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## A church's restoration

### St. Paul's in Salem is fundraising to save its historic building.

St Paul's Episcopal Church, recognizable by its iconic bell tower, is across the street from the Salem Central School. But the main walls of the church have been splaying out after many years of supporting the high peaked slate roof and heavy structural trusses. A wonderful work of art will be raffled help to raise funds for fixes.

**Please read more on page 2**



## Newspaper changes

We thought we'd put this on the cover to save us a zillion phone calls saying, "Where's my paper?" The next issue of this paper will start hitting mail boxes on the 17th and 18th, a couple of days later than usual. We explain more inside this issue. Don't worry. We'll still come out twice a month.

**Please read more on page 3**



## Our Area Churches

# St. Paul's to raffle Van Hook painting to benefit restoration

As part of its campaign to raise funds for the restoration of its bell tower and other parts of the church building, St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Salem is holding a raffle of a painting donated by George Van Hook. The well-known artist's painting, titled "Morning Cast on the Battenkill," depicts a familiar local scene of a fisherman on the river long known as a mecca for fly-casting.

A maximum of 250 tickets will be sold for the raffle at \$20 apiece. Tickets are available from members of the parish, at Steininger's Café on Main Street in Salem on the afternoons of Friday, Sept. 3, and Friday, Sept. 17, from 2 to 6 p.m., or by calling the church office at 518-854-7294.

In addition, the painting will be on display, together with other works for sale by the artist, in the church rectory, on Saturday, Sept. 25 and Sunday, Sept. 26, from noon to 2 p.m. Raffle tickets and tours of the church also will be available on those days.

The drawing for the raffle will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 26.

A long-time resident of Cambridge, New York, George Van



Hook's roots are in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Early influences included the Pennsylvania impressionists as well as artists of the "Brandywine Tradition," including Howard Pyle and the Wyeth family. His early experience included studying and painting through France, Italy and Holland where he made numerous paintings en plein air—"outdoors."

Whether painting landscapes or figures, or running and swimming, the outdoors is a prominent theme in George's life and work. His paintings can be seen in private homes and public spaces throughout the region. The people of St. Paul's are deeply grateful for his

gift in support of its fund-raising campaign.

The scope of work needed on St Paul's church building has expanded. While planning for the repair and repointing of the tower masonry, it was discovered that the main walls of the church have been splaying out after many years of supporting the high peaked slate roof and heavy structural trusses. Tension rods will be installed to correct the problem, and new structural supports will be constructed to blend with the architecture of the building. The cost of all of the needed restoration work to the historic church is now estimated at \$200,000.



"Morning Cast in the Battenkill"

The initial response of the local community has been heartwarming and greatly appreciated. Thanks to the generosity of parishioners, members of the community, and two major donors, about 40% of the needed funds have been raised so far. Efforts to raise the additional funds are ongoing.

Sunday services at St Paul's are at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome. COVID-19 precautions continue to be observed.

St Paul's Church, recognizable by its iconic bell tower, is on East Broadway, across the street from the Salem Central School. The church rectory is behind the church.

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# J&P to change publication schedule

We had to rush this issue to the printer a lot earlier than usual because the printer is ceasing operations, and we have to switch to a new printer for our next issue.

This issue had to be expedited, and a few of our writers are students who are heading back to school and needed to focus on that, so some of our usual content is missing from this issue, but will be back for the next issue.

Our new printer will allow us to keep the newspaper the same physical size, but we will have to change to a new printing schedule.

We still will print two issues a month, however they will no longer come out on the 1st and 16th. Instead, **the paper will come out the first and third Friday of each month.** So the next issue of The Journal & Press will start hitting stores and mailboxes on September 17 as opposed to the 16th.

Ideally, if we could add 200 subscribers, we

could increase frequency to three times a month. If we could add 400 subscribers, we could go back to being a weekly paper.

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In the coming months, we plan on performing subscription drives to perhaps achieve those goals. Considering the media landscape and the effects on our business model from Facebook and free "newspapers," these may be lofty goals, but we *have* increased subscriptions by 200 since taking over this newspaper. A subscriber-based model is more authentic and allows us to cover real news with more integrity, as opposed to spending most of our time selling ads.

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## 9-11's local impact

Kaylee Johnson  
*Journal & Press*

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

### 120 Years Ago September 11, 1901

The teachers' training classes are like short course normal schools, designed chiefly to provide good teachers for our rural schools; but their graduates are often found teaching in villages or cities. They are under the control of the department of public instruction and the direct oversight of Frank H. Wood, supervisor of training classes...

The Journal recently showed that the number of teachers in this commissioner district is not sufficient to supply the schools. It is the hope of Commissioner Perry and the Cambridge authorities that the training class will be of decided help in sending out good teachers to meet this lack.

### 100 Years Ago September 07, 1921

The village of Greenwich is in the grip of a water famine and it is causing annoyance to local housewives. At least it was in such grip when these lines were written. It is possible that when they are read one or both of the water engines at the pumping station above the village may be tinkered up and running again, or another gallon or two of gasoline, kerosene, or whatever it is that makes them go, may be supplied, and the crystal flood, will be hammering through the pipes again.

### 80 Years Ago September 10, 1941

Dr. M. A. Rogers, village health officer, will be in charge of a toxoid clinic to be held at Greenwich school Friday, September 12, at 10:30 o'clock a.m. Tests have shown that few children are protected by one dose of toxoid, so this year Dr. Rogers will give the second dose on Friday, October 10, at 10:30 o'clock a.m.

The goal of the health department is immunization against diphtheria of all children between the ages of six months and five years, who are most likely to catch the disease and to suffer serious complications or death.

### 60 Years Ago September 10, 1941

Officials connected with the Washington County sheriff's office were much interested in reports of recent exploits of Edward T. Young, habitual criminal and gunman, whose latest outbreak was elaborately reported in New York papers about 10 days ago. Young, under the alias of Albert Brandt, was an inmate of the Washington County Jail for about a month last spring. He was looked upon there as a dangerous character and since the report of his latest performance, officials feel they were justified, in taking a bit of extra care in dealing with him.

### 40 Years Ago September 03, 1981

Attendance records were set every day this year during the Washington County Fair. Friday was the biggest day with a crowd of 32,400.

Fair treasurer Floyd Harwood said that fair attendance was up about 20 percent over last year.

Saturday's rain didn't stop the fair-

## The Greenwich Journal and Press

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GREENWICH, NEW YORK - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2001

# Day of Terror

Destruction from the sky in New York City and Washington, D. C., reverberates throughout the nation, throughout the area

Terror from the sky, in the form of hijacked domestic airplanes crashing into significant targets, laid waste to a section of the Pentagon outside of Washington, D.C., and destroyed the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York City.

discuss the tragic events without frightening their children.

A meeting of Salem's faculty was scheduled for Wednesday morning to further discuss how to react to the events with the students. Crisis counselors were available at the school.

**Our paper's front page after the attack.**

cool, and clear in the local area, and the day promised to be a good one. The sun

School instituted its safety plan on Tuesday. By early afternoon, while classes and regular school activities continued, the school was

by the tragedies of the day, but he felt that the terrorist organizations would feel even greater success if they became aware of overreactions to the events.



### Missing motorist located by police

The Greenwich Police Department received a report on September 4 that an 81 year old resident of the village, driving from Greenwich to Livingston, was missing. Her family reported she had not arrived at her destination.

Pt. Josh Kelley, with the assistance of family members and the State Police in Claverack, sent out information by teletype. The woman was located in Binghamton when she was stopped by a Broome County Sheriff's Deputy. She returned safely to family members.

### Three incidents three arrests

A hit and run property damage

goers, they just came with umbrellas, hats, towels or blankets to sit on if they were headed for the bleachers at the tractor pull.

### 30 Years Ago September 12, 1991

The Village of Greenwich is facing the possibility of several major changes to the local dog control ordinance.

Under the proposed specifications, the village would hire its own dog control officer to enforce the village ordinance. Also, the proposal suggests leash restrictions within the village. The suggestion was made that the dog control officer expense be paid out for dog fees, fines and penalties generated by violations of the laws. It was suggested the penalties be established on a graduating scale per repeat violations.

### 20 Years Ago September 13, 2001

Terror from the sky, in the form of hijacked domestic airplanes crashing into significant targets, laid waste to a section of the Pentagon outside of Washington D.C., and destroyed the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York City on Tuesday morning. At press time, the loss of life was incalculable, but had been described earlier as horrific.

Tuesday morning had dawned bright, cool, and clear in the local area, and the day promised to be a good one. The sun blazed warmth in a blue sky that supported a patchwork of cumulus clouds. By the time most adults were at work and most children were safe at school, the day was sure to be a spectacular Greenwich Central School instituted its safety plan on Tuesday. By early afternoon, while classes and regular school day activities continued, the school was virtually on lockdown mode. Doors were locked. Visitors were escorted to and from the main office and obliged to wear visitor passes while in the school building.

### 10 Years Ago September 15, 2011

On Thursday morning, September 8, a painted turtle pulled itself on the first step of the stoop ascending to the front door of our office at 35 Salem Street.

Apparently it had just arrived there when Chris Robinson came along and discovered its presence. He "snapped" a photo of the *Chrysemys picta picta* which had apparently which had, apparently, been briefly upwardly mobile – probably ascending to our lower step from the lawn of the adjacent United Church of Greenwich.

# Greenwich FFA's Chuhta interns in Kenya

This summer, Greenwich senior and FFA officer Lauren Chuhta has been interning at the International Centre for Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE) in Nairobi, Kenya. Working from home, she is completing research on the efficacy of communication methods used by the Push-Pull Program, a project of ICIPE focused on developing and disseminating an intercropping technology. This intercropping system is proven to drastically increase yields and income for smallholder farmers, providing them a means to

ensure food security, pay school fees, and advance their agribusinesses, ultimately escaping poverty. By analyzing the effectiveness of different outreach methods, Lauren aims to increase their efficiency and availability, providing more farmers with the information they need to realize these benefits.

Lauren has been spending her mornings on Zoom calls with her mentors in Kenya and local Kenyan farmers. She has been interviewing smallholder farmers from the Lake Victoria region and will later com-

pile her data into a research paper for ICIPE and to present at the 2021 Global Youth Institute of the World Food Prize this October. Additionally, through her internship program, she was able to virtually attend the Presummit of the 2021 United Nations Food Systems Summit in early August where she was able to listen to global leaders discuss sustainability goals and the actions needed to meet them. She intends to virtually attend the full Summit in early September.



## Wear your 'Argyle' socks!

The Argyle J. A. Barkley Hose Co. Auxiliary is making plans for a Thistle Day Parade, in conjunction with a townwide celebration, on Saturday, September 18, with step-off at 2:00. The theme for this year's parade is "Thistle Day...Celebrate Argyle's Scottish Heritage".

The Auxiliary urges area families, churches, organizations and businesses to participate by entering floats and/or marching units. Entry forms are needed for placement in the parade line-up. We

would also like to encourage our youth to enter their decorated bicycles. No entry forms are needed for this category, but we do need to stress that helmets are required for all participants. For entry forms for floats, or if there are any questions, call 518-638-8667.

Following the parade, there will be a pre-order chicken BBQ offering the Argyle Firefighters' famous BBQ chicken with baked potato, corn & roll at the firehouse on State Route 40. Tickets for the BBQ need

to be purchased in advance either online or in person at the firehouse on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings...the time to be announced soon.

Rumor has it, that the town has plans for musical entertainment after the parade to be followed later in the day with fireworks. Stay tuned for more information as plans develop!

Come wear your Argyle sock, and kilt if you have one, and experience a small taste of Scotland with us!

### Schaghticoke Fair

The Schaghticoke Fair, Sept. 1-6, is celebrating its 202st year of being a showcase for the best that Rensselaer County residents and agriculture have to offer.

Building after building will be bursting with vegetables, fruits, animals, antiques, baked goods and homemade crafts. The third oldest Fair in NYS takes great pride in being a Family Fair with hands on participation at its exhibits. Visit [schaghticokefair.com](http://schaghticokefair.com).



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## Let's hear it for local libraries

**Carrie Woerner**  
*Special to Journal & Press*

Whether you are at the beach or in a hammock in your back yard, there's nothing quite like a good book on a summer afternoon! Over the past few weeks I have been visiting libraries on my annual "summer reading tour". Each year I make time to visit the libraries in my Assembly district to participate in story time so I can enjoy some time with my youngest constituents and to stay up to date with what's happening in these important community resources.

Although library programming has been challenging in the past year, libraries have taken extraordinary steps to continue to engage adults and children alike. Library-led book groups meeting in coffee shops; teen groups in diners. I participated

in a wonderful event this past week sponsored by the Saratoga Springs Public Library. Parents and children lined up for an outdoor visit with Kisses, an Alpine goat from Squashville Farm in Easton, and heard me read the classic "Three Billy Goats Gruff".

This is a good example of libraries reimagining how – and where - they provide services. The flexibility, ingenuity, and plain hard work this has required continues to impress me. Libraries made and revised policies, modified and carefully monitored access to public spaces as conditions warranted, instituted innovations like curbside service (with quarantine for returned books), developed an array of "grab and go" activities for children of all ages, and adapted popular activities to the circum-



stances of the moment. One great example is a library adapting a very popular "gingerbread house" group activity in December to a take home kit that provided everything that kids at home needed to build houses – using Pop Tarts! New challenges, such as supporting virtual learning, were embraced, and library staff provided resources to help parents and students.

A number of libraries used the time they were closed to patrons to redesign and refresh their space. These projects ranged from a complete redesign/renovation (Greenwich Public Library) to a fresh coat of paint and reorganized shelving to improve the browsing experience (Round Lake Clark House and Malta Branch, and Argyle Public Libraries) Other libraries realized that it was time for a new and expanded space that could accommodate social distancing when it is necessary and have begun the process of acquiring a new location (Stillwater Public Library.) These projects enabled libraries to re-

tain their staffs through the pandemic and to better serve their patrons and communities.

Libraries are so much more than just a place to borrow a book – though this remains a valued service (and in the libraries I visited their circulation numbers are up year over year). They bring people together. They support early childhood learning. They inspire curiosity and the joy of losing oneself in a good story. As a state legislator, it is a priority of mine that the state strongly support libraries. This year I voted for the 2021 budget that included restored library aid and an increase in construction and building aid. I was also pleased to obtain a legislative grant that will distribute funding to libraries in my Assembly district to support these vital services. To paraphrase from that great American author, Ernest Hemingway, when you return to your local library, I am confident that you will find a "clean well-lighted place" for books that will excite your mind and fill your spirit.

*Carrie Woerner is the Assembly member for the 113th District of the New York State Assembly.*



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## Rites of passage

**Kate Sausville**  
*Journal & Press*

*“In three words I can sum up everything I have learned about life: It goes on.”*

—Robert Frost.

This past year has been a very busy one for many families, including ours. Despite a global pandemic and international turmoil, life has gone on. There is something comforting in that, even when so much seems out of our control. Fall is just around the corner, with its cooler nights, and warm days. Schools will be back in session and this year heralds a return to pre-Covid schedules. High school football and other sports are also back on their normal schedules, and we look forward to Friday nights under the lights. The farmer down the road has been harvesting and I see the tractor going back and forth in the fields. Gardens are in overdrive and there is a lot of canning and fresh eating going on. Advertisements for haunted corn mazes, hayrides, and everything pumpkin spice is already going up.

My oldest child turned 16 in June and has her driving permit. I remember when I turned 16 and felt so mature and grown-up but I look

at my baby and think she is way too young to be in control of a 3,000 lb. car. She is ready, even if I am not. She laughed at me the other day when I pulled up to drop her off at work, and I saw one of her classmates pull their car in next to ours, by herself! I’m pretty sure her eyes rolled into the back of her head when I asked if this child was old enough to have her driver’s license. If you see me in the passenger seat of my car being driven by my 16-year-old, eyes wide and holding on for dear life, say a prayer or send good thoughts. I’ll need them.

This year has also brought the first real employment for my own children and their peers. Many of these children I cared for when I ran a daycare, and it has been amusing to be served real food by people who used to serve me pretend food. I now have to pay real money for it, though it is much less expensive than the 40 million dollars I was once charged for an imaginary hamburger and milkshake, so I suppose that’s a win. When I shop at Hannaford, I am cashed out by people I used to watch toddle around on unsteady feet and read *Is Your*

*Mama A Llama* to a hundred times a day. They are now taller than I am and much steadier on their feet. They are smart, hard workers, and great kids.

In the past few weeks, my social media was inundated with pictures of proud, but tearful parents dropping their children off at college. In addition to the baby-faced freshman, there were the pictures of the dorm rooms being made comfortable for all the studying that will (hopefully) go on in there. This is especially poignant for us, as we have watched many of these kids grow up. From playdates to Pooh’s Corner Pre-school, from Saturday morning soccer, and the first days of kindergarten. We



often say it only seems like yesterday, but it truly does. The days can often be very long, but the years are short. It’s an exciting time though for these kids. They are on to their next adventures, and we wish them well.

Another milestone I’m seeing more often is retirement. People who I consider far too young, are retiring from careers they have had for 30 or more years. Watching people find new hobbies, part-time employment, or start traveling has been exciting and

eye-opening. The retirement years are lasting longer, with people still healthy enough to enjoy them, which is wonderful for them. That said, their retirements leave big shoes to fill. You realize after people are no longer with the job how much they actually did, all the unpaid extras that they took on as a matter of course. You wonder if someone can come along to take on the responsibility, then you realize the person that was only 3 years old yesterday is taking up the mantle. Life goes on.

*Kate Sausville is a resident of Greenwich.*



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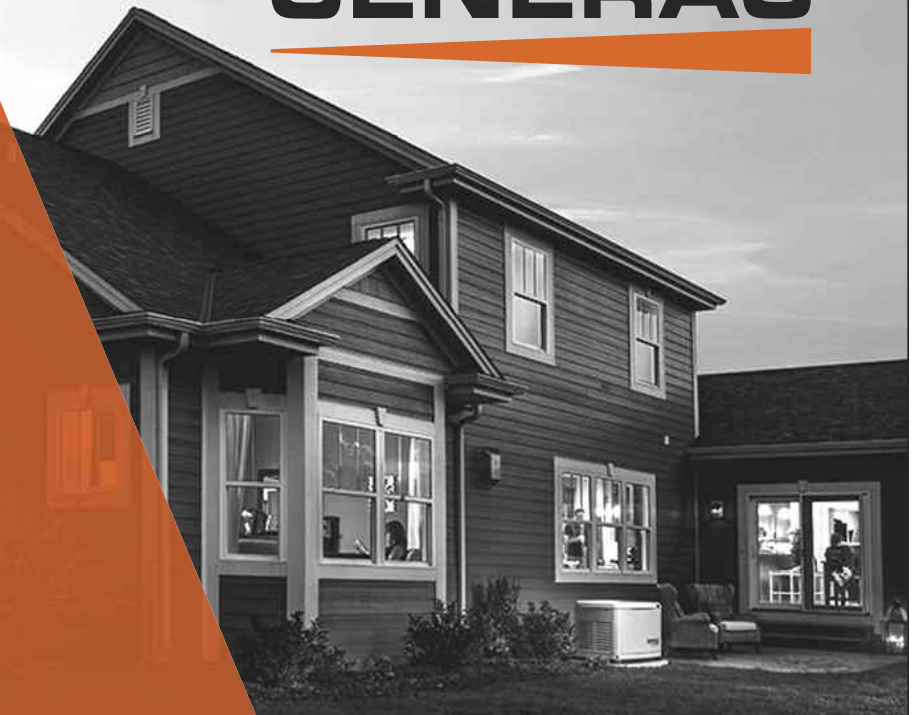
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## Scenes from the Washington County Fair



By the time we go to press, the Washington County Fair will be over, but many of these vendors will be at the Schaghticoke Fair, which runs Sept. 1-6. So if you missed the Washington County Fair, just head a little bit south to get your funnel cakes and to enjoy a variety of rides and entertainment. *Photos by Darren Johnson.*



# Good health through the honor system

**Greg Schwem**

*Special to Journal & Press*

I strolled into the small, empty health improvement store one humid Tuesday morning seeking a CBD-infused topical lotion for my aching back. “Strolled” is probably an overstatement; “gingerly crept” is more accurate. Back pain has that affect.

Music from the thrash metal group Pantera greeted me as I passed shelves carrying products with in-your-face names like BULK, LEG-DAY and EXTREME MASS. Purchasing something called Axton Premium Hemp CBD Pain Cream seemed laughable by comparison. Still, I found the product and headed to the counter, expecting to see an employee emerge from the back. Instead, I saw a pen and the following instructions:

“Please take product as needed and fill out the product sign out sheet. If possible, take a photo of the product taken.”

Seriously? I looked around. Was I a contestant on one of those “caught in the act” or “what would you do?” reality shows? We live in a society where we eye everyone with suspicion, carry guns (which some, sadly, use to solve petty disputes), and hide in homes protected by state-of-the-art security systems. Yet I, a new

customer, was being entrusted to text my order and pay for it later.

Exactly the way Neves Nutrition owner Dion DeLude thinks business should be done.

“I believe in the old-school, handshake method,” said DeLude, 52, who opened Neves Nutrition in sleepy Lemont, Illinois, three years ago and has amassed a stream of loyal customers who enter the unlocked store at all hours, help themselves to whatever they want if DeLude is not around and settle up via emails and texts.

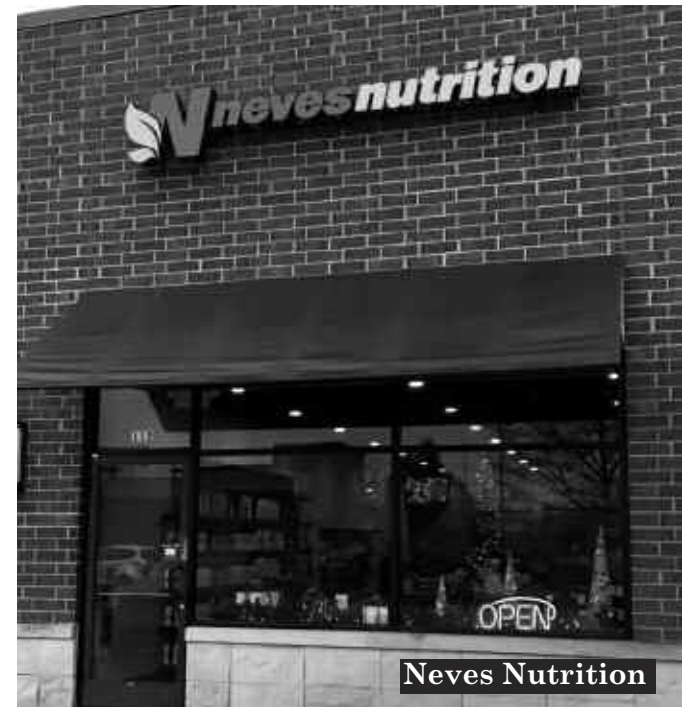
Some even use the store as a gym; DeLude has free weights — free to use, not to take — and a fitness machine on-site. High school athletes drop by for yoga classes and personal training sessions. DeLude extends credit lines to kids who are short of funds. Even they know nothing is free in life, though at first it appears to be.

“My wife works at the school,” he said. “Maybe they think they are going to flunk out if they don’t pay.”

Thieves beware; security cameras do guard the store’s interior; but DeLude has rarely needed them, relying instead on trust and honesty. It’s an incredibly refreshing business model and one that would certainly not work in, say, the Starbucks that faces his store. Imagine a sign saying, “Brew your own macchiato and kindly let us know if you added whipped cream.”

Neves Nutrition does no mail order business and has a minimal web presence. DeLude would rather spend his time growing the business locally, promoting the brands he carries and educating customers on how those brands — even ones containing deer antler — contribute to improved physical and mental health. It’s a slight stretch from DeLude’s background supplying baby oil and Vaseline for skin and hair products, but it’s clearly where his passion lies. During our interview, DeLude convinced me that collagen peptides could cure my assorted aches and pains. I have yet to partake, but I know that a jar is only a sign out sheet away.

If you’re a fiercely loyal Neves Nutrition customer, DeLude might tell you



where he keeps the key to the establishment. He’ll pop in throughout the day and drive by at night to lock up if nobody is in the midst of a Pantera-fueled workout. Note to thrash metal haters: The store’s music subscription service allows users to choose their own tunes. Just make sure the remote is findable for the next customer.

DeLude freely admits Neves Nutrition might not make him rich, but he is content to continue operating on the handshake principle for now. The sign out sheet, featuring customers young and old, serves as a daily reminder that his business is viable and necessary.

“You and I are friends now,” he said, upon seeing my name on the list.

And everybody knows you don’t stiff your friends.

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



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# Library Director Search

Greenwich Free Library is in search of a new Library Director. Our small public library is a community hub and provides a wealth of services and programming. The ideal candidate has 3-5 years of library work experience. A degree in library science is preferred but we will consider any candidate with library experience possessing a minimum of an Associate's degree.

This candidate should have experience with grant writing, the ability to supervise and support staff and volunteers, and willingness to perform community outreach. This is a full time position with flexible hours that will require some evenings and weekends. The library director is responsible for ordering materials, developing programming and special events, managing the budget, producing an annual report, and representing the library to the Board of Trustees and to the town and village boards. An ideal candidate will understand small towns and has strengths in forging and maintaining relationships.

The Greenwich Free Library offers a competitive salary, paid vacation, and flexible hours. A background check will be required. Greenwich Free Library is an equal opportunity employer.

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## The story behind Fort Hardy Park

**Jim Nolan**  
*Journal & Press*

Fort Hardy, in present day Schuylerville, was built in August 1755 by British General Phineas Lyman and named for Sir Charles Hardy, Governor of NY. The fort served as a supply post for British expeditions against the French at Crown Point during the French and Indian War. The wooden fort had easy access to the Hudson River and the overland supply route north on present day Route 4.

The French and Indian War was fought from 1754-1763. The colonies of British America were pitted against those of New France. Each side was supported by military units from the parent country and

by Native American allies. Eventually, the British won and the Treaty of Paris was signed. France ceded large amounts of territory to the British including land east of the Mississippi River and what is present day Canada.



After the French and Indian War, the fort fell into disrepair. The wood started rotting and it was abandoned as a fort. In 1777, the famous battles of Saratoga took place south of the

Fort Hardy area in Bemis Heights. British General John Burgoyne's army faced the Colonial Army headed by General Horatio Gates. The battles occurred on September 19th and October 7th.

In the months prior to October 8, 1777, the British suffered about 2,000 casualties. Burgoyne's forces, now down to about 6,000 men, took



refuge in a fortified camp on the heights of Saratoga (today's Schuylerville). There an American force that was approaching 20,000 men surrounded the exhausted British army.

Faced with such overwhelming numbers, Burgoyne surrendered on October 17, 1777. By the terms of the Convention of Saratoga, Burgoyne's

depleted army marched out of camp "with the Honors of War" and stacked their weapons along the west bank of the Hudson River at Fort Hardy. Saratoga was a decisive and important victory. It was the turning point of the American Revolution.

Today Fort Hardy is the site of a park that all may enjoy. There is a playground, athletic fields, a boat launch, and a youth center. Recently, a new Visitor's Center was constructed right next to the old fort park. It is known as the Champlain Canal Visitor's Center.

The Visitor's Center was a collaborative effort of non-profit and federal, state, and local governments to introduce locals and travelers alike to the historically significant and culturally unique Champlain Canal Region of the Lakes to Locks Passage.

*A resident of Greenwich, Jim Nolan is a Professor of Business Analytics at Siena College and serves on several Greenwich area non-profit boards.*



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## Chicken BBQ, music and at HCP

In appreciation of the community's support over the last year, Hudson Crossing Park invites the public to enjoy a free concert courtesy of RiverJack Z and Steve Zucchini and a picnic or to-go meal of chicken barbeque from the Schuylerville American Legion on Sunday, September 26, 2021, from 4 to 6 p.m.

The Schuylerville American Legion will be selling their popular chicken barbeque dinners at \$15 with a portion of the proceeds to benefit Hudson Crossing Park. Meals include a half chicken, coleslaw, baked potato, and buttered roll. All meals will be packaged in "to go" containers to eat as you prefer, either in the park while enjoying the concert (please bring utensils, beverages, and picnic blankets) or to take home. Meal pick up will begin at 4pm.

Reservations are required. Limit to 200 dinners. Please RSVP by no later than September 22, 2021 at [www.HudsonCrossingPark.org](http://www.HudsonCrossingPark.org) or by emailing [kmorse@hudsoncrossing.org](mailto:kmorse@hudsoncrossing.org). Payment is due at pickup day of.

In the event of inclement weather, meals will be available for pick up only at the Hudson Crossing Park pavilion at 4pm.



## Legal Notice

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Washington County Local Development Corporation is seeking proposals for separate Audit and Accounting Services for a five-year period beginning with the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021. Requests for Proposals for Audit and/or Accounting Services are also available upon request from Deanna Derway, Executive Director, Washington County LDC, 383 Broadway, Fort Edward, NY 12828 – (518) 746-2295 – [dderway2@washingtoncountyny.gov](mailto:dderway2@washingtoncountyny.gov)

The RFP's can also be downloaded from the WCLDC website at the following address: <https://www.wcldc.org/949/Online-Forms>

Proposals must be received on or before 4:00 PM on Friday, September 3, 2021. The WCLDC strongly encourages Minority and Women Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) and section 3-eligible businesses to submit their qualifications.

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## Legal Notice

The Cossayuna Lake Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting on the cemetery grounds on East Lake Road on Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2021, at 6 p.m. The cemetery overlooks the lake and has many historic stones. The

public is invited to attend. For further information, contact Bruce Ferguson, President, at 518-641-8885, or Mary Keith, Secretary, 518-854-9320. Submitted by Mary L. Keith, Secretary

## Boomerang Book Sale

The Friends of Greenwich Library are going to have a Boomerang Book Sale on Thursday, September 2, 2021, 4 – 7 p.m.

This will be the library's first post Covid event in the new and reimagined space in the downstairs of the Greenwich Library.

The library had just reopened prior to everything being shut down in March,

2020. Since that time everything has been on hold except for the entire library getting a makeover upstairs and a few books being donated to the Friends Room.

Organizers are excited about being able to offer their first Thursday Boomerang sale. With a new plan in place, they are now accepting book donations once again. In an effort to offer quality books, the

guidelines for donations are as follows:

Fiction (hardcover and paperback) no older than 10 years from copyright date, children's books, biographies, local authors/interest, cookbooks.

Space is limited so the library is being selective with donations. Good, used books and CDs are very much appreciated.

## Letters policy

Letters to the Editor should be 400 or fewer words and emailed to [editor@journalandpress.com](mailto:editor@journalandpress.com). They must be signed and written by local residents about local issues. Partisan letters by or about political candidates are discouraged. Please buy an ad instead. Otherwise, we welcome your opinions!

## Spirit Investigator location change

The location for this event has changed since last reported: Join a Hebron Preservation Society presentation on Thursday, September 2 at 6:30 pm to be held at the Organ Barn, 672 North Grimes Hill Rd., Granville, NY.

Becky Shott, Spirit Investigator and Communicator, has been involved in the paranormal long before it gained popularity as entertainment on television. Born with the ability to see, hear, and speak with what we call ghosts or spirits, SHott recognized that she has unique abilities and, at the age of 20, began researching them, reaching out to

others like herself to learn more, and then respectfully began to investigate them.

Over the last 20+ years she has been featured on ABC's *Scariest Places on Earth* and NBC's *The Today Show*. Becky will present a program that shows her abilities and how they work. She will also show photographs of what she believes are captured paranormal. This program is free and open to the public.



## What green mandates mean Upstate, Part II

Liv Thygesen  
Journal & Press

Under the Community Choice Aggregation (CCA), the buying, selling and delivery of energy occurs. The delivery of solar electricity is done through “Solar Communities.” Solar Communities function by members subscribing to the solar power, power is delivered, and then the subscriber is credited “accordingly when excess energy is produced.” While actual energy usage and costs may decrease, adding an additional form of delivery can only cost electricity customers more in the long run. CCA seeks to create “new energy superhighways” which will house battery storage facilities to store excess power to meet the electricity demands of Franklin County and beyond.

National Grid is already charging customers nearly three times the usage rate for the delivery of the electricity. Imagine the delivery charges once a second or third auxiliary power source will cost; “The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority is already required to contract for a majority of these RECs, called Tier 2, over the next five years through competitive solicitations — with costs passed on to utility customers. The authority is allowed to resell them to other parties under the state’s clean energy program, which REBNY supported, although those details are being finalized.”

Presently, under NYSERDA, any solar or “renewable” energy source company that files with a local ordinance can get a massive tax credit and significant financial incentives for applying to build a solar or wind “farm”. Over \$161 million in state money has been allocated in renewable energy incentives. The state funded bribery does not stop here. There is an additional \$16.4 million in state funded incentives remaining for Long Island and Con Edison. For local municipalities who wish to sacrifice their woodlands and pastures, the state will give \$17 million in grants for update communities to become “green.” The Leadership Round uses financial incentives for municipalities to “earn points” in order to “unlock grants”, gain access to new grants and receive recognition and publicity. Point-based grants offer up to \$250,000 in taxpayer funded incentives for various status levels of publicity and recognitions. The more points, the more taxpayer money the municipality

can earn.

One of the largest contributors to the increased demand for upstate New York to power New York City was a series of laws passed by Cuomo requiring building in NYC which required them to cut emissions. Currently, building owners in NYC are able to buy renewable energy or have it delivered to them via the hazardous transmission lines located between Canada and NYC.

The budget released in 2021 included a proposal, backed by the Real Estate Board of New York. The proposal provides building owners to buy renewable energy from wind and solar plants in upstate New York and an alternative to paying penalties or investing in more costly energy efficient improvements. Cuomo’s spokesperson claimed:

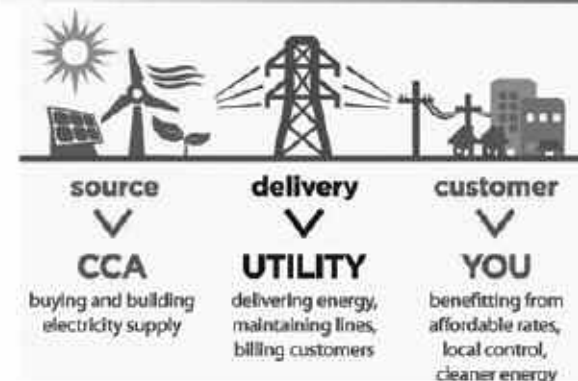
“Real estate interests argue there is no realistic way for some building owners to meet the reductions because of their previous efficiency investments, and that they’d otherwise simply pay the penalty if no renewable offsets are available. The emissions law does allow waivers if building owners can demonstrate they could not reasonably comply.”

Through incentives, tax cuts for major corporations, and buying renewable energy credits, the State is bribing upstate to power New York City and help large building owners to avoid penalties

**This is Part II of a two-part essay. Find Part I on [JournalandPress.com](http://JournalandPress.com).**

for not converting their building to more energy efficient structures. These building owners and residents of NYS will be the only ones benefiting from the Accelerated Renewable Energy Growth and Community Benefit Act. The act supports a streamlined process for energy efficient incentives and large-scale renewable energy projects. Using a taxpayer funded State Grid Study and the Clean Energy Resources Development and Incentives

### Community Choice Aggregation (CCA)



### NYSERDA Solicitations for LSR Projects



- Solicitations issued annually since 2017
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  - **70** solar projects (**6** including energy storage)
  - **10** wind projects (**2** including energy storage)
  - **1** hydro-electric facility repowering

Build Ready Program (CERDIP), the act pushes for the state mandate of 70% by 2030.

The Clean Energy Resources Development and Incentives Build Ready Program (CERDIP) works with municipalities to identify potential solar “farm” locations, provide benefit (bribery) packages to the host community, and provide technical assistance throughout the project development. They claim to assist in locating Brownfields or landfills as potential sites for solar arrays, however the Town of Easton has been subject to dozens of acres of otherwise prime farmland being sacrificed to these arrays. Potential arrays facing the Town of Greenwich include the use of prime farmland in Bald Mountain and cutting down forests along route 40. Towns like Easton, who do not have Comprehensive Plans or strong local zoning ordinances are prime targets for these energy funneling programs.

Land use regulations and zoning ordinances are critical for municipalities to protect and regulate the lands of their residents. Tax breaks, incentives programs (bribes) and PILOT (Payment in Lieu of

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# Junior firefighters wanted in Salem

Attention to interested Salem Central School students that are in grades 7-12th. The Salem Volunteer Fire Department Inc. located at #53 South Main St. Salem, NY 12865 would like to start a Junior Firefighter's program and we need your help. You do not have to live within the Salem Fire Protection District to join. If you are interested in joining this new program there will be a meeting at the firehouse for all students and parents on September 5th, 2021 at 9 am.

If you have any questions reach out to Jeremy Eastman at 518-925-7521 or send him a message through Facebook.

## (cont.)

Taxes) should not be the rational for subjecting upstate to the hazards of transmission lines and the destruction of natural resources. Offshore wind power facilities propose a significant risk to local wildlife and the livelihoods of fisherman.

While superficially appealing, the Climate Act of 2019 leaves upstate New York responsible for New York City. "Codified technology-specific energy goals" are the enigmatic terms used by the state to lure upstate into powering New York City. Cuomo states repeatedly that upstate will power New York City. Despite the proven and won court cases demonstrating the hazards of transmission lines and offshore wind power as well as the levels of soil depletion caused by mass solar arrays, the state continues its push for 70% by 2030. PILOT Programs, new tax

assessment models, host community agreements (HCA's) and incentive programs continue to bribe local landowners and business, already crippled by state mandated shut-downs, to sell out to renewable energy sources. There is no proof that energy created in upstate via the Clean Energy Act will benefit local residents. On the contrary, evidence suggests that delivery charges for electricity will increase, taxes for non-renewable energy hosts will increase and health hazards resulting from storage and transmission lines will increase. At what cost is green truly green? Or is it the green lining the pockets of the politicians?

*Liv Thygesen has been a marine, educator and community advocate. She owns Sip & Swirl in Greenwich.*



# Argyle town board notes

Notes from the Argyle Town Board Meeting on Aug. 11: Federal funds coming to Argyle from the American Rescue Plan could total \$344,439. Argyle received half (\$172,000) already and will need to report expenditures by Summer of 2022 to receive the remainder. Although federal guidance has been provided for the county, the town is waiting for guidance from NYS as to how local entities can utilize the monies as it may be different. At that point, the Board intends to engage the community to help identify ideas for funding. Councilman Kevin Hayes suggested improving the rec field septic system and converting to brine for treatment of winter roads. According to the Board, NYS law prohibits towns from using its allotment on village projects such as water or sewer. The village has received separate funding totaling about \$55,000.

Councilman Steven Bonhote received a proposal of \$21,000 for repairs to the highway department roof, excluding removal of the parapet. The Town Board plans to hold a special meeting before the regular September budget meeting to discuss the proposal and will post a notice on Front Porch Forum.

The Board approved \$5,000 to fund fireworks for the inaugural Thistle Day event (Saturday, September 18, 2021). Further related expenses for music, porta-johns and public safety officers are likely to add an additional \$5,000 to costs. The event will be financed from the contingency fund. The parade will begin at 2:00 followed by fire department chicken barbeque, food trucks, and music.

—Submitted by Robin Lyle

## Singing for Santa

Calling all singers! After missing last year, a local group is starting rehearsals on Monday, September 13th, at 8:00 pm in McLean Hall of the Argyle Presbyterian Church for the concert to benefit Operation Santa Claus. Joyce Durkee will be directing with Sariah Ashton as accompanist. Sacred and secular music will be sung at the concert on Sunday, November 14th at 3:00 p.m. Plan to join the group for fun rehearsals and a great concert to raise money for clothing for needy children. Anyone is welcome to participate. Details? Call Betty Reynolds at 518-638-8250.

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# Birdwatching during the pandemic

**Aidan Durie**  
*Journal & Press*

Being 14 in quarantine there isn't much to do, especially living in a small town like Schuylerville. So, I decided to occupy myself with photography, and over the past year I've honed my skills. I like to take photos of all types of subjects, but birds have become my main focus, as the varieties of birds are so vast. I've learned a lot about the birds of New York and up the eastern coast. During my travels, my camera is always with me. I wanted to share with the community some of my photos and the stories behind them, and while it seems it seems like it only takes a moment to take a photo, it takes lots of patience, still hands, and the will to not scratch mosquito bites.

I frequent Hudson Crossing Park to take photographs, which is just a short drive away, the Saratoga battlefield and a couple of other local parks. Shown below is one of my favorite locals at Hudson crossing, the tree swallow who always zooms around diving and swooping like a small hawk. Tree swallows may be some of the cutest birds out there, but they aren't the only birds around. Below I have some more.

This past summer I saw something that at first appeared to me to be a baby blue heron, as I got closer I thought to myself there's no way that's a blue heron. Those wings and legs are way too small, and after some research, I

learned it was a green heron, even after living in this town for more than 10 years I'd never seen one till this time. While in photos they may seem intimidating, these little guys are some of the goofiest birds I've ever seen, sitting at only around 1½ tall, they're a great addition to the area and are great to see when I stop by.

The eastern bluebird I see pretty often, usually hanging out around the tree swallows, has one of my favorite bird calls which is a soft chirp almost like whistling. In my experience these birds are a lot more skittish and fly away every time I get one step too close.

The grey catbird tends to show up just about as much as the house sparrow for me, though in my experience they rarely are visible. It's easy to know they're there with their distinctive meowing sounding calls.

The great blue heron may be the largest bird at Hudson Crossing and one of the best fisher-

men. Their beaks help greatly with fishing. Close up they are almost like razor blades, able to stab right through fish and eat them, something I'm lucky enough to have witnessed in person.

The eastern phoebe is a bird I have only ever seen once. At first, I thought was a tree swallow, but then I heard its call and I knew it was something completely different, but never before had I ever heard of these birds.

House sparrows seem to be one of the most common birds I run into, but I still believe them to be very beautiful, the photo below is one of my favorite photos ever. These birds are frequent to all places I go and always looking good.

These next two images are from my recent visit to the "Montezuma National Wildlife

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**Tree swallow**



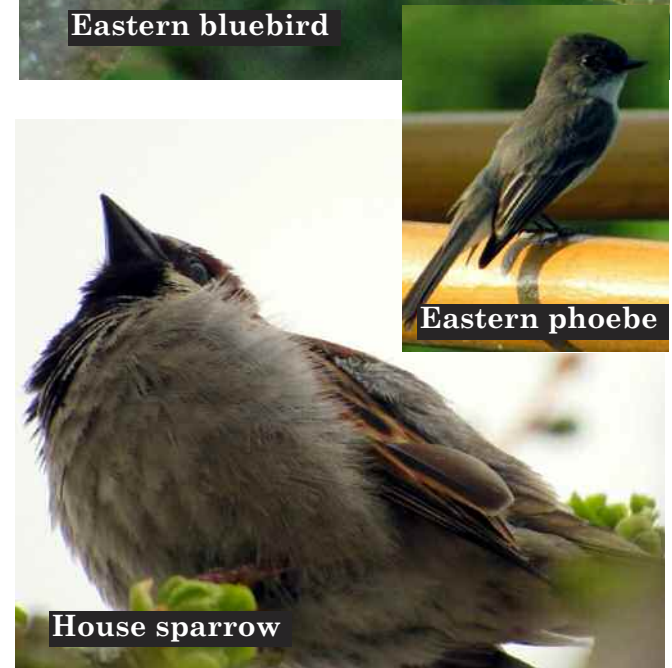
**Green heron**



**Eastern bluebird**



**Grey catbird**



**House sparrow**



**Eastern phoebe**



# Vera Bradley donation

Vera Bradley joined forces with Zonta Club of Glens Falls and Soroptimist International of the Adirondacks to deliver school supplies to SUNY Adirondack.

The college's Hub, a center dedicated to meeting students' non-academic needs, received 70 backpacks, seven messenger bags, five laptop covers and five iPad covers from the Vera Bradley location in The Outlets at Lake George on Route 9. The retailer accepts customer donations during checkout, then provides the supplies to regional entities to fulfill its mission of empowering girls and women. Zonta and Soroptimist International also raised money to provide The Hub with 125 notebooks, 12 pocket folders, 15 packs of sheet protectors, 38 packages of highlighters, 150 pens and pencils, 30 water bottles and 62 packs of Post-It Notes.

"To see how many students struggle to secure the necessities and still manage to succeed at college is inspiring," said Tara Booth, assistant professor of Counseling & Coordinator of Community Connections at SUNY Adirondack, where she oversees The Hub. "This gift will help ease a lot of burdens and make the upcoming school year easier for many students."



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Refuge" on my way through Rochester, New York. This photo is of an eagle I had to walk through a lot of mud water and tall grass to get a good angle. It took awhile to get a good photo of him, but it was

very worth it. Pictured is a great blue heron, a wood duck, and a wood sandpiper side by side. (Sandpipers are my favorite birds, so definitely a highlight along with them being relatives of the crane).

While these photos are nice they weren't easy to take, to get them I had to sit and wait patiently for the perfect shot and trek through grass branches and all sorts of brush to get to a good angle to take the best possible picture. Though it takes lots of work, one perfect photo makes it all worth it, or a

goofy one like the eagle with its tongue out.

*Aiden Durie lives in Schuylerville and runs AKD Photography.*



Eagle



Great blue heron, wood duck and wood sandpiper



# Thinking of joining the Great Resignation?

**Jill Schlesinger**

*Special to Journal & Press*

Despite a better-than-expected July employment report, where the economy added 943,000 jobs and the unemployment rate fell to 5.4%, the mismatch in the labor market persists. Paradoxically, with 8.7 million Americans out of work, there are still more than 10 million job openings as of June. (Job openings lag monthly employment by one month.)

Although millions of Americans are due to jump back into the labor pool after school starts, the COVID labor bottleneck could last well into the fall. One economist described the situation like this: imagine if half of the population got divorced at the exact same time - there are probably a lot of great matches out there, but the process of finding the right person, takes some time. In other words, it's going to take a while for workers and employees to hook up.

Concurrently, the unique nature of the pandemic recession and recovery has done something seismic to the US labor force. Workers at all income levels are thinking about their jobs and careers differently. Many are motivated by dollars, but more and more, they want flexibility or they're ready to make their side hustle or contract work their main gigs. Before giving notice, here's what you need to do:

\* **Schedule MD Appointments:** Get those routine appointments done while still covered on your current employer's health insurance plan.

\* **Explore Future Health Insurance Options:** If you receive health coverage through your current job, the path of least resistance is COBRA, at least for the next 18 months. You should also investigate the Affordable Care Act (ACA), especially now that the stimulus plan caps premiums at no more than 8.5% of modified adjusted gross income (through the end of 2022).

\* **Review insurance coverage:** If you have life, disability or long-term care insurance through work, find out if it is "portable," which means that you can take it with you when you leave. Know that the cost might be more expensive if your employer is subsidizing your coverage.

\* **Don't forget about retirement:** When you leave your job, be sure to roll over your existing retirement plan into a new company's plan, or an IRA Rollover at any major financial firm.

\* **Side hustlers, get ready to pay taxes:** As an employee, you split Social Security and Medicare payroll taxes with your employer. When you fly solo, you're on the hook for the total bill, which

is 12.4% for Social Security. These percentages apply to the first \$142,800 of income. Beyond that threshold (known as the wage base), you don't have to pay. For Medicare, you are on the hook for 2.9% total on ALL income earned. And if you make more than \$200,000 (\$250,000 for those filing jointly), you must pay an additional 0.9% in taxes. Some of these payments will be returned when you file taxes, but just know that you will need to pay up throughout the year.

Even if you are not ready to participate in the Great Resignation, a hot job market is a great time to use leverage. Figure out what's most important for you--is it pay, flexibility or other benefits? Then conduct research for your industry and your specific job to find out the range of what people like you earn.

If your boss can't stomach the commitment of a raise, ask for a one-time bonus, and/or more vacation time, or other benefits like childcare, tuition assistance, additional schooling, or gym memberships.

If it's work from home (WFH) that you seek, negotiate limited days in the office by presenting your manager/boss with examples of your productivity and samples of your success amid the pandemic WFH period.

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## PennyDot now in Greenwich

PennyDot Realty announced the opening of its new office at 124 Main Street, Greenwich.

"I have always loved Greenwich, as a town and as a community. I grew up here and went to school here," says Penny Spiezio, Broker-Owner of PennyDot Realty. "It felt right to us to make this move. When the decision came to a pivotal point, I looked at what I thought the future was going to hold in Washington, Rensselaer, Warren and Saratoga counties, the towns we currently serve and where we want to make our mark. This additional location seemed like a natural choice."



## What are the real Covid numbers?

To the Editor:

I would like to express some Washington County Covid concerns.

I believe accurate counts are not being reported by the County. For days the County reported just 3 active cases. At the same time, I personally was in communication with 2 entire families that were diagnosed with COVID living right in the Village of Greenwich -- 10 people.

The rise in COVID in unvaccinated children has been widely reported in the media -- the new DELTA variant being a contributing factor. Intending to be a host of a children's event expected to draw hundreds, I thought I should postpone my event that had originally been scheduled to take place at Hudson Crossing Park on August 14th.

Being concerned, I reached out to both Washington County and New

York State Department of Health for Statistics to help guide me with a rescheduling decision given consideration to the "movement" of COVID.

What I learned from the County was quite startling, and NYS still has not responded. After my 3rd request, I received the following from Kathy McIntyre, an RN in the County's Public Health Department on Aug. 23:

"I apologize for the time it has taken me to return your request. We do not have the statistics you requested for 0-12 year old available to us at the County Level so we have been working with our State Epidemiology Contacts as well as the Contacts of the NYS system we are using to document our investigations in. We do not have a percentage of the transmission rate per town. I can tell you we have had 238 positive cases of 0-12 year old up to 8/17/21 but am awaiting information as to what the

starting timeframe is. Available to you is also the transmission rates of all of the counties on the CDC website data tracker. As of this morning, Washington County is at a substantial transmission rate while the surrounding counties are at high transmission rate. Washington County was just changed to substantial transmission from last week's high transmission rate. Chairman Hall does not declare or determine the transmission rate in Washington County, the transmission rate is based upon the total new positive cases/100,00 in last 7 days and the % positive of testing done. Washington County does follow CDC recommendations based on the various transmission levels."

My concern is that the data NOT being shared/released seems to FEED the "Unmask the Children" campaign.

My concern is local politicians that are not paying attention to such statistics, go ahead and involve themselves in events such as the Greenwich day camp water event that was held on August 6.

Clearly there is no social distancing -- no masks -- AND NO STATISTICS being checked.

Perhaps if the Republican leadership shared actual statistics on what is happening with our children and COVID, maybe the "unmask our children" movement would lose a little steam and we could all move forward in a safe manner.

Concerned Community Advocate,  
Kate Leone, Greenwich



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# How do you make smart living easier?

**Daneen Skube**

*Special to Journal & Press*

**Q:** *I have a complicated list of "good things to do" at work and for my wellness but I get tired looking at the list. The truth is unless things are easy I'll never do them. How can I make being smart easier?*

**A:** You make smart easier by breaking anything you want to do into the simplest step you can imagine. Often my hard working clients think that if anything is worth doing it must be complicated and hard. You're absolutely right that most people will never improve if all the tasks seem overwhelming.

Let's take health as an example. If you believe improving your diet means depriving yourself of everything you like, and improving your fitness means a 4:30 a.m. work out, you'll never do it. Yes this goal is impressive but it is also intimidating.

Let's consider instead making health easy. Making goals easy means only thinking of one small change you could make today. I recently started adding Chlorophyll drops to water as an experiment. I also put an exercise ball in my therapy room so I can do backbends over my ball between sessions. Neither of these changes will guarantee I live to 100 but they are likely to help me.

In the 12-step programs they discuss the importance of committing to not drink one day at a time. They avoid declaring they'll never drink again because that is too big of a goal. To make smart easy, take one day at time and ask yourself what one

thing can I do today?

Tomorrow tends to be the land where "someday" we will eat better, move more and get tasks accomplished. The problem is tomorrow is never within reach and can end up being the repository where good dreams go to die.

If we're willing today to see our richer options then tomorrow will be better because today we made improvements. Today we can choose to collaborate rather than be combative. Today we can be curious rather than demand understanding. Today we can move more and choose to add food that is healing.

Again if we shame and scold ourselves for the doughnut we eat we will give up positive change because we feel demoralized. Some days you'll revert to old habits. Some days you'll surprise yourself by choosing things that make you feel and perform better at work.

Yes there may be people on the planet that love 4:30 a.m. workouts and living off lettuce. Then again many people that start with these intimidating goals burn out before any real improvement shows up.

One of the best things about small changes are the permanence. For instance, diets don't work because when you go off a diet you gain weight. What works is slowly changing how and when and what we eat.

Nutrition is a good example of how we struggle

because we tell ourselves that food that isn't the best fuel is a "treat." When our "treats" crash our blood sugar make us gain weight we may consider whether we're "treating" ourselves or hurting ourselves. Good nutrition means seeing healthier food as a treat and this doesn't happen overnight.

After reading this column today, put down your newspaper and consider two tiny actions you could take today to support your health and happiness. Then, despite the lack of lofty ambition, do these two things and rinse and repeat tomorrow.

## The last word(s)

**Q:** I work with a co-worker that has nothing but criticisms and unkind words for everyone on the team. I've been confronting him but it's getting me nowhere. Is there a better approach?

**A:** Yes, people that use their tongues as knives tend to eventually end up cutting themselves by alienating any support. Use silence in his presence and let him earn well deserved tuition from the school of hard knocks.

*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](http://www.interpersonaledge.com).*



## Varpsy Studios hosts charity art exhibit

Hannie Eisma Varosy and Gyula Varosy are pleased to announce a sale, exhibition and silent auction at their gallery, Varosy Studios. A portion of the proceeds from the sale will be directed to cultural programming at local non-profit organizations. The sale will kick off Saturday, September 4th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and will continue on Sunday, September 5th from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The silent auction will be held on Saturday only, closing at 3:00 pm. Varosy Studios is located at 1522 North Road in Greenwich, NY.

Hannie Eisma Varosy adventures into countless subjects with a multitude of materials including oil on canvas, clay, collage, wood and assemblage. She says, "sometimes my intuition

makes a decision easy, sometimes something catches my eye and I get an idea. Sometimes an idea occurs and pretty soon it takes shape in my mind and grows into a vague visual with an obvious choice of medium."

Sculptor, Gyula Varosy works in a wide range of materials and scale. Gyula's architectural background underpins his sense of order and geometry, merging with mythical allusions and references. The works express deep emotions, from hardship and loss to perseverance and triumph.

Hannie and Gyula met in the 1980's in New York City and eventually made their home in the upstate New York Town of Greenwich. Creating Varosy Studios has been their shared vi-

sion. The gallery offers an immersive experience leaving visitors with a feeling of passion for nature and an intimate understanding of their work.

Hannie and Gyula have lived in Washington County for 30+ years and are thrilled to offer this opportunity for the public to visit their Gallery and soak yourself in the beauty of the location and the art. The Varosy's are excited to be supporting local organizations that create cultural opportunities for the community through the sales of their art this weekend. Come see what Varosy Studio's has to offer and take home a treasure.

For more information or to view available work, visit [www.varosystudios.us](http://www.varosystudios.us)

# Easton Osteobusters

Osteobusters Exercise will begin on September 13, 2021 at 8:30 am in the Easton Library Meeting Room. Osteobusters is an exercise program for older adults using weight bearing activities to build and maintain strong bones, increase muscle mass, improve posture, body mechanics and balance and reduce the risk for fall-related fractures.

The exercises, designed by medical and physiology experts, are led

by trained volunteers under the direction of Warren- Washington Retired Senior & Volunteer Programs and there is no charge for participating.

You are welcome to observe the sessions at any time. For more information and a Medical Clearance Form, contact the Easton Library or call or text Leona at 518-596-9187 or call Barb at 518-692-2012.

## RC churches update

Sunday Mass at Holy Cross Catholic Church is at 8:15 AM and St. Patrick's celebrates on Sunday at 11:30 AM. Weekday Mass is at 9 AM on Tuesdays at Holy Cross and Wednesdays at St. Patrick's. Masks are once again required inside the Church. The Altar Rosary of Holy Cross will be hosting a coffee hour on the first Sunday of the month. All are welcome. Holy Cross parishioners are asked to save the date, Tuesday, September 14, to celebrate the Parish Feast Day, COVID depending.

There will be a gathering following the Mass. St. Patrick's parishioners are asked to save the date of September 5 for the parish picnic pending the weather and COVID. Both parishes are in need of lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and greeters. Please consider helping out by signing up at Mass, at [\[catholic.org.\]\(http://catholic.org.\), or calling St. Patrick's office. There is a great deal of information and offerings on the website.](http://www.battenkill-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

Bishop Scharfenberger has invited all to a Diocesan Day of Prayer and Celebration for all in the Diocese. It will be held Saturday, September 25, 9 AM - 2PM at St. Edward the Confessor Church in Clifton Park. To register go to [webapps.rcda.org/ParishFaithFormation](http://webapps.rcda.org/ParishFaithFormation).

The 49th Annual Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held Saturday, October 30 at 2 PM at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany to celebrate 25, 40 and 50 year wedding anniversaries. Mass with Bishop Scharfenberger will be at 2 PM with a reception immediately following. Please register by email at [Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org](mailto:Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org).

## Dinosaurs hours change

Dinosaurs in Motion: Where Art and Science Meet at the Universal Preservation Hall in Saratoga Springs has changed their hours of operation. UPH will now be open from 10 a.m. with the last admittance at 4 p.m. every day except for Wednesday.

Starting Thursday, September 9, UPH will keep the hours at 10 a.m.,

with the last admittance at 4 p.m. but will only be open Thursday-Sunday.

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# 'Patsy Cline' comes to Fort Salem Theater

Fort Salem Theater announced the cast and creative team for *Always...Patsy Cline*, a musical based on the true story of the hit country singer and her number one fan. *Always...Patsy Cline* hits the Fort Salem Theater mainstage from Friday, September 3 through Sunday, September 12. Tickets are now on sale at FortSalem.com.

Onstage in *Always...Patsy Cline*, country music's icon comes to life! Loaded with 27 smash hits, like "Crazy," "I Fall to Pieces," and "Walking After Midnight," *Always...Patsy Cline* is laced with emotion and endless entertainment! The time is 1961, and the place is a Texas Honky Tonk, where Patsy befriends Louise, a long-time fan from Houston. They became lasting pen-pals until a tragic plane crash took Patsy's life at the tender age of 30. Relive this true, toe-tapping story through Louise's eyes, taking us back in time to catch Patsy's greatest performances with backstage stories as only an insider could share.

Shannon Roy takes on the title character. Ms. Roy is an Army veteran who is making her theatrical debut as Patsy Cline after learning to play guitar and sing while stationed in Afghanistan. Since being honorably discharged, Shannon works as a professional vocalist and musician who has sung backup for reggae band Dr. Jah And The Love Profits and performed as the lead vocalist for Bonfire Heroes. Shannon also hosts open mic and concert events at The Bog in Cambridge and Unihog in Hoosick Falls, in addition to performances at the Salem Courthouse, the Rye Read Music Festival, and various venues across the state. Shannon graduated from Salem Central School in 2003 after winning a cheer-leading competition that brought her to London to perform in the New Year's Day Parade and later the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City. This performance

marks her debut at Fort Salem Theater.

She is joined by stage veteran Darlene Kelly, who returns to the Fort Salem Theater stage, where she appeared in *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Arsenic and Old Lace* (Aunt Martha) and *Guys and Dolls* (General Cartwright). More recently, Darlene played Sister Amnesia in Home Made Theater's production of *Nunsense*, a role she's well known for after eight different productions.

She has also been seen on local stages as Mrs. Tottindale in *The Drowsy Chaperone*, Cookie in *Rumors*, Dotsey Mae in *The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas*, Lucy in *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*, and Widow Paroo in *The Music Man*. In 2009, Ms. Kelly starred as Louise in *Always...Patsy Cline* with The Local Actors Guild of Saratoga.

Garrett West (no relation to the owners of Fort Salem Theater) will direct the musical. His prior directing credits include *Rent*, *Shrek the Musical*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *I Hate Hamlet*, *Bell, Book and Candle*, *The Importance of Being Earnest* and *Pygmalion*. Garrett is also the founder and Producing Artistic Director of the Bunbury Players, which presents free and accessible theatre to the Capital Region and beyond. Off stage, he co-hosts the podcast "Katie's Musical Madness" with Katie Hawksby, who serves as *Always...Patsy Cline*'s production stage manager.

Rounding out the creative team is music director Carol Hawks. Ms. Hawks graduated from SUNY Potsdam, Crane School of Music with a BS degree in Music Ed-

ucation and MS in education from SUNY Albany. She has taught in Schuylerville and Saratoga for a combination of ten years and retired from Greenwich Central School after 19 more years. She has been a guest conductor for the WCAMATA Music Teachers Association several times and has done numerous shows with kids in SCT's Children's Theater, Saratoga Children's Theater, as well as Adirondack Children's Troupe and has directed many musicals for Greenwich Central School. She has also worked with casts at local groups including HMT, GFCT, SCT and The Local Actors Guild of Saratoga.



Shannon Roy as Patsy Cline

*Always...Patsy Cline* runs Friday, September 3 to Sunday, September 12. Performances are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30PM, and Sundays at 2:00PM. All performances are on the Fort Salem Theater mainstage, located at 11 E Broadway, Salem NY 12090. Tickets range from \$15-\$30 and can be purchased at [www.FortSalem.com](http://www.FortSalem.com).

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## Relax and enjoy a fritter

Cody Fitzgerald  
Journal & Press

Unfortunately, I knew this day would come. Last year, I was able to skate through because of COVID, but now that Fair Season is back in full swing and I am fully anticipating biting the back end of a meat cleaver at the hands of an upset anti-vaxxer type who doesn't like what I have to say in this column (one of the ones who can read, of course). Jokes, and fears, aside, the fair is back and you get to watch today as I try and fight between my cynicism and noting the aspects of the fair that I genuinely enjoy, hopefully finding a balance between both.

Off the bat, I like to think it strikes apparent that I am not a county fair type of person, but just because I've molded into the funky t-shirt, indie pop loving, obnoxious liberal that I am, it doesn't change the fact that a healthy portion of my youth consisted of fritters, "Sylvia and the Magic Trunk" and dodging cow manure in my back to school sneakers that my mother tried to warn me not to wear. The lifestyle may not

match that of my own, and I may have heard racial epithets more than 50 times in my experience, but it's still (mostly) a great collection of people and businesses that come together once a year to celebrate their culture and each other, and that is almost always a good thing.

Admittedly, I complain here about as much as a recently divorced frequent Target shopper balancing 4 children in their cart, and most of you would probably expect me to riff on the fair, or most of the aspects of it, at least. While I did just prove you right in the first half of this column, I want to switch it up and give you some advice on how to be a decent fairgoer this week and any upcoming fair season:

- **Be Patient** - It's likely the fair is going to be packed to the brim with everyone anxious to get out of their house again and do the things



they're used to. We can disagree on the whole unemployment/minimum wage situation all day, but this is no fault of the employees, so be patient.

- **Eat** - You can't go wrong with a fritter
- **Be Careful** - I can't preach wearing a mask to you anymore but I can highly recommend it. Unfortunately, Delta Plus does not come with ESPN, but it does come with sickness. Be careful.

- **Weigh the Wind** - In the spirit of protecting the vulnerable's lungs, watch where you're blowing your cigarette smoke and have it preferably not go into a child's face. Better yet, don't smoke at the fair?

- **Remember Your First Job** - Don't be one of "those" throwing a temper tantrum because you don't like where the parking attendants told you where to go. These are kids looking for money, not your attitude.

There's probably a little more, but moral of the story here is basic human decency. Follow this and we can all have a decent, fun week together and not get New York state into a second lockdown.

*Cody Fitzgerald is a 2021 Schuylerville High School grad 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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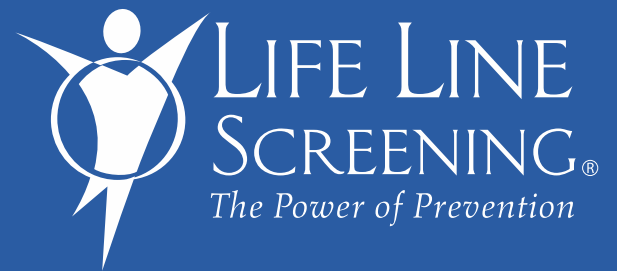
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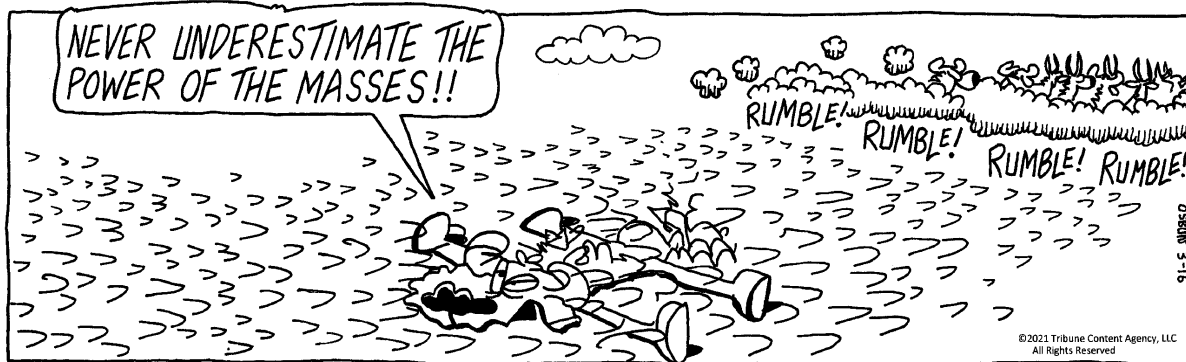
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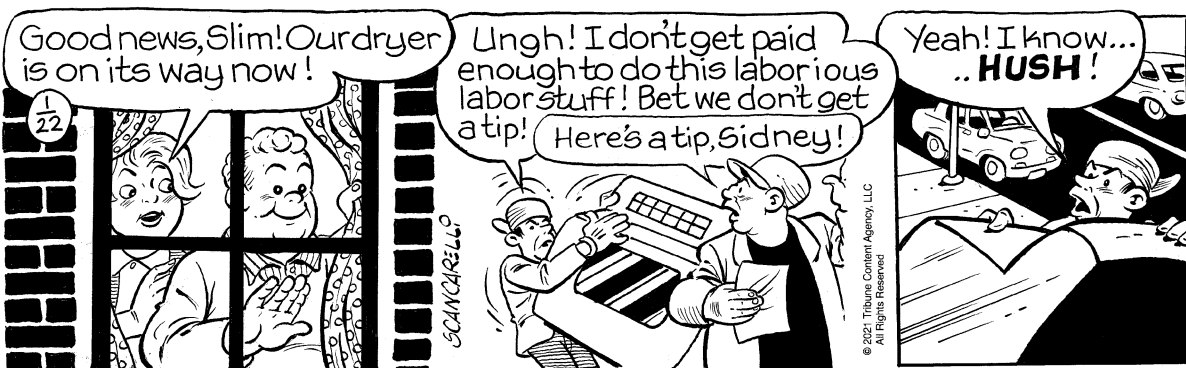
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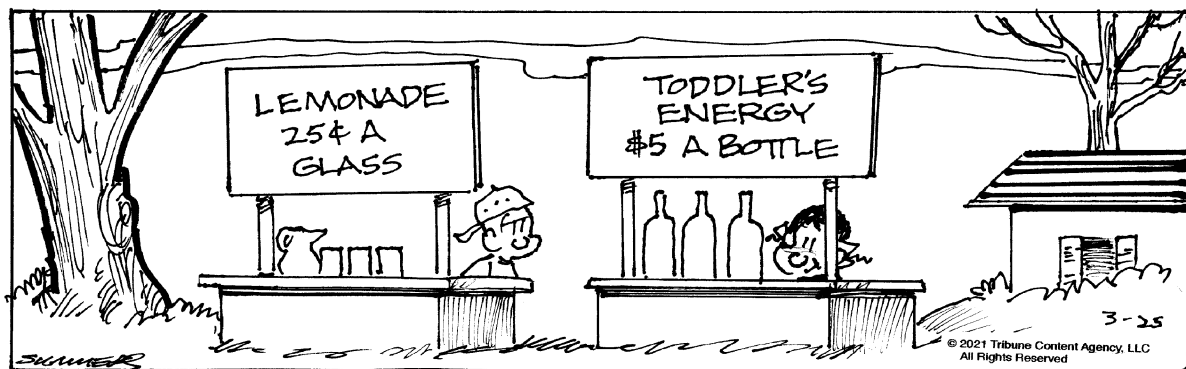
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## Gunther Hubert Bartscherer, 87

Gunther Hubert Bartscherer died Friday, August 6, at the age of 87 in his home in Ballston Lake, NY, with family present. Gunther was born in Bruhl-Heide, Germany on September 8, 1933. His parents were Bertha Reuter, born in Solingen, Germany and Hubert Bartscherer, a mechanical engineer, born in Euskirchen, Germany. Gunther trained as an engineer in Germany and emigrated to America in 1949 to join established family. He became a proud citizen of the United States of America on June 5, 1957. He married Ruth Cronk of Little Falls, New Jersey, on March 26, 1955. They lived in Kinnelon, New Jersey, before moving to Cambridge, New York, in 1974, where he resided for over 30 years.

Gunther created and owned

Reuter's Engraving Co. in Hoosick Falls, New York, where they engraved steel and copper rolls used for embossing. Gunther also built a craft store in Hoosick Falls for his wife, Ruth, and continued to operate it after her death in 1988. In his retirement years, Gunther pursued his interest in the holistic and organic health field by operating a boutique health food store in Greenwich, New York, for eight years. He retired to Ballston Lake, New York, in 2011.

Gunther was an avid gardener and outdoorsman. He loved farming and raised Herefords that he taught his children to show at the annual county fair. Gunther and Ruth were strong advocates for their son, Douglas, and the local disabled community. Throughout his life, Gunther

lobbied and wrote countless letters to local and state representatives supporting the mentally disabled. His son is disabled and lives in an Individual Residential Alternatives home.

Gunther is predeceased by his wife of 33 of years, Ruth Cronk Bartscherer and his brothers, Erich Bartscherer of Bruhl-Heide, Germany, and Kurt Bartscherer of Little Falls, New Jersey. He is survived by his sister, Helga Bartscherer Fruck of East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania; his son, Douglas Bartscherer of Ballston Spa, New York; his daughters Heidi Bartscherer Hoyt of Saratoga Springs, New York and Susan Bartscherer of Watertown, New York; his two granddaughters, Angela Hoyt of Troy, New York and



Gabrielle Hoyt of Saratoga Springs, New York; his great-grandson Edwin of Saratoga Springs and close friend Sandy MacDonald of Naples, Florida.

Cremation and burial will be private. Please donate to Merck Forest & Farmland Center of Rupert, VT, Gunther's happy place, and many hours of hiking. <https://www.merck-forest.org/>

## Clifton K (Kip) Couse Jr, 60

Clifton K (Kip) Couse Jr, passed away peacefully at his home on August 4th, 2021. He was born on May 4, 1961 to Clifton K. Couse Sr. and Anne Condon Couse in Syracuse, NY. He graduated from General Brown Central Schools in 1980. He served in the United States Navy from 1981-1986. He was proud of his military service and lived and shared his patriotism in all things. He followed in his father's footsteps as a welder, working at DAYTEC and most recently at General Electric in Schenectady, NY.

He is survived by his companion, Kari Makuch Bartlett and her extended family; a daughter, Alicia Couse (Ryan Cook), Hesperia, CA, a son, Keith Couse (Nicole Vicha) Schuylerville, NY, three grandchildren, Wyatt, Colt, and Waylon and another grandchild due in early spring of 2022. He is survived by his

siblings, Stephen (Joyce) Couse, Minster Ohio, Theresa Couse, Carthage, Daniel (Colleen), Apple Valley, CA, Kathleen (Steve) Haupt, Fairport, NY, Thomas (Allison), Watertown, NY, John (Alisha), Voorheesville, NY, Kevin (Jennifer), Camillus, NY. He is survived by many cousins, nieces, and nephews and his loyal and faithful Black Lab Cody. Kip was predeceased by his parents, a niece, Meghan Couse, and a nephew, Christopher Crawford.

Kip was a member of the Elks Club Lodge 2223 and American Legion Post 515, Greenwich, NY. He loved all sports teams especially the Syracuse Orange. In high school, Kip was captain of the football team and his passion for football carried over to him officiating the game for over twenty years. He was a proud founding member of the "Potter Ave Trash." Kip loved camping in the

Adirondack mountains. Over the past few years, Kip has enjoyed all the spontaneous adventures that Kari had planned.

Kip's children were his pride and joy. He raised them to know right from wrong, to be kind and responsible, patriotic and live each day to the fullest. As a big kid himself, he was a friend to every youngster he met. His zest for life, sense of humor and youthful spirit was contagious. Kip was one of a kind and no matter where he was or who he was with, a good time was had by all. If you met as a stranger, you left as a friend.

The funeral mass will be at 11am, August 12th at Immaculate Conception Church, Brownville with Rev. Donald Robinson and Rev. Michael Gaffney concelebrating. Burial in Brownville Cemetery will be held at the convenience of the family. Calling hours are Wednesday, August 11th from 1pm-7pm at Reed & Benoit Funeral Home, Watertown. A Celebra-



tion of Life will be held at the Greenwich VFW Post 7291, 63 Abeel Ave., Greenwich, NY 12834 on Saturday, August 14th from 1 pm - 5 pm.

Memorial donations may be made to Greenwich Elks Lodge 2223, Greenwich, NY 12834. As Kip would say..."Scoop ya later, gotta crack...I mean split. Online condolences may be made at [www.reedbenoit.com](http://www.reedbenoit.com).

# Cambridge Crossword

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## Across

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14 "It's \_\_\_ time!"  
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16 Dwarf who mixes up his words  
17 Angry reaction  
19 "This American Life" host Glass  
20 Meeting goal often not achieved  
21 Nuclear energy device  
23 Lip  
26 Firefighter's tool  
27 Indian noble  
31 Surly  
35 Soft palate projection  
37 Not what one would expect  
38 It went down in history  
40 Connects with  
44 Mexican bread  
46 Single-master  
47 Stable cleaner  
51 Tolkien tree creatures

- 52 Palm tree superfood  
53 Ancient home  
55 Predator with a heart-shaped face  
59 Card game with trumps  
64 Hurricane season mo.  
65 "The Shawshank Redemption" event, and what's hidden in four puzzle rows  
68 Cravat or ascot  
69 Like Caspar Milquetoast  
70 Give a false idea of  
71 Low  
72 Deposit in the attic, say  
73 Cheerleaders' assortment

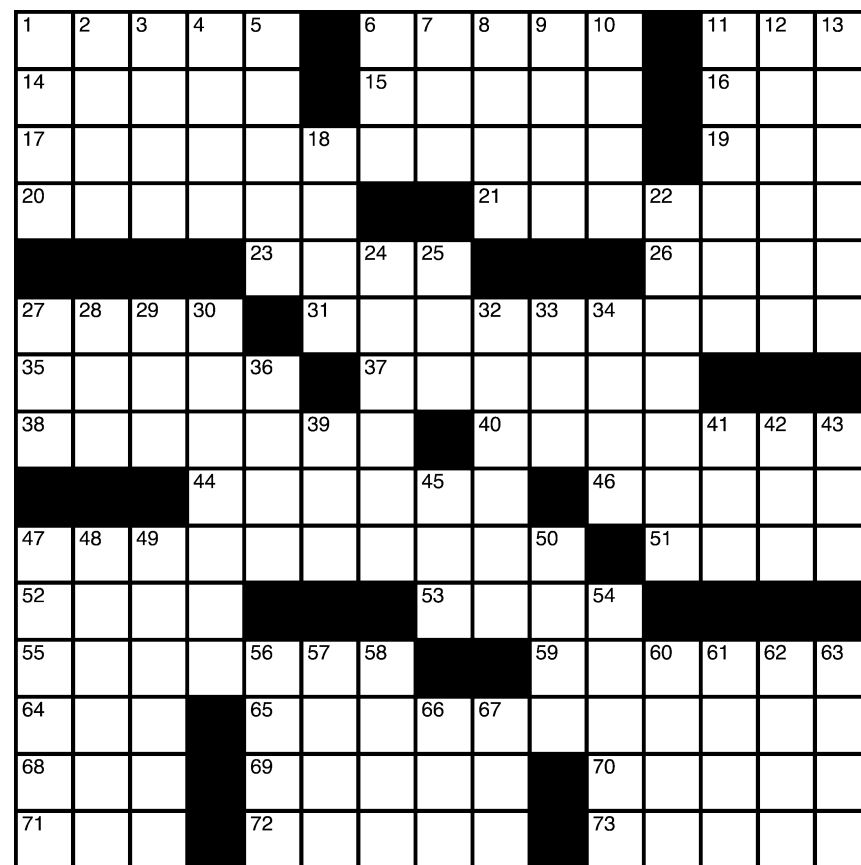
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- 1 "James and the Giant Peach" author  
2 Wind heard in Dion's "Abraham, Martin and John"  
3 Desolate  
4 Organ in a chest

- 5 Decides to leave alone  
6 Biblical mount  
7 Harmless cyst  
8 Imitator  
9 Slope  
10 It may be crunched  
11 Spell-checker, say  
12 Lacking in joy  
13 Rustled (up)  
18 Bangkok native  
22 Private laugh  
24 Golfing mishaps  
25 Camera type, briefly  
27 Rural road feature  
28 Prefix with fauna  
29 Stick (out)  
30 2019 Mena Masoud title role  
32 Free of commissions, as a mutual fund  
33 Young Darth  
34 Cookie containers  
36 Indigo plant  
39 Having four sharps

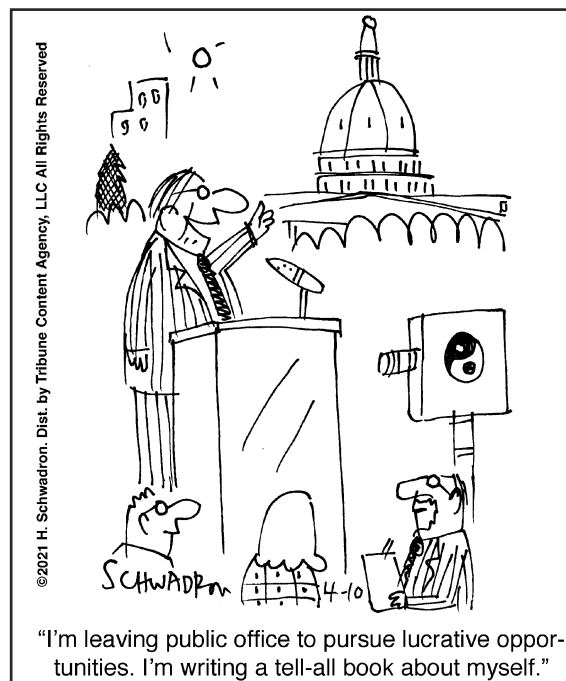
- 41 Absalom, to David  
42 "PAW Patrol" fan  
43 Special \_\_\_  
45 Caviar  
47 Clogs  
48 Thorny shrub  
49 Made a sudden move  
50 Rounded hammer part  
54 Lumpy, as a knit fabric  
56 Comes down on one side of something  
57 Court order  
58 Ride to the prom  
60 Algonquin language  
61 Severe criticism  
62 Fence crosspiece  
63 Manages to get, with "out"  
66 Military address  
67 "To Autumn," for one

ANSWERS ON PAGE 26.



9 to 5 by Harley Schwadron

## Fast Facts



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## Word Find

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

Find these words that are associated with humor.

Comedy  
Deadpan  
Delivery

Fool  
Funny  
Gags  
Ha-Ha  
Hilarious  
Humor  
Hysterical  
Jest

Jocular  
Joke  
Knee-Slapper  
Laugh  
Nightclub  
Parody  
Prank  
Punch Line

Puns  
Quip  
Riddle  
Routine  
Silly  
Sitcom  
Skit  
Standup

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Wisecrack  
Witty

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### How to serve

• As a snack, sprinkled on top of salads, breads, vegetable dishes

Source: World's Healthiest Foods, Discovery Health, TNS Illustration Bank



# History from the unlikeliest of places

**Lance Allen Wang**  
*Journal & Press*

“You mean you’ve never heard of George Law?” asked the visitor to my office in the Village of Cambridge. I love conversations that go that way. People know I enjoy history, and every now and then, they’ll bring up some local folklore to me. The minute he left my office, I jumped onto the computer. And I found myself some fantastic local history with ties that go far beyond here.

## WHO WAS GEORGE LAW?

John Law, of County Down, Ireland, emigrated to America in 1784. He took up farming in the Town of Jackson, eventually turning his hundred acre farm on the Troy Road into a 500 acre farm. His son, George, was born in 1806.

Not content to make his way through life farming, George made his way to Troy, “walking the entire distance of 36 miles,” where he learned stone masonry and became a contractor specializing in canal work, eventually working on the Delaware and Hudson canal, and then on the Harlem canal. He was self-taught as an engineer and draftsman. He prospered, and in 1842 became president of the Dry Dock Bank. Law owned both the Grand and Roosevelt Street Ferries, as well as the Staten Island Ferry and railroad. He extended railroads in New York City, and then started a steamship line between New York and Panama.

## GEORGE LAW – PRESIDENT?

The Jackson, New York, native who had gained prominence as a financier and steamship entrepreneur, was nominated by the Pennsylvania delegation of the “Know Nothing” party (officially the “Native American Party,” or later simply “American Party”) as a candidate for President in the 1856 election. Unfortunately, the party was a nativist party – anti-immigrant, anti-Catholic, and ironically considering Law’s background, anti-Irish. The Know-Nothings were in decline, much like the Whig Party, due to their internal fights about slavery. Eventually, the Know-Nothings nominated former President Millard Fillmore for the 1856 election – as if to emphasize the party was in decline, the man they nominated for President was neither a member of the party nor had he attended any of their party’s conventions or meetings. Despite this, Fillmore won 22

percent of the national vote, losing to Democrat James Buchanan.

## THE SS GEORGE LAW

Law and two partners founded the US Mail Steamship Company in 1848. There were three ships on their Panama to New York route, one of which was named the SS George Law. At some point, likely after he sold his interest in the company in 1853, the ship's name was changed to the SS Central America. The sinking of the SS Central America in 1857 was one of the deadliest sea disasters in United States history at that time, taking 425 souls to the bottom of the sea.

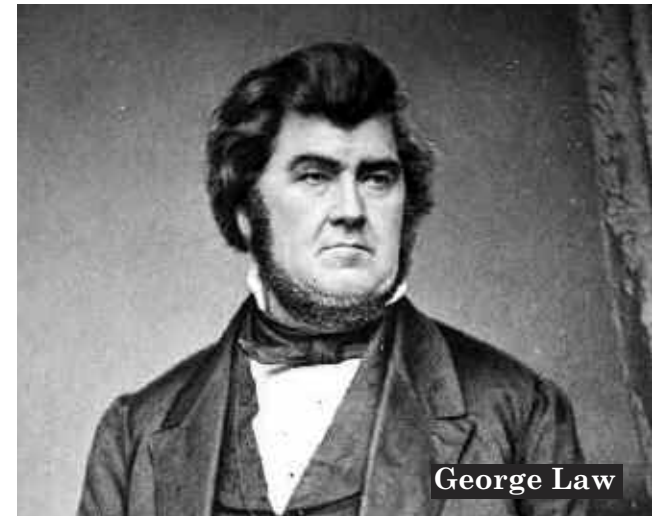
On its way from Havana, Cuba up the east coast, the SS Central America was caught in a hurricane off the Carolinas on September 9, 1857. With its sails shredded, its boiler failing, and 578 passengers and crew desperately trying to bail out water from the ship, efforts came to naught as the ship began foundering. While all women and children were saved, the ship’s captain, former Navy officer William Herndon went down with the ship, as did his First Officer, Charles Van Rensselaer, related to the historic upstate New York family. As an interesting historical aside, Captain Herndon had a daughter, Ellen Lewis Herndon, who would become wife of future President Chester A. Arthur.

## ‘The SS Central America was one of the most sought-after shipwrecks’

### THE SS GEORGE LAW AND THE PANIC OF 1857

America’s financial history is loaded with bust and boom cycles, bear and bull markets, and panics, recessions, and depressions. One of the first “modern” financial downturns was the Panic of 1857. It was one of the first that involved America as a global economy, and one of the first that was magnified through modern communications such as the telegraph. Previously, news that would cause a panic would only spread as fast as the mail or word of mouth could spread it. Now, as soon as information could be transmitted on a wire, news spread.

In America, the “gold rush” taking place in Cal-



George Law

ifornia made for a larger money supply and reflected good times in the American economy in the early 1850s. Back then, the gold supply drove the money supply. However, by 1857, gold was not being mined at the rate that it had been. The SS Central America was carrying a load of \$8M worth of gold to New York banks (today's value approximately \$625M) when it slipped beneath the waves. Between this, and other circumstances including the failure of the Ohio Life Insurance and Trust Company, the American economy “panicked” and faced a downturn which would last for at least two years.

The lost gold, incidentally, made the SS Central America one of the most sought-after shipwrecks until its discovery in 1988, even giving it the nickname “Ship of Gold.”

## EVEN UP HERE...

While we may be remote from many concerns of the world up here, still there are many of our neighbors, and those who came before them, whose work impacts the world around us either directly or indirectly. And every now and then, those of us who enjoy history get a chance to follow some of the loose threads and see where they take us, in this case to the farm of a poor Irish immigrant in Jackson, New York.

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## Answers

**Boggle:** MALI HAITI CHILE INDIA ANGOLA ZAMBIA LATVIA

**Jumble:** SHAKY APART TRICKY INJECT

**Final Jumble:**

"KHA-KEY" PANTS

## Obituary

# Patricia Brown Maxim

Patricia Brown Maxim, 83, of Yarmouth and formerly of Greenwich, NY passed away quietly in her home on August 21, 2021.

She was born in Auburn, ME, a daughter of Irving J. Martin and Charlotte A. Cates.

Mrs. Brown Maxim had an enthusiasm for teaching, whether it be a highschool musical or english class at Greenwich Central School, a foreign language class abroad in The Netherlands, or a money management class to recent immigrants.

In retirement, she enjoyed being a member of her book club, weekly chats with her hairdressers, working at her church pie booth at the Yarmouth Clam Festival, singing and playing piano, and cooking and baking the most wonderful food.

She leaves behind her daughters Erika Brown of Ballston Spa, N.Y. and Jennifer Brown of Lincoln, MA, her loving husband John D.

Maxim, a son-in-law Jeffrey Miller and several grandchildren.

A celebration of her life will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at First Parish Congregational Church, 116 Main St., where a reception will follow at the Amvets center, 148 North Road, YarmoXuth. Burial will be private in Graceland Memorial Park, Auburn.

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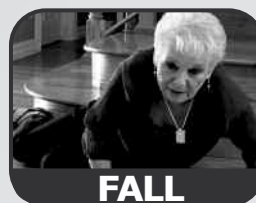
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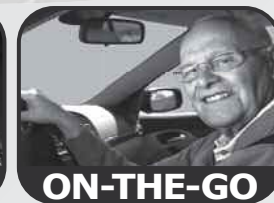
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