

As the school year ends



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Top 10 lists, student honors, new school board members, sports finals and more!

In this issue and the next we'll close out the academic year with updates on how our local students are doing and where they are going upon graduation. Lots of scholarships and awards to be bestowed. We also learn about a hamster named Humphrey and a project at Greenwich Elementary.

Please read more throughout this issue



Several area sports teams have survived May playoffs and are still in contention for larger titles this June. Pictured to the left are the Greenwich softball players who scored a huge, extra-innings upset to win a sectional title. As of press time, they are traveling.

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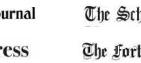








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School Sports

Greenwich softball, track shine

As the school year winds down, some local varsity teams continue with their athletic success, pushing into sectional playoffs.

Follow us on Facebook or Instagram to get the latest scores and photos. Here are some highlights since our last issue:

Greenwich Softball Defeats No. 1

Witches pitcher Lily McAuliffe buckled down after Chatham scored 3 early runs. Lily grinded out 11 innings leading Greenwich to the Class C sectional championship at Moreau Rec in South Glens Falls on May 26.

Nora Niesz drove in the winning run in the top of the 11th, giving the Witches a 4-3 triumph over unbeaten top seed Chatham.

Down 3-0 Reese Auteillo slapped a single up the middle getting Greenwich on the board.

In the last inning behind 3-1 Allie McQueen hit a 2-run homer tying the game.

In Class D, Argyle beat Salem 4-1 this same day in softball. Argyle pitcher Madison Eldred outdueled Kayla McCauliffe.

Track Sectional

Greenwich's Nina Sgambelluri achieved an unprecedented feat on May 24. She won the 400, 800, 1500 and 3000 meters runs in the Class 4 sectional meet. In Greenwich's long tradition of outstanding runners, it is believed Ed Johnson, class of 1979, was the only other other to do this in one meet.

Deontae Bennett had a record day. He broke his own 100M record and also set new personal records in the 200M and Long Jump. The new marks are 10.9 in the 100 M, 22.63 in the 200, and a leap of 22 ft 1.50 inches. Bennett also won the high jump.

Keegan Collins won the shot put with a throw of 36 ft 1/2 in and the



discus with a 109 ft 10 in toss.

Teagan Wright won the 2000M steeple chase with a time of 8:13.

The Greenwich girls finished 2nd, scoring 114 points; the boys were 4th, scoring 63 points.

Previously, in the May 17 Wasaren league meet, Roxy Vanderhoff won the pentathlon scoring 1687 points. Roxy was first in the 100 meter hurdles, 5th in the shot put, 3rd in the high jump, 1st in the long jump and 5th in the 800 meter.

Collins won the discus at 118 feet setting the super standard for the New York State track meet, and also came in 3rd in the shot put. Kiersten Ailing won the shot put and came in 2nd in the discus.

The Witches girls won the meet scoring 150 points by 5 points over Stillwater.



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Schuylerville village trustees meeting notes

Samantha Simmons

Journal & Press

The Village of Schuylerville recently met for their monthly board meeting to discuss ongoing issues in the Village and address citizen concerns.

Mayor Dan Carpenter said before the meeting started that there is a rise of businesses in the area which are mostly woman-run and powerful. These new businesses are attracting people from outside the area, which is great for the tourism that already takes place within the Village.

A couple of citizens presented their concerns for stormwater problems causing flooding and erosion of their home and in some areas of the Village. The council said they intend to take care of this problem in the new fiscal year starting June 1st.

Part of the board's plan to mitigate this problem is to fix curbs in the affected areas to minimize flooding. DPW Supervisor Rob Decker is in the process of pricing out L curbs and straight curbs for the area around Faith Chapel all the way down. The curbs would be five inches with an extra three to four inches built below to provide a more secure base.

As the new fiscal year is approaching, the board also reviewed pay and salaries of village employees during this meeting.

Mayor Carpenter and the Trustees motioned and approved June 19th, also known as Juneteenth, to be added as a work holiday for the employees of the Village of Schuylerville.

The Village has a new code enforcement officer, Adam Meyer. He has recently finished up training and has started his duties. He can be reached at (518) 415-9234.

On behalf of the Department of Public Works, Supervisor Decker shared at the last workshop that bathhouses are now open, said Mayor Carpenter. Recently, there have been instances of individuals flushing inappropriate items down the toilets. To solve this issue, the Village will purchase two high volume flushers.

Carpenter also shared that three alleys have been designated to be repaved. Those alley ways are Grove street, Clancy street, Beagle lane, and possibly Church street extension.

For residents of Schuylerville, junk week will be the week of June 13th and you must register by June 10th. The charge for this will be \$10 per household/ apartment unit. Trash must be outside by Sunday the 12th for DPW to pick up. Once they pass your house, they will not come back.

Two trucks need to be purchased for official duties. One for DPW and the other for the wastewater treatment plant. Decker is trying to keep DPW's current vehicle running until prices of vehicles come back down. The other would be a smaller and less costly truck.

There will be an increase in water rates according to Chairman of the water department and Trustee, Bryan Drew. The increase will be \$15 per quarter due to the rising cost of chemicals and energy used by the plant.

This village meeting also stood for the Board of Trustees annual reorganization meeting where they reviewed monthly meetings and workshops, attendance of schools and conferences, mileage allowances for employees and officers to be reimbursed for using personal vehicles for official duties, and the designation of a Village newspaper, The Post Star.

Amongst other events happening in the Village in the near future, there will be a few coin drops held in the Village this summer. During this meeting the board approved the Youth Center for a coin drop on June 11th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Hudson Crossing.

There is currently little information available on the Fort Hardy Park revitalization. There are a couple of projects in the Village that will be dealt with during the construction taking place in the near future; such as, an update to the visitor center, athletic fields, and historical tourism in the village.

The full master plan for Fort Hardy Park should be available in a few weeks. Check back for an update on this project.

The Schuylerville and Victory Board of Water Management had a tentative budget presented on May 16th which proposed to increase the budget to cover the costs of higher energy costs, contractors to cover the short staffing problem they are facing, and filters and chemicals.

There was mention of emergency funding for the Water Management but this was tabled.

Clarification

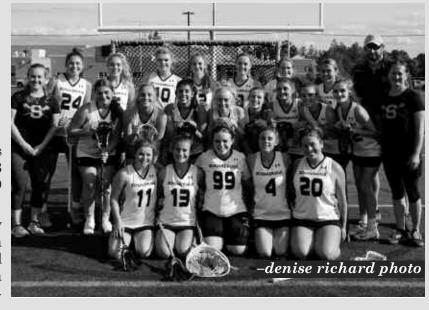
Clarifying a caption from our last issue, the flag program in Greenwich is a volunteer effort supported fully from donations of time and money. The program has grown from 57 flags last year to 79 this year. "We are very thankful to the Greenwich DPW and everyone that donated to make our dream possible," said organizers David and Marie Troy. Organizer Mike Savage helped hang the flags.

Horses girls lax wins title

On May 24, Schuylerville girls lacrosse defeated Greenwich 17-3 in Schuylerville for the Class D regional title.

For the Black Horses, Macey Koval scored five goals. Ella Walsh scored four times and Eliza Barton three times. Anika Buff had two goals and two assists. For the Witches, MacKen-

zie Dixson scored three goals. Goalie Ryan Skiff had 15 saves.



Argyle considers roaming farm animals

Robin Lyle Journal & Press

What recourse do landowners have when a neighbor's farm animals come onto their property? What if it's not just once or twice, but four, five or even six times a year? This question was brought by Argyle dairy farmer, Matt Fullerton, to a meeting of the Argyle Town Board on May 11th.

Attending were Supervisor Bob Henke, Town Councilmembers: Steve Bonhote, Kevin Hayes, Scott Lufkin, Jason Rozelle, Deputy Highway Superintendent and Town Clerk Shelley McKernon along with four residents.

Councilman Sullivan raised the issue of confinement of farm animals after Fullerton asked him for help. "This has been a thorn in my side for about five years now," Fullerton said. He pointed Sullivan to a law enacted in Whitehall. In 2015, they passed Regulation [sic] the Control of Domestic Animals, Including Cows and Horses Within the Town of Whitehall. This law states that "[a]ny animal which shall be found running at large...may be seized by...any agent of the Town...[and] delivered to an authorized impoundment agency" and establishes a fine of up to \$100 for each offense.

Board members raised questions about setting a threshold number of occurrences that would trigger seizure of the animal(s) and a fine, how it would be enforced and whether a \$100 penalty is a sufficient deterrent. Sullivan said he'd like the board to work on the issue and to ask the Farm Bureau for feedback on any proposal.

The town's Farm Grievances Committee will be re-constituted, Henke said. Councilman Bonhote, chair of the Agriculture Committee, will begin recruitment of the required members to include himself, along with two farmers and at least two at-large members.

The Board approved Highway Department spending of about \$335,000 to purchase both a new truck and a shoulder machine. Discussions to buy a truck began in earnest after a freak fire destroyed their 2005 Inter-



national in February. In the three month period since, the cost of a new replacement has increased \$40,000.

Fearing this trend would continue, the \$298,801 purchase of a 2024 International Model HX620 tandem was approved on a vote of 4-1 with Councilman Bonhote dissenting. Revenues from the insurance settlement from the truck fire, the auction of various used highway equipment, and NYS Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) funding will help defray the expenditures. Arrival of a new truck ordered today is not expected until 2024 due to a global shortage of microchips. The shoulder machine, a used Midland Road Widener, costs \$29,800, plus shipping charges from Alabama of \$5,000-\$6,000, received unanimous approval.

In other news:

• Argyle residents are encouraged to come to the Stimulus Funds public meeting on Wednesday, May 25 at 6:00 p.m. at the Argyle Fire Department. The Town Board wants to hear residents' ideas for use of the funds.

• This year's Thistle Day Parade will begin later in the afternoon, at 4:30, reported Councilman Lufkin. Festivities will continue at Lufkin field, the parade's end-point, with live music and food options from the American Legion until the fireworks show begins at dusk. Events take place on September 17.

• Supervisor Henke said that defendants found to be mentally incompetent to stand trial by county court judges are costing the county \$300,000, and counting. Placement in a mental health facility, as required by the state, costs \$1,065 per day per individual. Two defendants from the county are currently being held and custody continues until they are deemed competent.

Excessive speed by drivers on

the roads around Summit Lake was brought to Councilman Lufkin's attention by a homeowner who asked if the town could install speed bumps. Henke stated that speed bumps would violate the town's insurance policy and said that the Washington County Sheriff's Department could be asked to increase patrolling in the area.

• Board members unanimously approved payments of \$300 per month to help a town retiree whose costs were doubled when he fell victim to an insurance "scam." The new policy purchased by the former employee, replaced the policy provided by the town, leaving him responsible for the full monthly payment of \$600. The board approved the payments until he can be reinstated on the town's policy in October. "It's basically budget neutral since we would have been paying that money out for his insurance anyway," said Councilman Sullivan.

• Cossayuna Lake resident, Erica Gundrum, complained that Cossayuna Shoreline LLC, which has about 250 feet of lake frontage, has interfered with right-of-way agreements held by herself and other residents. Further she expressed concern that they have built illegal structures on the property, removed legal docks belonging to neighbors with access rights, and is getting preferential tax assessments from the town. Henke said that her complaint will be given to the town attorney.

• Tamarack Compost's application to operate a food composting service to large producers of food waste does not require a separate permit, reported Councilman Sullivan, chair of the Local Compliance Committee, saying "if under a certain throughput, he can just register."

Opportunities for kids

"I like eating the snacks!" said fifth grader, Maggie Patrick, about the Tuesday afterschool knitting group she's been attending at the Historic Salem Courthouse. Her twin sister, Lauren, says it is exciting to learn something new each time. Since October, four enthusiastic beginning knitters have been crossing the road from Salem School to join four experienced knitters (well, one does crochet) headed up by Salem resident Priscilla Cutler. They knit, nibble, talk, and learn together for about an hour each week. On Tuesday, May 10, they enjoyed an end of the year celebration, complete with certificates, their moms, brand new skeins of yarn and, of course, delicious refreshments.

Priscilla started knitting with her grandmother when she was five years old. She joined the knitting group at the library when she moved to Salem two years ago. Volunteering is not new to her. She and her husband, Gerry, have traveled extensively assisting with disaster relief through Samaritan's Purse. When she agreed to start a knitting group for kids, she invited her library knitting buddies, Debbie DeSacia, Sherry Messier, and Kathy Waite to help. They've taught the girls the basic stitches and how to read patterns, and helped them finish several projects. The young knitters have taken to their new craft so much that they all plan to return in the fall to help coach the new class of beginners. Anna Foster said she is surprised at how much she has learned and she thinks it would be fun if they taught their teachers at school how to knit!

The fifth graders' moms received congratulations too. The knitting coaches were very impressed by how supportive the group has been of each other, how well they worked together, and how quickly they caught on to knitting. Each girl liked something different about learning to knit. Savannah Kenyon said casting on is her favorite part. Starting something new is always an adventure and this group is ready for any challenge.

The Historic Salem Courthouse (www.salemcourhouse.org), located at 58 E. Broadway in Salem, NY, hosts a variety of opportunities for children in addition to the afterschool knitting group. For instance, Girls on the Run, an empowerment and exercise program, is in full swing now and the highly popular Lunch, Learn & Play camp will return this summer. More knitting classes will be offered in the fall of 2022.

Photo caption: Celebrating Knitting together at The Historic Salem Courthouse. Back row from left: Priscilla Cutler, Debbie DeSacia, Anna Foster, Savannah Kenyon, Kathy Waite. Front row from left: Lauren Patrick, Maggie Patrick. Not shown: Sherry Messier.





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GCS scholar-athlete honors

During the just completed Spring 2022 athletic seasons, five teams fielded by the Greenwich Central School District were designated as a Scholar Athlete Team. To achieve this designation, a team must have had 75% of the varsity players earn a grade point average of 90% or higher.

Below are the teams that earned the NYSPHSAAA Scholar Athlete Team designation.

Spring Sports Girls Softball Girls Outdoor Track/Field Boys Outdoor Track/Field

Girls Lacrosse

Boys Lacrosse

In addition to the team recognition, the following student athletes earned individual designation as a New York State Scholar Athlete (had a GPA of 90% or better for the first marking period).

Girls Varsity Softball

Kiley Allen, Reese Autiello, Sophia Boice, Madalyn Curley, Faith Ingber, Keira Kirk, Lily McCauliffe, Allison McQueen, Norah Niesz, Morgan Randall, Jocelyn Spiezio

Girls Varsity Lacrosse

Kathryn Campbell, MacKenzie Dixson, Mary Estramonte, Ava Hamilton, Maeve Kelleher, Katie Larmon, Kaitlyn Lavoo, McKenna Lyndaker, Caitlyn McClay, Lilly Peck, Emily Scieska, Ryan Skiff

Boys Varsity Lacrosse

Gavin Blair, Noah Davis, Hunter Dixson, Colin Hughes, Declan Kelleher, Kadyn MacNeil, Garrett Wardwell, Matthew White

Girls Varsity Outdoor Track/Field

Catharine Abate, Molly Abate, Danielle Boyea, Nadia Chincola, Charlotte Collins, Keegan Collins, Tayler Cristaldi, Ciarrah Hebert, Claudia Johnson, Lauren Marci, Ellery Mays, Esther Moore, Lily Nichols, Sarah Radovich, Nina Sgambelluri, Isla Shaw, Alyssa Spiezio, Dorothy Van Pelt, Teagan Wright

Boys Varsity Outdoor Track/Field

Matthew Bink, Reagan Bittel, Samuel Dixson, Max Nichols, Jackson Slater

Boys Varsity Baseball

Dutch Hamilton, Ryan Ingber, Aidan Jones, Jesse Kuzmich, Aidan McPhail, Eli Strasswimmer

'Stories and Songs' visit Greenwich Library

In the Community Room of the Greenwich Free Library on Sunday, June 5, 2:30 – 3:30 pm, there will be an event titled "Joseph Bruchac Presents: An Afternoon of Stories and Song."

As a proud Nulhegan Abenaki, Bruchac is a professional teller of the traditional tales of the Adirondacks and the Native peoples of the Northeastern Woodlands who has performed widely in Europe and throughout the United States and has been featured at such events as the British Storytelling Festival and the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesboro, Tennessee. He has been а storyteller-in-residence for Native American organizations and schools throughout the continent, including the Institute of Alaska Native Arts and the Onondaga Nation School. He discusses Native culture and does storytelling programs at dozens of elementary and

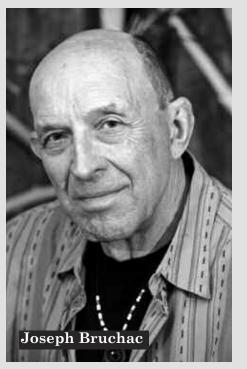
secondary schools each year as a visiting author.

Bruchac lives in the Adirondack mountain foothills town of Greenfield Center, New York, in the same house where his maternal grandparents raised him. Much of his writing draws on that land and his Native American ancestry.

He is the author of more than 120 books for children and adults. including "Rez Dogs," "The Earth Under Sky Bear's Feet," "A Boy Called Slow," and "Return of the Sun: Native American Tales from the Northeast Woodlands." He received the American Book Award for his collection "Returning the Gift." His best-selling "Keepers of the Earth: Native American Stories and Environmental Activities for Children" series, with its remarkable integration of science and folklore, continue to receive critical acclaim and to be used in classrooms throughout the country. Additionally, his honors include a Rockefeller Humanities fellowship, a National Endowment for the Arts Writing Fellowship for Poetry, the Cherokee Nation Prose Award, the Knickerbocker Award, the Hope S. Dean Award for Notable Achievement in Children's Literature and both the 1998 Writer of the Year Award and the 1998 Storyteller of the Year Award from the Wordcraft Circle of Native Writers and Storytellers. In 1999, he received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Native Writers Circle of the Americas.

The library promises "a delightful afternoon of storytelling and music making with Bruchac, suitable for all ages."

Health and safety at the event: The event is limited to 40 participants. Pre-register in advance, or feel free to stop by on the day-of. Mask wearing is appreciated and



may be mandated by 6/5. To register, email grn-director@sals.edu, or call the library at 518-692-7157, or visit www.greenwichfreelibrary.org to reserve a spot.

School News

Greenwich names Top 10 seniors

Mr. George Niesz, Greenwich High School Principal, announced the top ten graduates of the Class of 2022:

Shea Fortier – Daughter of Nicole and Sean Fortier

Activities, Involvements and Awards – Varsity Tennis Team (captain 9-12), Advanced Level Irish Dancer, Youth Tennis Camp Instructor, Student Council (treasurer 9-12), Comfort Food Community Volunteer, Future Business Leaders of America (vice president 11, secretary 12), Garden Works Farm Field Worker, Math League, Equality Club, Yearbook Club (treasurer 12), Post-Star Teen Excellence Award, St. Lawrence University Augusbury/North Country Scholarship, University of Rochester George Eastman Young Leaders Award, National Honor Society

Chosen Quote – "No matter what happens in life, be good to people. Being good to people is a wonderful legacy to leave behind." -Taylor Swift

What's next for Shea? – Shea will be attending Hamilton College with a possible major in Mathematics.

Lauren Chuhta – Daughter of Suzanne Fariello-Chuhta and Steve Chuhta

Activities, Involvements and Awards - Science Research (Analyzing the Efficiency of Communication Channels in Promoting the Adoption of Intercropping Technology Among Western Kenvan Smallholder Farmers), Future Farmers of America (president and reporter 12), Future Business Leaders of America (secretary 11, president 12), Band (first chair trumpet 12), FFA Farmland Agricultural Education Exhibit Chairperson, Lacrosse (captain 10), Easton Cemetery Spring Clean-Up, School Food Drive, FFA Toy Show, Greenwich Youth Lacrosse Coach, Youth Group Leader at Global Youth Institute of the World Food Prize, Lighted Tractor Parade, Operation Rudolph, FFA Farmland Agricultural Immersion Experience (chairperson 8-12), Breakfast with Santa, Greenwich Youth Soccer (coach), Joshua Demarest Memorial Soccer Fund, Varsity Track, Jazz Band, Spanish Club, Proficiency in Agriscience (FFA), Post-Star Teen Excellence Award, University of Rochester Frederick Douglass and Susan B. An-



(L-R): Top Row - Shea Fortier, Lauren Chuhta, Molly Morse-Belcher, Nina Sgambelluri and Gareth Hill; Bottom Row - Lauren Marci, Ellery Mays, Caitlyn McClay, Danielle Boyea and Faith Ingber.

thony Scholarship, All-County Band, All-County Jazz Band, Borlaug Scholar (World Food Prize), National Honor Society

Chosen Quote – "We decide, on issues large and small, whether we will be bystanders or upstanders." -Samantha Power

What's next for Lauren? Lauren will be attending Cornell College of Agriculture and Life Science where she will be studying Global Development.

Molly Morse-Belcher – Daughter of Kate Morse and William Belcher

Activities, Involvements and Awards – National Honor Society (president 12), Gender Equality Club (vice president 9, president 11-12), The Witches' Brew Newspaper (editor), Cinderella (school musical, lead), Varsity Tennis, Future Business Leaders of America (historian), Comfort Food Community Backpack Program, Hudson Crossing Park S.O.A.R. (camp counselor), Hubbard Hall Center for Arts and Education (assistant director for The Adam's Family), Greenwich Against Brutality (co-organizer), Featured Poem in Talented Unlimited Literary Journal, National Association of Biology Award, Post-Star Teen Excellence Award, Math League, Drama Club, Varsity Choir, Vocal Lessons (Rural Soul Music Studio), N.Y.S.S.M.A (levels 4 and 6), National Honor Society (president), Saint Lawrence Augsbury/North Country Scholarship

Chosen Quote – "There is still so much in the world worth fighting for." -Jane Goodall

What's next for Molly? Molly will attend Smith College where she plans to study English and Conservation.

Nina Sgamnbelliuri – Daughter of Mike and Deb Sgambelluri

Activities, Involvements and Awards – Equality Club (9-12, vice president), National

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(cont.)

Honor Society (vice president), Future Business Leaders of America (9-12), Senior Band (treasurer, flute section leader), Cross Country, Indoor Track and Field (captain), Outdoor Track and Field (captain), Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Medal Award, University of Rochester Xerox Award, N.Y.S.S.M.A (soloist), All-State Band (soloist)

Chosen Quote – "I am not afraid of storms, for I am learning how to sail my ship." -Louisa May Alcott

What's next for Nina? Nina will be attending the University of Delaware for Mechanical Engineering with a focus on Aerospace. She will also be running cross country and track.

Gareth Hill – Son of Jennie and Darrell Hill

Activities, Involvements and Awards – Clarkson University Achievement Award, University of Rochester Bausch and Lomb Science Award, French Club (9-12), Math League (11-12), Guitarist

Chosen Quote – "Everybody wanted to know what I would do if I

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didn't win, I guess we'll never know." -Kanye West

What's next for Gareth? Gareth is going to be attending Clarkson University where he will be majoring in Engineering.

Lauren Marci – Daughter of John and Michelle Marci

Activities, Involvements and Awards – Future Business Leaders of America (president 10-11), Student Council (class president 9-11), Girl Scouts (Bronze and Silver Award), Yearbook Club, Math League, Art Club, National Honor Society, 4-H, Varsity Soccer (9-12), Indoor Track (9-10), Outdoor Track (11-12), Greenwich Youth Soccer (coach), Senior Band (flute), Advanced Drawing and Painting, Clarkson University Leadership Award, Photography, School Artist (has painted multiple murals throughout the district).

Chosen Quote – "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever." -Mahatma Gandhi

What's next for Lauren? Lauren will be attending Clarkson University where she will be studying Civil Engineering.

Ellery Mays – Daughter of Lisa Hayes and Paul Mays

Activities, Involvements and Awards – Equality Club, French Club, Jazz Band, Pit Orchestra, National Honor Society, Math League, New York State Music Association Solo Music Festival, Varsity Soccer, Track and Field, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track, Greenwich Youth Soccer (referee and coach), Altar Server Coordinator, CWI Worker for 'Stuff A Bus", Elmira Key Award, Adirondack Area School Boards Association Community Service Award

Chosen Quote – The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." -Eleanor Roosevelt

What's next for Ellery? Ellery will be attending Elmira College where she will be majoring in Mathematics.

Caitlyn McClay – Daughter of Mike and Stacye McClay

Activities, Involvements and Awards – Future Farmers of America (treasurer), Dairy Judging, FFA Parliamentary Procedure Team, Varsity Lacrosse, Washington County Alternate Dairy Princess, Future Business Leaders of America, Girl Scouts, Chatham University Rachel

Carson Healthy Planet Award, National Honor Society

Chosen Quote – "Your time is limited, so don't waste it living someone else's life." -Steve Jobs

What's next for Caitlyn? Caitlyn will be attending Ohio State University where she will be majoring in Biology on a Pre-Med track.

Danielle Boyea – Daughter of Dawn and Daniel Boyea

Activities, Involve-

ments and Awards – Varsity Choir, All-State Chorus, Jr. Jazz Band, Sr. Jazz Band, Treble Choir, Jr. Band, Sr. Band, Future Farmers of America (Empire Degree, Discovery Degree, Greenhand Degree), National Finalist for the Future Farmers of America Food Science Competition, Varsity Indoor Track, Varsity Outdoor Track, JV and Varsity Soccer, Drama Club, Borlaug Scholar, National Honor Society, Girl Scouts (National Delegate for GSNENY, Bronze Award, Silver Award), Wells College Leadership Award

Chosen Quote – "It is not what we think or feel that makes us who we are. It is what we do. Or fail to do." -Jane Austen

What's next for Danielle? Daneille will be attending Paul Smith's College and majoring in Environmental Science with a minor in Maple Products and Production.

Faith Ingber – Daughter of Lisa and James Ingber

Activities, Involvements and Awards – National Honor Society, Mock Trial, Students to Oppose Pollution, St. Michael's College Book Saint Lawrence Award, Augsbury/North Country Scholarship, Spanish Club (vice president), Students to Oppose Pollution (secretary 12), Future Farmers of America (Empire Degree), Washington County 4-H, Varsity Soccer (captain 9-12, NYS all star team, 1st team all star), Varsity Softball (2nd team all star), Greenwich Youth Soccer (coach), Girls State (chairman of criminal justice, attorney general of the State)

Chosen Quote – "We do not do these things because they are easy, but because they are hard." -John F. Kennedy

What's next for Faith? Faith will be attending Elmira College where she will be in their Pre-Law program and playing soccer.

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Washington County – Random Thoughts

Our Field of Dreams

Michael Levy Journal & Press

There are many unique places in this world. Some are special and others are not. But here is one that is simply magical and this place can be found in Washington County. It is Chapin Memorial Field, our airport just outside of Cambridge.

Chapin Field is a Public Use Airport operated by the Cambridge Valley Flying Club (CVFC), one of New York's oldest flying clubs. CVFC was organized in April 1963. This is a classic American "grass strip" airport cut into an upstate cornfield. And Chapin Field has two grass runways, each about 2,100 feet long and maybe sixty-five feet wide.

The magic of flight has fascinated us since the Wright Brothers first flew at Kitty Hawk. But have you experienced aviation beyond being a passenger on a modern airliner, traveling around the country or the globe? There is so much more to flight than being loaded into a metal tube, along with 130 other passengers who like you are crammed into three abreast seating and then strapped into seats barely seventeen inches wide.

For those who fly in small airplanes, flight is something completely different. Nothing makes a pilot more nostalgic than practicing the art and science of aeronautics from a simple grass airstrip. It is a journey back in time, a connection to another era that takes us back to our aviation roots. This is not a goggles-andhelmet fantasy, this is truly something special.

Excitement builds when a pilot looks down

that 2,100 foot of grass runway at Chapin. In the morning, a touch of morning dew glistens on each blade of grass. The air is crisp, and the wind is coming right at you. A decision to commence flying is made. The

engine's throttle is engaged, and the plane accelerates down the runway, going faster and faster. Then lifting forces work their magic on the wings, and the aircraft and pilot become airborne becoming something that dwells in the atmosphere between land and space. Journal & Press | June 1-15, 2022 | Page 10

Once you have experienced this type of flying, you will want to get back up in the air as soon as vou can. The views of the villages, farms, rivers, and hills of Washington County are stunning from above. These views cannot be seen ground from level. Going to the highest terrain may be better but it will never match the panorama seen from above.

At the end of your

flight, the time has come to land. With the right aircraft configuration and airspeed, the wheels of your mechanical bird will gently kiss the grass, reconnecting sky dwellers like you with Planet Earth.

Flying is addicting and there may be withdrawal symptoms until your next flight. For those who are already pilots, the passion for flight is overwhelming. You can always spot a pilot in any crowd. From the newest student pilot to the most senior military or airline pilot, an aviator will always look up when the sound of an overhead airplane is heard.

If you desire to become a pilot, your life will forever change. You can fly for just the fun of it. You can fly to business meetings and escape the awfulness of airline travel. You can make a career move and become a professional pilot.

People have many misconceptions about be-



Pilot dreams come true at Chapin Field. You will find an eclectic bunch of pilots at this airport. There are new, current, and retired airline pilots, ex-military pilots, pilots who build their own airplanes, pilots who just fly for fun, student pilots, as well as pilots from all walks of life. They all share the joy of aviation. Just the other day I saw one pilot who grabbed a bite to eat from Amy Mclenithan's food wagon on Route 22, consuming his meal back at Chapin Field, all while watching other pilots fly in and out of the airport. Lunch and the perfect show – it doesn't get better than this! I was envious.

One of the best ways to experience all of this for yourself is upon us. The Cambridge Valley Flying Club is hosting their Aviation Day/Flyin on Saturday, June 4, 2022, 9 AM - 4 PM (rain date Sunday, June 5). This is the same weekend as the Balloon Festival.

'From the newest student pilot to the most senior pilot, an aviator will always look up when the sound of an overhead plane is heard.'

coming a pilot. No, you do not need perfect vision nor be able to compete in a triathlon. If you are medically able to drive a car, it is likely that you can meet the FAA's medical requirements to get your wings. Aviation Day will take place at Chapin Memorial Field located at 177 Plaines Rd., about a mile north of Cambridge, just off of Route 22.

Aviation Day has become

a premier local community event for the Cambridge, Greenwich, Salem, and Bennington area, as well as a popular fly-in among avid pilots from Virginia to Maine. Pilots fly into Chapin Field in all types of planes, some of

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Go see the puppets in Hebron

The first Puppet Club in Hebron will present "The Three Little Pigs" on Sunday, June 5, 2022 at 2 p.m. at Hebron United Presbyterian Church East at 6559 State Route 22 in East Hebron (7 miles north of Salem and 10 miles south of Granville.

This is a performance by children for children (and of course adults). It is suitable for children of all ages. The performance is free and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

The children have been working very hard preparing for their performance. They will be using a variety of puppets, special effects and musical instruments. The boys and girls are learning to manipulate puppets, change scenery, to be in the right place at the right time, but mostly to work as a team toward our final performance!

The performance will be held in the fellowship hall behind the church. Enter the door on the right side of the church and walk up the ramp directly in front of you.

The group which started rehearsing earlier this spring is directed by sisters Dort Casey and Debi Craig who are both retired music teachers. Casey and Craig hope to have another Puppet Club in the fall. They would like to present "The Nutcracker" early in December. Area children in grades 3-5 are welcome to join. There is no fee.



For more information about the performance or to ask about enrolling your child in the fall, please call (518) 692-9947 (Dort Casey) or (518) 854-3102 (Debi Craig).

Unsolved murders

The Washington County Historical Society and the Greenwich-Easton Historical Association will co-host "Unsolved Murders in Washington County", a program by author, Dr. Hollis Palmer on Tuesday, June 7 at 7 p.m. in the Community Room at the Greenwich Free Library, 148 Main Street in Greenwich, N.Y.

In the days before DNA, criminal profiling and computerized records, many crimes went unsolved. Washington County was no exception to this phenomenon. Join us for an evening of the stories of Victorian Era crimes that occurred in Washington County (or at least to county residents).

Presented by author and Victorian historian, Hollis Palmer, PhD., hear about such tales as the barber who while he was

while he was awaiting trial for murder, made the model church on display in the Warren County Museum, the murder of Maggie Horrigan near Mc-Donald's in Greenwich, and the story of a woman who had trouble telling right from left. If time

Hollis Palmer

permits, and we are sure it will not, Dr. Palmer will also tell the story of the murder of the wife of the wealthiest men in Schuylerville (Yes, the story does spill over into Greenwich!)

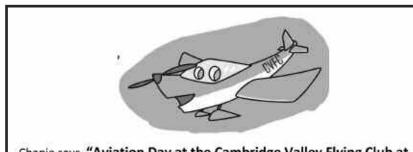
Dr. Palmer has written six true crime books on incidents in the Victorian Era. His books will be on sale at a discount price of \$7.00 (which includes tax) or 3 for \$15.00.

There is no charge for the program and the public is invited to attend. Donations accepted. The Washington County Historical Society and

the Greenwich – Easton Historical Association always welcome new members. Membership information for both organizations will be available. For more information, visit www.wchs-ny.org or call 518-854-3102.

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them antiques, and even some planes that the pilots have built themselves. Chapin Field will be teeming with families, kids, and aviation



Chapie says, "Aviation Day at the Cambridge Valley Flying Club at Chapin Field is back! Saturday, June 4 (rain date: June 5) Can't wait to celebrate with flying, food, fun, and friends!"

enthusiasts enjoying the food, looking at the planes, learning about aviation, and watching planes fly in and out.

This year, the Hoosick Air Modelers will present a display of their finest model airplanes. They will be on hand to discuss the model airplane hobby.

> Come to the large club hangar and experience the Aviation Day tradition of pilot cooked food. CVFC members will be on hand to greet everyone and to answer questions about flying, airplanes, and CVFC membership.

And, who knows, you might be able to take a short flight with a CVFC member in their airplane or in one of the club's aircraft so that you can experience "grass roots" flying firsthand.

Admission is free. Proceeds from food sales and donations will go to the CVFC Chapin Memorial Scholarship Fund which CVFC awards to a deserving Cambridge Central School graduating senior.

This is a chance for the aviation curious to see what flying is all about. The next pilot in Washington County might be you. Just a random thought!

Michael Levy is a government manager residing in Greenwich. He is also a Commercial Pilot and a Ham Radio operator.



Letters to the Editor

Our rep, vets

To the Editor:

As the boundaries of the 21st Congressional District have been redrawn, we are so fortunate that Congresswoman Elise Stefanik remains as our Representative in Congress. Especially for all who serve in uniform, their families and veterans of military service.

For those of us veterans who live in rural areas, Elise has been a champion for advocating and getting many our needs met. She has worked feverishly across the aisle to reauthorize the continued funding for the "Highly Rural Veterans Transportation Grant Program. Instead of the program that needs to be renewed every two years Elise is fighting for that program to be permanently authorized.

Rep. Stefanik is also fully aware and advocating for improving and having easy access, for veterans in rural areas, to Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) care and benefits that they have rightly earn and deserve.

Working to meet the needs of our active-duty military, the National Guard, Reserves, their families and veterans is just one of Stefanik's many efforts in serving the residents of our Congressional district. Thank you Congresswoman Elise Stefanik for YOUR service.

Louis J. Leone, LTC USA Ret. Greenwich

Stop LED Streetlighting

Dear Editor,

Here's another reason Greenwich and Salem should keep their original streetlights: A major US lighting company, Cree of Wisconsin, revealed that the whole LED industry uses the wrong metrics to measure LED emissions, and doesn't have right ones. They can't measure hazardous properties and photo-toxicity in any instance of LED exposure, so they don't know what's safe versus sickening, for whom or what, when or where in real-world settings. Their product testing, risk assessment, harm-reducing methods and safe exposure standards are therefore invalid. Meanwhile, people having severe adverse reactions are demonstrating that something's seriously wrong with the light from LEDs. "Without a speedy agreement on metrics for measuring LED intensity, spectrum, photometry and LED spacing, we will be installing millions of LED luminaires for street lighting that are not suitable for use, could even be described as dangerous, and that will be costly to replace."

Well, millions of dangerous, unsuitable LED lights already line countless public streets, exposing everyone to unknown levels of risk and harm. Mayors need to listen. Light-sensitive residents didn't complain about the old lights that didn't hurt them; they're complaining about the new ones that do. No-one resorts to administrative actions and lawsuits if they can make themselves heard any other way.

Richard and MarieAnn Cherry Cambridge

Note on the Battenkill

To the Editor:

With the arrival of warmer weather and more summer like beautiful days ahead, the Towns of Jackson and Salem are again joining together to share this important reminder to those who wish to enjoy our local treasure, the Batten Kill River, to do so safely and responsibly!

As in year's past, Sheriff Murphy and the dedicated men and women of our Washington County Sheriff's Office (NY) are continuing their dedicated work alongside both towns and our partnering state agencies (the New York State Environmental Conservation Department Forest Rangers and Environmental Conservation Police and New York State Police) to address the immediate public safety issues, helping to ensure the safe and responsible use of our beautiful Batten Kill River for all. If you're planning to visit the Batten Kill River and the areas along it, PLEASE:

PARK LEGALLY AND RESPONSIBLY: Many of our local roadways along the Batten Kill have parking restrictions in place, ensure you are not parking in the roadways or on private property – your vehicle may be ticketed and/or towed!

CARRY IN / CARRY OUT: Leave the glass at home! If you bring it with you, take it with you! Keeping the river clean is everyone's job. Littering in any circumstance is illegal!

ENJOY THE RIVER SAFELY AND RESPON-SIBLY: This includes, familiarizing yourself with the river conditions and terrain, ensure you have proper safety equipment and being aware and respectful of your surroundings at all times.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the many members of our communities and our Public Safety agencies that continue to work to keep the Batten Kill a clean, safe and enjoyable natural resource for our communities to enjoy.

Jay Skellie, Supervisor, Town of Jackson Evera "Sue" Clary, Supervisor, Town of Salem



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Buy now and pay later?

Jill Schlesinger

Special to Journal & Press

When the Federal Reserve Bank of New York released its report on household debt, the numbers were eye-popping. Total household debt in the first quarter of the year increased by 1.7% to \$15.84 trillion, putting balances "\$1.7 trillion higher than at the end of 2019, before the COVID-19 pandemic."

The details showed that big jumps in mortgage and auto loans fueled the increase, as many rushed to lock in still-low interest rates before they began to rise.

Interestingly, credit card balances declined by \$15 billion during Q1, but they are still \$71 billion higher from a year ago. Economists posit that the reason for the drop is that many have plowed through their pandemic-era savings (the savings rate peaked at 33.8% in April 2020) and inflation is eating away at what remains. The government said that the personal savings rate was 6.2% in March, lower than the 8.3% in February 2020, be-

fore the pandemic hit.

Meanwhile, with inflation near 40-year highs and more Americans struggling to pay bills, another category of debt has nudged its way into the conversation: Buy Now Pay Later ("BNPL").

You have likely encountered messages from your favorite online or even brick and mortar retailer, asking whether you want to finance your purchase with BNPL, an installment plan, where you can usually pay 25% of the purchase price now and then defer the rest of the cost into smaller, equal pieces in the future (usually a total of four payments), without requiring hard credit checks, which can hurt your credit score.

If all goes well and you make your payments on time, there is usually no interest charged, which is a compelling deal, especially in a rising interest rate environment.

That said, if you miss a payment, there could by late fees and interest, depending on the retailer and purchase amount, and some apps may have a small upfront charge each time you use a plan.

Land Conservation

Renee J. Bouplon, the Executive Director of the Agricultural Stewardship Association (ASA) will give a presentation "Stewardship through Land Conservation and Community Engagement" at the Hebron Preservation Society on Thursday, June 9, at 6:30pm. This presentation, which is free and open to the public, will take place at the East Hebron United Presbyterian Church, 6559 State Route 22 in Hebron, NY. That's why the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau warns that "BNPL could look like a standard payment method," which means that users "are really taking on a new form of debt." In other words, like a credit card, BNPL is a convenient way to make a purchase, if you have a plan to repay the amount that has been charged.

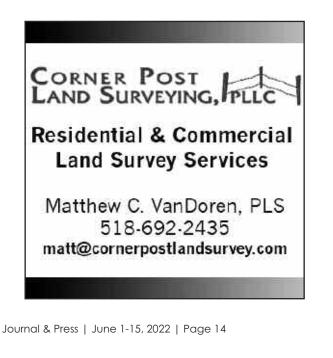
The upside of using a credit card is that you may be entitled to cash back or rewards, there is ample protection against fraud, help with merchant disputes, and the mature credit card industry has mastered reporting on-time payments to the credit bureaus, which can help improve your credit score. The downside of credit cards is well-reported-- if you can't pay off the purchase in full, you will be whacked with sky-high interest charges.

Still, BNPL users seem to like the convenience, transparency, flexibility, and predictability of the plans, which is why the industry is exploding. According to CB Insights, "by 2025, the global BNPL industry is expected to grow 10-15x its current volume to \$1 trillion in gross merchandise volume," which is why many of the participants in the \$8 trillion U.S. payment card industry is also developing its own versions of BNPL or partnering with companies that are already in the space.

The big BNPL players are Affirm, Afterpay, Klarna, PayPal, and Zip (formerly Quadpay). Each has different rules about fees and interest rates, so you should read the fine print carefully to determine if you are ready to jump on the BNPL train. Like most borrowing decisions, much is predicated on where exactly you think you will be in your financial life when the train arrives at the station.

Jill Schlesinger, CFP, is a CBS News business analyst. A former options trader and CIO of an investment advisory firm, she welcomes comments and questions at askjill@jillonmoney.com.





Photography exhibit

A "Small Gallery Exhibit: Wild Wood – Photography by Kristina Martin" will be on display June 10 through July 5, with an opening reception Saturday, June 11, 3-5 pm at the Valley Artisans Market's "Small Gallery," 25 East Main Street (Rte 372) Cambridge The public is invited.

Martin said: "All my life I have loved being outdoors, in nature. I especially became fascinated with birds and wildlife. Capturing a second of their untouchable lives with my lens is a gift I am pleased to share. Along the way, my photography has diversified, working with light, season, landscape and design. Wild Wood is a celebration of trees of the season, also featuring new work of wildlife and regional landscape."



30th Whipple City Festival set for 6/17-18

The Greater Greenwich Chamber of Commerce announces the 30th Annual Whipple City Festival will take place Friday and Saturday, June 17 and 18, 2022 in the historical Village of Greenwich. Festivities for 2022 include a parade, 5K & 10K races, a variety of food, beer, cider, and wine, commercial, and informational vendors.

Unable to hold a full festival in 2020 or 2021, Whipple City Festival will once again take place over two days, starting with Mowry Park on Friday evening and on Main Street in the downtown area throughout the day on Saturday. This Greenwich Chamber presented event has become a beloved tradition in southern Washington County.

The Whipple City Festival Parade will kick off at 6:00pm on Friday, June 17, starting at the Big Lots Plaza and ending at Mowry Park where awards will be presented to participants. Theme for the parade is "Honoring First Responders" and entry is free. After the parade concludes, Mowry Park will have food and beverage vendors along with live music at the gazebo until 9:00pm.

Hugely popular among runners from all over, the Whipple City 5K & 10K starts the second day of the festival at 8:30am on Saturday, June 18. The 5K is a gentle upslope out and a quick downslope back, starting and ending in front of the school. The 10K follows the 5K course and then continues through the beautiful countryside over rolling hills. At approximately 9:30am, children under the age of 12 will participate in the Kids 1K Fun Run. First place finishers of the 5K & 10K will receive a coveted hand-crafted trophy by Dux Dekes' Decoy Co. A portion of the proceeds from race registrations and sponsorships go to support the Greater Greenwich Chamber of Commerce Scholarship awarded to a Greenwich Central School graduating senior pursuing a business program at a New York State school of higher education.

Closed to vehicle traffic, Main Street in the heart of the Village of Greenwich will be transformed into a festive, pedestrian street fair on Saturday with local businesses and organizations lining the streetsides with tables and tents. Main Street will be closed from Hill Street to Washington Street from 11:00am to 8:00pm. Plenty of food and beverage options will be available from vendors and storefront restaurants. Commercial and informational vendors will have their products or

services on display. Kids activities, presented by the Greenwich PTA, and live music will run all day and conclude with headliner Eastbound Jesus.

The Whipple City Festival is a community festival and the proceeds from the event allow the Greenwich Chamber to sponsor other community events throughout the year, which bring people to our area to support our local businesses. This revenue also allows the Greenwich Chamber to ad-



minister services for chamber members, provide advertising, and serve as a source of information to the public on member businesses.

More information, including registration for the parade and 5K & 10K, are available at whipplecityfestival.com. Small businesses, artisan crafters, service providers, and non-profits, are encouraged to submit a commercial or informational vendor application.

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Community comes together for 'Humphrey'

Greenwich Elementary School completed a new initiative called GReaT (Greenwich Reads Together), a school-wide initiative that encompassed all Greenwich Elementary students, families, and staff who embarked on a journey of reading one book together.

They chose the book "The World According to Humphrey" by Betty G. Birney. This book, revolving around a class and its pet hamster, includes 15 chapters and each was read by a different member of the community. They took turns in front of a green screen, being recorded on an iPad, in the impressive Tech Lab at the school. With the recording, the green background was changed to hamster-themed. All students watched a chapter each day.

Chapter readers included:

• **Chapter 1** - Read by Humphrey the Hamster (teacher **Pat Molloy**)

• Chapter 2 - Kelsey Schuette, Teacher

- Chapter 3 Liz Sitterley, Teacher
- Chapter 4 Sarah Murphy, Greenwich Free Library Director

• **Chapter 5 - Kate Ziehm**, CEO/Director of Morning Ag Clips

• Chapter 6 - Darren Johnson, Journal & Press Publisher

• Chapter 7 - Jim Nolan, Town Supervisor

• Chapter 8 - Devin Bulger, Comfort Foods Director

• Chapter 9 - Erin Elkins, PTSA President

• Chapter 10 - Jim Alheim, Greenwich Fire Department

• Chapter 11 - Mary Ann Fowler, Owner of North Country Flowers

• Chapter 12 - Pam Fuller, Village Mayor

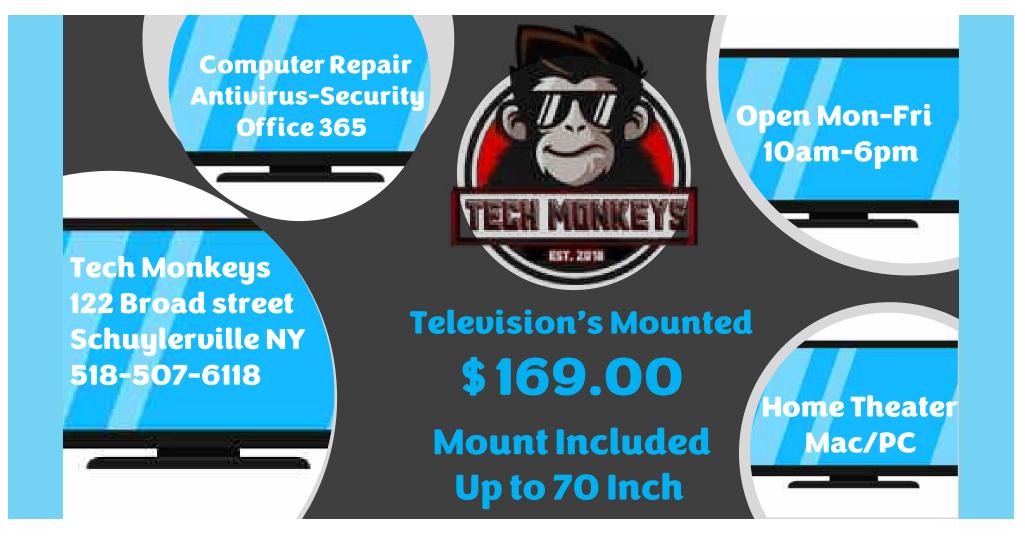
• Chapter 13 - Jen DeCarlo, Easton Library Director

• Chapter 14 - Kevin Saunders, School Resource Officer

• Chapter 15 - Sgt. Robert Danko, Cambridge-Greenwich Police



One of the book themes is community service. Each grade level and department at the school chose a project to complete throughout the month of May. Projects included community clean-up, singing for residents of Cynthia Meadows, collecting for the food pantry, and using sidewalk chalk to write positive messages on the campus and in the community.





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Rotarians honored

At its annual awards dinner, Salem Rotary Club recognized the achievements of several community members.

Ed Donoghue was named Citizen of the Year for his many contributions to the community, among them the Salem Rescue Squad and the Bancroft Public Library. Mr. Donoghue's invaluable expertise and leadership as Library Trustee have propelled forward extensive and necessary interior and exterior renovations to the library, increasing its role as an accessible, multi-purpose community hub for Salem.

A highly honored member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Mr.

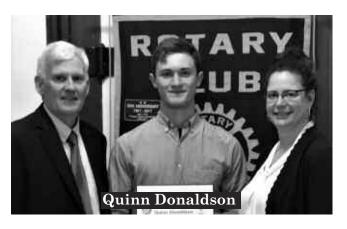
ner, Donoghue is the author of nuized merous works on codes and eral safety.

> Quinn Donaldson was recognized as Rotary Student of the Year for his all-around performance and character in and out of school. Included in his many achievements are Quinn's membership in the National Honor Society, recipient of the President's Award for Academic Excellence, and a NYSPHSAA scholar athlete in varsity soccer, wrestling, and track. A talented musician and actor, Quinn has performed in many concerts and plays in school and other venues.

The honor of Rotarian of the

Year was bestowed on Randy Dumas. The personification of "service above self," Randy's enthusiastic contributions to the Club include chairing the food committee, volunteering to attend numerous Rotary District meetings and events, site preparation for Salem Rotary's weekly meetings and utilizing his culinary skills for Rotarians and community fund-raiser dinners.

Not pictured but also lauded for their contributions to the Rotary Club mission of helping others through community involvement were veteran Rotarians Joe Childs and Walt Johnson.





Consider Mohawk Maiden cruises

Experience New York's Hidden Gem, the Champlain Canal, during the Albany Symphony Orchestra American Music Festival, part of Trailblaze: NY, at Hudson Crossing Park on Saturday, June 11.

Schuylerville's Mohawk Maiden Cruises will be offering boating adventures on both their vessels during the festivities between 11 am and 5 pm.

Captain Marla will be taking passengers north on the authentic sternwheel paddleboat Caldwell Belle to provide a view of Hudson Crossing Park from the waters of the historic Champlain Canal.

This trip will offer passengers a unique perspective of this local treasure from the decks of a vessel reminiscent of the Canal packet boats of old, with narration providing some of the Park's history as well as a description of what HCP has to offer today. Captain Maria will be taking passengers south on the pontoon boat Mohawk Maiden to experience a double lock-though of Lock C5.

Built between 1908 and 1911, Lock C5 is the second deepest of the 11 locks of the Champlain Canal, with a lift of 19 feet. Captain Maria will explain the workings of this historical engineering marvel.

Leaving from the Hudson Crossing Park dock, both tours will last approximately 30 minutes and cost \$10 per person. Each trip will be limited to six passengers.

The Caldwell Belle will be sailing on the hour, starting at 11 am, while the Mohawk Maiden will go out on the half hour, starting at 11:30 am.

The first cruise of the day for each vessel may be booked in advance by going to mohawkmaidencruises.com or by clicking the "Get Tickets" button on the Mohawk Maiden Cruises Facebook page. The remainder of the cruises will be offered on a first come, first served basis on the day of the event, cash only. Mohawk Maiden Cruises is a women-owned, family operated, local business providing tours on the historic Champlain Canal since 2013. For more information visit mohawkmaidencruises.com or email us at mohawkmaidencruises@gmail.com.

RC churches news

Sunday Mass at Holy Cross Catholic Church is at 8:15 AM, St. Patrick's celebrates on Sunday at 11:30 AM, and Immaculate Conception in Hoosick Falls is Saturday at 4 PM and Sunday at 10 AM.

The Covid infection rates in our community continue to rise. You are encouraged, but not required, to wear a face mask in Church and other large groups. The booster shots are also encouraged. Holy Cross welcomes Kevin D'Allard as he joins the congregation as well as Tristan Herrington from St. Patrick's. Parishioners continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.

There will be a Catholic Women's overnight retreat at Wiawaka, Lake George. It will be June 4 and 5. The Retreat Leader is Mary Rosmus and the fee is \$140. Find online registration at https://olaqby.wixsite.com/retreat.

St. Patrick's will be hosting the Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 4 from noon until 4 PM.

Please consider visiting the parish website: www.battencatholic.org. People can sign up for Flocknote notifications, prepare for Sunday liturgy, access Adult Faith Formation materials, and more.

For Kids (and Their Parents and Teachers)

June: Time for change

Shirley Renauld

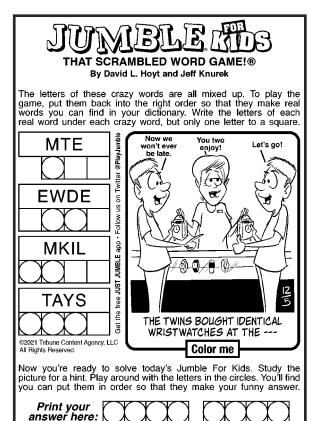
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June can be a transition month: We are finishing a school year, planning for the next one and planning for our Summer activities in between.

As we end one school year, we need to think about our education program for the next year. Will it be public, charter, private school or homeschooling? Now is the time for making family visits, asking questions and making decisions.

It's time to sign up for your community's Summer activities: Even before your Spring sports are finished, it's time to sign up for Summer ones. Sign up for Summer Youth Programs that have Arts and Crafts in the mornings, free lunches, afternoon swimming, day bus trips. Sign up for a week at 4-H, Scout or other camp.

Longer range plans made, it's time to get back to the present. It's the



growing season. The lawn, for sure; whose job is it to mow? How does your garden grow? Hopefully you're getting at least peas and lettuce already. Have you considered putting in a second planting? The weeds grow, too, so hope you're keeping up with them. Maybe you will consider mulching around your biggest vegetable and flower plants to help with weed control – Booths have mulch, too. Do you need to help your plants with fertilizer?

Some people make sure they plant sunflowers – aren't they well named? They will make birdseed for the Winter. They are a tribute to the Ukranians because it is their national flower. It is also the state flower for North Dakota where it is grown to press the seed for oil you use in cooking.

Continuous perennial flowers bloom. Lilacs scented the air. There have been bushes of Bleeding Hearts (well named!). Now it's Iris and Peony

season. Do you pick bouquets for special people? The honeybees are so happy to have blossoms to start their new work season.

What would June be without strawberries? It's great to have your own. You might know where wild ones grow. Watch for them as you hike. Wild ones are small, but very sweet. There's Pick Your Own at Hand Melon Farm. Thanks, John. Once picked, what will you do with them?

#1 - eat, eat, eat (Lost count while picking, didn't we?). Say strawberries, think shortcake. Three parts to prep: the berries, the dough, the topping. We like to mash the berries to soak into the cake. Work the dough with your hands (gloves?). Shall we



make "biscuits" by individually molding and flattening sections of dough or by flattening all the dough, using enough flour, and cutting biscuits with a cookie cutter? Some people prefer the cake method: Shape the whole dough into a cake to bake. To serve, cut biscuits or cake in half horizontally, remove top, cover bottom with crushed berries, replace top, cover with more berries. For the topping, do you like ice cream or whipped cream? You can whip your own heavy cream by shaking it in a jar. Finally the reward; it's a meal in itself--even as a birthday cake, right, Amv?

So much more to do with strawberries: For milkshakes, shall it be strawberry ice cream or vanilla? The berries are so good with pancakes or waffles, either cut up or mashed for sauce. For baking pie, bread or muffins, want to add rhubarb? The season is short, better save some. Nothing like strawberry for those pb&j sandwiches. It's more work to get the seeds out for jelly but is it worth it? Better freeze berries, too. Sounds like we're back to the farm for more berries – where we'll see the next berries maturing, too.

The next patriotic day is Flag Day, June 14, so watch for events the days before. You Scouts remind us to display it outside during dry daylight hours – unless a light shines on it, and to hold it upright as we carry and march with it.

The next weekend is Fathers' Day. What shall the family do to celebrate? Have you noticed that the Canal Corp put the buoys back into the Hudson (Why do they take them out?) Your family could hike or bike along the Old Champlain Towpath from the Visitors' Center in Schuvlerville and come out at Lock 5 where you might see the locks work and even get to talk with Canadians on their vacht going home after Winter in the Caribbean. Keep going through Hudson Crossing Park, across the steeldeck bridge across the rest of the river (you've actually been on an island!) and you're in Washington County! Keep going on the new bridge across the Battenkill, around Hollingsworth and Vose to Route 29 and Schuylerville where you started. If you do go on June 11, you can rest at HCP where they'll have events all day, ending with a free evening concert by the Albany Symphony Orchestra.

If you'd rather dig in the dirt, you could participate in the archaeological dig at the Knickerbocker Mansion (hello, Leslie).

If you can't wait for county fairs for fair food, the next Food Truck Friday at the Washington County Fairgrounds is June 10, with music, too.

It's a father's day whenever we do things with our fathers!

Interpersonal Edge

Gaining a sense of self-confidence

Daneen Skube

Special to Journal & Press

Q: I've worked hard to get myself into top positions in school and at work. Once I get into a position I compare myself, think others know what they are doing, and that I cannot compete. No matter how hard I work and succeed this negative thinking is my downfall. How do I stop obsessing about my inadequacy?

A: You can stop obsessing about your inadequacy if you realize everyone on Planet Earth has some amount of self-hatred. When we're tuning into the self-criticism station we will only hear about our flaws. If we focus on ourselves, we go down the rabbit hole of self-hatred. If we focus on the benefit we provide to others, we stop worrying about whether we're good enough.

When we concentrate on leaving others better than we found them, we're only noticing results. To the extent we're working to figure out how to be useful, we're not using energy to beat ourselves up. At the end of the day if we've made useful contributions, no one in our daily environment is concerned if we are having self-esteem issues.

When my clients are struggling



with this issue, I point out that if I enter a session focusing on my adequacy I will fail to be of any use to them. I will be so obsessed with my self-esteem that I will not be present to help. If I enter a session focused on benefiting my client, my inadequacy is still there but is less important than being useful.

The concept that we must evaluate – whether we're smart or stupid, good or bad, or competent or incompetent – is about our ego. Our ego strives for perfection, so as to avoid feeling inadequate. Since perfection is impossible to achieve, our ego sets us up to fail, and then we feel bad as a result. No matter how fast we run to prove we're good enough, we cannot achieve perfection.

If instead of making our ego our master, we should make our soul our master. Then, we can strive each day to make a difference. At the end of the day, the question should not be: "Am I good enough?" The truth is there is no metric for being "good enough." Our question at the end of the day should be: "Did I leave anyone better than I found them?"

No matter how stressful we find our work, simply going to work gives us a perfect environment in which to be useful. Many people in retirement are surprised to find themselves struggling with the problem of feeling irrelevant. Retired people often don't realize how important it is to their peace of mind to make a daily contribution.

When my clients get ready to retire, I always talk with them about making plans so they can continue to feel useful. I realize that clients who retire and have not considered this problem will likely get depressed. If we are lucky and make valuable contributions at work, we will usually benefit financially. However, as many have pointed out, you cannot take money with you. As the Beatle's pointed out in a song, "You only take the love you make." Many spiritual teachers say that when we die, we experience personally all the benefit we have provided to others.

By focusing on love in action or being useful, we get two benefits: a good life and perhaps even a good death. Don't let your self-hatred derail you from benefiting yourself by benefiting others. You may achieve both temporary satisfaction and eternal rewards by simply ignoring your ego's demand for perfection!

The last word(s)

Q: Co-workers tell me I'm very judgmental and that makes it hard to work with me. Is there one thing you could recommend to make me less critical of others?

A: Yes, be willing to get to know your own humanity and flaws. We can only see others clearly and effectively when we know the origins of our own weaknesses.

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Argyle debates use of stimulus money

Robin Lyle Journal & Press

The gathering had the flavor of an old fashioned New England town hall with neighbors sharing the latest news as more folding chairs were brought out and placed in orderly rows. Over three dozen Argyle residents came out to share ideas for how stimulus money could be used to make improvements to the town and village.

The Village was first up, as Argyle Supervisor Bob Henke called on Village Engineer Gary Robinson from a list of speakers. "Every time there's a leak in the village we have to shut down the entire system because we don't have valves. The school is the biggest thing – it's an inconvenience for everybody but especially the school," Robinson said. \$80,000 for valves was the first in a package of requests to improve drinking water and wastewater infrastructure in the village.

Additional requests were made by the village's Mayor and Trustees. Proposals include \$8,293 to replace revenue that the village lost due to unpaid water bills during the pandemic, and another for \$6,000 to help support a drinking and wastewater engineering study.

Clean drinking water was also a theme of the presentation by the Summit Lake Association for Preservation (SLAP). Harmful algal blooms (HAB) – toxic for fish, birds, people and other

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mammals – have been increasing. HABs are fueled by run-off from nearby farm fields and higher water levels due to the silting-in of the outflow channel and beaver activity, explained SLAP's Tim Bearor.

Summit Lake is the back-up source of drinking water for the village but the water quality rating has dropped from an "AA" rating that is required. The solutions are complex and SLAP members sought help from the town in organizing a response to include: removal of a beaver dam, dredging of the outlet channel, installation of catch basins, and identification and remediation of leaking septic systems.

The Cossayuna Lake Improvement Association (CLIA) also sought funds to maintain a clean lake environment. "Years ago, the lake was dying, it was labeled eutrophic – basically all the weeds ruin the oxygen levels, leading to fish kills," said Tom LeCours. Improvements to the lake from CLIA's efforts have resulted in the return of nesting bald eagles and increases in property values. These are of benefit to the town at large, LeCours claimed. He requested \$30,000 to help defray projected costs of about \$80,000 for 2022 to carry out CLIA's two-pronged program of weed harvesting and herbicidal treatments to control invasives.

A \$40,000 revenue loss was incurred by the Argyle Fire Department when the Washington County Fair was cancelled in 2020. This meant the

loss of its primary fundraiser, a food booth at the fair. This loss cannot be recovered, however, because regulations specify that "funds must be used for costs incurred on or after March 3, 2021," as Fire Department Vice President, Mark St. Jacques, noted. Roofing shingles lining the roof and grounds near the building's entrance and the labor to replace the old roof, should qualify. "We should've done it a while ago. It will cost now about \$80,000 where it would've been \$50,000 a few years ago. Shingles have doubled, labor has doubled," St. Jacques said, requesting \$30,000 to make up the difference.

PPE requirements, ranging from masks to full gowns, goggles, and face shields, was just the beginning of strain on the Argyle Emergency Squad's finances. "Argyle [EMS] was not ready for the pandemic, nobody was. Costs for PPE and other items – medication, equipment, monitors – have skyrocketed. Not to mention the 'elephant in the room,' the cost of fuel," said President Ed Parker requesting \$20,000.

Cancellation of fundraising events also hit the Stiles House Renovation Committee budget. Having to cancel the popular Haunted House and car show events due to Covid threatens plans for construction of an ADA-compliant bathroom and handicapped accessible ramp. The bathroom "will serve the public well at large events such as the townwide garage sale, the 4th of July and Thistle Day parades, and Farmers' Market as well as whenever the proposed mobile medical van is onsite," said Director Allison Wilshere requesting \$5,000. The committee is seeking help with construction from a local business, Hunt Company, as well. Wilshere estimated costs of \$25,000 to complete the bathroom.

Finally, Supervisor Henke briefly listed the town board's ideas. Upgrades to the town hall such as an ADA compliant bathroom and a new septic and compensating the Youth Commission for two years of fundraising losses would "benefit the entire community", Henke said.

Salem scholar-athlete

Salem Washington Academy Katie Sweenor earned the Scholar Athlete Award for her academic and athletic accomplishments. Board of Education President Anne Dunigan presented the award to Katie at May's board of education meeting. Katie's parents, Jonathan and Jennifer Sweenor, and Coach Charlie Perry were in attendance. Katie graduates eighth in the class with an Advanced Regents Diploma with a Technical Endorsement in Agriculture. She is a two-time recipient of the Presidential Award for Academic Excellence and a member of the National Honor Society. She served as captain of the varsity basketball and soccer teams, and last year was named the Class D goalkeeper of the year.



The Right Side Column

Memorial Day

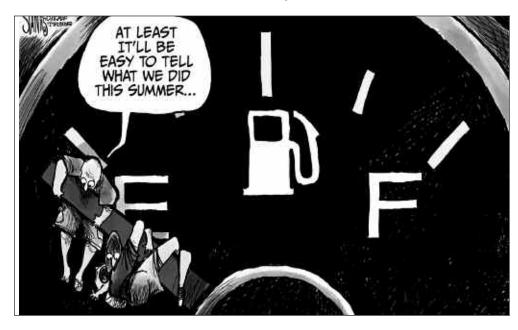
Roger De Korp Journal & Press

Memorial Day for most people has come to mean a three-day weekend or the unofficial start of Summer; some don't know the difference between Memorial Dav and Veterans' Dav. For those who are uninformed or have forgotten: "Memorial Day, originally known as Decoration Day, is a federal holiday mourning the U.S. military personnel who have died while serving in the U.S. armed forces." As I've gotten older and so much more appreciate those who served and died for all of us in this great country, my thoughts go to my own Mother and Father, who both served in North Africa and Europe in World War II. For many people of my generation - the Baby Boomers having a father who served in that war was the norm; the fathers of all my friends who I grew up with served in the War. I was the only one whose both parents had served.

My Mother was in the Army Nurse Corps (ANC), serving from May 1942 until November 1945. She grew up one of seven children, very poor, near Masonville, Colorado: her parents were so poor, in fact, that she lived with her aunt to finish high school. She worked for three years after graduation to save enough to put herself through nursing school. Having a vearning to travel, she worked in hospitals in Missouri, New York City, the Berkshires, and finally Stanford University Hospital: it was there that she enlisted in the Army. She was stationed in field hospitals across North Africa (treating wounded from battles which included Kasserine Pass), then on to Sicily, then Naples, the carnage of Anzio, and Salerno: from there it was on to Southern and Central France, and finally, Germany. During most of these postings, she served in what was called Shock Wards, which is now known as Emergency Rooms, and so she saw and treated the more

An Artist's Take

Political Cartoon of the Week by Scott Stantis



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catastrophic injuries. Although she, like most WWII Veterans didn't discuss her war experiences often, I do remember her mentioning how horrible and sad it was to see these young men so horrifically wounded, many of whom suffering massive head injuries. In Germany, in the waning days of war in Europe, she said there were more German soldiers – many in their teens – being treated than Americans.

'Neither of my parents spoke of their War years very often.'

My Father actively served from early January 1942 until February 1, 1946; for most of that time, he was Commanding Officer of the 46th **Quartermaster Graves Registration** Company (at different points for several months, he commanded multiple Graves Registration units). These companies were responsible for the recovery of the dead soldiers (including some Germans), identifying them (many times a quite difficult task), transporting them to collection areas, and then burying them with as full honors as possible in the throes of war. My father was personally responsible for choosing sites for the U.S. Military cemeteries in those theatres; those crisp and perfectly aligned grave markers, and the cemeteries in general, in North Africa, Italy, France, and Germany are a memorial honoring all those who are buried there, and to their families as well. I know that most of us think are Fathers are one of the smarted people we ever have known, but my father was absolutely the smartest person I've ever known, and at this point, will ever know. He graduated high school at 15; attended New York University (was inducted into ROTC at 15), graduated from NYU at 19, and from NYU School of Law at age 22. He could passably speak five languages, was very knowledgeable in math, literature, and seemed to know something about everything. After not practicing law in any manner for almost 30 years, he took a NY State Civil Service exam for a senior attorney position with the State of New York, and finished third in the state; while there, he helped state legislators research current law and write bills for debate and vote in the state legislature.

> Neither of my parents spoke of their War years very often; as I said, my mother spoke only briefly about it. The only time I ever heard my father talk of it was when he was attempting to motivate me

in school, trying to get me to work hard at subjects I hated (which I guess was most of them); he mentioned that he hated his assignment and tried to get reassigned to no avail, but he was determined to do the very best he could; he was awarded the Legion of Merit for his excellence (among his other accomplishments, his unit had the least number of unidentified dead in the entire theatre) and never told us.

My parents' roles in World War II influenced their views of our country and the world, and mine as well. I think about what they and the others of the "Greatest Generation" endured; I think about the men my mother tried to save and the ones my father buried; and I think about how important it is for all of us and our next generations to never forget about them and what they fought for and even died for. Every day. But especially on Memorial Day.

Roger De Korp is a retired retail multi-unit supervisor. He resides in Greenwich with his wife Colleen.



Pooh's Corner to close

Pooh's Corner has provided preschool programming for 3 and 4 year old children in Greenwich and the surrounding communities for 42 years. It was started in 1978, by Gay Gilbert and Betty Chambers as an outreach of Centenary United Methodist Church to meet the need for a quality local program to help children prepare for kindergarten. The curriculum focused on social and emotional development in addition to cognitive skills. Since the first graduation, 1587 children donned red graduation caps, presented a program under the direction of their teachers, and received their Pooh's Corner Diplomas. The Pooh's Graduations were a delight to the community.

At a recent Board meeting, the decision was made to close the preschool. Children have not been in attendance since March of 2020 although staff arranged some drive by activities. Current staff members include Karen Knight, Director/Teacher, Teachers Sally Infante and Penny Hall and Aide, Annette VanDerWater. Staff are very disappointed that they are unable to continue the preschool program due to the ever changing COVID guidelines. The Pooh's Corner Board would like to express their appreciation to the current and past staff for their many years of dedication to the children.

Pooh's would like to thank Centenary United



Class of 2009 graduation: "Our Forest Friends" theme.



Karen Knight, and Annette Vandewater. Methodist Church and the community for their

ongoing support of the school.



Director Karen Knight is retiring after 32 years of teaching. Pictured with Betty Chambers, founder and teacher/director for 20 years.



Fleming's award

Salem Central School District senior Autumn Fleming was awarded a scholarship in the amount of \$350 from the Adirondack Area School Boards Association (AASBA). The scholarship is based on volunteer and community service and was presented at AASBA's annual awards dinner held Thursday, May 12, 2022, at the Courtyard Marriott in Lake George. Autumn is very active in the community and her efforts include volunteering for Salem's Community Cats, a nonprofit animal welfare organization.She plans to pursue a master's degree in journalism/communications at Pace University. She graduates as class valedictorian with an Advanced Regents



Diploma with honors and mastery in math and science. She earned multiple awards including the Frederick Douglas and Susan B. Anthony Award, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute's Rensselaer Medal for Excellence in Math and Science, the New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence, and the Presidential Education Award. Autumn is the daughter of Brian and Tina Fleming of Salem.



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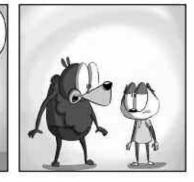
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Journal & Press

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

100 Years Ago June 7, 1922

Ernest Sherwood and James Decker, convicts at Great Meadow prison with less than a year to serve, escaped Sunday afternoon while working about the prison barn. They are reported to have been seen between Hartford and Granville but had not been recaptured at the last reports. Both men were convicted of charges involving alleged attacks upon young women.

80 Years Ago June 3, 1942

Thousands of bales of waste paper piled in a huge stack near the mill of the United Paperboard company at Thomson burst into flame early last Thursday evening, and in spite of the efforts of firemen called from three villages and the mill company's own efficient fire fighting organization, the best that could be said for the battle early this week was that the flames were under control. The fire was not out, and there wasn't much prospect that it would be until the vast pile of paper, said to be at least 3000 tons, was consumed, or at least reduced to worthless blackened and watersoaked sludge. The loss is officially estimated at upwards of \$75,000, which is understood to be covered by insurance. ... The Greenwich company laid some 1200 feet of hose and had three heavy streams

on the fire from about 7 o'clock in the evening until 4:30 the next morning. ... The only theory advanced as to the origin of the flames is that of spontaneous combustion occurring within the paper pile.

60 Years Ago June 6, 1962

EDITORIAL: TWO LITTLE WORDS – Because we read in the papers of astronomical sums being spent for various phases of defense, we are apt to think that most of the federal tax dollar goes for defense spending. This is not true. ... Why, then, the zooming budgets? Obviously it's because our government is taking on more and more programs and services. Or to say it in just two little words – welfare state.

40 Years Ago

June 10, 1982

Polly LeBarron, an eighth grader at Greenwich Central School, came in third during the fifth annual Regional Spelling Bee held at Hudson Falls Junior High School June 5. Polly was eliminated on the word "gnome." Her departure left Glens Falls Middle School classmates Corrie Bates and Stephanie Pinchook to vie for the first place trophy. Stephanie stumbled on the word "exhilarate" and Corrie correctly spelled that word, then went on to clinch the bee with the correct spelling of "fastidious."

10 Years Ago

June 14, 2012

The 20th annual Whipple City

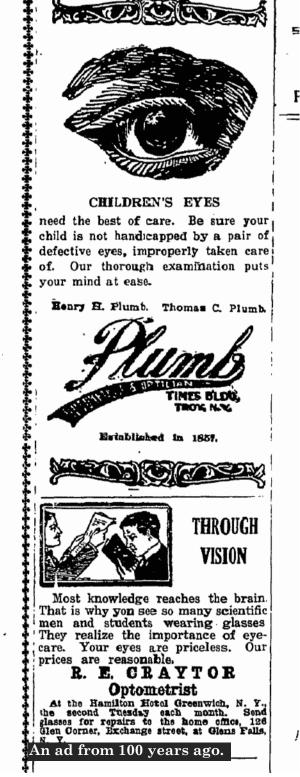
Festival, organized by the Greater Greenwich Chamber of Commerce, will get underway on Friday. ... The parade, with a theme of "The Sunday Comics," will [have as] Grand Marshal ... a comic strip artist from the area, John McPherson. He creates "Close to Home" panels. The judges who will select the procession's Most Comical, Most Super Heroic and Most Animated prize winners will be comics enthusiasts and Greenwich students Grady Dixson, Pete Hayes and Keith Pratt.

2 Years Ago

June 1, 2020

Town Supervisor Don Ward commented on his recently-declared local State of Emergency at the town board meeting on Thursday, May 19. The local issuance, which is in effect from May 18 to June 1, states that the State of Emergency was "declared due to emergency conditions produced by the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, which imperil the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents, business and workforce of the Town of Greenwich." According to the declaration, the town offices will remain open on a "limited basis," and all inperson services for civilians will be "by appointment

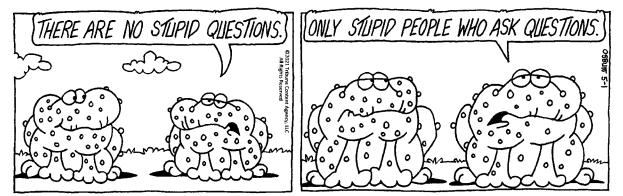
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The Funny Page

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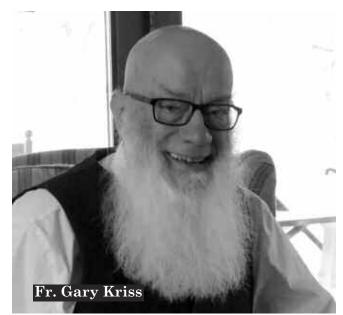
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St Paul's organ recital; parish priest retiring

Albany Organist Trevor Kahlbaugh will play a recital Sunday, June 12, at 4 p.m. on the historic E. & G.G. Hook organ at St Paul's Church, Salem. The recital will include music by Bach, Mozart, Messiaen, Mendelssohn and Brahms. The concert will be a benefit for the Tower Restoration Fund. The community is cordially invited.

A native of the Capital District, Kahlbaugh began his career in music as a boy chorister in the Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys at Albany's Cathedral of All Saints. He first studied organ with the cathedral choirmaster, the late Dr. Lloyd Cast, and continued his studies at The Jacob's School of Music at Indiana University.

As a church musician, Kahlbaugh has had the privilege of serving many parishes. Most notably, he has served as organ Scholar and Assistant Choirmaster at the Cathedral of All Saints in Albany, New York, and as assistant music director at Trinity Episcopal Church in



Bloomington, Indiana. He currently serves as organist at First Presbyterian Church in Albany. He also teaches at the College of St Rose and SUNY Albany and accompanies a number of choral groups in the area. He has performed in concerts and recitals throughout the United States and Europe, as well as locally.

The organ recital will be the final event in a day marking the retirement of St. Paul's parish priest, the Very Reverend Gary W Kriss. Fr. Kriss moved to the area in 2001 when he retired as dean and president of Nashotah House Theological Seminary in Nashotah, Wisconsin. Two years later, when St Paul's was in need of a priest, Fr. Kriss answered their call and has been the part-time vicar ever since.

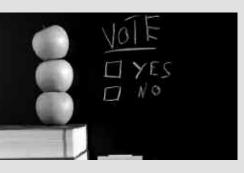
Ordained in Burlington, Vermont, on Trinity Sunday 1972, Fr. Kriss will have his last Sunday at St Paul's on Trinity Sunday 2022, his 50th anniversary. In his ministry in the Episcopal Church he has served as dean of the Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, and interim dean of the Cathedral of St John, Albuquerque, New Mexico, as well as dean of Nashotah and parish priest in churches in Vermont and New York.

St. Paul's is a small parish, but the past 18 years have seen some notable accomplishments under Fr. Kriss's leadership. Until the onset of the pandemic, the parish regularly welcomed the community to popular ecumenical services in Advent and Lent, as well as other occasions. It is expected that these will resume soon. In the wake of Hurricane Irene in 2011, St. Paul's offered the use of its parish hall as a new home to the community food pantry, an ecumenical endeavor that serves the needy in our community.

The restoration of the historic organ in 2006 was the first step in a program of restoration

School vote results

All area school budgets passed on May 17. In Greenwich, which had a contested school board race, Thom Powers (625), Heather Mattison (554) and Amy Wise Foster (539) secured the most votes to take three open seats. Voter turnout (942) was significantly higher than in 2021 (394) and 2020 (562), when votes were cast by mail. The Journal & Press hosted a Meet the Candidates night on May 11, which is available in video format via JournalandPress.com.





and renovation of the church building that continues today with the repairs to the tower, transept and nave walls. That project has included substantial fund-raising. Most recently, the parish was awarded a generous grant by the Glens Falls Foundation toward the \$225,000.00 effort to preserve the historic church building.

Through the years, services at St Paul's have been characterized by traditional liturgy and music and thoughtful preaching. The pandemic limited in-person participation until recently, so the parish adapted, offering services online. Nearly every day for more than two years Fr. Kriss has recorded services that are uploaded to the parish YouTube channel.

In his retirement, Fr. Kriss will continue to live in the area with his golden retriever Becket. He plans to travel, complete work on a book on his family history, and learn to play the banjo.

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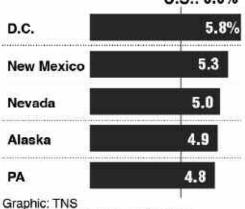
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States with the highest unemployment

Percentage of civilian labor force that was unemployed. April 2022 average, seasonally adjusted U.S.: 3.6%



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Why bully me online when you can tech shame me to my face?

Greg Schwem

Special to Journal & Press

I was having breakfast with my friend Jason when the topic turned to social media apps. I mentioned how time consuming it was for me, a standup comedian, to constantly post on Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube, Twitter and TikTok, as I struggle to gain those all-important likes and followers.

"What about OnlyFans?" he asked.

"Huh?" I mumbled between bites of granola.

"You've NEVER heard of Only-Fans?" he asked, although he already knew my answer. He then provided details of the app, which allows content creators to earn money from subscribers willing to pay. A tableside Google search taught me the app exploded in popularity during the pandemic, as sex workers and adult film stars posted naughty images and videos, and watched the profits roll in.

"It's like Instagram for porn," Jason said. "I can't BELIEVE you haven't heard of it."

"Here's a better question," I responded. "Why have you heard OF it?" Once again, I had been "tech shamed." Typically, it occurs when I try to converse verbally with an individual half my age but that's not always the case. Tech shamers come in all shapes, sizes, ages and annoyance levels.

For the record, I have no idea what a non-fungible token is and am perplexed that whoever created it chose "fungible" as a descriptor. I recently purchased a small amount of bitcoin but did so only after reading Starbucks accepts it as a form of payment. Someday, when I'm feeling particularly sinister, I plan to enter a crowded Starbucks and then, while a dozen or more caffeine-ad-

'I have no idea what a nonfungible token is and still have a VCR in my house.'

dicted patrons wait impatiently in line behind me, tell the newly hired barista that I will be paying for my caramel macchiato with crypto.

The only thing I know about the metaverse is it involves a virtual reality headset and Mark Zuckerberg is currently wearing it. Also, if pressed, I will admit to not really knowing what a virtual reality headset is. I think they are on sale at Best Buy.

My refusal to always be on the cutting edge of technology extends beyond what is on my phone or within my line of vision. My golf clubs are 10 years old, and my golf bud-

dies mock me mercilessly because my driver head does not contain any screws which, if adjusted, allegedly cause the ball to fly higher, lower, straighter and farther. Bowing to pressure, I borrowed such a club and, after twisting the screws to every conceivable position, realized I am still capable of hitting a house with a tee shot.

> Blame part of tech shaming on the pandemic. With nothing to entertain ourselves other than technology for two years, it's only natural that we

would want the latest, greatest, fastest and most convenient everything. Our food choices were determined not by what we had a taste for, but whether UberEats could deliver them. When our local friends and relatives celebrated birthdays, we could have donned masks, stood 6 feet apart and wished them many more in person. Instead, we opted for Zoom and made sure we had the latest version installed in hopes it would make everyone's face less blotchy.

I resisted celebrating my daughter's 18th birthday in that manner. We organized a "drive by" celebration featuring dozens of friends who wished her happy birthday from their cars. It was cold, rainy and miserable that day, but she smiled and waved



while holding an umbrella, exhibiting emotions that could not be replicated on a Zoom call.

Which is why I would like to see tech shaming go the way of the VCR, even though I still have one of those in my house. How else will my wife and I watch our 30-yearold wedding video on our anniversary? When I offer to write a check instead of Venmo-ing (is that even a word?) money to your account, please refrain from rolling your eyes. You are still getting paid. When I follow you on Instagram via my iPhone 7, do not laugh at me. You still gained a new follower. Live your life your way and I will live mine outdated.

If you disagree, send me a letter. And don't forget a stamp.

You know what that is, don't you?

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trations 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 at Amazon.com. Visit Greg on the web at www.gregschwem.com.

New super

Greenwich Central School District's Board of Education appointed Dr. Jennifer Steimle as the district's next Superintendent of Schools. Steimle is currently the Director of K-12 Humanities and Elementary Instruction at Saratoga Springs City School District. She will begin her duties as superintendent effective July 1, 2022.



Cody's Column

Start thinking about election season now

Cody Fitzgerald

Journal & Press

Mark your calendars, June 28 is Primary Day! For those of you wondering what that is, write your complaints to the public school system and then hear me out. Next month, you'll be voting on several candidates running for positions this upcoming election season, and the primaries give the candidates and the committees a good idea of who the public is most interested in and who has any kind of foothold in the general election. Here's who you get to look out for-

Senate

Running as independents, third party or non party affiliated are Vivika Alexander, Mohammad Ahmed, Joel Anabilah-Azumah, Nicholas Mantanona, Water Masterson, Luca Nascimbene and Diane Sare, none of whom have stated a firm position for their campaign.

Running for the Democrats is Chuck Schumer, who runs largely on increasing funding for lacking areas in America, such as education, veteran support, housing and healthcare. He is hesitant on a socialized system, however. Moses Mugulusi (focused on public health, economics, childcare, education and term limit reform) and Khaleed Salem (an activist largely focused on free education, a reduction in domestic violence, family support and a reduction of U.S. presence in the Middle East) still require petitions but do intend to run.

Running for the Republicans is Joe Pinion, a Newsmax host, who is running largely on claims of economic abuse under Biden and wanting to fix inflation, gas prices, etc. There is no specific platform stated yet. Aleksander Mici is running on claims to stop communism from entering America (which, for sake of clarity, has not happened), but has yet to receive

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enough signatures.

Gubernatorial

Running as Republicans for the governor's race are Rob Astorino, who plans to increase charter schools and ban Critical Race Theory, introduce new term limits and ban of naming buildings after current incumbent officials, Andrew Guiliani, who has not laid out a specific platform and has largely rose off of mudslinging and spreading false rhetoric about the 2020 election, Harry Wilson, who is running to "clean up Albany, lower taxes and [be] tough on crime," and Lee Zeldin, largely running against Critical Race Theory and in support of the military/police department.

Running for the Democrats is incumbent Kathy Hochul, who has largely ran on ending sex based discrimination and halting the COVID-19 pandemic, Tom Suozzi, running largely as a "centrist Democrat" and wanting to keep middle America happy, and Jumaane Williams, running for racial justice and an inclusive New York state, as well as housing and healthcare for all New York citizens.

Why Vote?

For as many people that brush past the gen-

eral election each year, there are always even more people who completely disregard the primaries, which is arguably even more important. Unfortunately, for most, you know if you are voting red or blue in November, as sad as it is. New York, and America, is polarized down the middle and there is not much room for centrism. What you can do, right now, is decide who you WILL be voting for in November. Look at the candidates, decide which one from your party will do the best job representing your views in the next few years. Everyone should make sure they are registered, which you can do at https://www.ny.gov/services/register-vote in less than five minutes, and SHOW UP on June 28th to make your voices heard.

Guys, a former New York representative just turned up on The Masked Singer. Let's do better.

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 now attends Siena College and hopes to share this outlook/coping mechanism with future generations.



Garden Club photo contest

Amateur photographers are invited to take some photos and submit them to the Photography Exhibit at the Schuylerville Garden Club's Annual Standard Flower Show. The show entitled "Flowers Take Flight" will be held on July 23 and July 24 at the Town Hall in Schuylerville, NY.

The photography section is entitled "Feather in One's Cap.". The classes are as follows:

Class 1 "Flight of Fancy" – a flock of birds. Class 2 "A Bird in the Hand" – a close-up of a bird.

Class 3 "The Early Bird Catches the Worm" – a photo of a garden designed to attract birds.

Photos should be 8 x 10 inches with a white 11x14 inch mat. Photos must be pre-registered to plan for space and submitted by the deadline of July 15, 2022. Other details and an entry form are available at www.schuylervillegardenclub.org or by calling Nancy Derway, Photography Consultant at 518-796-4797 campderway @yahoo.com.

In past years, the Photo Exhibit has been enjoyed by the attendees, with prizes being awarded by People's Choice. In addition to the Photo Exhibit, the show will include Horticulture, Floral Design and Artistic Crafts Competition classes. Design and horticulture information is also available on the website.

When I knew consulting was not for me

Lance Allen Wang Journal & Press

The transition out of the military was not easy after 21 years, and the fact that it was still only months after an Iraq tour made for a lot of heavy traffic in my skull. For the better part of two decades and change, what I did was who I was. The military provided my friends, I met my wife there, it was my hobby, my life really – and that was all about to change. Through the largess of a good friend I had met in the Army, I was going to enter into management consulting. He had a small business which he kept afloat through pluck and stubborn determination and was willing to chance bringing me on. We had seen each other at our best in uniform, maybe the chemistry would translate and help his small company break out.

I worked some consulting contracts, sold a couple of minor ones. I realized what was missing about halfway through my eighteen months in the business. Any success I had in the Army was due to one, good soldiers working for or alongside me, and two, the passion I had for what I did. Talent never got me out of bed in the morning, passion did. To me, it meant the feeling that what I did had some higher purpose and made a difference. I couldn't define it like that back then – maybe you only understand those things when they are noticeably absent. Two events best defined that failure for passion to ignite:

First, I remember representing the company at an industry trade show right after I started in the business. During one of the extended lulls, I walked from our booth to look about. I visited one lonely booth where there was a tall fellow, a bit older than I, looking as bored as the Maytag Repairman. Turned out he was a retired Navy Admiral. Said so right there on his business card and consulting literature. I just remember thinking how sad it seemed – that his honorable career has led to, at



least on this day, a less than successful marketing opportunity. Unrelated, but at that same show, towards the end, an African gentleman walked up to my booth. He leaned on our counter and asked what I did. I gave the 60-second elevator speech, and then asked what he did. He smiled a huge smile, and chuckled, "I... am a BOOL-s**t artist!" I realize now that I should have hugged him and cried, "Sir, you may be the most honest man in this room!"

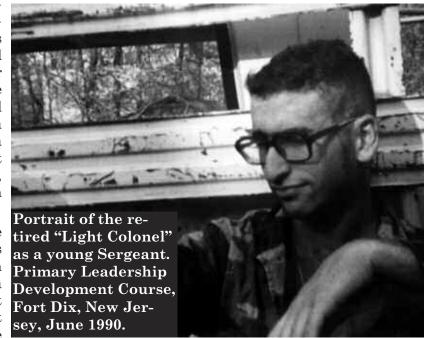
The other event that convinced me that this was not the field for me was a bidders' conference for a Pentagon personnel contract. We sat through a rather boring and typical government contract presentation, and then went off to a side room. We were going to be part of a larger bidder's contract pro-

posal, or something along those lines. There was a lot of back slapping, hand shaking, and the thrill of pirates planning to board a fat, slow mail

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steamer. In an hour of a half of meeting among this group I heard a lot about a juicy contract. But not once did I hear anything about how it would better serve our troops. Not even for appearance's sake. It sounds sanctimonious now, but at the time, it punctuated how radical a culture change I had gone through. These people sounded like every bad "Beltway Bandit" stereotype. I realized I was never going to fit in with this group, nor would it be possible for me to see the world as they did.

I then went to the world of higher education, working in administration. My father was a teacher. My brother is a professor. This was a noble field, and I just knew I would rediscover passion and a purpose. My closest Army buddy assured me, "You know, this is the kind of job I always pictured you going into." Going into higher education administration to find passion, in retrospect, was a terrible decision. In the slightly over three years I was there, I could count on one hand the number of stu-



dents I saw in our offices. In that same time, I only sat and talked with one student at length, a good friend of mine's son who was going to the school. At the time, it gave me an emotional boost – I got to talk to someone at the end of the chain, the supposed reason we existed. Boosts like that were few and far between, and remoteness from students was symptom of a larger toxicity between administration, faculty, and students. When you've worked in organizations where things "click," where the intangibles of leadership create tangible results, where people come in on their off time not because they must, but because they want to... well, these are things that I took for granted in a previous life.

Luckily, a little after three years there I moved on, back into government work, this time as a civilian and at the local level. It has a higher purpose. It makes a difference. I realized that for me personally, passion came from service. And its absence really did make the heart grow fonder. In an age where many are going through career changes either by design or necessity, and to the many veterans still trying to make a transition, I hope this story offers some food for thought.

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