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The survey results are in! Local shops are eager to prosper after pandemic.

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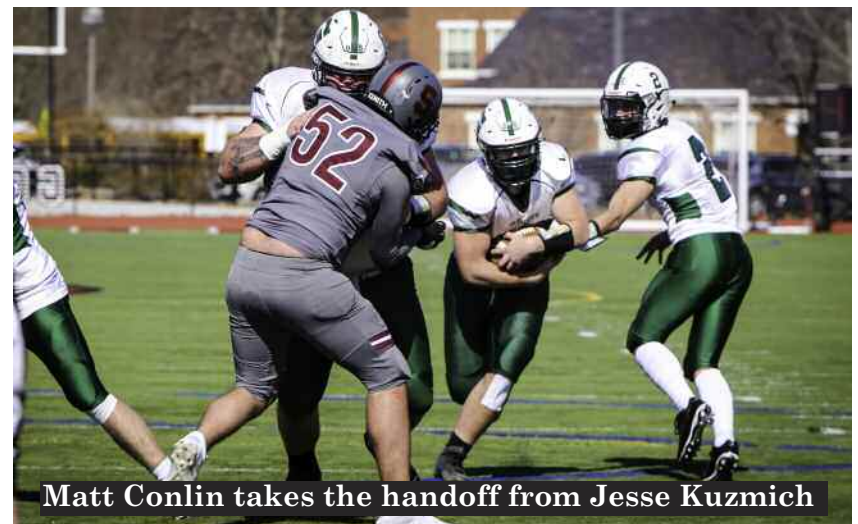


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Springtime football

Because the fall season was postponed due to the pandemic, local high schools are now playing football and other fall sports this spring, instead. Players are grateful for this second chance. A local coach says, "Because no game is a guarantee, we are focused on enjoying every week and every opportunity to play."

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Matt Conlin takes the handoff from Jesse Kuzmich



Washington County Fair

Tons of Fun in '21

Rebecca Breese

Special to Journal & Press

With April just around the corner, the Washington County Fairground team is looking forward to opening the grounds and welcoming the community back to Old Schuylerville Road! This year we are looking forward to bringing back some old favorites and some new events to our community. After a year of virtual communication, the fairgrounds are a great place to set up your favorite lawn chair to visit with friends and family, make new memories, and enjoy summer nights in upstate New York!

Back by popular demand are **Food Truck Fridays!** – kicking off Friday, May 7th with local band Kelly & Son. Food Truck Fridays will continue every Friday through the end of July. Join us for a rotating group of Food Trucks as well as some Fair Favorites! The beverage corral will once again feature Bound by Fate as well as some newcomers. Bring your favorite lawn chair to grab some delicious food from local vendors and great music for a fun Friday night out for the whole family!

'Bring your favorite lawn chair to grab some delicious food.'

Since 2019, we have been working on few improvements with our community partners' help. This spring, we will be having a delayed celebration of the newly completed **Horse Arena** with arena lighting made possible by the Glens Fall Foundation in 2020. To celebrate the arena's completion, we are hosting new equine events throughout the 2021 season.

Put all that Spring cleaning to good use by joining us on May 9th from 9 am - 3 pm for the **Horse Tack Swap Meet**. Get rid of your old horse tack and be on the lookout for something new! Booths are still available. Please

contact the Fair Office for more information at 518-692-2464. Throughout the day, enjoy demonstrations by the Draft Horse Club and The Tri-County Liberty Club.

In conjunction with Food Truck, Fridays the second Friday of the month, starting in May, will start **Gymkhana Under the Lights**, a Gymkhana series for all ages! Whether you are an experienced rider or still working with a lead-line, this Gymkhana series is an opportunity for you!

New this season is a **Drive-In Family Circus** on Saturday, June 12th, for two shows! A High Flying Aerial and Acrobatic show with some laughs mixed in all from the comfort of your car or lawn chair. Enjoy this high-flying thrilling entertainment set to your favorite music for an experience unlike any other! "Seating" is first come, first serve; audience members will drive their car up to the show and park around the stage. There will be some great eats available, be sure to arrive early to get lunch and snacks for the show! Tickets usually sell out fast. Tickets are \$29 per carload. Visit our website for ticketing information.

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holiday season - mark your calendar for "**Holiday Lighted Nights**" starting the Friday after Thanksgiving and running through December 23rd. See the fairgrounds as you have never seen them before, with over 50 larger than light-up displays spread out throughout the grounds. Drive through the fairgrounds with a bag of cider doughnuts, your favorite holiday music, and enjoy our winter wonderland!

These are just a few events coming to the Washington County Fairgrounds in 2021! Stay tuned for more information on our season!

Rebecca Breese is Co-Manager of the Washington County Fair.

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Chamber/Journal local business survey

Darren Johnson
Journal & Press

The Greater Greenwich Chamber of Commerce and this newspaper worked together on a local business survey, a year after the initial shutdowns of the Covid pandemic, gauging where businesses stand now and what their hopes are for the near future. No doubt, the pandemic had an effect; however, most businesses proved flexible and are optimistic.

The Chamber's Director, Kelly Eustis, designed the survey.

"Being a year after our last survey, which was held at the beginning of lockdowns, the Chamber wanted to see where businesses stood and get an idea of what they would need moving forward in the recovery of such a tumultuous year," he said. "That insight will give the Chamber a starting point to provide more resources to our membership that is more attune to their needs rather than a more broad approach. For example, a business seminar on disaster planning or networking events more targeted to a specific industry."

Twenty-nine area businesses took part in the 20-question survey. Overall, it looks like Greenwich area businesses were lean before the pandemic and could flexibly handle a major downturn like Covid. Most businesses who responded to the survey only had 1-2 employees.

"The most significant, albeit not surprising, finding in my point of view is the loss of revenue – 76% stated a decrease but 68% would not have done anything different had they known what



they know now and 56% still do not have a business continuity plan," Eustis said. "On the other hand, only 20% had to temporarily lay off employees and half took federal assistance, so it goes to show adaptations were made to keep their business going, kept employees working, and financial aid likely had an impact on staying afloat."

Perhaps surprisingly to many, businesses reported that they were optimistic for the future, feeling the worst days of the pandemic are behind them.

"It's great to see that almost three quarters of surveyed businesses have expressed they are very or somewhat optimistic," Eustis added. "That enthusiasm, along with progress in vaccinations and reopening, will be a driving factor in our local economy this year. People know the importance of buying local, whether it be in retail, agriculture, and food service, and that helped many of our local businesses. Small businesses in rural communities depend on locals year-round so that continuing support is needed."

On the next page, see more graphics from



ONE YEAR LATER: COVID-19 BUSINESS IMPACT SURVEY



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the survey.

Apparently, the pandemic had a deep effect this past year. Only 12% of businesses were able to hold events and 60% of businesses had to cut advertising, or drop advertising altogether.

While 62% of businesses are "very optimistic about their futures and 20% somewhat optimistic, 24% are very or somewhat concerned about the future.

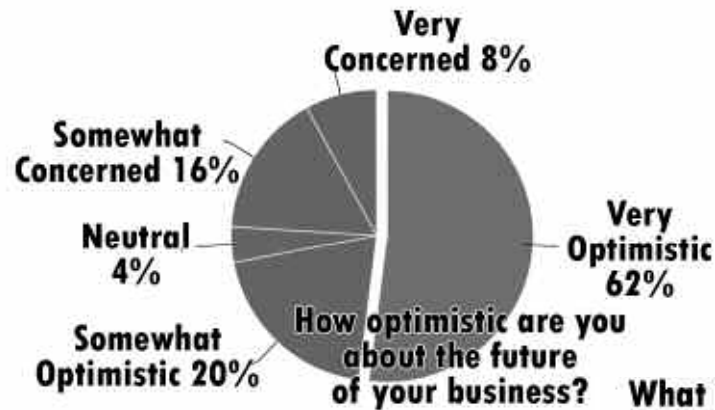
For our next issue, we interview local business leaders who took part in the survey. Suzanne Becker and Nicole Thomsen of Blooms Floral design in Greenwich mostly service weddings, so took an obvious hit this past year. But now orders are picking up.

"We expect everything to improve this coming year, as we adapt," Becker said. "Already, we're receiving a big uptick in inquiries. People are still getting married, and their plans are back on."

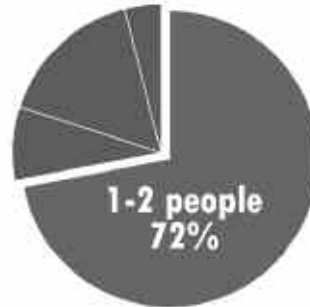


Blooms' Suzanne Becker and Nicole Thomsen

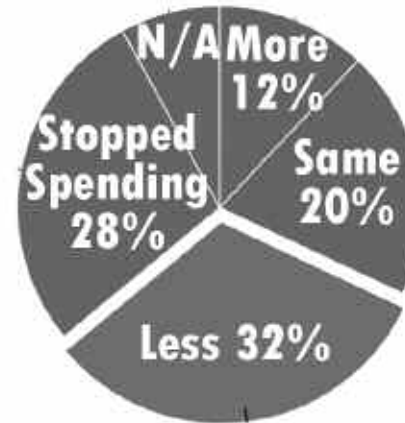
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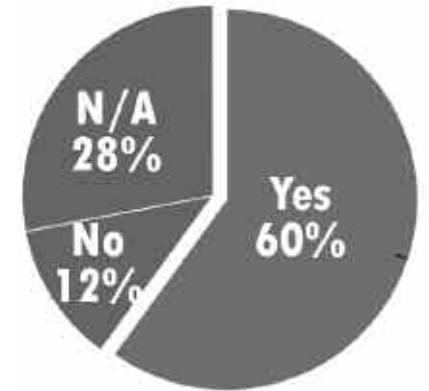
What is the size of your business?



How much have you been advertising since the pandemic?



Have you cancelled events due to Covid?



In our next issue, we interview numerous business owners regarding their plans as the pandemic, hopefully, wanes.

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Salem Sewer Study public meeting

The Salem Sewer Study Committee will offer a live, in-person, socially-distanced meeting, on Tuesday, April 13, at 7:00 pm, In the Courtroom of the Historic Salem Courthouse Community Center.

This is an opportunity for Salem residents to learn the facts concerning the Committee's progress so far and its plans for further information gathering and planning in the future.

Interested parties may attend in person or via Zoom. There will be plenty of opportunity for questions from the audience, both in person and Zoom.

Attendance is limited to 50 persons, 25% of capacity (Normal Capacity 210 people).

Reservations for the live meeting or for Zoom participation must be made ahead of time.

To be added to either list, call or email Herb Perkins – 518-859-3538 - hperkins3@verizon.net

Covid-19 Restrictions will be in effect: Masks required Temperatures taken at the door Current health and travel questions asked and recorded Prescribed seating - 6 feet apart

Please bring your questions, comments and concerns.

Presenters: Candace Balmer – RCAP Solutions – the agency that is responsible for the Household Income Survey; Mary Beth Bianconi; Peter Martin, and Tracey Ledder from All of Delaware Engi-

neering.

Candace Balmer will discuss the survey and what it means for funding possibilities. The group should have preliminary or perhaps final results of its Household Income Survey at this meeting.

Ledder will discuss flood plains, hydrology, geology and FEMA issues.

Mary Beth Bianconi and Peter Martin will discuss possibilities for a sewer system.

Argyle maple project

On Tuesday, March 23, 2021, Mrs. Bailey, second grade teacher at Argyle Central School District, took students out to one of the three maple trees on campus that they have tapped this Spring as a part of an ongoing project of making maple syrup from scratch.



Bailey has been documenting the process, asking students to note the sugar levels in the sap, collect data, and learn from start to finish the science behind making maple syrup. The class has a total of 4 taps on campus that they have been collecting sap from, filtering, and boiling to make the syrup.

“We have already created our first batch of maple syrup, and it turned out great,” said Bailey. “One of the batches we boiled a bit too long but made maple candy out of it – which was a treat!”

Second grade students plan to continue tapping the trees and will compare different batches of maple syrup based on timing, water content, and other factors.

Families and community members can see photos, videos, and more on the District Facebook page: fb.com/ArgyleCSDScots

The project is funded by NYS Agriculture in the Classroom – a program called Schoolyard Sugaring.

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Train wrecks, the Secret Service and Germans

Kaylee Johnson
Journal & Press

Here are some snippets from past editions of The Journal & Press from early Aprils decades ago:

90 Years Ago

April 1, 1931

Nearly one hundred sixty teachers from the school of the third supervisory district of Washington County and a considerable number of guests from neighboring schools made up the number of attendance at the successful conference held last Friday in the Greenwich school under the direction of Superintendent Rose E. Gibbons of Hudson Falls. One of the outstanding features of the day was the address of Dr. Arvie Eldred of Troy, the executive Secretary of the State Teachers' Association.

80 Years Ago

April 2, 1941

The Mummers club of the Greenwich High School will present its second annual drama festival Friday evening at eight o'clock in the school auditorium. The attractions include four complete one-act plays, a puppet show, and music between the acts by the school orchestra under the direction of Donald Willetts. The casts, previously announced, have previously announced, have the finest talent in the school, and feature several new discoveries in the dramatic fields who are doing dramatic work.

70 Years Ago

April 4, 1951

There were two train wrecks in this section over the weekend, both of them attributed to softened railroad beds due to rains and thaws. One occurred near Arlington, Vermont and the other near Greenfield Center in Saratoga County. There were no serious injuries in either accident... The engine and the first car stayed on the track, but five cars, two coaches, two pullmans, and a mail car, left the tracks, plowed into the mushy ground and tipped to a 50 degree angle... The passengers were forced

to crawl through doors and windows but only a few received minor cuts and bruises.

60 Years Ago

April 12, 1961

Arnold J. Harrington, 30 of R. D. 2, Hoosick Falls, and Miss Winnie Stowell, 24, of Hoosick Falls were found dead in a car parked just off route 22 in the town of Hoosick Sunday morning. The couple were discovered by Harrington's mother, Mrs. Wilson LaFond, who was searching for her son.

Investigators say there was a large hole in the muffler of the car and the floorboards in the front were rotted and loose. The windows of the car were all closed, the motor was running and the lights were on.

40 Years Ago

April 2, 1981

Robert S. Wanko, the secret service agent who seemed to take charge after shots were fired at President Reagan Monday, is a former Schaghticoke resident.

Mr. Wanko, 36, moved to Schaghticoke from Sulpher Springs, West Virginia, with his family when he was about ten years old. He graduated from Hoosic Valley high school with his wife, the former Patricia Geren of Valley Falls.

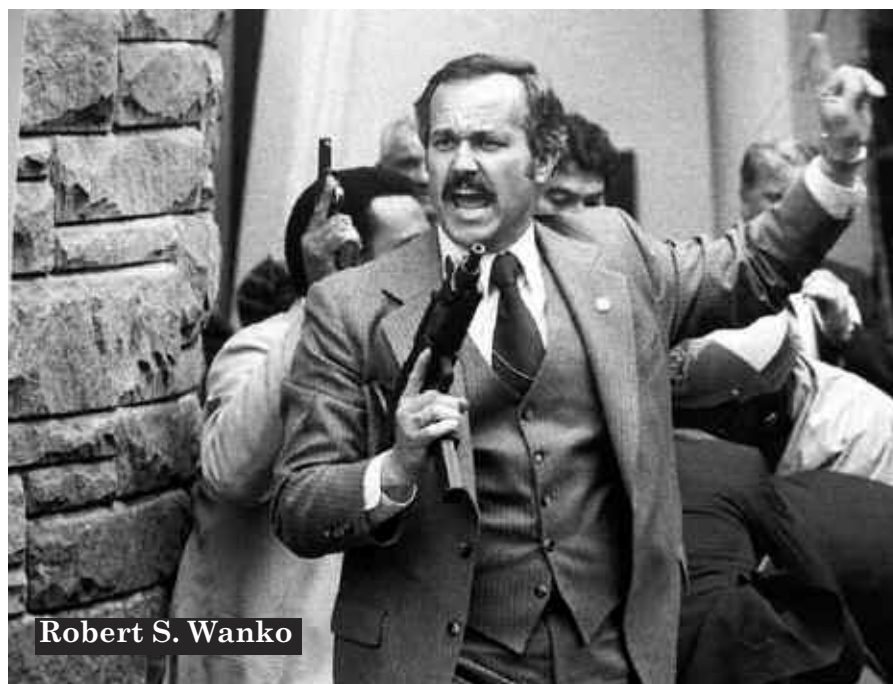
A U.S. Army veteran of Vietnam, Mr. Wanko attended Brigham Young University in Utah.

30 Years Ago

April 4, 1991

The visiting German track team is getting a fast paced work out at the hands of its Schuylerville hosts. Some days have found them assembled 6 a.m. to board the school bus for their day's activities, returning back to school at perhaps 10 p.m.

But the team's coach, Lothar Walz, says this



Robert S. Wanko

does not bother him at all, "We can sleep when we get back home to Germany." The important thing while here, he says, is that team members "can see the true U.S.A." And assistant coach Uwe Dirk Roehrborn adds that giving Americans a chance to see what German youth are really like, also is important.

20 Years Ago

April 6, 2001

After being packaged, polished and promoted like a concept car they won't let you buy, a resolution to continue the jail building project was withdrawn by its sponsors following a slick sales presentation last Friday.

Washington County administrator, Kevin Hayes, was the introductory speaker in the more than two hour long sales pitch to move the new jail project into the next phase. Hayes discussed the events and problems leading up to the decision to build a new jail and to site it on Rexleigh Road in Salem. He reiterated the multiple shortcomings of the present facility under state laws, as well as the costs of attempting to make the current jail structurally sound, and reviewed the search for alternate sites in Argyle, Salem, and Ford Edward.

Fight the pipeline event at Mowry Park

Dear Editor,

I'm writing today about Line 3, a pipeline being constructed through Northern Minnesota by Canadian oil company Enbridge. The pipeline is planned to be built through indigenous communities, including the Anishinaabe territories and the Ojibwe lands, through freshwater sources including streams, wetlands, rivers, and lakes, and would destroy sacred wild rice beds along the

corridor route. According to Honor the Earth, the pipeline would endanger one-fifth of the world's fresh surface water supply. Line 3 is an environmental and water disaster and needs to be stopped. I and many other activists believe that President Biden should use his power to revoke the construction permit given to Enbridge and cancel the Line 3 pipeline, similarly to how he recently canceled the Keystone XL pipeline.

Readers who believe that the Line 3 pipeline should be canceled can express their views at our upcoming peaceful, socially-distanced demonstration occurring at Greenwich Mowry Park on Friday, April 2nd from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

More information about the demonstration can be found at yeswicc.com/stopline3protests. Bring a sign, a mask, and help us #StopLine3!

Thanks,

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K9 Easter Egg Hunt at Hudson Crossing

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In what has become a fun annual tradition, colorful plastic eggs filled with dog treats for your favorite canine (courtesy of Ballston Spa's Lazy Dog Cookie Company) will be hidden throughout Hudson Crossing Park grounds. A wonderful opportunity for both dogs and owners a chance to go outside, enjoy some fresh air, and have fun together, Hudson Crossing's K9 Easter Egg Hunt is open to the public and their pups during regular park hours (dawn - dusk) on Saturday, April 3 and Sunday, April 4, 2021 - while the Easter eggs last. HCP volunteers/egg bunnies will visit the park throughout the day to hide eggs to try to ensure all visiting pups have the chance to join the fun.

There will also be personalized dog-tag making on site each day for a \$5 donation to the park from 1-3pm. A suggested donation of \$10 per dog for the egg hunt can be made at www.HudsonCrossing-Park.org. Feel free to give extra for those who can't! All proceeds go to Hudson Crossing Park. Thanks to our event sponsors: Lazy Dog Cookie Company, Homestead Animal Hospital, and the Schuylerville Chamber of Commerce.

HCP volunteers will be wearing gloves and masks while handling eggs, observing CDC guidelines. Visitors are asked to please take the eggs they find home with them and dispose of them responsibly, as well as to respect fellow dogs and owners and local leash laws. Social distancing guidelines must be observed at all times.

Hudson Crossing Park is a 501(c)(3) non profit, bi-county park located in Schuylerville, NY nestled between Champlain Canal Lock 5C and the Hudson River. A unique recreational and educational destination, the park is open every day year-round from dawn until dusk and is free of charge.



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Highest ranking Airman starts podcast

New York Air National Guard Command Chief Master Sgt. Denny Richardson, a Schuylerville resident and the highest ranking enlisted Airman in the 5,800-member New York Air National Guard, is now in the podcast business, too.

Richardson plans on using the podcast format to share information with New York Air National Guard members across the state.

Called "Journeys Through Leadership" each episode of the podcast features Richardson talking with Airmen from different ranks, career fields, and positions and have a one on one interview.

Leaders are always encouraging Airmen to tell their story, but he realized most of the time they don't have the opportunity to share their stories and experiences to a wide audience, Richardson explained.

"My vision is to have people from all ranks and careers and ask them questions designed to get them talking about their inspirations and motivation for wanting to serve, find the things that have shaped or are shaping their leadership journey," Richardson said. The conversations should give everybody a chance to share their perspectives, he explained.

"Hopefully the younger airmen will shed light on what motivates them and the older, higher ranking Airmen can share mistakes they've made and the defining factors that have helped them get to positions of leadership" he explained.

The first episode posted on March 23rd and features Col. Rob Donaldson a Greenfield Cen-

ter resident and the vice commander of the 109th Airlift Wing which is based at Stratton Air National Guard Base .

During the episode, Donaldson reflected on his time as an enlisted Airman on active duty, his transition to the Guard and why he thinks it's important for Airmen to voice their ideas and opinions.

"I love getting the word out about what we do," Donaldson said. "We can learn from each other's experiences and bring more approachability to who you are." Podcasting is becoming a very popular way for people to get their news, information and entertainment.

According to Podcasting.org, more than 80% of podcast listeners are from ages 12-54. The Airmen Richardson said he wants to reach fall into that demographic.

Richardson said he chose podcasting because it is an easy, accessible way to get messaging across. He said it is convenient to seek out and listen to and it's not as intimidating to the people participating. He explained that the goal is to have a more intimate setting to have honest and candid conversations. "It opens up conversation and allows people to get to know each other. We have 5,800 Airmen and so much talent and diversity throughout the



Chief Master Sgt. Denny Richardson of Schuylerville, left, interviews Col. Rob Donaldson.

state; this will hopefully incite more conversations between each other and open up new ways to get to know one another," Richardson said.

His goal, he added, is to be accessible to all the Airmen across New York. "I want people to know who their state command chief is," he said. "I'm excited to get this off the ground and look forward to helping Airmen share their stories.

"Journey's Through Leadership" is being produced by the Public Affairs office of the 109th Airlift Wing. The podcast is available to listen to through Apple Podcasts, Google, and Spotify. It can also be found at <https://jtl.buzzsprout.com>

Free produce at Bancroft

In conjunction with the Southern Adirondack Library System and the Comfort Food Community, Salem Public Library will be participating in the Farm-2-Library program. The library will now be offering the community free, fresh produce on a weekly basis! Come into the library to pick up your produce from our new fridge located in the foyer. It will be restocked every Wednesday. The library hours are: Monday - 1:00-6:00; Tuesday - 4:00 - 8:00; Wednesday - 10:00 - 2:00; Thursday - 4:00 - 8:00; Friday - 1:00 - 4:00 and Saturday - 10:00 - 2:00.



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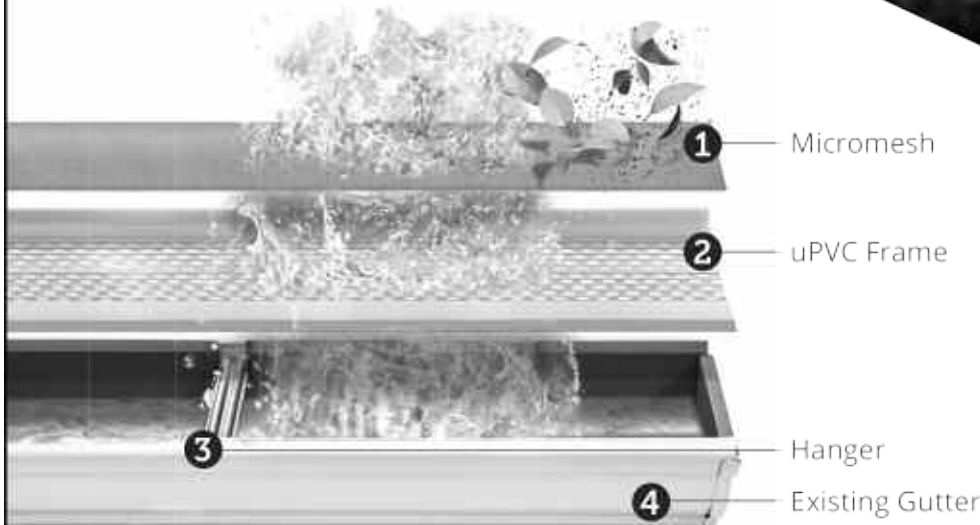
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Fundraising for students

Mandy Ennis, a local resident and a junior from Colgate University, is home for the semester and making good use of her time. She has started a fundraiser to purchase hygiene items for local Greenwich students through Comfort Food Community via GoFundMe.

To contribute, the link is: <https://gofund.me/cfd1a72b>.

Ennis tells us:

“To support students that receive assistance through the Supplemental Student Nutrition Program through Comfort Food Community in Greenwich, NY, we are launching a fundraising effort to purchase hygiene items to be included in the backpacks delivered to students every week. These items will range from toothpaste to masks to hand sanitizer and will be collected into individual bags and included in the existing backpack program.

“With a fundraising goal of \$1000, we will be able to purchase enough items to fill 24 bags. Any donation amount is greatly appreciated, and a donation of specifically \$40 will be able to sponsor the purchase of one bag. Any surplus of money will be used to account for in-



Mandi Ennis

evitable price fluctuations between now and the purchasing of the hygiene items or will be donated directly to Comfort Food Community. Although this goal is enough to support one round of donations, I am hoping that with enough community support, we will be able to make this hygiene item program a regular addition to the weekly food bags already delivered to students.

“In these difficult times, it may feel like there is nothing you can do to help serve your community or give back to those in need. This program is a fantastic opportunity to donate much-needed items to students and give back to your community. Please consider donating any amount. Thank you!”

The Shoppe reopens

The Shoppe Off Broadway in Salem will be res-opening on Wednesday April 7. Their hours will be Wednesday through Friday from 10-12 p.m. Social distancing will be enforced and only five customers at a time. Masks are required.

Donations accepted starting on the 7 during hours of operation only. Only two tall kitchen bags worth of items or two boxes of spring or summer clothing and household goods will be accepted. Please make sure all items are clean and washed prior to giving. The entire staff at Shoppe Off-Broadway, who are all volunteers. This group has given over \$260,000 back to the community of Salem in the last 17 years. Let's give back to them by shopping or even just general monetary support for building operations.

Monetary donations for Shoppe maintenance and/or supporting their grant programs are welcome. Please write general donation checks to Shoppe Off-Broadway and send them to PO Box 140 Salem, NY 12865.

Stewart's grant for GYC

The Citizen's Committee for Greenwich Youth (CCGY) announced the receipt of a \$2,500 grant from Stewart's Holiday Match in support of the Greenwich Youth Center (GYC). These funds support our mission of providing quality programming to Greenwich Youth 3rd – 12th grade free of charge. GYC's current hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00-3:30pm to help support the youth's education with hybrid learning, offering free WIFI and recreational activities, and special programming on Saturdays. Visit our website at www.greenwichyouthcenter.org for monthly activity calendar and program updates.

The Stewart's Holiday Match program has allocated over \$32 million since the programs beginning. This amount is made possible through the generosity of dedicated Stewart's shop associates, media partners and the contributions of Stewart's customers. Stewart's Shops collect

donations in every shop from Thanksgiving until Christmas. Then Stewart's matches every dollar donated and distributes the funds to more than 1,752 worthy organizations. All funds received are



to be used directly for local children in communities served by Stewart's Shops. To learn more about Stewart's Community Giving Campaign visit their website at Stewartssshops.com/community-giving.

Zero Waste seminar

On Wed., April 7 from 2 – 3:30 PM ET, the Zero Waste Committee of Warren County, NY (a project of the Clean Air Action Network (CAAN) of Glens Falls) will host an important Zero Waste Webinar focused on local economic growth through reuse and repair enterprises and programs.

Entitled, “Creating new jobs and enterprises through Zero Waste,” this webinar will feature four of the country's most respected leaders in the field of reuse and repair.

This webinar is free and open to all. Download flyer and pre-register at www.cleanairactionnetwork.org. If you have any questions or a problem registering, contact contact@cleanairactionnetwork.org.

The webinar organizer and moderator is Neil Seldman, director of the Waste to Wealth Initiative at the Institute for Local Self-Reliance, and a founding member of CAAN. The webinar's four panelists are leading repair and reuse entrepreneurs, researchers and activists from across the country.

Your place of residence makes you an idiot?

Greg Schwem

Special to Journal & Press

Eight girls, all in their early 20s and adorned with “Birthday Babe” T-shirts, frolicked along the Savannah, Georgia, riverfront amid the city’s St. Patrick’s Day celebration.

“Who’s the birthday girl?” yelled Savannah Mayor Van Johnson, interrupting an interview he was conducting with me.

“This one!” they yelled, pointing to one girl holding a pink beverage.

“Where are your masks?” Johnson said.

“We’re from Florida,” one replied.

“You’re in Georgia now,” Johnson retorted. “Please put them on.”

The girls complied as Johnson briefly stepped away from the camera to pose for a picture. Ironically, we had just been talking about Savannah’s mask mandate, a policy many revelers openly violated in a city known for raucous St. Patrick’s Day celebrations.

The following evening, as I performed stand-up comedy in Savannah’s entertainment district, a clearly overserved woman, in her mid-50s, constantly interrupted my act forcing me, at one point, to ask, “Is it OK if I talk every now and then?”

When the show ended, I slapped on a fake smile as she approached.

“Thanks for coming,” I said.

“I know y’all don’t mean that,” she replied,

oblivious to the fact that she was only addressing one person. “But I don’t care. I’m from Georgia.”

In just over 24 hours I had witnessed two instances where state pride was deemed an excuse for risky, and stupid, behavior. I guess it’s time to tear up municipal code enforcement manuals, state regulatory guides and federal law books. Do whatever you want, America. Justify it with your place of residence.

Now of course, this is a humor column so I’m not actually condoning dangerous and illegal activities. In other words, Des Moines natives, don’t cause a miles long traffic jam by driving your John Deere tractor at 10 miles per hour in the middle of Interstate 80 and yelling, “I’m from Iowa!” at frustrated motorists.

But, Brooklynites, feel free to come to Chicago, purchase a slice of deep-dish pizza and fold it on the subway before you consume it. Yes, tomato sauce, cheese and probably a meatball or two will squirt out onto a nearby rider but that’s their problem. You’re from New York.

‘State pride was deemed an excuse for risky, and stupid, behavior.’

Conversely, Chicago residents, head to the Big Apple, order a hot dog from a street vendor, take a bite, spit it onto the sidewalk and then refuse to pay because the dog doesn’t contain celery salt. When he looks at you in confusion, show him



your driver’s license.

Colorado, when it came to legalizing marijuana, you were trailblazers, no pun intended. But, if you plan to fire up a joint in Alabama, you could be looking at a year in jail and a \$6,000 fine. Or you could just tell the arresting officer you live in the land of ski resorts and Coors beer and continue walking toward the 7-11 for a bag of Doritos. I’m sure he’d understand.

According to a 2019 Thrillist survey, Heinz Ketchup is most popular in Pennsylvania, no surprise considering the condiment was invented there. So, Pittsburgh residents, just bring your own bottle into a high-end Nebraska steakhouse and slather it onto that 16-oz T-bone. Better yet, do it in the presence of the chef and say, “NOW it’s perfect.”

Finally, if you are planning to cause a disruption and then proudly announce where you are from, it’s best to be from a state that isn’t known for much of anything. Walk drunkenly into a wedding you aren’t invited to, kiss the bride on the lips and say, “Don’t mind me, I’m from Maine.”

You can make a quick exit while all the guests Google, “wedding traditions in Maine.”

Greg Schwem is a corporate stand-up comedian and author of two books: “Text Me If You’re Breathing: Observations, Frustrations and Life Lessons From a Low-Tech Dad” and the recently released “The Road To Success Goes Through the Salad Bar: A Pile of BS From a Corporate Comedian,” available at Amazon.com. Visit Greg on the web at www.gregschwem.com.



Argyle Library to reopen

Readers Rejoice! The Argyle Free Library will be re-opening to the public on April 10th 2021.

The library staff have been busy during this period of curbside pick-up and they can’t wait to show off their hard work. Some of the improvements include fresh paint, new shelving in the children’s area and improved organization. They have also extended our hours to include more evenings and more time on the weekends.

New hours will be: Monday 11:00 - 5:00 ; Tuesday 3:00 - 7:00 ; Wednesday 11:00 - 5:00; Thursday 3:00 - 7:00; Friday 4:00 - 7:00; and Saturday 10:00 - 3:00; The library will abide by Covid safety guidelines. No more than 10 people will be allowed in the library at one time, patrons will be asked to keep 6’ apart, and masks will be worn at all times. The staff will continue to sanitize surfaces and regularly wash and sanitize their hands. Books and other materials will be quarantined for the recommended 48 hours after being returned.



Sean Young, a career derailed

Antonio Ferme

Variety
Special to Journal & Press

Sean Young, best known for her roles in “Blade Runner” and “Ace Ventura: Pet Detective,” has been acting in Hollywood for over 40 years -- and has seen a lot. Once branded as difficult to work with and black-listed in Hollywood, Young revealed how her career was sabotaged by a handful of “powerful, terribly vindictive men.”

In an interview with the Daily Beast’s Marlow Stern, the actor said she doesn’t think of herself as strong-willed, but she “did make men nervous -- and for no particular reason” back in the ‘80s. During the interview, Stern mentioned the David Letterman interview where Young flaunted her armpit hair, to which she said Letterman was “intimidated” in the moment.

“David’s much more insecure than he lets on,” Young said. “He’s a great guy, though. In my opinion, it’s much more common for show business to attract very insecure people. People who need approval. It’s not really known for attracting honest, down-to-earth, salt-of-the-earth folks, unless they’re on the crew.”

Young said she always felt that she was down-to-earth and straightforward with other people, but later realized that she may have been per-

ceived as “offensive.”

“That was not my intention,” Young said. “I only got offensive later because I started getting pissed off, like, ‘This is serious. This is my career. You don’t just blacklist me.’ It’s terrible.”

After co-starring with Young in “The Boost” in 1988, James Woods filed a harassment lawsuit against her, which she eventually ended up winning. When asked why Woods was so vindictive, she said she learned that a rational person will never be able to understand an irrational person.

“I couldn’t wrap my head around it,” Young said. “It was so nutty and stupid, and a waste not only of my time but not good for himself. Why take all the attention off this movie and put it on this?”

The Daily Beast brought up a 2009 interview between Young and Carl Reiner, where Reiner said Young’s reputation had been unfairly smeared by a famous director. Asked if that director was Warren Beatty, Young said, “Warren was definitely one of them. Steven Spielberg was another.”

When asked if Beatty was “the worst of the bunch,” Young replied, “No... I think the sleazy or difficult part is that he probably thought he was treating me really well. You know what I’m saying? It’s not just Warren -- it’s across the board. Ever

since the movie business began, women have been treated as a commodity. There was always someone grabbing you, and I just ignored it. I mean, have you taken a look at Harvey Weinstein? How the f**k is he gonna get laid unless he has power? Never.”

Back in 2017, Young revealed that Weinstein exposed himself to her while working on the 1992 film “Love Crimes,” which was produced by Weinstein’s former company, Miramax. She told him, “I really wouldn’t be pulling that thing out because it’s really not pretty. Put that little thing away.” This is when she said she got a bad reputation for saying no.

“And you have to remember, someone that gross, think of who they really are inside,” Young said. “I think his game plan was: ‘Be as powerful as possible so I can get laid.’ That’s as simple as most of these plans are for people. It doesn’t get a lot deeper than that.”

When asked about the “incredibly aggressive and uncomfortable” love scene in “Blade Runner” that Young filmed with Harrison Ford, she said director Ridley Scott really wanted to date her, but she never reciprocated. “He started dating the actress who played Zhora, Joanna Cassidy, and I felt relieved,” Young said. “And then we do this scene, and I think it was Ridley. I think Ridley was like, ‘f**k you.’ I was thinking, ‘Why did this have to be like that? What was the point of that?’ and I think it was Ridley’s none-too-subtle message that he was getting even with me.”

Young said Scott never hired her a Young discussed the time Charlie Sheen wrote the word “c**t” on a piece of tape and stuck it on her back while filming “Wall Street” in 1987. She said Sheen did a lot of cocaine on set and was “awful.” Additionally,



she called Oliver Stone “a bastard” for reducing her role after she stuck up for Daryl Hannah, who was forced to wear a dress she didn’t feel comfortable in.

“I look at Oliver and say, ‘Oliver, why would you want her to wear a dress she doesn’t feel comfortable in?’” Young said. “He says, ‘Could you excuse us for a minute?’ and I get up and leave the trailer. So, we’re doing the rehearsal and he takes my only line in the scene -- Bud’s talking about racehorses and I turn to him and say, ‘These are jumping horses, dear, these aren’t racehorses,’ like a big snob -- and he gives my line to Daryl.”

Out of all the men mentioned, Young praised her “Ace Ventura: Pet Detective” co-star Jim Carrey. She said he fought for her to get the part, even though Morgan Creek Productions wanted someone else.

“He’s the only leading man who ever did that for me,” Young said. “Jim came in and said, ‘No, no, no. Whatever you’re hearing is bullshit. She’s great.’”

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Buy a bracelet for Easter to help Operation Santa

Debi Craig is a retired music teacher with more than 38 years of experience working with children in Saratoga and Washington Counties. She retired in 2012 from the Dorothy Nolan School in Saratoga Springs.

In 2008 after 27 years of living in the Village of Greenwich, Debi moved home to Hebron where she grew up. She became involved with helping

teachers and staff members of Salem Central School with shopping for Operation Santa. Monies were used to purchase boots, shoes, warm clothes and

other basic needs for children living in upstate New York.

She is a graduate of Salem Central School

herself and was shocked to learn the percentage of children who were receiving free breakfast and free lunch in the school district. Debi decided she wanted to do more. Seven years ago, before she was about to journey to San Francisco on vacation, she was given an angel bracelet by her Mom's cousin. She thought it was very cute and so did many people who noticed it on her wrist. She decided making these bracelets and selling them to help support the Operation Santa program was something she could do. She donated the materials and her time and over the summer made dozens of bracelets in 4 sizes and a variety of colors.

If you would like to obtain bracelets for Easter gifts, please contact Debi directly by email at drcraig1@hughes.net (or call 518/854-



3102). Please put the word "bracelet" in the subject line. She will be selling them at Gardenworks after they open for the season in April. She is happy to say that she has already sold almost \$7000.00 in bracelets since she started the project in 2016. Debi would like to thank everyone who has already purchased a bracelet for helping Salem area children.

Salem's youth leader

Salem Washington Academy announced that sophomore Gabriel Gallagher has been selected to represent the district at the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership conference in June. This year's event will be held virtually.

High school sophomores who have demonstrated leadership skills will have the opportunity to collaborate with their peers, as well as interact with various distinguished leaders in business, government, and education to discuss present and future issues. H.O.B.Y. is sponsored by the Salem Area Woman's Club.



Science award



Salem Washington Academy also announced that junior Silvia Escobar has been selected by the University of Rochester as the recipient of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award. This award recognizes students for their high achievement in math and science classes, as well as their positive contributions to their school and larger community.

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A unique spring football season

Evan Felicetti
Journal & Press

After being postponed during the Fall 2020 season due to the ongoing pandemic, interscholastic high school football has finally returned to the Empire State. As of February 1st, schools in New York State have been permitted to once again participate in “higher risk” interscholastic sports, which were previously prohibited. This change in policy has allowed many sports to begin, such as football, basketball, and volleyball. Out of the three sports risk tiers as outlined by the New York State Department of Health (lower, moderate, & higher risk), higher risk sports have been defined primarily by the limited ability for participants to keep a social distance while playing. Due to its highly physical nature, football easily falls into this higher risk category.

The reasonable next question to all of this would be why this February 1st date matters for a Fall sport like football? In order to make up for the cancelled Fall 2020 season, the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) outlined guidelines for an alternative

Fall 2020 season, to take place in the Spring of 2021. This alternative season, known as Fall Season II, gives countless students across the state the opportunity to play their favorite sports once more. This will be especially valuable for high school seniors, many of whom may not end up participating in athletics at the college level.

‘Because no game is a guarantee, we are focused on enjoying every week.’

As outlined by the NYSPHSAA, higher risk Fall Season II sports were permitted to begin as of March 1st, so football programs have resumed across the state over the last month or so. The other popular higher risk sports joining football in the Fall Season II will include Fall Competitive Cheer, as well as Volleyball. (NYSPHSAA: Return to Interscholastic Athletics 2020-2021)

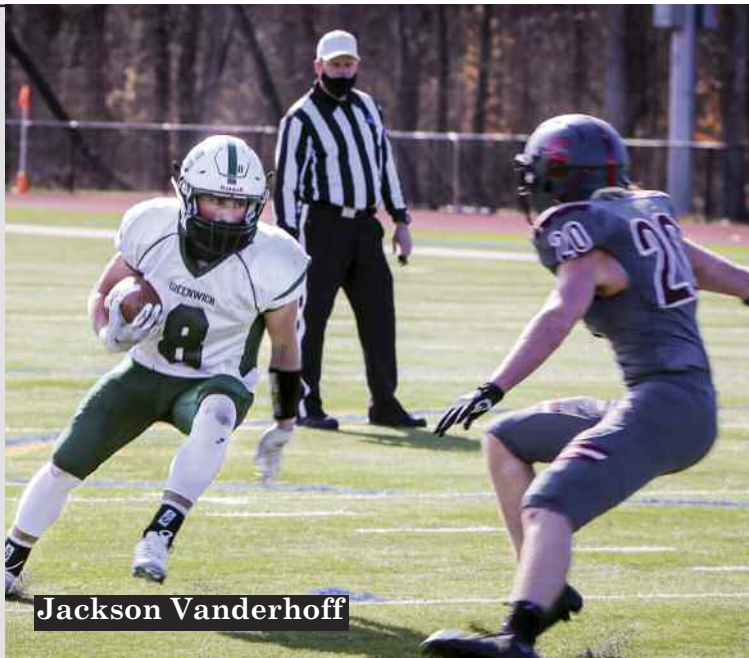
Even in a far from traditional season, one team in our area is already making its presence known, and is making the most of every opportu-

nity to play. The Schuylerville Horses, led by head coach John Bowen, have rocketed to an impressive 2-0 start since their first official game on March 20th. The season opener, which saw the Horses take on the Mechanicville Red Raiders in an away game, ended in a 38-0 Schuylerville win. The offense was impressive, with quarterback Owen Sherman throwing for 90 yards and a touchdown, in addition to rushing for a touchdown of his own. The Schuylerville running game made a huge splash as well, with 221 yards rushed, resulting in 4 total touchdowns. The 221 rushing yards were spread over 44 carries, which breaks down to a noteworthy 5 yards per carry. The defense must also be mentioned however, for doing an excellent job of containing the Mechanicville offense. Not only did the defense allow zero points, the squad combined for 34 tackles, and recovered a forced fumble.

Keeping the momentum going, the Horses outdid themselves with an impressive home opener against Johnstown on March 27th. The final score against the Johnstown Sir Bills

ended up being a 48-0 Schuylerville victory, complete with impressive play on both sides of the ball. For the offense, which generated 7 total touchdowns, much of the damage was done by the running game, as in the previous game against Mechanicville. Running back Jack Dwyer notched 71 yards rushing with 3 touchdowns, while running back Sam McGarrahan ran for 121 yards, with 2 touchdowns. For the defense, which has now produced two consecutive shutouts, another impressive performance shows just how complete a team Schuylerville truly is. Impressive parts of this shutout include a sack by defensive tackle John Koval, as well as an interception by cornerback Sam Dwyer. All stats have been provided by MaxPreps.

“Overall, our coaches, underclassmen, and students are just excited at the opportunity our seniors have to play football during their final year of high school. Whether or not a spring football season would be possible is something that we were questioning not all that long ago, so it is great to see. And because no game is a guarantee, we are focused on enjoying every week and every opportunity to play,” noted Coach Bowen.

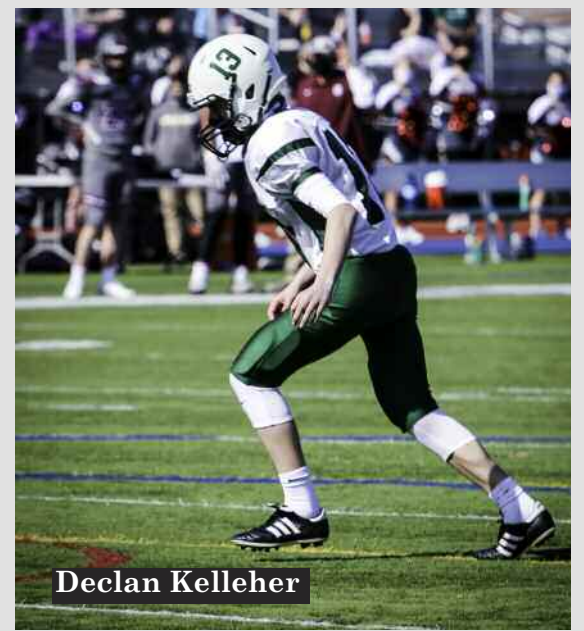


Jackson Vanderhoff

Find our football photos on Facebook

We have lots of great sports photos on our Facebook page. Be sure to follow us at fb.com/JournalPress. Most of them have been shot by Dan Pemrick.

Pictured here and on the cover of this paper are photos from Greenwich’s recent game against Stillwater, which the Witches easily won, 36-7. Before that, Greenwich toppled Voorheesville 34-0. The Witches are 2-0 as of press time.



Declan Kelleher

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION

ARGYLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Argyle Central School District, Washington County, Argyle, New York, will be held in the school library in said District on Tuesday, May 11, 2021, at 7:00 PM, E.D.S.T., for the presentation of the budget. The budget will be available for review on May 4, 2021 at the Argyle Central School.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual meeting of qualified voters of the Argyle Central School District, Washington County, New York, will be held in the atrium of the Argyle Central School in said District on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 8:00 PM, E.D.S.T., for the transaction of such business as authorized by the Education Law.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that said vote and election will be on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 between the hours of 12:00 PM (Noon) and 8:00 PM, E.D.S.T., in the Atrium at Argyle Central School, at which time the polls will be opened to voting by ballot upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2021-2022 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
2. To elect one (1) member of the Board for a five (5) year term commencing July 1, 2021 and expiring on June 30, 2026 and to succeed Pamela Ellis, whose term expires on June 30, 2021.
3. To appropriate monies to the Argyle Free Library and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property in the District.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the

amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2021-2022, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the District during business hours beginning Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at the Argyle Central School.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with Clerk of said School District at her office in the School, not later than Monday, April 19, 2021, between 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District, must state the name and residence of the candidate and shall describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated, including the length of the term of office and the name of the last incumbent.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots (where applicable) will be obtainable between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM, prevailing time, on Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk on and after May 14, 2021, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM on the weekdays prior to the day set for the annual election and on May 18, 2021, the day set for the election, and said list will be posted at the polling place at the election. Any qualified voter present in the polling place may object to the voting of the ballot upon grounds for making his/her challenge and the reasons therefore

known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, and (3) a resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and

election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

KIMBERLY HUMISTON, CLERK OF THE DISTRICT

4/1, 4/15, 4/29, 5/13

Great work, Noah!

Noah Davis, Greenwich High School freshman and Student of the Year Candidate has raised more than \$20,000 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS). Proudly, he writes in his letter to us, "Participating in this campaign has taught me so much already. Yes, fundraising is hard, but it is not as hard as fighting cancer."

Noah's nonprofit organization Facebook page, "Chasing a Cure," has hundreds of likes and actively posts uplifting advocacy content from the point of view of a young person. He hopes to win Student of the Year, which is a seven-week fundraising competition for students hoping to raise money and awareness about cancer. In the end, Noah's team raised a grand total of \$20,456 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS), all through leadership, perseverance, and marketing skills! It is always so wonderful to see youth like Noah taking initiative in Greenwich, and giving back in such heartfelt ways.

Not only did Noah donate a large sum of money to the society, he also educated a lot of people about the diseases, as about 50,000 a year die of blood cancers, despite the treatments, trials, and therapies available in some cases. Noah's selflessness and devotion are appreciated in Greenwich and the LLS, for he has modeled true leadership and compassion.



Will the stimulus lead to inflation?

Jill Schlesinger

Special to Journal & Press

The American Rescue Plan is now law, which means that to combat a once in a century pandemic -- one that has claimed more than a half a million American lives, the US government will have pumped more than \$5 trillion into the \$21 trillion economy over the course of 12 months. For all of the benefits of pushing money into the wallets of households and businesses, what could be the downside of the spending?

Glad you asked. As economists and analysts are lauding efforts to help low to middle income consumers, they are keeping a watchful eye on prices. After all, it stands to reason that prices will rise from last year's abnormally low levels, once the economy reopens and people spend their rescue money and/or savings that they

have accumulated.

Inflationary fears have come and gone over the past decade, but overall, sustained higher prices have not materialized. In fact, inflation is below where it was for much of the 2000s, prior to the financial crisis. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) was up 1.7% from a March a year ago. While that's low, it marks an acceleration from the previous month. Concurrently, inflation expectations are increasing, and like many aspects of the economy and the financial world, expectations can drive the narrative more than the numbers, at least in the short-term.

Consumers are sensing a sea change in prices, according to the New York Fed's latest survey. Inflation is expected to increase above 2% over a one-year and three-year time horizon (that has not happened since 2014), and investors' actions in the bond market indicate similar concerns. (When inflation rises, it is not good for bonds, because the fixed interest that you earn buys you less. That's why the bond market has been dropping lately.)

Expectations can be self-fulfilling because if you are worried that you will be paying more for housing, gas, groceries and utilities, you may ask for higher wages. That in turn might cause businesses to charge more for goods and services, which could change inflation dynamics. Officials are brushing aside these worries. Federal Reserve chair Jerome Powell said he didn't expect prices to increase to the point "where they would move inflation expectations materially above 2%." When asked about whether trillions of dollars of government spending would spark inflation, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said, "I really don't think

that's going to happen."

Mark Spindel, the Chief Investment Officer of the District of Columbia Retirement Board (and a childhood friend of mine) explained why Powell and Yellen do not seem worried. Sure, inflation will rise, but that's "mostly as a result of very depressed numbers from the pandemic onset last year." Spindel projects that "in the medium term, inflation will settle back around 2% as it has been for most of the past generation."

Diane Swonk, Chief Economist at Grant Thornton adds "much of the rest of the world is still fighting decelerating instead of accelerating inflation. This will act as another offset to inflation in the U.S., despite recent weakness in the dollar." If inflation does rise, Yellen says that the Fed has "tools to deal with that," though some of those tools have not yet been tested, which is causing some of the agitation in the fixed income markets lately.

I have heard from some who are ready to throw in the towel on their bond positions, due to inflation expectations. Not so fast. Spindel advises investors "to think about their portfolios in a long-run, balanced way. If we are right that inflation remains reasonably well behaved, I think bond allocations can provide some needed diversification," even if rates remain relatively low going forward.

Jill Schlesinger, CFP, is a CBS News business analyst. She welcomes comments at askjill@jillonmoney.com.



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4/2/2021: 12 p.m.-6 p.m., Marriott Courtyard, 11 Excelsior Ave.

4/7/2021: 1 p.m.-6 p.m., Saratoga Springs United Methodist Church, 175 Fifth Ave.

4/9/2021: 1 p.m.-6 p.m., American Legion, 34 West Ave.

Hudson Falls

4/13/2021: 12 p.m.-6 p.m., American Legion Post 574, 72 Pearl St.

Lunch, Learn & Play returns to Salem

Lunch, Learn and Play, a free day camp program through the Historic Salem Courthouse Community Center, will happen this summer for children entering Kindergarten – entering 9th grade in the Salem Central School District. We are excited to announce that we have added entering 9th graders to our program this year.

The Courthouse is looking forward to providing outdoor recreational, educational, and social activities for our local children, in a safe setting.

Lunch, Learn and Play will open on Tuesday, July 6th and close on Friday, August 6th.

Lunch and nutritious snacks will be provided to all campers.

It is our hope that each registered child will be able to attend Monday – Friday.

HOWEVER, if numbers registered or New York State restrictions require, we may have to limit the number of days each student attends. All New York State Covid-19 guidelines will be followed.

Camp Hours will be 11:30 am – 5:30 pm.

Registration will open on Thursday April 1, 2021. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, applications will be accepted from children in the Salem School District only.

Registration forms may be completed online at <https://salemcourthouse.org/programs/>

Please reference the website to understand the types of programs offered for each age group.

Parents and Guardians can pick up an application at the Courthouse located at 58 East Broadway on M, T, W from 9-2pm. In order to spread campers out and utilize outdoor spaces, certain grades will be doing programs at Fort Salem Theater, Salem Art Works and Merck Forest and Farmland Center.



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Chicken and biscuits

The Greenwich Bottskill Baptist Church will be hosting a take out chicken and biscuit dinner Saturday, April 17th. All tickets must be pre-ordered. Menu includes home made chicken and biscuit and mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, cranberry sauce, coleslaw, roll and cake. There are limited tickets available so be sure to call soon to arrange your pick up time. Cost: \$12 per person. Masks required at pickup. Call 518-692-2731.

Letter to the Editor

Stec: Serve us all

To the Editor:

Senator Dan Stec (NYS45) has been elected to serve all his constituents in this district and his continual partisan rhetoric diminishes his leadership. Senator Stec should focus on a comprehensive vaccine distribution that targets the underserved in this district instead of the constant barrage of disingenuous political statements and attacks that incite distrust and fuel acrimony. Unfortunately, in his partisan zeal, Senator Stec continues to ignore the tireless and stellar efforts and performance efficiency of county health departments in concert with New York State. Clinton, Essex, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Warren and Washington Counties have distin-

guished this region's (NYS45) response to the pandemic.

Perhaps more time actually working for the district as modeled by his recent predecessor and less time posturing political attack clichés would allow Senator Stec an actual voice in Albany. The district voted for a representative to serve the constituents not for a political opportunist. Most of all, real help for this district would be accomplished. The election is over; it is time to work for the people.

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A joyous springtime as Covid wanes

Daneen Skube

Special to Journal & Press

Q: *People seem to be in two camps right now; vaccinated and hopeful, and unable to find vaccines and despairing. How do you think the vaccine process is going to impact our workplaces? Do you think we have a reason to be hopeful or is this virus just going to throw us another rotten curveball?*

A: A main way the vaccine will impact our workplaces is we'll finally have the freedom to stop worrying about death and disability. Yes, I think this will be a spring season of hope and slow return to normalcy. Lastly, I think we'll return to our workplaces full of gratitude and innovation after surviving this global adversity.

Global crisis in many ways is like a storm of enormous magnitude that destroys but also creates. Crisis destroys our Old World but opens a door to a new improved world. We will return to our workplaces more conscious of kindness, the benefit of relationships, equality and value of collaboration. The only reason we have the gift of returning to a new normal is the global medical and scientific community came together to develop a breakthrough vaccine.

When we work together, we're truly capable of miracles. When we pull apart, we cannot benefit from our joint skills and talents. I tell clients the distance between heaven on earth and hell on earth is simply this willingness to either work with or against others. In every moment we decide whether we will live in heaven or hell through our interpersonal choices with others.

In this column I teach the technology of how to work with people in a concrete, behavioral and specific manner because good intentions make no difference in our ability to cooperate. If we want to listen but do not know how to paraphrase our intentions do nothing. If we want to negotiate but don't know how to separate a person from a problem we just create a conflict.

Many new clients think interpersonal issues at work are a result of a character defect or just bad luck. I quickly point out that interpersonal problems at work are simply a result of what you currently do and say. We often create our own suffering because of our lack of awareness that what we are doing and saying is creating problems for us.

Some clients become argumentative or full of self-criticism when they see how ineffective what

they are doing has been. They have to get over this hump of self-hatred to be able to apply the tools I offer.

People in your workplace really aren't in a position to judge your value as a human being and they cannot read your mind. They can only react to the words you chose, your nonverbal communication, your tone of voice, and interpersonal skills.

Sometimes a client will say, "Well I cannot change I'm just the kind of person that is honest!" I point out that our interpersonal habits are just that ... habit and not a genetic factor like brown eyes. Our interpersonal habits are as flexible as our capacity to learn. If we refuse to learn, then we chose a lot of unnecessary suffering.

Even Dr. Fauci seems to be optimistic that the worst of this virus is behind us. This year as life bursts forth into a joyous celebration of new growth I feel confident we will also be slowly emerging from our isolation into a new spring of

collaboration.

The last word(s)

Q: *Do you think there is a mental health benefit around getting the vaccine?*

A: Yes, those two little shots offer us the significant mental health advantage of moving away from that dark cloud of doom and back into the sunlight of ordinary life.

Daneen Skube, Ph.D., is an executive coach and appears on FOX's "Workplace Guru" each Monday morning. You can contact Dr. Skube at www.interpersonaledge.com or 1420 NW Gilman Blvd., #2845, Issaquah, WA 98027. Sorry, no personal replies.



Finger Lakes Quartet via HVCC

The Finger Lakes Guitar Quartet – featuring Joel Brown, Brett Grigsby, Sten Isachsen and Paul Quigley – will draw from its eclectic repertoire that spans five centuries for a virtual concert at noon on Thursday, April 8. The hour-long program is presented by Hudson Valley Community College's Cultural Affairs Program. Please visit www.hvcc.edu/culture to register for access to the live-stream event.

The Finger Lakes Guitar Quartet has performed at the Eastman School of Music, Ithaca College Guitar Festival, Keuka College, Utica College, Sandisfield Arts Center in the Berkshires, and the Cleveland Guitar Society and Marietta College in Ohio. Individually, the quartet's members have performance, collaboration and recording credits too numerous to list.

Each FLGQ member is an accomplished soloist who also teaches. Joel Brown is a senior artist-in-residence at Skidmore College. Brett Grigsby is a member of the music faculty at Skidmore College, in addition to teaching one-on-one and coaching several guitar ensembles. Sten Isachsen directs SUNY Schenectady's undergraduate Music Audio Technology programs and its Guitar Performance program. Paul Quigley is a faculty member at both SUNY Schenectady and SUNY Adirondack, where he teaches classical and electric guitar.

Please visit www.hvcc.edu/culture to learn about the Cultural Affairs Program at Hudson Valley Community College, or contact Debby Gardner at d.gardner@hvcc.edu or (518) 629-8071.



Holy Cross update

Salem's Holy Cross Catholic Church holds Mass on Sunday's at 8:30 AM. Mass at St. Patrick's, Cambridge, is held on Sundays at 11:00 AM. Reconciliation Services will be held at Holy Cross a on Sunday, March 28 at 1:00 pm and St. Patrick's on Tuesday, March 30 at 6:00 pm. St. Joseph's in Greenwich will continue to post Sunday Mass on You Tube with Fr. Kacerguis as celebrant and Maureen Cossey as music minister. The link is www.tinyurl.com/SJG-liturgies. It can be accessed later at You Tube channel named "St. Joseph's Church in Greenwich, NY".

Confirmation Preparation begins during the Easter season with a group interview/information ses-

sion on Zoom. Individuals interested in receiving the Sacrament, please contact Mary Rosmus (maryrosmus@batenkillcatholic.org) before Easter.

Holy Week at Home, Adaptation of Holy Week for Family and Household Prayer are resources to cultivate the spirit of Holy Week on the home, especially when public celebration may not be possible. Find the resource on the Holy Week Page of the Lifelong Faith Website (<https://stpatrick;slifelong-faith.weebly.com>) along with other resources including; Stations of the Cross, a Holy Week playlist, crafts for children, recipes, and more for Holy Week.

Easton Library's new services

The Easton Library has created a list of Genealogical records that are kept at the library. These records may only be viewed at the library and cannot go out on loan. These genealogical records are important for people interested in local history and anyone looking for family members who may have originated in Easton. The library's hope is that this will make locating historic research items more efficient. Visit easton.sals.edu and click About Our Library > Special Collections > Local & Historical Ge-

nealogical Records.

Easton Library still remains at Service Level B with limited occupancy, no browsing, no meeting room or computer use, and social distancing. Anyone wishing to look at the historical records will need to wait until the library advances to the next service level. Please check the website for up-to-date information, email director Jennifer DeCarlo at jdecarlo@sals.edu or telephone the library at (518)692-2253 with any questions.

Help Salem Cats

The cat rescue group Salem's Community Cats needs foster homes to give stray kitties a temporary place to stay. SCC does not have a shelter and relies on fosters in order to be able to take in pregnant, injured, or lost cats. This is a great way to make a difference in the lives of cats right in your back yard. Contact SCC via their Facebook page or website sailemcats.com. If you're not able to foster but still want to help, donations are always appreciated. Please send to Salem's Community Cats, PO Box 402, Salem, NY 12865.

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Betty Evelyn Wilbur, 94

Betty Evelyn Wilbur, 94, passed peacefully on to her new address at her eternal home in heaven on Monday, March 8, 2021 at the Fort Hudson Nursing Home.

She was born February 22, 1927 in Greenwich, NY to the late Harold and Lillian (Teft) Snell.

Betty thoroughly enjoyed baking goodies and at one point owned and operated a mobile pie wagon. She loved to garden and became quite proficient at it. She eloped and married the love of her life Charles Wilbur on New Year's Eve 1946. Together they enjoyed raising their six children, square dancing and operating the family farm. She was devoted to her family; they meant the world to her.

Betty also loved the sound of a violin and in her seventy's started

to take lessons and always said "It's never too late for something you enjoy". She also loved her Pomeranians through the years Louie, Chipper, Olivia, and Chester.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband Charles, son Daniel Wilbur; brother's Glenn, Ronald, and Rodney Snell; son-in-law John Kelly.

She is survived by her brother Ashley Snell of Greenwich; sons Larry (Judi) Wilbur of Easton, Clifford (Janice) Wilbur of South Cambridge; daughter's Marie (Al) Tollisen of Halfmoon, Elaine Kelly of Greenwich and Joan (Will) Thomas of Cambridge; daughter-in-law Pam Wilbur; 15 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Grace Snell.

Funeral services will be private at the convenience of the family. Spring interment will take place in the Easton Rural Cemetery. A memorial service for Betty will be planned at a later date.

The family wishes to express their deepest appreciation to the staff at Fort Hudson Nursing Home, for their outstanding care and compassion for mom.

In lieu of flowers donation's in Betty's name may be made to the Cambridge Valley Rescue Squad, 37 Gilbert St, Cambridge, NY, 12816.

Online condolences and messages to the family may be made at www.flynnbrosinc.com.



Mary E. Van Schaick, 87

Mary E. Van Schaick, 87, loving wife, and mother of Greenwich passed away Thursday, March 25, 2021 at her home.

She was Born December 27, 1933 she was the youngest of 3 children born to Thomas and Eunice (O'Donnell) Sherin.

Mary graduated from St. Peter's Nursing School in 1954. She worked for most of her professional life as a Registered Nurse at many of our area hospitals and as a Public Health Nurse for Washington County. She married Richard K. Van Schaick of Coxsackie on April 30, 1955. After raising their five children, Richard and Mary opened Derrick's gift shop in Greenwich. She was a communicant of St. Joseph's

Church in Greenwich.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard K. Van Schaick and brothers, William, and John Sherin.

Survivors include her daughter, Sherin Murphy and her husband Michael and their two children, Brigid of Warrenton, VA and Timothy and his wife Katie of Washington, D.C.; daughter, Susan Saint Laurent of Greenwich, NY and her son, Thomas Saint Laurent of New York, NY; son, Thomas Van Schaick of Greenwich; daughter, Patricia Van Schaick of North Wales, Pa.; and son, Michael Van Schaick and his wife Debbie of Clifton Park, N.Y and son Josh Machorro. Mary is also survived by several nieces

and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday, March 29, 2021 at St. Joseph's Church, Hill St, Greenwich, NY, 12834 with the Rev. Patrick Butler officiating. The Rite of Committal will follow at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Greenwich.

The family suggests memorials in her name be made to Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21297-0303.

Online condolences and messages to the family may be made at www.flynnbrosinc.com.



Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION GREENWICH CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Greenwich Central School District, Washington County, Greenwich, New York, will be held in the High School building in said District on Monday, May 10, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. prevailing time, for the presentation of the budget.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a vote will be taken of all those qualified to vote at School District Meetings in said District at the Greenwich Primary School Building, Greenwich, New York, on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 and the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. E.S.T. until 8:00 p.m., E.S.T.; at such time the voters of the District will vote upon the following matters:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
2. To elect one (1) member of the Board for a five-year term to succeed Mrs. Erin Boivin whose term expires on June 30, 2021

EQUIPMENT PROPOSITION:

SHALL the Board of Education be authorized to: (1) acquire school buses at maximum estimated cost of not to exceed \$245,750; (2) expend such sum for such purpose; (3) levy the necessary tax therefore, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education taking into account state aid; and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District and/or enter into installment purchase agreements at one time or from time to time in the principal amount of not to exceed \$239,250, and levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due?

LIBRARY PROPOSITION:

Resolved, Shall the Board of Education be authorized to increase the appropriation to support the Greenwich Free Library from \$99,837 to \$103,541 and the appropriation to support the Easton Library from \$42,586 to \$44,123 annually?

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2021-2022, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the district during business hours beginning fourteen days before the vote, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Middle Grade school, not later than Monday, April 19, 2021, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and shall be signed by at least 25 voters of the District, must state the name and residence of the candidate and shall describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots/military ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office

of the District Clerk on each of the five (5) days prior to the election between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays prior to the day set for the annual election and on May 18, 2021, the day set for the election. Any qualified voter present in the polling place may object to the voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds for making his/her challenge and the reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law Section 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board and in accordance with Sections 2035 and 2008 of the Education Law, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, otherwise to be

submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with the Greenwich Central School Board of Education at the Middle Grade Building on or before April 19, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. prevailing time; must be typed or printed in English, must be directed to the Clerk of the School District and signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; and must state the name and residence of each signer. However, the School board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters or any proposition for the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, or any proposition which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition.

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Spiros Tsitos of Greenwich House of Pizza

Rio Riera Arbogast
Journal & Press

Greenwich House of Pizza is a full menu restaurant specializing in homemade pizza nestled in the center of town. Founded by the Tsitos family almost five decades ago, the eatery stands as a time-honored landmark well woven into the area's tight-knit social fabric.

Greenwich House of Pizza was established in 1974 as one of Greenwich Plaza's flagship stores. Though the restaurant has been in operation for 47 years, its inception is linked to a much longer past. Konstantinos Tsitos began his trade as a professional baker at the age of 13. Years later, he and his family emigrated from Greece to Bennington, Vermont. Here, the family reunited with his wife Eleftheria's brother and the two opened up a bakery in nearby Rutland. Eventually, however, Konstantinos' adventurous spirit led the Tsitos to Greenwich, where they decided to lay down roots and open their restaurant. The couple's mutual dedication to both their business and each other facilitated the venture's success. As their son Spiros describes, "My dad and my mom were interchangeable parts in here... they complemented each other, they were partners with each other, they worked together very well." Eventually, Spiros took on full responsibility and now serves as owner-operator.

The restaurant's expansive menu features an array of appetizers, dinner entrees, subs and specials. Its main focus, however, is pizza. GHOP prepares all of its dough by hand, a unique offering that remains true to the Tsistos family's original vision. In fact, dedication to culinary tradition is one of the pizzeria's core values. "Since we opened, we've always tried to be consistent with our product,"

Spiros explains. "All the recipes that we started on, when we started in the 70s, we've kept to this day." At the same time, innovation remains important. "You also have to keep it fresh so people come in and see something different, adding to the menu and adding to their palettes."

Spiros also attributes the restaurant's success to his family's experience as locals themselves. He speaks warmly about the kind reception the Tsitos experienced upon their arrival and subsequent incorporation into town life. As he shares, "I think the people here really took us in as their own. I went from Athens to school here in Greenwich, along with my sister, not knowing any English at all, and [townspeople] really embraced us; back in the 70s no less." He continues, "I grew up here; when I came here I was 10 years old. So my friends that I had in high school are still my best friends today, their families are still friends. The sense of community is incredible in Greenwich. I think that's a testament to a small town and people just helping each other and growing up with each other, and I really mean that." His family's positive experience inspires Spiros' advocacy for welcoming, loving

**'We all know each other
and we all always
help each other.'**

cross-cultural relationships between long-time residents and newly arrived immigrants. "You see, these days, that around the nation there's a lot of anger and racism... this town was the exact opposite of what's going on, I think, in the U.S. today. This town was open, this town took us in. I think we should model this to how people can be good, honorable, sincere and all that. The sense of community

for being a Greek, as an immigrant and having the opportunity that [townspeople] gave me, it means the world to me, it means everything to me, it really does. And that's why I'm still here."

As a local restaurateur, Spiros notes that realistically "there's only so much to go around in a small town" and that developing a loyal customer base is key to longevity. With this being said, however, there is an atmosphere of sincere camaraderie amongst local restaurant owners. "We all know each other and we all always help each other." This attitude of mutuality is reflected in Spiros' perspective on purpose and success. "When you put food in front of you [and your family and friends] it becomes more intimate... that's why I've always

loved being in the restaurant business." He adds, "The happiness I get from my customers, employees and the restaurant... that's success to me." Long-time manager Jenna Taffi mirrors his sentiment, "New employees really do become family... I love that [customers] can come in and we're on a first-name basis... our customers are like our family too." In addition, GHOP supports local youth



**Jenna Taffi and
Spiros Tsitos.**

development efforts through their annual Little League team sponsorship.

The business's deep valuing of community reciprocity extends into gratitude for their regulars' continued patronage throughout the pandemic. "You see people that love, respect or support you when it's tough times, and this was the toughest thing I've ever seen in my life," Spiro surmises. "For them to be there for us showed us how much they love us and how much we love them."

Greenwich House of Pizza is located at 1251 State Route 29 in Greenwich, NY.

Rio Riera Arbogast is a freelance writer focused on how creative entrepreneurship impacts the Capital Region's cultural landscape. You can follow them on Twitter at @rioriar.



History Happened Here

The shot heard 'round Greenwich Town

Darren Johnson
Journal & Press

Walking the dog, I pass this 1927 historic marker all of the time. I pictured some guy named Furnival with a whole battery of cannons, firing at the British as they tried to retreat from the Battle of Saratoga, tearing them to shreds.

While Furnival – who, through some digging, I realized was named Alexander (most historic records don't list his first name) – was certainly a patriot, it seems like his “battery” was just one cannon, and he fired it toward the Marshall House across the Hudson River in Schuylerville, scattering some recuperating Brits.

Interestingly, though, this was the only military shot fired in Greenwich Town during the Revolution.

Not that the British, and their German mercenaries, the Hessians, didn't deserve it. At first, they had traipsed through Greenwich en route to Saratoga, putting together a “bridge of boats” to cross the river.

Islay VH Gill wrote in this news-

paper on Sept. 29, 1954:

“Traveling with [British General and Commander] Burgoyne across the town of Greenwich were: Brigadier General Fraser, Major General Phillips, Colonels Baum and Breyman, Major General Frederick Adolphus Von Reidesel, commanding the Hessian mercenaries; the Earl of Balcaras, commanding the English grenadiers; Majors Ackland and Williams, Sir Francis Clarke, Lt. Color Speht. The army was accompanied by the wives of some of the officers and of the Hessian privates. Among them were Lady Harriet Ackland, the Baroness Reidesel and her three small children, the wives of Major Harnage and of Lt. Reynolds, and ‘the commissary’s wife,’ Burgoyne’s mistress.”

Sounds like quite the scene. As soon as they left Greenwich, Patriots from New England took their encampments in Clarks Mills, a hilly hamlet at the edge of Greenwich Town. One can see Schuylerville from here.

“After the battle, when Burgoyne was besieged at Saratoga

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(Schuylerville), the heights of Easton were occupied by Connecticut and Massachusetts troops under Colonel Fellows. General John Stark's New Hampshire and Vermont troops were stationed in the Town of Greenwich at Clarks Mills and across the Hudson in Northumberland, cutting off Burgoyne's road of retreat,” Gill added.

“It was during this period that Captain [Alexander] Furnival of the New England militia placed a piece of artillery on the hill at Clarks Mills.

One shot was discharged, scattering a group of British officers near the Mar-

shall House, now the home of Kenneth Bullard. So far as history records, this was the only shot fired in the Revolution within the Town of Greenwich.”

The Bullard Family still owns the historic home. I did a Google search – yes, barely, a Revolutionary War era cannon could potentially hit it from this sign in Clarks Mills.

As for Furnival? He was apparently from Maryland and, on June 1, 1789, well after the war, wrote to now President George Washington, saying he would like a federal post, Collector of Customs for the Port of Baltimore, because he wasn't doing well financially. Furnival didn't get the job.

Free tax help

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is a national program sponsored by the IRS to provide free tax preparation for qualified residents. Locally, Tri-County United Way, in partnership with Cornell Cooperation Extension — Washington County and the Moreau Community Center have created a network of VITA volunteers who serve residents of Warren, Washington, and Northern Saratoga counties.

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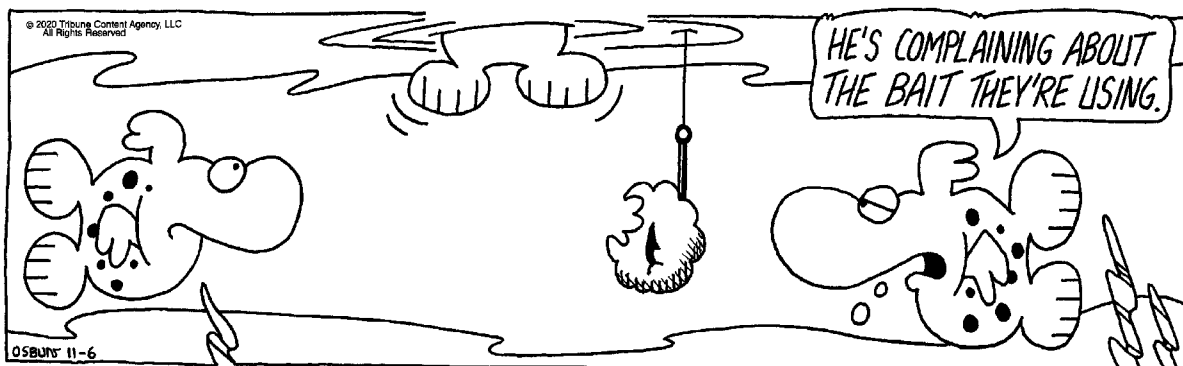
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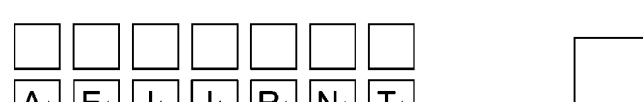
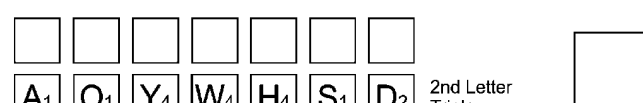
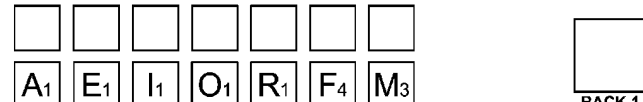


Broom Hilda by Russell Myers



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by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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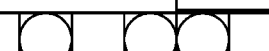
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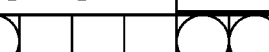
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Obituary

Howard W. Fifield, 67

Howard W. Fifield, 67, of Queensbury and a longtime resident of Salem, passed away Thursday, March 25, 2021 at Saratoga Hospital with his family by his side.

Born July 8, 1953 in Granville, he was the son of the late Lawrence and Anna (Stewart) Fifield. Howard was a 1971 graduate of Salem Washington Academy and in 1970, he finished 10th in the State Cross Country Sectionals. Howard worked for Agway in Salem for 25 years and then at CaroVail in Salem for 17 years retiring in 2010.

Howard always kept himself active by Maple Sugaring and hunting. In the winter months, he plowed snow for many people in the Salem area. He loved watching sports, especially his grandchildren's games. Howard ran the clock for the boys' and girls' basketball games at Salem Central School.

Howard was a past member of the Salem Rescue Squad; a 40 plus year member of the Salem Vol. Fire Dept. He served as the Secretary and Treasurer for 27 years and also was a Lieutenant in the department. He was awarded the clock award for his years of service in 2020. He served on many committees over the years. The fire department was Howard's second family.

In addition to his parents, Howard was predeceased by a grandson, Joshua Cunado; brothers, Lawrence "Doc" Fifield, Randolph "Tubby" Fifield, Richard Fifield, William Fifield and Roy Fifield.

Howard is survived by his wife of 49 years, Victoria Saunders Fifield, whom he married July 30, 1971; his children, Stephanie (Eric) Cunado of Kenosha, WI, Julie Schyberg of Salem and Gregory (Suzy) Fifield of South Glens Falls; his siblings, Dianne (David) Keys and Gene (Bonnie) Fifield of Salem; sisters-in-law, Freda Fifield of Salem, Sylvia Fifield of El Paso, TX and Laurie Fifield of Ballston Spa; grandchildren, Kelsey, Dana & Nathan

Kupiec, Amber Cunado, Bailey, Chailyn & Wyatt Fifield; step-grandchildren, Ryan Schyberg, Delaney Hudson and Madison Krear; great grandchildren, Aria Kupiec, Jade and Ella Barber, Remi and Joshua Nolan and Hana Hudson. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews & cousins.

Calling hours will be Wednesday, March 31, 2021 from 11 am to 3 pm at the Salem United Methodist Church, 29 West Broadway, Salem. A funeral service will begin at 3 pm at the conclusion of the calling hours with Rev. Debbie Earthrohl officiating.

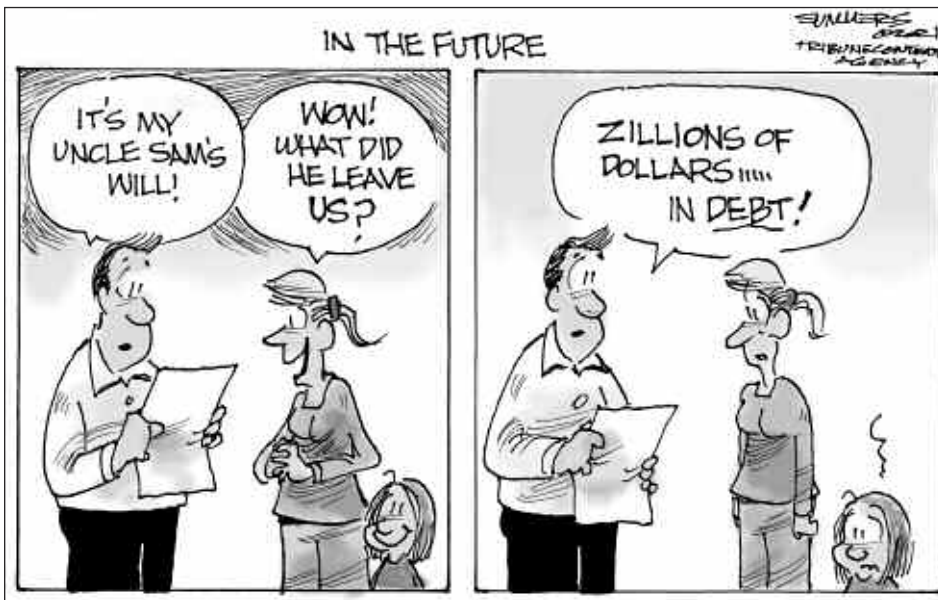
Face masks and social distancing must be observed.

Memorial contributions in Howard's memory may be made to the Salem Vol. Fire Dept., P.O. Box 449, Salem, NY 12865. To offer condolences to the family, please visit www.gariepyfuneralhomes.com Arrangements are with the McClellan-Gariepy Funeral Home, Inc. in Salem.



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Cambridge Crossword

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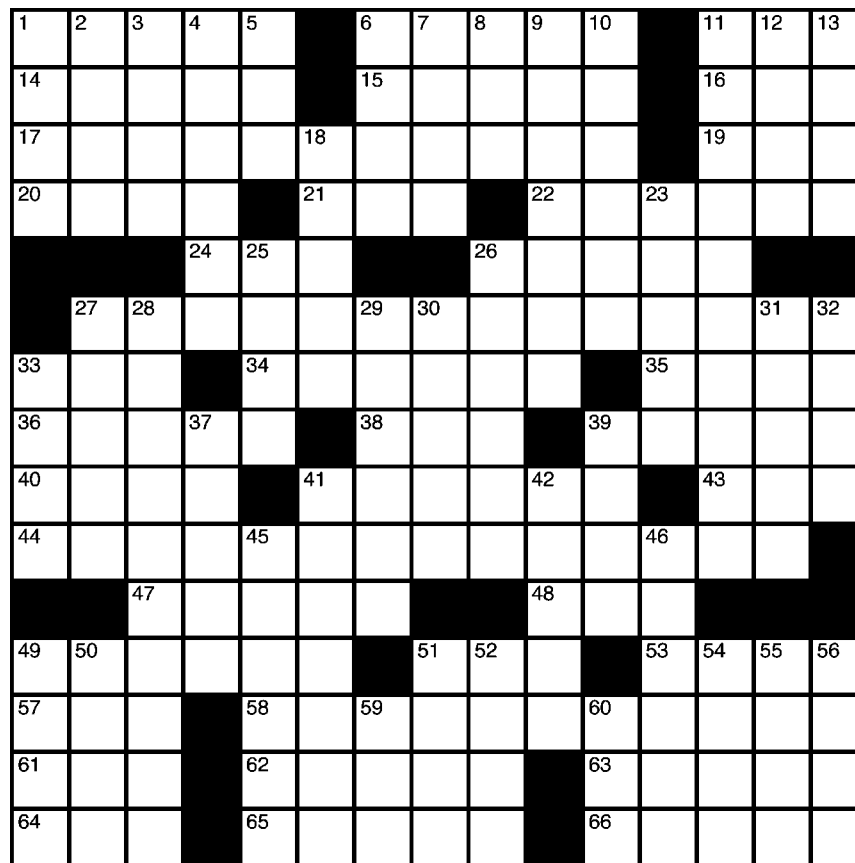
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6 Pagoda instruments
11 Outdo
14 Big game setting
15 No-frills type
16 "Yo, Hadrian!"
17 Where the farmer relaxed to update the books?
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20 Not behind
21 Long-term digs in orbit: Abbr.
22 Landscaping stones
24 Three-time Cy Young Award winner Scherzer
26 Visibility reducers
27 Story of how the spider monkey climbed the tree?
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34 Takes up
35 Cookware brand
36 Dethrones
38 Low digit
- 39 Tries
40 One with a password
41 Notably different, with "a"
43 JFK alternative
44 Obstetrician's job, sometimes?
47 Manicurist's tool
48 NBC skit show
49 Sad-eyed hound
51 Moody rock genre
53 Not too many
57 Hundred Acre Wood know-it-all
58 Put the fix in on Black Friday?
61 Med. scan
62 "Middlemarch" novelist
- Down**
1 Nickname for

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- 2 Press
3 Cumberbund alternative
4 As scheduled
5 __ sushi: Japanese sea bream
6 April 1 array
7 Swingers on a perpetual-motion desk toy
8 "NCIS: Los Angeles" actress Long
9 Laverne and Shirley, e.g.
10 Vulgar content
11 Is arrested, in slang
12 Exceeding
13 Cello parts
18 Put the kibosh on
23 Sporty Chevy
25 Sounds of realization
26 Sophisticated, in a way, briefly
27 Take a minute
28 Ygritte portrayer on "Game of Thrones"
- 29 __ public
30 Cricket, for one
31 Tee size
32 Idina's "Frozen" role
33 Vibrant, as colors
37 Cuts back
39 "His Eye Is on the Sparrow," e.g.
41 Good for growing toy
42 Do a lawn job
45 Went off course
46 Yukon neighbor
49 Have a rough night at the comedy club
50 Not as planned
51 Four-award acronym
52 1969 MLB up-starts
54 Midway event
55 Redbook rival
56 Fuse
59 Sling spirits
60 Deadly biter

ANSWERS ON PAGE 26.



Word Find

By Frank J. D'Agostino (solution page 30)

Find these words that are associated with online study.

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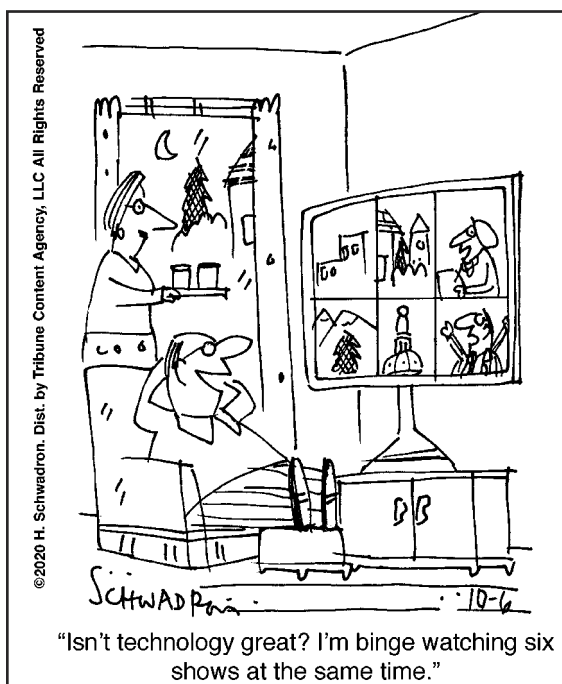
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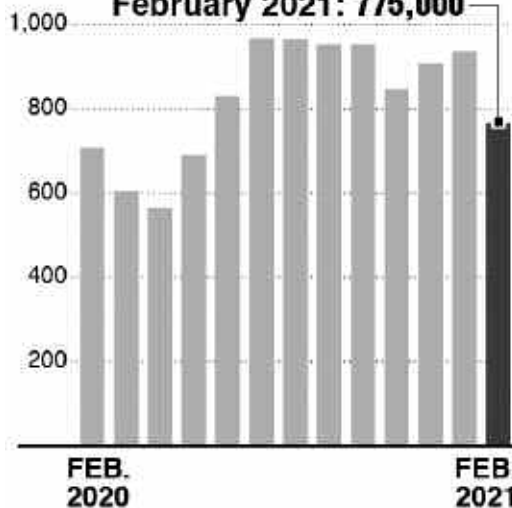


Fast Facts

New residential sales

New houses sold, seasonally adjusted, scale in thousands

February 2021: 775,000



Graphic: TNS
Source: U.S. Census Bureau



A cautious guide to social reintegration

Cody Fitzgerald
Journal & Press

Before I even start this, I want to say that COVID is not over. Despite Tucker Carlson really wanting us to go back to normal so he can shove Krispy Kreme down his throat and let everyone watch how sweaty he can get, we're still amidst a pandemic and it's going to be here for a while longer. That being said, one day down the road we will be seeing some semblance of normalcy, and my recent experiences eating in a public setting and remembering how to use a urinal showed me that a lot of us have lost our way, and need to be reminded of how to act. With this, I want to take today to remind people of some of the unwritten rules of society:

- When you no longer need a mask and have to shave again, remember to do it vertically and not side to side.
- Keep the six feet rule for when you hold the door for someone, if they're any further away they will secretly want to kill you.
- Practice completing a conversation with someone, because you can't abruptly end it and blame your internet connection like we can

over Zoom.

- If you're anti-vax and hadn't previously hated yourself for it, please take this as an opportunity to shut up forever.
- Study how your nose and mouth look, because most people have forgotten over the last year.
- If you went this entire pandemic wearing a mask below your nose, you should use that logic again and try wearing pants only halfway up your legs, see how far you get.
- Delete everything you posted praising Cuomo early pandemic.
- Please, for the love of God, cut your hair.
- Try and read one of your Pro-Trump and anti-mask Facebook posts out loud in public and then count how many teeth you have left. (Maaaaaybe take this as a chance to reevaluate what you're posting.)
- You're going to want to talk to everyone about the 73 shows you watched on Netflix during quarantine, but

remember that Tiger King isn't cool anymore.

- Continue boycotting Pringles.

There you have it. Just remember to not be a jerk and that I don't care about Carole Baskin, and we're all set.

Cody Fitzgerald is a current high school senior satirizing anything and everything he can get his hands on. Aspiring to become "one of the cool" High School English teachers, he hopes to share this outlook/coping mechanism with future generations.



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SUNY Adirondack announced new partnerships with Rowan University and SUNY Plattsburgh, extending the college's already substantial number of agreements for seamless transfer to bachelor's programs.

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Answers

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Jumble: MOUND YEAST WILLOW GASKET

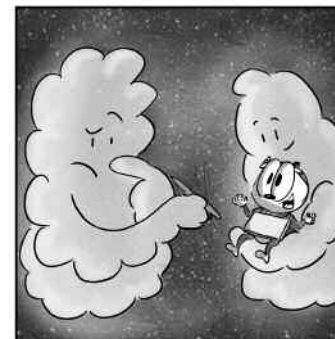
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Salem Sudoku

(solution below)

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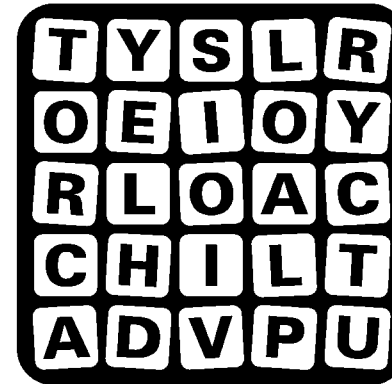
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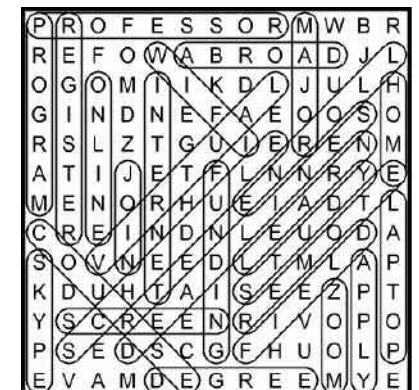
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Cambridge Indians and future citizens

Lance Allen Wang
Journal & Press

I was looking through a bunch of old pictures the other day, including some of my old class photos from elementary school. As I looked at them, I couldn't help but think that kids are such victims of their parents' taste in fashion. I mean, the lapels on the dress shirt I was wearing were huge and would give me lift in a strong wind, I'm sure. And the colors, ugly pastel colors. But, just the same, I'm sure none of the parents were malicious in how they dressed their kids. I suppose we could caption the class photo as "The clothes seemed like a good idea at the time."

We inherit a lot from our parents, some by design and some by default. And in some of it perhaps there's a little bit of the "Law of Unintended Consequences." Take for instance, school mascots.

There's a big issue going on in the Village of Cambridge, a place near and dear to my heart, where the school mascot, the "Cambridge Indian," is currently under great scrutiny. There is a side that takes great pride in the mascot, having grown up with it, won championships with it, and proudly sported it on their clothing during their formative years and since. There is another side which finds this type of mascot racist, obsolete, and dehumanizing for Native Americans.

I'm not going to weigh in on this issue, by design. Each side of the issue has a Native American alumnus of Cambridge Central School who testifies to the correctness of their viewpoint. I did not grow up here, I did not go to Cambridge Central School, nor can I claim that the "Cambridge Indian" was a part of my life. Nor will I tell a Native American who grew up here and is not offended that he should be. Equally, I will not tell a Native American who grew up here and is offended that, "There is nothing to see here."

OK, slight shift of subject, but I promise, I'll reel it back in. Recently, there has been a movement to give 16-year olds the vote. One argument I've heard against it is "They're not mature enough." And perhaps there are no life experiences which take place during that 16- and 17-year-old period that make them ready to vote at

18 - unless we provide them. In a world where they see grown-ups electing Q-Anon conspiracy theorists into office, in a world where usually fewer than 50 percent of the eligible electorate votes, what example do we have to offer to prepare them to be citizens who participate in democratic processes?

I'm going to leave that question with you and go back to our original discussion now. You see, I'm of the opinion that no one over the age of 18 is a "Cambridge Indian." They used to be one. They are not anymore. They have great nostalgia for a time that they were one, and many maintain a stake in the success of the school. And that is just wonderful - some people's school spirit lasts a lifetime. Mine didn't. Frankly, mine did not exist even when I was in high school. I spent the best times of my school years driving around in a beat-to-hell '78 Buick Riviera and listening to music on its tape deck. Hey, I was 16, and for the record, no one was

'What is far more important is how learning takes place and how are we preparing students for the many responsibilities of adulthood.'

preparing me to be a voter either.

The school does, and should, belong to the students. Things like mascots, in the grand scheme of things, are unimportant. Adults pick them and then dress up the students much like my parents dressed me in big laped pastel color shirts in elementary school. What is far more important is how learning takes place and how are we preparing students for the many responsibilities of adulthood.

In my ideal world, the mascot issue is a decision for student government, to take place with guidance from responsible adults, and without the external pressure of making this



into a "culture war" issue, which I maintain tends to leave no permanent winners but lots of enmity. Of course, I'm afraid that by this point that horse is already long out of the barn in Cambridge. And I find that a shame because done right, there is no better way to prepare students for dealing with complex and contentious issues than allowing them to work a mentored process as a student government and a voting student body.

Lastly, whether or not the "Cambridge Indian" is retained, we should keep in mind one more thing, and it is something I've seen in several organizations that I belong to. If we shackle ourselves to the past, we run the risk of losing relevancy, as well as losing the opportunity to inculcate a sense of ownership among those who are the future of that organization. There is a very important place for tradition - however, it cannot guide everything, and I believe that the past should get a vote. But we cannot give it a veto.

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