.

Making sustainable choices can be intimidating, Podob says, who compares it to the rigors of detox. Avoiding fast fashion "is like switching your diet from junk food," she says.

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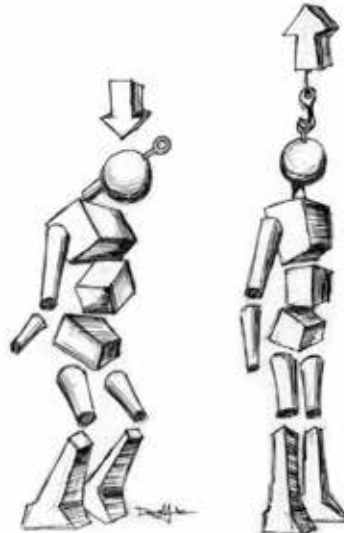
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Living Green

Climate Justice

By Krystal Ford

As I reflect back on my work as the climate change coordinator for the Town of Philipstown, I am remiss that I didn't do enough to incorporate climate adaptation and climate justice. The hard truth is maybe I've been working hard to save the planet, and inadvertently preserving the status quo?

In 2018 I attended a conference in Los Angeles and I remember being horrified to hear the story of a young woman who lived, played and attended school surrounded by oil wells. She shared her story of growing up with nausea, nosebleeds and headaches. I was in disbelief: Toxic oil wells in a city, and so close to people? Weren't they supposed to be in some far-off place?

It turns out there are thousands of active oil wells in L.A., with most installed in low-income and minority communities. (Think of the Danskammer gas-fired plant in Newburgh.) Oil, gas and coal all are extracted from somewhere, and next to those facilities is often a community whose residents are paying the price with their health to keep the gears of industry and society turning.

Our conversation was the first time I had



heard the term *climate justice*. From her I learned why justice must be at the center of climate action.

Climate justice acknowledges that global warming has deeper social, economic, public health and other adverse impacts on underprivileged populations. Climate change is inherently a social issue, because its impacts will not be borne equally, or fairly, between rich and poor, women and men, and older and younger generations.

The inequity begins with those who live in "sacrifice zones" (usually lower-income families and people of color who live near polluting industries). It's about identifying which companies create the majority of our carbon emissions and holding them accountable. It's about identifying who is impacted disproportionately and who will benefit most from a transition to a greener economy.

In the Highlands, we can apply a climate justice lens to adaptation work by identifying who is most vulnerable and how we can make sure that if, and when, climate-related

disasters strike, they are not left behind.

If municipalities want to embrace climate justice, they need to move from an individualistic mindset to a collective one. In *This Book Will Save the Planet*, Dany Sigwalt and Aurelia Durand mention a few key ways to cultivate and sustain relationships, such as community asset-mapping (what are the skills, resources and materials that people can share?); mutual aid (creating networks to distribute goods and services in time of need); emergency planning; and mitigation and resilience policies that prioritize lower-income residents during disasters such as heatwaves, droughts and wildfires.

Climate justice is choosing to replace our extractive, capitalistic, fossil fuel-based economy with a more just, clean, electric one that addresses the inequality baked into the system. And the future, when it comes, is exciting. Cleaner air, cleaner water, less noise pollution and healthier people. Shouldn't we be aiming for everyone to thrive and not just survive?

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Beacon Radio (from Page 1)

actual parade, called the station about the best spots for viewing. Others simply headed to Main Street. “These things, it’s hard to say where they began, but I know where they ended,” said Daily.

The ruse, organized by Daily, Outer and Scholes after the Giants defeated the Washington Redskins on Jan. 11 to win the NFC championship, left Beacon residents with a memory that has outlived the vacuum tubes, eight-track cartridges and reel-to-reel tape players that were the tools of WBNR’s trade.

For more than six decades, beginning in 1959 with its first transmission at frequency 1260 from a studio and antennae at 475 South Ave., the station filled the kitchens and living rooms of Beacon and Newburgh residents with news and music, information on community events and school closings and original shows such as the popular *Phone Booth*.

Daily described the hourlong *Phone Booth*, which began at 9:30 a.m. every day but Sunday, as “buy, sell, swap and conversation.” Beacon residents called 831-1260 and Newburgh residents 562-1260 to sell items ranging from cars and encyclopedias to puppies and hosta plants.

The rules were simple: Two items or less; no more than two items per week; no brokered real estate; no firearms; and no secondhand bedding. “It had a number of regulars, and quite a few irregulars,” said Daily. “It was a fun show — gave us a lot of laughs for many, many reasons.”

Outer, who died in 2020, narrated Beacon High School football games before taking over WBNR’s broadcasts of Army football in 1974, beginning a run that would last for 38 years (except for the two seasons when another station won the bidding rights).

“He worked full time at the radio station, and then on weekends he would do football,” said Louise Outer, his widow. “He didn’t make lots of money at it, but he loved it — loved the crew, loved traveling.”

He also loved a good stunt and raising money for local charities.

To support the struggling Highland Hospital, Outer once had himself “arrested” for “wearing a loud sport coat” and “jailed” at Dutchess Mall behind a wall made from 1,000 cases of Pepsi. People could free him by buying the cases for \$6 each. The station also raised money to buy a new ambulance for the Beacon Volunteer Ambulance Corps and organized benefits for other causes.

“When we could say on the radio, ‘Let’s all get together and help buy a new ambulance for the community,’ ‘Let’s all come out for the coat drive,’ it’s good,” said Daily. “Local radio brings the community together and keeps the community together.”

‘The Sound of the Valley’

The station began when two brothers, Sy and Al Dresner, who partnered in stations in Connecticut and Newburgh, and Robert Gessner, who owned stations between Oswego and the Hudson Valley, launched WBNR as a daytime-only broadcast. Its tagline was “The Sound of the Valley.”

Their company, Command Broadcast Group, would hire Outer, a recent Boston



Bob Outer interviews a child during a remote broadcast at Mid Valley Mall in Newburgh.

Photo courtesy Michael Lanari



Bob Outer during a remote broadcast.



Joe Daily joined WBNR in 1979 and a year later began a long run hosting the morning show.

Photo provided

standout was *Point of Law*, a show about court cases, he said.

One morning Daily hosted his show from the abandoned railroad bridge that spanned the Hudson River between Highland and Poughkeepsie and became the Walkway Over the Hudson. Storyteller Jonathan Kruk and other guests joined him, he said. When the studio underwent renovations, he aired his show for eight weeks from the storefront window of what was then the Absolute Action Center, an antiques store, at 348 Main St., across from the post office.

“We had guys cooking omelets in the window,” said Daily.

The beginning of the end

In January 1986, WBNR aired a tribute to Martin Luther King Jr. that featured folk singer and Beacon resident Pete Seeger; Andrew Young, then the mayor of Atlanta; and actor Esther Rolle, best known from *Good Times*. That same year, the Lessners applied to the Federal Communications Commission to air the station 24 hours a day.

By the time the station made the transition to 24 hours in 1989, AM radio faced a growing threat from higher-quality FM and the FCC had loosened ownership rules, allowing companies to consolidate stations and homogenize content.

AM stations peaked at 4,990 in 1991; today there are 4,498, according to the FCC.

The Lessners sold WBNR, along with WSPK, in 1994 to Enterprise Media, which was owned by Ed Rogoff, a Baruch College professor and former broadcasting executive. The station changed hands again in 1997, when Enterprise sold it to Pamal Broadcasting, the current owner. It moved the studio to Route 52 in Fishkill and in 2014 changed the format to country music. Last year it began to simulcast the classic rock station WBPM in Saugerties.

Outer retired in 2005 to become community director for the Hudson Valley Renegades. He continued broadcasting Army football games until 2012 and ended his stint with the Renegades in 2016.

Daily, who left WBNR in 2000, still hosts weekend shows for a station in the Poconos and in Middletown. He remains a believer in local radio.

“If you turn on the radio, you’re no longer alone because there were many people doing the same thing with you,” he said. “It’s something we all do together.”

University graduate, as a salesman in 1963. Four years later, the Beacon Broadcasting Corp., founded by another set of brothers, Al and Robert Lessner, bought the station. The Lessners, film and television technicians who worked on films such as *The Brain That Wouldn’t Die* and TV shows such as *Candid Camera*, eventually purchased the Poughkeepsie-based WSPK and stations in Binghamton and Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. WBNR blended news with music, syndicated content such as *The Lawrence Welk Show* and programs cooked up by its disc jockeys.

Daily joined WBNR in 1979. He originally hosted a show on WSPK from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and walked across the hall to the Beacon studio to host WBNR’s afternoon-drive program. The next year he replaced Jim Simonetti as the morning host. Although he took some breaks, he said, “they always wanted me to come back and do mornings.”

Voice of a community

Mike Lanari, a Beacon native, grew up listening to WBNR in the 1960s and

1970s, at a time when radio “was all people had and local radio was very big.” He became an intern at the station while earning an engineering degree from Dutchess Community College, starting out with a short-lived stint as a news stringer.

Listeners hungered for news, and WBNR sent stringers like Lanari to cover meetings of the City Council and the boards in the surrounding towns. “I used to sit through four hours of meetings to get a couple of 30-second stories, and God forbid if you didn’t come back with any audio,” he said.

In addition to news, the station broadcast candidate debates, church services and *The Pet Corner* with a Fishkill shop owner, Bette Doyle. Gonzalo Quintana, a Spanish teacher at John Jay High School, hosted the weekly *La Hora Hispana* for 10 years; Mike Harvey played oldies on *Supergold* for five hours on Saturday nights; and Buffalo Bob’s *Do Wop Cafe* aired for two hours on Sundays.

Richard McHugh, a self-described “news freak” from Wappingers Falls, said he listened to WBNR throughout the 1970s and 1980s. Besides the 5 p.m. newscast, a

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL TAX

The Warrant for the Collection of Taxes for the City School District of the City of Beacon, New York, for the School Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023 has been delivered to me.

Check or money order must be for the full amount of the tax bill payable to the Beacon City School District. Please be sure to include the BILL No. and a daytime phone number.

In person payments (check or money order only) will be received in the District office, 10 Education Drive, Beacon NY between the hours of 9:00am - 1:00pm Monday - September 6, 2022 to October 5, 2022 only.

Please Note: We strongly recommend that tax payments be mailed to our account at M&T Bank as follows:

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SIGNED: Florence Zopf, School Tax Collector | Beacon City School District

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NOTICE

TAX COLLECTION

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Myra Stoner, School Tax Collector

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ACROSS

1. Red Planet
5. Dandy guy
8. Espy
12. Part of Q.E.D.
13. Lennon's lady
14. Frau's mate
15. Mater lead-in
16. Old Oldsmobile
17. Notion
18. Head honcho
20. Desolate
22. Presidential nickname
23. Dol. fractions
24. "Toodle-oo!"
27. Shun liquor
32. Actress Thurman
33. Hostel
34. Pie — mode
35. Gifted
38. *Roots* author Haley
39. Altar affirmative
40. Sushi fish
42. Demand
45. Zealous
49. Gestation location
50. Gun the engine
52. Black-and-white cookie
53. Spoken
54. "As I see it," to a texter

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55. Cold War initials
56. Prime-time hour
57. Owned by us
58. — good example

9. Statue base
10. Baseball's Hershiser
11. Tea carrier
19. Letters of approval?
21. Calendar abbr.
24. Boy king
25. Docs' org.
26. Amulet
28. Away from WSW
29. Try
30. Pub order
31. Remiss

36. Safe to consume
37. Refusals
38. Novelist Huxley
41. Hectic hosp. area
42. Victor's cry
43. Sushi wrapper
44. Half a sextet
46. Gaelic
47. Tree home
48. Afghanistan's — Bora region
51. Outback bird

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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 distasteful (8)
2 jump like a cat (6)
3 brought before a judge (9)
4 ballet superstar Misty (8)
5 nestling's noise (4)
6 "Groundhog Day" star Andie (9)
7 Jet Ski maker (8)

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1. DEALS, 2. SAFEGUARD, 3. ZINC, 4. FROTHED, 5. BALLGAME, 6. TRUSS, 7. BATHOS



PREVIEW



GIRLS' SOCCER

By Skip Pearlman

After missing the playoffs by a single game last fall, this year's Beacon High School team is set for its second season in Section IX with a more experienced group, a new coach and renewed optimism.

The Bulldogs, who finished 6-7-3, lost only two seniors to graduation, but they were impact players: captains Claire Derrenbacher and three-time All-League selection Maddie Bobnick.

However, three All-League starters return: forward Chelsea DerBoghossian, midfielder Devyn Kelly and defender Emma Campagiorni, all juniors. Junior Olivia Del Castillo is back at midfield and junior Gabrielle Kuka returns on defense. Forward Reilly Landisi and midfielders Noelle Haase and Rory LaDue, all sophomores, also are back.

The veterans are rounded out by two seniors — defender Lindsay Otero and keeper Hope Cleveringa — and defenders Sara Gonzalez, Sevana West and Isabella Migliore, midfielder/forward Grace Delgado and midfielder Abir Ahmed, all juniors.

Senior Kaila Ramdeen joins the team at goal, and ninth graders aMikaela Sanchez, Taylor Kelliher and Leylani Candia are also new.

The eight returning starters give the Bulldogs a solid foundation and a group that knows what to expect from each other, said first-year Coach Mike Lentini, a 2002 Beacon grad who played four years of varsity under Craig Seaman and who coached last season at Haldane.

Lentini, who said he feels like he's "coming home," said "we have a great group, and a lot of good players and leadership. We're looking to improve our finish and record. Our returnees give us a lot of experience, and the confidence level is higher."

Kelly, DerBoghossian, Haase and Del Castillo will be keys around the midfield, he said, while Gonzalez and Campagiorni will lead the defense, along with Cleveringa, who was injured for part of last year but returns for her senior season. "When Hope got hurt last year, it forced us to put Devyn in goal, which hurt us on the field," Lentini said.

Beacon is scheduled to open its season Wednesday (Aug. 31) at New Paltz before hosting Lourdes on Sept. 7.



Coach Mike Lentini (top left) and his Beacon High School girls' soccer team will open the season on Wednesday (Aug. 31) at New Paltz.



Kaila Ramdeen protects the net during a recent Beacon practice.

Photos by S. Pearlman

HALDANE

Last fall's Haldane team finished one game short of a sectional title, and its new (but familiar) coach believes this year's Blue Devils have a chance to wrap up some unfinished business.

The 2021 team finished 6-10-2, losing to Yonkers Montessori Academy in the Section I, Class C championship game. The Blue Devils, the No. 4 seed, upset top-seeded Tuckahoe in the semifinal round.

The team lost six seniors to graduation, including co-captains Bianca Hermanson and Maddie Chiera, along with Katie Shields, Mazzie Maxwell, Ella Ashburn and Sophia Scanga. With Lentini leaving for Beacon, Ed Crowe returned to coach the girls this season.

Crowe, who also coaches the boys' lacrosse team, led the girls' team in 2016 and 2017.

Crowe, will be assisted by Joe Virgadamo, who also coaches the varsity boys' basketball team. They believe the group has the talent, experience and mindset for a deep playoff run.

"Joe and I can have some success with this group, as we both have had in other programs," Crowe said. "We bring some emotion, and this is a very coachable group. They're passionate and they want to learn. It's a young group — we only have three seniors — and they bring a lot of athleticism to the table."

Returning starters include senior captains and midfielders Chloe Rowe and Sara

Ferreira, along with junior keeper Ruby Poses. Junior forward Finola Kiter also returns from last year's starting lineup.

Also back are junior midfielder Paula Herrera; defender Ashley Sousa, midfielders Amelia Alayon, Gabriella Perilli, Martha McBride, Josephine Foley-Hedlund and Kira Drury, all sophomores; and forward Kayla Ruggiero, a ninth grader.

Joining the team are sophomores Sarahi Torres-Nieves and Judine Cox; ninth graders Samantha Thomas, Jennie Knox, Anna Nelson and Marisa Peters; and eighth grader Taya Robinson.

Crowe said he will look to Kiter and Rowe to orchestrate the offense. "They're both very fast and they can both finish," he said. "They're probably two of our best ball handlers and they both have a lot of experience. Sarah will also play a big role — she's one of our better midfielders."

The team will look to Poses to run the defense. "She doesn't let pressure bother her and she communicates well," he said.

The question for this year's team: Can it return to the finals and finish?

"I believe this team can win a sectional championship," Crowe said. "They have chemistry, they play together and there's no selfishness — that makes them a tough out. We'll play a competitive schedule so we can get ready."

Haldane is scheduled to open the season Wednesday (Aug. 31) in a tournament at Hendrick Hudson High School with the Sailors, Peekskill and Croton.