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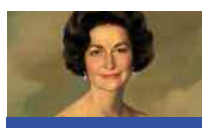
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Old Saratoga Mercantile, a farm and general store in Schuylerville, has taken on the role of hosting farmers selling marijuana products through the state's Cannabis Growers Showcase. The temporary program runs through January 1, 2024.

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A 'Kinder' breed of goat

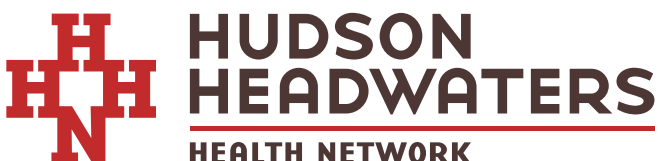
Leslie Green-Witham's passion for Kinder Goats is contagious to anyone who meets her. And she and this unique breed recently visited the county fair.

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Historical engineering

The August Wednesday night program at the Cambridge Historical Society, 12 Broad St., Cambridge, NY will be held on September 20th starting at 7:00 p.m. with tours of the museum from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Dr. Paul K. Walker, Retired Chief Historian, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will present: "Engineering Independence: Army Engineers in the American Revolution, 1775-1783."

Lacking sufficiently trained engineers in the colonies, by 1776 Congress turned to France, the center of technical education, for support. Several French engineers joined the patriot cause. One served as Washington's Chief Engineer from 1777 until 1783. During that time the engineers organized into a Corps, recruited companies of sappers and miners, and made major contributions from Boston to Yorktown.

This talk will focus on how the Corps was organized and the role its officers and enlisted men played in building fortifications, leading siege operations, conducting reconnaissance, and map-making. Although the Corps was discharged from service in 1783, its successes assured that engineers would be part of national defense again in the 1790s and ultimately become a permanent branch of the Army in 1802.

Paul Walker is a part-time resident of Cambridge. He received a PhD in American History from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. After teaching at several Baltimore-area colleges, he joined the staff of the Office of History, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He served as the Corps' Chief Historian for twenty years before retiring in 2008. His publications include "Engineers of Independence: A Documentary History of the Army Engineers in the



American Revolution, 1775-1783."

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What are your antiques worth?

It's back!.....the Great Cambridge Antiques Roadshow. (No relation to the TV show). The popular event will be held this year rain or shine at the Cambridge Historical Society Museum, 12 Broad St. in Cambridge, NY on Saturday, September 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., rain or shine.

For only \$6 each you can have your item(s) appraised by two well-known, experienced appraisers with 46 years of experience. They are licensed, bonded and insured in NY, MA, FL, CT and Vermont and are members of the N.E. Appraiser's Assoc. since 1981.

So bring in your family heirlooms or the odd, quirky piece you always wanted to know about, get a verbal appraisal, have your questions answered or watch from the sidelines. There will also be a bake sale and added this year, face painting. Free tours of the 1869 house and carriage barn will be available.



Beware of this election scam

Boards of Elections staff in Washington and Warren counties are warning residents about individuals impersonating election officials to confront voters to make accusations they are illegally registered to vote.

Incidents have been reported this week in a number of locations around New York State, including Warren and Washington counties, in which individuals visited the homes of voters with paperwork to incorrectly claim they were illegally registered to vote.

In a local case, a woman who had recently moved to Warren County was visited Sunday, August 27, 2023. Individuals falsely claiming to be from Washington County Board of Elections told her she had illegally registered to vote in Warren County. In fact, her registration was legal, according to Warren County Board of

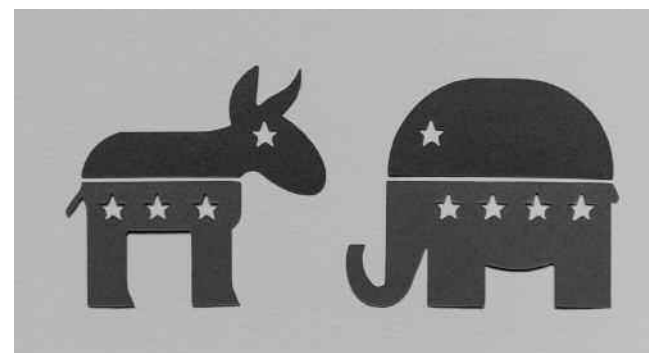
Elections.

The two women who visited the Warren County home carried identification cards. They presented the resident with a blank NY State election complaint form, leaving her shaken.

Sheriff's offices in Warren and Washington counties have been notified.

Residents should be aware that Board of Elections staff do not visit homes or voters in person. All contact between Boards of Elections staff and voters is done in person at Board of Elections offices or via telephone, email or U.S. Postal Service.

Anyone who is visited by someone questioning their voter registration should look at any identification they offer but not interact any further with the visitor. It would be very helpful



to have descriptions and license plate numbers of the people involved if possible before contacting local law enforcement. Board of Elections staff should also be notified.

In Warren County, Board of Elections staff can be reached at 518-761-6458.

In Washington County, Board of Elections staff can be reached at 518-746-2180.

A program to quit smoking

Commit 2 Quit, a Washington County Public Health program to help residents stop using tobacco and nicotine products such as cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco, and e-cigarettes (also known as vapes or Juul), will be hosting a 6-week group program. This group program will be hosted online, weekly from Monday October 16th to November 20th from 5-6 pm.

Commit 2 Quit gives participants the education, tools, and support they need to quit tobacco and nicotine products. This includes providing information on medication options,

finding ways to control urges and withdrawal symptoms, and offering a space to discuss the highs and lows of quitting tobacco and nicotine. Group programs provide participants with a support network of others quitting tobacco and nicotine at the same time as them. People who use medication and coaching are twice as likely to finally quit tobacco and nicotine products than those who attempt without support. Individual coaching is also available.

Registration is required. For questions or to register, please call (518) 746-2416 or email

aheadwell@washingtoncountyny.gov.



Region's newest Eagle Scout

Darren Johnson
Journal & Press

At Troop 27's Eagle Banquet on Aug. 5 at the Greenwich Elks Lodge, Aidan Armitage, 18, was honored as the region's newest Eagle Scout.

Armitage graduated from Greenwich High School in June. He is now attending SUNY Morrisville and majoring in agricultural business. His parents are Kevin and Lee-Ann Armitage and he has two siblings, an older sister, Erin, and a younger brother, Ryan.

"Scouting has drastically changed my life," Aidan Armitage said. "I learned lots of survival skills as well as leadership skills. I was able to travel across the country and experience truly amazing scouting camps such as the Summit and Sea Base and was also able

to visit many historical sites such as Washington, D.C., Philadelphia and more."

Eagle Scout is the highest achievement or rank attainable in the Scouts BSA program of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). Since its inception in 1911, only four percent of Scouts have reportedly earned this rank after a lengthy review process. The Eagle Scout rank has been earned by over 2.5 million youth over the past 122 years.

"It is a huge honor to become an Eagle Scout, and I now know why there are so many Boy Scouts that don't make it to the Eagle rank," Armitage said. "It takes a lot of time and a tremendous amount of work to become an Eagle Scout. I am glad that I decided to stick with it all the way through, because I was able to achieve this amazing honor."

Requirements include earning at least 21 merit badges, 14 of which are mandatory for the award. The Eagle Scout must demonstrate Scout Spirit, an ideal attitude based upon the Scout Oath and Law, service, and leadership. This includes an extensive service project that the Scout plans, organizes, leads, and manages.



Aidan Armitage

Eagle Scouts are presented with a medal and a badge that visibly recognizes the accomplishments of the Scout.

"I especially enjoyed meeting new people and making new friends," Armitage added. "Whenever I went to a scouting event, I would always meet a new person that I could call my friend."

Story time

Story Hour at the Easton Library begins again on Wednesday, September 13th from 10-11 AM. Children from birth to age 5 and their moms, dads, or caregivers are welcome!

Mrs. Nadia is excited to see friends from last year and meet new friends this year! Be ready to sing songs, listen to a story, work on a craft and have fun! Remember to bring a snack to eat, too.



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Greenwich — tourist destination?

Michael Levy
Journal & Press

I freely admit that I did not grow up in Washington County, New York. I was born in South Florida and spent a large portion of my youth there. The weather was typically pleasant, and the year-round temperatures were commonly mild. An ethos existed of enjoying the passing time under the sun. Imagine the joy of riding your new bike on Christmas morning while wearing a tee shirt and gym shorts!

But trouble in paradise descended upon us every year like a plague of locusts. Enormous swarms of tourists came for a visit each winter to escape the snow and ice of the northern parts of this country. In my memories, most came from the states of New York and New Jersey, but I am sure they came from elsewhere as well.

Some of these vacationers were obnoxious. Dozens of times in my teen years, I would be adjacent to the street when an automobile bearing New York license plates would pull alongside, the driver blasting its deafeningly loud horn before the tires had even stopped rolling. The occupants would insist that I stop whatever I was doing and come over to them, as if I were a minimum wage worker at some tourist attraction who was hired to tell guests where the restroom was located. In these olden days before GPS navigation, these northern locusts expected me to give them directions to whatever restaurant or tourist attraction that they could not find by themselves using the directions previously provided by someone else. Most of the time they would thank me afterward, but a large number did not. I can't say that I ever enjoyed any of these interactions. And yes, I was very careful not to come close to their vehicles since there were a lot of child abductions in Florida back then.

Other visitors were more pleasant to deal with and I will come



back to them in a moment.

An overt effort was initiated in the 1970s to create a new cultural hegemony for locals with the implicit goal of promoting tourism as being “good” for South Florida. Television and radio ads would tout how much money flows into the economy from tourism and that we needed to make our northern guests feel welcome. This theme even infiltrated the pedagogy in the public schools. I wish they had a slogan contest to promote this scheme because my blunt entry would have been, “Welcome Back Tourists, Welcome Back Money!” which is my short version of what “they” were trying to say.

Which brings us back to the somewhat pleasant tourists. You could easily spot them on the street as they were looking around and taking in all the sights. And then they would get a puzzled look on their faces, and you knew instantly that they were lost or perhaps something was not clicking for them. Maybe because of the local tv and radio ads mentioned previously (or maybe because I was a Boy Scout who tried to do at least

one Good Turn daily), I would walk over and volunteer my assistance.

Fast forward many decades to the streets of Greenwich, New York. A recent article in the Albany Times Union titled, “Stopping by Greenwich: Evoking Charm, Washington County style” was published on August 20, 2023. It espoused the virtues of our village, gave a little history, while mentioning several eateries and businesses to visit.

Shortly after this article was published, I saw several tourists

‘I saw several tourists who had probably come here because of the Times Union article.’

who had probably come here because of the Times Union article. Then, I witnessed something from my youth. They had the same sense of bewilderment as they walked down Main Street that I remembered seeing from the tourists strolling down Miracle Mile in Coral Gables, Florida – the same look, the same gaze, and the same

state of confusion. But their bewilderment turned to befuddlement once they realized that many of the establishments mentioned by the Times Union writer were not open for business. And after this kind of experience, I bet the next time these visitors go day-tripping, they will go somewhere other than Greenwich.

We have the elements needed to make this town a thriving place to live and visit. However, something is not clicking. If you are a public facing business and expect the community to support your business, you need to “serve” the community in return. I am not saying that you must be open 24/7, but you need to be open for business on most days of the week and at times that most people would consider reasonable for your type of establishment. Your business will flourish and prosper. Not only will the locals love it, the tourists and their money will flock here too, which is this edition's random thought.

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

Cambridge Fuel Fund meets local need

The Cambridge Fuel Fund Committee reports that the 2022-2023 heating season was a record-breaking one for the program. \$25,917 was distributed via area vendors to assist 51 households for various heating needs including fuel oil, kerosene, propane, and wood pellets. Assistance is also available for electric heat and cut wood (if wood source is available).

The program is available if the household does not qualify for H.E.A.P. or their H.E.A.P. allotment has been used up.

The program was able to process the record

number of requests due to the very generous donations of many individuals and a few civic organizations. Thank you from the committee for your continued support.

The 2023-2024 heating season will be upon us soon. Annually September and October are the “Replenish the Fuel Fund” months. Donations of any amount are appreciated. Donations may be mailed year-round to Cambridge Fuel Fund, P.O. Box 473, Cambridge, NY 12816.

Any organizations wishing to hold a fundraising event for this fund, please contact co-admin-

istrators Linda or Bev at 518-677-3327.



Monarch butterflies are worth saving

Emilly Sargent
Greenwich Free Library

Did you know that monarchs only have a 10% chance of making it from the egg to butterfly stage in the wild? I didn't know until I started doing research for a new program idea I had at the library. Butterflies have always fascinated me, and my understanding of the importance of conservation started at a young age. I remember my dad designing and building a butterfly house at the local park where I grew up. I remember running through the fields with our butterfly nets capturing the butterflies that we hoped would make their new home in the butterfly house. Visiting a butterfly house is a bit like stepping into a magical world where flowers are coveted and the silent motion of busy butterfly activity is all around you. You can check out the indoor butterfly house at the Museum of Innovation and Science in Schenectady or Magic Wings Butterfly Conservancy in Deerfield, MA. In addition to childhood memories, I also knew some amazing friends that were raising and releasing butterflies with their kids, and I thought why can't everyone do this?

The monarch butterfly is a wonder. They start out as a tiny egg on a milkweed leaf or seed pod. Monarchs will only lay eggs on milkweed plants. Milkweed is all monarch caterpillars will ever eat. Female monarchs can lay between 400 to 1200 eggs in their lifetime. Once hatched the caterpillar will start eating. This is where "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle turns into a true story. In just two weeks our caterpillar will be 3,000 times larger than the day it hatches. Once fully grown our caterpillar has to find a safe place to form its chrysalis. The caterpillar will attach a wad of silk and hang upside down from it creating a J shape. It will stay like this for less than a day and then the exoskeleton splits and the chrysalis is formed, but not before our caterpillar discards its head! Yup, they actually lose their head (but in a good way). Now the true magic happens inside the chrysalis. After two weeks the chrysalis goes from being a green color to completely clear. At this point you can see the monarch before it comes out. The beautiful golden specks on the chrysalis are thought to be formed because of the monarch's milkweed-only diet. If

you are able to catch a monarch coming out of the chrysalis you won't regret it. It's amazing. The wings of the newly emerged butterfly are tiny and folded while the abdomen area is huge, but within minutes blood starts flowing to the new wings and they slowly expand while the abdomen becomes smaller. The wings take about an hour to dry and then our butterfly is ready for the world. You can keep your butterfly for a few days before releasing it. Make sure to give it flowers so it can drink the nectar. Insanely cool fact: researchers have recently found that monarchs retain their memories from the caterpillar to butterfly stage!

If that wasn't all amazing enough, I haven't even gotten to the most amazing monarch feat: the migration. Monarchs are the only known butterflies that do a roundtrip migration, like birds flying south for the winter. Monarchs can only survive in warm climates and migrate in 4 generations. When temperatures cool up north in the fall a special type of monarch is born. This monarch will travel up to 3,000 miles south to overwinter in Mexico. The monarch migration can consist of billions of butterflies and is one of the biggest and longest butterfly migrations in the world. Somehow our butterflies know where to go every year and will sometimes roost in the very same trees in Mexico used by their predecessors. In the spring our Monarch will fly up as far as Texas and lay her eggs. Most summer butterflies live for a few weeks but our migrating super butterfly will live for 9 months before passing away. The 2nd generation is born in Texas and continues making their way north laying eggs along the way. Once up in the northern part of the country the 3rd generation summer butterflies will continue to lay eggs until the fall comes when our 4th generation super butterflies will be born and make the incredible trip back south, and so the cycle begins again. Unfortunately this migration is being threatened by factors like deforestation in Mexico and the use of pesticides on milkweed plants.

After reading about the struggling monarch population the wheels were turning. How could I help? How could I get everyone else to help? Doing a library program seemed to make the most sense. So four years ago I started the Butterfly Raise and Release program at the library. Our mission was simply to help the local butterfly population. I put together a kit that included



everything you need to raise and release your own butterflies at home. The kit contains instructions, a butterfly enclosure to keep them safe while they grow and change, and milkweed seeds to plant in your yard for future butterflies. un items like a life cycle coloring sheet, butterfly growth tracker and a paper butterfly with embedded seeds to plant in the garden are also included.

Luckily I stumbled across a website called monarchwatch.org dedicated to monarch conservation. Through Monarch Watch I learned about their butterfly tagging system. When you are ready to release your monarch you place a small

'This migration is being threatened by the use of pesticides.'

round sticker on the lower wing that has a special tracking number. You can enter your tracking number into

their website database. If someone comes across your migrating butterfly and sees the tracking number they can add their location to the database so you could potentially see your butterfly's migration path. How cool is that? We've included one monarch tag in each kit. Also included in the kit from Monarch Watch is a butterfly bookmark (of course we have to add a bookmark) and a brochure on how to create your own monarch waystation at home. A waystation is simply a place butterflies can come where they can get milkweed and rest before continuing their migration. We created 50 kits our first year, I was blown away by the interest and couldn't believe how many people wanted to get involved. We offer 50 kits at the Greenwich Library and 50 kits at the Schuylerville Library now every summer and we are so proud to say every year they all get reseeded.

If you were unable to reserve one of our kits at the library you can still help the monarchs! The easiest way is to grow milkweed and preserve the milkweed you already have in your yard. You can purchase a collapsible mesh laundry hamper and a mesh drawstring hamper from Dollar General to create your butterfly enclosure, and finding online instructions to raise and rear monarchs is so easy. Monarch Watch is a great resource. If you wanted to go the extra mile your garden can become a certified waystation stop for monarchs through Monarch Watch. Any way you do it, we can't thank everyone enough for helping us save the monarchs.



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Buy items for Schuylerville troupe

Schuylerville Community Theater continuously strives to deliver live performances that showcase the utmost in theater potential within their community, and the 2023/24 season is no exception.

Embarking on the journey of their Fall 2023 production, titled "A Bad Year for Tomatoes," and their Spring 2024 mainstage production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella - SCT remains unwaveringly committed to crafting performances that fill the community with quality, affordable theater and satisfaction. But like most smaller community theaters, garnishing the much needed support of volunteers and funds can be quite challenging.

In light of this, SCT is thrilled to introduce an innovative way to engage with other community members and help enhance this season's shows. In August, SCT unveiled The SCT Wish List which is a curated collection of assorted items (on Amazon) made to get productions off the ground and even elevate them to new heights. This wish list encompasses an array of quintessential items

that are in perpetual demand at SCT. Items that range from batteries for mics to paints for sets, to paper for programs, to postage for mailers to storage solutions. By perusing the list, patrons will gain insight into the significance of each item and the quantity of said item that would benefit SCT most. It also brings to light the expenses involved with every production and creates transparency on exactly where a donor's gift is going to help the shows.

"Every production we do requires a lot of hours of work but we recognize that not everyone can actively partake in our productions through volunteering in person. This new innovation for supporting SCT is something we really think will resonate with busy locals as well as with some of our theater friends that have moved a bit further away but still want to help and be a part of our season. Every contribution, regardless of its nature, is appreciated as it propels SCT productions forward."



Schuylerville Community Theater President Annette Reitano acknowledges.

The wish list will be live all year (and changing all the time), helping to support both shows this theatrical season. Anyone Interested in helping thru the SCT wishlist program can access it on the Schuylerville Community Theater website: www.scttheater.org/wishlist.

Examining Lady Bird Johnson's bio

Hildene, The Lincoln Family Home, wants 20th century history enthusiasts to pick up the acclaimed biography "Lady Bird Johnson: Hiding in Plain Sight" and join in the next "Hildene Reads!" discussion. The conversation about the biography will take place September 13 from 7-8:30 pm via Zoom and in person at Hildene. The event is free.

Author Julia Sweig's account of the former first lady is a New York Times bestseller. She places Claudia Alta "Lady Bird" Johnson center stage and reveals a woman ahead of her time and an accomplished politician in her own right.

Books are available at The Museum Store at Hildene, at the Northshire Bookstore, the Bennington Book Shop, in libraries and online.

For more information and to register to receive the Zoom link, contact Stephanie at (802) 367-7960 or stephanie@hildene.org.

Hildene, The Lincoln Family Home was built in 1905 as Mary and Robert Todd Lincoln's summer home. Robert was Abraham Lincoln's sole heir to survive to adulthood. Preserved by Friends of Hildene, Inc., the 412-acre estate boasts the historic Georgian Revival home furnished almost entirely with Lincoln family furniture, formal and production gardens, working farm and cheese-making facility, restored 1903 Pullman railcar, floating boardwalk, and 12 miles of hiking trails. The site, which is on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places, is open year-round, Thursdays though Mondays. For more information and calendar listings, visit www.hildene.org.



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from the GREENWICH INTERFAITH FELLOWSHIP!

The Greenwich Interfaith Fellowship (Greenwich NY) is a non-for-profit organization comprised of various religious organizations which sponsors interfaith services and community focused projects. This organization supports the Van-Go and McQuade Van transportation service for medical appointments and grocery shopping and helps individuals and families who are in need throughout the greater Greenwich region as well as the local Meals for Kids Program. On Friday August 4th, the Greenwich Interfaith Fellowship held its 18th Annual Golf Tournament at the Battenkill Country Club and thirty teams participated on a threatening weather day. Thanks to generous support of the community, the tournament raised roughly \$13,000 that will support all the programs the Greenwich Interfaith Fellowship conducts throughout the year. Many in the community supported this event through hole and cart sponsorships, generous donations, playing, volunteering, and baking. With the very generous support of 32 area golf courses, every team received a prize. The GIF is grateful to the entire community for such support outstanding!

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Supporting parks and solar arrays

To the Editor:

When did public parks become so controversial?

They've certainly been around for a long time. In fact, they were an important part of ancient Greece, giving rise to the public square where serious issues were debated and community grievances were resolved. The early Romans were so enamored of open public spaces that they decorated the inside of their homes to look like the great outdoors.

Fast forward to the Victorian Era when city planners saw parks as a space for workers to enjoy fresh air, get exercise, and appreciate the beauty of nature. In 1846, Birkenhead Park opened in Manchester, England, followed in 1847 by Central Park in New York City. Since then there has been little dispute that open green spaces in urban areas play a vitally important role in fostering good mental and physical health in the community.

But what's all the fuss about small town rural parks? Surely those of us that are fortunate to live surrounded by trees and fields and squirrels and deer don't need to leave our own back yards. What can we find in a park that we can't find looking out our own kitchen windows?

Community, my friends. Community.

These conserved beautiful outdoor spaces are custom-made to bring people together. We may arrive alone, but we soon discover that we're not lonely! Dog-walkers and bird-watchers and stroller-pushers will be there every day. Throw in a bench and there will be book-readers and scarf-knitters. Put up a pavilion and a couple of picnic tables and now you've got anniversary-celebrators and birthday-partyers. Put a park next to a river or a lake and here come the kayakers and fishermen. How about cleaning up that old barn or unused schoolhouse? Then the Girl Scouts will meet and the seniors will have a coffee hour once a week. There will be the occasional art exhibit or poetry slam.

A public park is shared space. It is a place where people – families, friends, strangers - come together. In the respectful enjoyment of that space we acknowledge the gift that we share with each other...the gift of community.

It's what living in rural America should be all about.

It is what the team of Nolan, Donahue, Anderson and Tjarks would make a priority. Vote on November 7th for your community.

Respectfully submitted,
Maryann McGeorge
Greenwich

Ode to the Hudson

To the Editor:

I was wrong.

After moving to Greenwich 20 years ago, my Mother would ask if I appreciated that we lived in a paradise. "Yes", I always replied. I loved our home, our property, and our neighborhood, but I'm not sure I really appreciated where we found ourselves.

We've since gotten to know many more residents of our hometown, become "regulars" with businesses, and treasure the many unique places and institutions here. I now have a much better understanding of my paradise.

One constant has been the Hudson River.

The impact "America's Rhine" has had on this country, as well as our town, can't be overstated. As one of the earliest navigable corridors in the state, it served us well in the Battles of Saratoga. It's not a stretch to say that because of the geology of our Hudson Valley, we don't speak with a British accent.

The "lordly Hudson," as called by Washington Irving, has inspired poets for generations, like William Cullen Bryant and Walt Whitman. The Hudson River School of painters represent a high point in American art.

Ski at Gore Mountain? Then you have literally skied on the Hudson, the source of water for their snowmaking operation.

Greenwich is in a special position to take advantage of our proximity to the Hudson, using a grant to acquire the Hudson River Park property in the hamlet of Thomson. Still in its development phases, we are in a unique position to offer an interdisciplinary appreciation for this river.

Every good teacher, and good student, knows that the best way to learn and internalize something new is to "do the verbs." Rather



than copy a painting, what better way to teach about an entire genre of art inspired by this river, the Hudson River School, than by having classes actually overlooking the Hudson River?

Imagine sitting in the safety of our park and watching a patch of water in the river. In about a week that very same water will be swirling around the base of the Statue of Liberty, the very symbol of the American Dream to many of our forebears.

The return of sturgeon to the lower Hudson is due to cleaning up pollution upriver, a healthier environment for aquatic life. More fish, bald eagles, ospreys.

Our incumbents, Supervisor Jim Nolan and Councilman Pat Donahue, had the foresight to imagine all of this about our park. When joined by Reed Anderson, also for Town Council, they will continue their vision for developing this historic, educational, beautiful park. Please support them on November 7.

Mary Lou Stern

Greenwich

Chair of the Town Democratic Committee

Solar Arrays OK

To the Editor:

I know the stretch of route 40 from the Greenwich Elks Club to Troy like the back of my hand. I work in Green Island and for the last 9 years I have made this drive to work twice a day.

Over the years I have witnessed a number of changes on my commute. No change has been more visible than the installation of the solar panel arrays in Easton.

There is now a proposed solar project by the Boralex Corporation on Bald Mountain Road that has elicited lot of discussion...some of it quite heated. These solar panel arrays are no small project, and it is understandable that they incur a strong response when proposed. As a resident, candidate for town council, and commuter who has had months of long drives to reflect on solar field arrays, I have a few thoughts of my own.

Somewhere along the way I heard the saying 'the only constant is change'. Farming and farmland in Washington County is no exception. I went to school in Greenwich with several kids who grew up on dairy farms that are no longer in operation or have sold to larger entities. These are farms that were owned and operated by their families for generations. Our families, and their history drive some of our strongest emotional responses. I can only imagine the weight of a decision like selling a long-held family farm or deciding to end generations of dairy production. I would assume the decision to open farmland to a solar project is made with similar gravity and seriousness.

Would I prefer the views on my commute to be corn and hay fields? Absolutely. Would I prefer local dairy farming to be family run operations like I remember from my childhood? Absolutely. However, the circumstances and forces behind these decisions are not within my control. Similarly, the decisions made by these families choose to do what is best for their families and their land are not mine to make. Certainly, there should be thorough review for compliance with building and environmental regulations. There must be adequate planning and funding for the maintenance and dismantling of these projects when they are no longer functioning. However, I believe the decision to install a lawful and compliant solar panel array lies with the owner of the property.

The preservation of green space in our region is more important than ever. Solar panel arrays will not be the last project met with less than enthusiasm and public welcome. This makes it more important than ever that we invest time, energy and resources into the establishment, protection and maintenance of public parks and green spaces. We can and should work to preserve the beautiful area that we live in while keeping the focus on the decisions that are ours to make.

Reed Anderson

Greenwich

Candidate for Town Board

Send us your opinion!

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A walking tour of Saratoga Springs

On Saturday, September 16, the Slate Valley Museum will offer "Historic Architecture of Saratoga: Elements of Both Landscape and Built Architecture," a walking tour in Saratoga Springs.

The museum's guest curator and researcher Bob Isherwood will lead the tour through the historic district of Saratoga's Congress Park area and the adjoining East Side Neighborhood. Isherwood will approach this location as an example of some of the themes around city planning and the use of slate in the post-Civil War/Gilded Age period.

"The walking tour expands upon some of the threads that we explore in our One Painting, Many Stories exhibition, which delves into the story of Martha Levy's WPA mural, Men Working in Slate Quarry (1939)," explains the museum's director, Sarah Kijowski. "Bob curated this exhibition and planned this walking tour as a somewhat local example of how Gilded Age architecture helped set the stage for the public art

movement that fueled art investment during the New Deal."

The walking tour will conclude with a picnic lunch (bring/buy our own) on the grounds of the Saratoga Spa State Park where attendees will be able to view the WPA era architecture of Dwight J. Baum and others mentioned in the One Painting, Many Stories exhibition.

The tour will begin at 10:15am and last until 1:30/2pm. The event is rain or shine, with the picnic dependent on the weather conditions. This is primarily a walking tour with variations of street and sidewalk conditions. Those planning to attend should dress for walking and the weather.



The cost to attend is \$20 per person, or \$15 per person for members of the museum. The group size is limited. RSVP and pre-payment are required by 4pm on Tuesday, September 12. Please call the museum at 518-642-1417 to register.

Cambridge artist opens his studio

Matt Chinian will open up his studio on Sunday, Sept. 10, for an informal show and sale of recent work featuring trucks, tractors and various paintings of farm machinery he finds in the "wild" at 12 to 2PM. This will be a hybrid event with a live stream on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/mchinian> and in person.

Event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Address: 138 W. Main St.

Artist and resident of Cambridge, NY, Matt Chinian graduated from Bennington College in

1984 with a major in Painting and sculpture, and in 1988 with an MFA in sculpture and drawing from SUNY Albany. An early career in sculpture fabrication, sign making and cold casting led to building restoration and carpentry and a move to Cambridge, New York in 1990.

Ten years ago he returned to landscape painting, a skill he learned early in his education. Since then his unique style and philosophy of prosaic realism emerged.



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Back-to-school joy can't be found on a porch

Greg Schwem

Special to Journal & Press

I recently found myself in an office supply store, an establishment that, sadly, I frequent less now that I can order everything from envelopes to an ergonomic desk chair with a simple click and have them delivered directly to my condo.

On this particular day, I was dropping off ancient computer peripherals to be recycled. Desperate for my money, and not my outdated USB cords, a store employee handed me a "10 dollars off of 30" coupon.

"It's good today only," he said.

Certainly I could find something for \$30 within these aisles. A printer cartridge perhaps? Judging by their cost, I believe printer ink's primary ingredient is crushed rubies. Heading to the printer supply aisle, I overheard arguing a few feet away. Not violent arguing, mind you; more arguing borne of confusion. That happens when the subject is back-to-school supplies.

The participants were a mom and her teenage son. She carried a paper list while he shuffled alongside clutching a shopping basket that would soon be full of necessities for whatever grade he would soon be entering. Judging by the peach fuzz over his lip and the occasional grumblings from between those lips, I guessed 10th.

The scene, comical as it was, made me yearn for the days when a paper list and a brick-and-mortar store visit was the only way to shop for school supplies. And despite disagreements over why a \$3 pen performed better than a 50-cent pen

(trust me, parents, expensive writing utensils don't make your children any smarter), it was a joyful bonding moment.

Parents, if it's not too late, ditch the temptation to order everything on Amazon and collect the boxes from your porch the day before the initial school bell rings. Take your offspring to the nearest Target or Walmart and spend an hour flummoxed over the requirements necessary to start first grade. Or fifth. Or 12th.

I remember when my girls began elementary school. At that time of their lives, the list consisted primarily of multi-colored writing instruments and enough Kleenex to wipe the nose of every resident in Wyoming.

"Is sneezing a subject now?" I asked my wife as we loaded three boxes into the cart. My daughters failed to comprehend the sarcasm, for they were busy poring over the crayons, the erasable markers and the colored pencils, ALL of which were on their lists. To me, it seemed like overkill. I mean, how many rain-

'Disagreements over why a \$3 pen performed better than a 50-cent pen.'

bows can a child draw in a single day? But I relented when I saw the smiles on my girls' faces and the anticipation they felt knowing they would soon have a chance to uncap a soft green or baby pink marker and erase their creations if they so desired.

Middle school brought additional confusion, as I considered this to be their "notebook years." Markers



gave way to spiral notebooks and folders, in copious quantities. I remember inspecting a five-subject notebook, complete with pocket folders separating reams of paper.

"So this one notebook should be sufficient for all your classes?" I asked one daughter.

"Dad, I'm taking six classes," she replied.

Naturally.

Years later, when we moved from our longtime home, I found enough unused notebooks and folders to launch a writing club.

High school shopping was the most confusing, and the most expensive, as then the supplies I purchased could have been the difference between a college acceptance letter and a politely worded rejection, neither of which were written in baby pink.

"What the heck is a graphing calculator?" I asked.

"I need it for calculus," my daughter replied.

"What the heck is calculus?"

"You solve complex equations and calculations."

"Why don't you calculate how we are going to pay for this?"

Mind you, all of these conversations took place within the store's aisles. Other parents were oblivious, however, as they were engaged in similar banter with their kids.

Despite my horror at the final totals, I look back at these yearly outings fondly. Parents, if you choose to go the Amazon route, I hope you will at least be present when your child opens the boxes and share in the joy that accompanies the first day of school.

Smiles cannot be taught.

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



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Legal marijuana comes to Schuylerville

Samantha Simmons
Journal & Press

Facing a slow roll out of dispensary licenses from the New York State Office of Cannabis Management, farmers have been struggling to sell cannabis products which has a shelf life between six months to a year.

Old Saratoga Mercantile, a farm and general store in Schuylerville that offers organic vegetables, meat, baked goods and more, has taken on the role of hosting farmers selling cannabis products through the state's Cannabis Growers Showcase. The temporary program, which is open to Conditional Adult-Use Retail Dispensary licensee or an Adult-Use Conditional Cultivator, runs through January 1st, 2024.

According to OCM, product offerings may include cannabis products, cannabinoid hemp products, and cannabis paraphernalia. However, alcohol, tobacco or nicotine products, food or beverages that do not contain cannabis, except water, and items marketed toward children are prohibited.

Christina and Tim Myers, owners of Old Saratoga Mercantile, got involved because they saw an opportunity to bring tax dollars to the community as most products sold in their store are not tax eligible.

Christina Myers said while some may not agree with the legalization of cannabis use in New York State, the impact can be positive for everyone: "This product, whether you use this or not, you're going to benefit from it because that money is staying in your community."

Myers said she was afraid of how the community would receive "The Potting Shed." "What I have discovered was I didn't need to be worried about anything. Everybody got it," Myers said. "You know, they, they were really excited about it. They were most people actually already using it, and just really excited that they didn't need to drive to Massachusetts anymore."

She said while there is stigma attached, she views cannabis the same way she views other plants. Myers, a non-smoker, said she understands the benefits cannabis offers

"When we say food is medicine, we mean the same thing," Myers said. "You know, with this, there's a lot of, there's a lot of good uses for it."

Since opening on August 23, Myers said she has seen repeat customers.

"I was really surprised by how many of my customers actually were already smoking well before it came legal," Myers said.

Myers said like farmers taking risks on growing new products or not having ideal weather, cannabis growers took other risks.

"In the end, the biggest risk was the state," Myers said. "And that's unfair that the state not opening the dispensaries, like they said they were, should never have been the risk."

She said OCM's showcase did a great job emphasizing a focus on farmers rather than shelf-stable products like gummies and other edible products. For every three farms at a showcase, one processor, someone who sells edibles or vapes, can participate. This helps ensure farmers can move through their product before the next crop comes in later this year.

For safety, no product is allowed to be consumed on the grounds of showcases. A typical joint there is \$7, which includes tax.

"The Potting Shed" is currently open Monday through Saturday, subject to change. If interested, follow Old Saratoga Mercantile on Instagram or Facebook to stay up to date.

Woman-owned Windy Hill CBD in Greenwich and Glens Falls is working on obtaining a license to sell cannabis. Owner Holly Harris has hired a regulatory firm to handle the application process which begins a few weeks following a finalization of state regulations.

Currently, Windy Hill CBD operate as wellness boutiques offering hemp-based CBD products, salves, crystals, and skincare. But if approved, the business would likely be converted to two different LLCs to comply with state laws which state cannabis and CBD products cannot be carried in the same store; but cannabis products may contain CBD.

"The beauty of the Greenwich location is I own the building," Harris said. "So, I would be able to, you know, move Windy Hill to a different part of this building. So, we would still carry the Windy Hill product line. It would just be in a different area. Glens Falls is a little different. I don't own that building. I rent it, and it's just one space. I do have options in Greenwich, where there's different areas that I could put it into that have outside entrances," Harris said, effectively making them two separate businesses.

Harris said CBD products have seen their peak. "People still like CBD products but we're finding adding that little bit of THC in there really helps to increase the medicinal effects of it," Harris said, "You're really limited with the hemp products as far as how much THC you can get. We're finding more and more that THC based products help with overall wellness when you do it in the right way."

All licensed dispensaries are required to only carry cannabis products from New York suppliers to ensure quality and promote business. Buyers must be over the age of 21 years old.



darren johnson photos

Powerball lessons

Jill Schlesinger
Special to Journal & Press

Powerball fever has broken. Someone in California won the jackpot, which was worth just over \$1 billion, the third-largest prize in the lottery's history.

In the days leading up to the drawing, there were plenty of articles recounting the terrible odds (1 in 292.2 million) of hitting the jackpot, but as the lottery operator likes to remind us, "The overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 24.87."

You might think that I am about to launch into a lecture about the ills of lotteries, but I assume you know that playing numbers, gambling, or day trading when you don't know what you are doing or for anything other than a fun way to dream, can be detrimental to your financial and emotional life.

Instead, let's use Powerball as a way to discuss some core investment and financial planning concepts.

You don't need an unexpected windfall to be in the millions to prompt action. A surprisingly large bonus, an inheritance, or a bigger than expected sale price on a house

or stock can be a catalyst to rethink where you are in your life.

Importantly, the new-found money may cause you to rethink previous decisions and alter your goals. Here are some of the specific steps that can help:

1. Draft your professional team

A windfall may mean that it's time to interview estate attorneys, accountants, and financial advisors. If you are already working with any of these professionals, it may be worth considering whether you are with the right person/firm for your current situation.

2. Create/update your financial plan

According to the CFP Board, the planning process involves seven steps: Understanding personal and financial circumstances, identifying and selecting goals, analyzing the current course of action and potential alternative courses of action, developing recommendations, presenting those recommendations, implementing the plan, and monitoring/updating progress.

3. Consider taxes

Part of the planning process will incorporate taxes, but before your

dreams take off, remember that Uncle Sam is often a partner in your windfall.

In fact, the recent \$1 billion Powerball headline number is PRE-TAX. If the winner chooses a lump sum (more on that below), the amount would be about \$558 million. The lottery operator withholds 24 percent, or about \$134 million. Chances are, the winner will have to pay even more in taxes, because the windfall will mean that the top tax bracket of 37% will be applied and depending on the state of residence, there could also be state taxes.

Tax considerations are important in any transaction. For example, the sale of a primary residence may allow you to exclude up to \$250,000 of a capital gain from your income, (\$500,000 if filing jointly), but with the explosion of real estate prices in the past few years, many will find that they exceed that gain.

4. Determine whether you will take a lump sum or an annuity

The decision is one-part math and one-part emotional. Usually, a big chunk of cash invested over time will accumulate faster than

smaller amounts invested at regular intervals. (This is a good thing to keep in mind when you are considering whether to pull the trigger with money on the sidelines or dollar cost averaging.)

Additionally, while 37% sounds like a high bracket, by choosing a lump sum, you are locking in your tax liability at historically low tax rates.

But receiving money all at once risks blowing some or all of it by doing dumb things, like investing in your cousin's hair-brained business idea or buying too much, too fast.

The stream of income ensures that you won't plow through your jackpot, which may make an annuity the better option for some winners.



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Interpersonal Edge

Use what your 'shadow' knows

Daneen Skube
Special to Journal & Press

Q: *You mention consciousness in your columns. I've been noticing how often I feel envy or anger at work. Once I become aware of how I'm reacting, what can I do with my jealousy or frustration? What tools can I use to shift my intense reactions?*

A: Your jealousy is teaching you about positive qualities you possess, but haven't developed. Your frustration is teaching you about negative habits you have, but haven't made conscious.

Our intense emotions are mirrors to our inner world. Carl Jung, father of Depth Psychology, labeled unconscious personality parts, "The Shadow." Our shadow is composed of the selves within us we believe are unacceptable.

Our shadow contains both the angels and demons of our inner world. We may be intensely jealous of captivating speakers when we don't see our presentation skills. We may also hate bullies because we don't see ways we intimidate others.

Sometimes our shadow is tricky. For instance, you may rant about narcissistic people. Many of my

clients are surprised to realize that these people show them they need to be more aware of their own needs.

Try this experiment, write down the negative qualities you hate most. Then write the positive qualities that turn you green with envy. Now sit down with people that know you well and are open with you. Ask them to tell you whether they notice these qualities in you.

Also watch yourself during the day. The more awareness we have, the more we develop a witness in us who can neutrally observe. Be careful you don't yell at yourself about what you discover. Psychological insight and self-criticism can't exist in the same space.

If your co-worker proposes a creative idea that makes you jealous, turn your envy into inspiration by asking how you can use your creativity. Jealousy is a finger pointing at your own undeveloped talents.

If a co-worker brags, ask yourself whether you allow yourself to promote your achievements. Our shadow often shows up as an inner dialog that exclaims, "Well, who do they think they are!" Now you can say instead, "Well, who am I not to

have that behavior as an option!"

Awareness is the first step to evolution. We cannot heal what we refuse to see. Anytime you think to yourself, "I'm not anything like that!" — you may indeed be more like that than you think.

When we start romancing our shadow, we'll go through grief expert Kubler Ross's five stages of death: denial, anger, bargaining, depression, and acceptance. We'll deny we have shadow qualities, angry that these qualities might be true, bargain that we're not like that, get depressed that we may be like that, and finally accept that we're seeing more truth about ourselves.

Shadow aspects we refuse to see will manifest in our work life in chronic conflicts, bad "luck," or repetitive adversities. What's actually happening is our "shadow" is creating problems due to our lack of awareness of it.

Ignorance of our shadow isn't bliss. Our shadow qualities are dancing behind our backs. If we're ignorant of them, we end up unconsciously setting up suffering. If we're working towards consciousness of them, we can control how we express our shadow at work.

Our first daughter when she was three, discovered her shadow on a sunny day. She took off screaming. We were confused until we realized she was terrified that her shadow was chasing her. You can't outrun your shadow, but you can use it to meet the angels and demons of your inner nature to use both at work.

The last word(s)

Q: *My organization is requiring everyone go back to the office. Many of my co-workers moved and are remote. Do you think companies will succeed in these mandates?*

A: Nope, remote work is a genie that's going to be impossible to put back in the bottle. Now that we've found out remote can work, there'll continue to be demand for working outside of the office.

Daneen Skube, Ph.D., is an executive coach and appears on FOX's "Workplace Guru" each Monday morning. She's the author of "Interpersonal Edge: Breakthrough Tools for Talking to Anyone, Anywhere, About Anything."



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Build a Scarecrow at the Basin is a fantastic opportunity to get into the autumn spirit while supporting your local community. Pre-registration is encouraged, and the cost is \$10 per person, which includes light fare provided by the Basin Grill and access to a cash bar. All proceeds from this event will directly benefit the Schuylerville Community Council, helping to support future community events like this one.

Participants will be provided with armatures and stuffing materials to bring their scarecrow visions to life at no charge. Get creative, decide who your scarecrow will be, and bring clothes and accessories to craft your very own unique scarecrow. Once completed, display your scarecrow proudly in front of your home or business during the 2nd Annual Scarecrow Stroll, which will take place from October 1 through November 2, 2023.

Whether you're a seasoned scarecrow builder or a first-timer, this event is for everyone, so bring your family and friends along for a memorable experience.

For more information and to pre-register for the event, please visit <https://chamber.saratoga.org/events/details/b>

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The Schuylerville Community Council is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for residents and businesses by organizing and supporting community events and initiatives.

By participating in events like the Scarecrow Building Event, you are helping to make Schuylerville an even more vibrant and connected community.



A scene from last year

Bed build at Mowry Park

Multiple churches and local organizations in the Greenwich area will be working with the Mechanicville Chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace by holding a bed build on Saturday, September 16, 2023 at Mowry Park, Main Street, Greenwich starting at 9:00 AM. They plan to build 50+ beds to go to local children, ages 3-17, who might need one in or around the Greenwich area.

When SHP delivers a bed it is a new hand-made bed, mattress, comforter, sheets, and pillows; everything needed for a good night's sleep. This can all be done for \$250 a bed. If you would like to donate new twin size bedding and/or pillows, please bring them to the park that day and help fill their truck! If you would like to make a monetary donation, please write a check out to Sleep in Heavenly Peace and mail it to P.O Box 664, Mechanicville, NY 12118. If you need a bed, or know of a child who needs one, please go to shpbeds.org. As the build gets closer, the group will put out another notice for you to possibly volunteer to assist with the build.

NY Citizens Audit comes to White Creek

Lance Allen Wang
Journal & Press

In the past month alone, I have received 14 spam emails at home and work from the New York Citizens Audit organization. In big brassy headlines they say:

“AS AN AMERICAN WITH A PURE HEART, OUR COUNTRY IS BEING STOLEN!”

“SHOCKING DISCOVERY IN NEW YORK VOTER ROLL!”

“SOME ORGANIZED GROUP HAS TAKEN OVER THE NYS VOTER ROLL!”

“YOUR VOTER DATA IS BEING CHANGED BY UNKNOWN SOURCES!”

These folks have taken to quite literally spamming away from different email addresses, and within their message, offering a blind link to their website. Now of course, a blind link in a spam email is a recipe for computer viruses, malware, and other attacks, and further, leads me to question the legitimacy and intentions of the organization sending it. But it also inclined me to research who was spamming both home and work addresses. I wanted to find out who the 14 different “citizens” were that were signing these emails.

But it turns out that it does not matter, since according to Marly Hornik, the founder of Citizens Audit, “Very few people on our team use their real name,” since “people who question the 2020 election are being targeted by the Department of Justice and the Internal Revenue Service.” Of course, this is asserted without evidence. Much is asserted without evidence in their various messages, for instance that “some unknown entity,” or “someone,” or “some organized group,” or even “some unknown agency,” is changing your personal information on the voter rolls.

Ms. Hornik’s entire movement relies on the claims of former Ohio high school math teacher Douglas Frank, who’s claim of a secret back door encoded into the election system (which allegedly allows malevolent forces to manipulate election results) is trumpeted by election deniers such as Mike Lindell, more commonly known as the “My Pillow Guy.”

Mr. Frank benefitted from the Pillow Guy’s sponsorship. Frank gushed to one audience that after Lindell grabbed on to his “secret back door” claims, “I went from being completely mum to suddenly 10 million people knowing me in about a week.”

Mr. Frank has peddled his “secret algorithm that swings vote totals” across the nation. Audio released by NPR of a meeting he had with the Ohio Secretary of State’s office found Frank threatening, after receiving pushback on his various claims, “We have plants everywhere that go into buildings when your machines are on and capture your IP addresses. We have those, not necessarily in Ohio but we can arrange for that. So all I’m trying to point out to you is that this is coming. Be ready. And I’m not trying to fight you — do you see that I’m trying to help you?”

The upshot of NPR’s interview with a Colorado county election official about Frank’s claims was the official sighing:

“[The issue] started because of Dr. Frank and his really bad data analysis. Him and his people, unfortunately, just don’t know how to read election records correctly... There’s just



New York Citizens Audit founder Marly Hornik (right) discussing the Citizens Audit with “My Pillow Guy” Mike Lindell

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so much that is incorrect that they just keep repeating and repeating and repeating. And then as soon as I have absolutely blocked off that path with actual correct information, then they just move that goal post. And they keep just moving the goal posts. And moving the goal posts.”

Even in deep red states like Alabama, the Republican Secretary of State was able to quickly see that Frank’s numbers were not adding up, stating, “Every time they gave us an example, we were able to refute what they showed us without even knowing what they were going to do when they arrived.”

The “Citizens Audit” has found its way to New York towns, but they are apparently not getting much traction at county level and above. I suspect this is because Senate and Assembly members have staff members and resources to research and dismiss the Citizens Audit claims, as do Counties that maintain a Board of Elections.

The New York State Board of Elections stated, “We know these claims are unequivocally false, but we recognize the immense pressure the spread of this misinformation places upon... crucial work in conducting elections in New York State... It should be noted that no one has seen the actual data used to create the false claims... Even members of the press have not been privy to the alleged voter list the group is using. Without seeing their ‘data,’ it is difficult to explain every supposed anomaly.”

Erie County election officials responded to Citizens Audit members in November 2022 in Amherst, New York, with the Democratic official stating, “I think they’re wildly out of touch. I don’t think they really have much evidence to show about anything that they’re claiming...” Her Republican counterpart claimed their findings were “confusing,” and contradicted several of their assertions.

An Onondaga County election official also has reviewed the claims of Citizens Audit and found, “It is hard to respond to the specific allegations in this ‘audit’ because it lacks any specificity whatsoever. The group is opaque in

its membership and the ‘examples’ they provide are not tied to any specific voter... In many cases the group provides only vague assertions and I lack the ability to pull up specific examples.”

The Citizens Audit issue did eventually come to our local town of White Creek, after being sent packing by the Washington County Board of Supervisors, who were evidently unimpressed by their claims. Mind you, the Washington County Board of Supervisors is not exactly a Democrat stronghold.

When the “Citizens Audit” was raised in White Creek we had the Republican representative from the Washington County Board of Elections present, who was able to validate some administrative claims, but nothing even close to a “secret back door” that the former math teacher main-

tained. He pointed out that the database is a “living document” – for instance, 180,341 people moved out of the State in 2021-2022. Each one of those represents a transaction in the system if they were registered voters.

In the end, White Creek Supervisor Jimmy Griffith supported the idea of bringing a resolution to the County Board of Supervisors expressing concern with some of the administrative challenges faced by our voter data systems and directing the State Board of Elections to resolve it. However, the Town voted down endorsing Frank’s claims and attaching our name to the Citizens Audit, since these claims have been refuted by multiple officials of both the red and blue variety. As the temporary custodians of our Town’s long and proud history, we decided that our government’s good name was worth far more than a specious, unsupported, and unproven theory.

Lance Allen Wang is a Councilman in the Town of White Creek who is also an Iraq Veteran and retired Army Infantry officer. He lives in Eagle Bridge, N.Y., with his wife Hatti.

A museum about covered bridges

Have you visited local gem The Shushan Covered Bridge Museum? The bridge is one of four covered bridges still standing in Washington County. It's the only covered bridge being used as an historical museum with local artifacts. We have something of interest for everyone here. It's free to visit and it is a hands-on interactive museum.

The covered bridge was built in 1858 by the Stevens Brothers. It's a Town Lattice Construction and spans 161 feet over the Battenkill River. One side is in the Town of Salem and the other side is in The Town of Jackson. The bridge was originally built on the village green near the railroad depot by Yushaks's and re-assembled over the river. The roadway interior is 16 feet wide and the bridge weighs about 80 tons.

In 1974 a group of Shushanites saved the bridge from falling in the river and formed the Shushan Covered Bridge Association.

The museum stays open due to the dedication of volunteers and generous donations from visitors and supporters.

Next to the bridge, and part of the museum tour is an original one room schoolhouse that was used from 1852-1943. It was located just a few miles away and in the 1980's it was moved to its current location.

The museum is open Saturday and Sunday 1:00-4:00 or by appointment.



Funding available for soil seminar

New York's Agricultural Stewardship Association (ASA) will provide tuition support for area farmers to attend a soil health and regenerative farming school Oct. 3-5 at the Ziehm family's High Meadows of Hoosick farm, the Soil Health Academy (SHA) announced today.

"We are very excited to partner with SHA and help provide opportunities for our local farmers to learn more about soil health principles and practices," ASA Executive Director Renee Bouplon said. "Providing this financial support will allow local farmers to attend this world-class regenerative farming school tuition free."

To further ensure participant success, tu-

ition for the on-farm school includes registration for the online course Regen Ag 101, two follow-up, one-on-one video conferences with SHA experts and access to future group conference calls with the course's instructors. Additional scholarships are also available.

For more information or to register visit www.SoilHealthAcademy.org or contact Dawn Striegel at info@soilhealthacademy.org or by phone at (256) 996-8742.

SHA announced last month that

U.S. military veterans will receive tuition support to attend the school and that veterans with New York state residency will receive additional tuition support, lodging and a \$300 stipend to offset attendance-related costs, provided by the Cornell Small Farms Program's "Farm Ops" project.

Supplies for teachers

On average, a teacher in America spends \$459 on school supplies. According to the think-tank, an overwhelming majority of America's teachers will not be reimbursed for these costs. In high-poverty school districts, teachers are often first responders when it comes to making sure students have what they need to succeed in the classroom.

Last year the Parent And Teacher Supply Center was opened not knowing how great the need was to help teachers with the supplies they need to help their students.

Over the last month a record number of teachers have visited the store picking up the much needed supplies needed to help their students. Teachers can get anything needed for students from notebooks to calculators, backpacks, lunchboxes, pens, pencils, and so much more.

Every year for 28 years Pastor Charlie and the Victory Church has given out thousands of backpacks and school supplies for city kids but wanted to help in a way of getting exactly what students need. So far this year teachers from 26 schools have been helped. Right now the store needs a full restocking because of the demand.

Location WestGate building next to Westgate Shopping Center by appointment only. All items are new and donations are accepted. Any and all school teachers qualifies to shop at the store.

Appointments are Monday through Friday. For more information teachers can call 518-434-6100.



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Making all the girls homesick

Here is where we look at past editions of *The Journal & Press* from this time of year decades ago...

130 Years Ago

Sept. 14, 1893

A Forbidden Song.

I recall an interesting scene in Arbour's old dance hall in Silver Cliff in the winter of 1878-79, writes a Denver correspondent.

The Silver Cliff excitement then ranked only second to that of Leadville, and thousands were rushing to the new Eldorado.

The great dance hall was crowded with miners, prospectors and tenderfeet.

Two sets of dancers had been on the floor all the evening.

Two long rows of gaming tables had also been running at full blast, and at midnight there came a lull in the dancing for lunch.

Some of the boys took possession of the platform, and a young fellow in jacket and overalls threw his slouch hat back on his head and struck up some familiar tune on the piano. There were about a dozen who joined in the singing. Suddenly one of the boys started up "Home, Sweet Home."

The young man at the piano struck in with an accompaniment, and that old-time song of loved ones and home association began to fill the great hall.

"Pop" Arbour was soon seen rushing towards the orchestra platform. He had no objection to gospel hymns, but entered a protest at "Home, Sweet Home."

"Don't boys; don't sing that song out here."

"Why not?" asked one of the boys.

"You will make all of the girls homesick and break up the dance hall. Sing any song you want to, but not Home Sweet Home!"

100 Years Ago

August 29, 1923

Sheridan Morris is in the Saratoga county jail charged with the murder of Edith Saunders, colored, who is said to have been his housekeeper. Morris, who is a white man, had been living with the woman in the Italian quarter of Saratoga Springs for about a year. Little further is known about him. He and the woman are said to have had frequent quarrels. Morris returned home Thursday evening and found the woman absent. He obtained a rifle and went to a cafe kept by Albert Rossi on Beekman, street.

He found the woman there and fired several shots at her, one of which proved fatal. Cassius Baker, a resident of Gansevoort, was hit in the leg by a stray bullet,

and was taken to the Saratoga hospital.

Morris left the place after clubbing a man named Delbert Waldron, who had attempted to disarm him, with the rifle.

He was located a little later and arrested by Policeman Frank Haren. ... Haren is a former resident of Greenwich.

Also 100 Years Ago

August 29, 1923

Shortly before six o'clock last evening, Richard Karnaghan, twenty-two years old,

was fatally wounded when a shot gun which he had borrowed to kill woodchucks was accidentally discharged, the charge entering his left side just below the point of the heart.

He was still alive when Dr. M.A. Rogers of this village, who was summoned by telephone at once, arrived on the scene, but death occurred before he could be removed to his home. No one saw the accident, and the exact manner of its occurrence cannot be determined.

Dr. Rogers is of the opinion that the young man was carrying the gun in his left hand when he slipped or stumbled in such a manner that the gun was discharged and the charge entered his body, tearing a ghastly wound. The young man, shortly before the accident, went to the home of Charles Roberson, a near neighbor, and borrowed the gun. He said he wanted to shoot some woodchucks that were destroying his beans. He took the gun in his car and drove to a point near the residence of Willis Barbur, his next door neighbor, where he left the car.

Mrs. Julia Barbur heard the report of the gun, and looking out, saw the young man lying on the ground. He was by the side of the road about twenty feet from the car. She called other members of the family, and they went to his assistance and notified Dr. Rogers, who arrived in a few minutes. Dr. Rogers notified Coroner G. M. Stillman of Argyle, of the occurrence by telephone, and Dr. Stillman directed that a certificate of death by accidental gunshot wound be issued.

40 Years Ago

Sept. 15, 1983

"DEC has ruined us."

So says Marvin Ferris, owner of Bio-Tech Mills Inc. in Battenville, who has lost his latest round in court.

Last week Wednesday the state Court of Appeals announced it was denying Bio-Tech's motion to appeal a decision made in January by Supreme Court Judge D. Vincent Cerrito.

According to Nathan Riley, a spokesman for State Attorney General Robert Abrams, refusal by the Court of Appeals to hear the appeal means that the Bio-Tech plant should be closed down in two or three weeks," the length of time it takes for the Court of Appeals to prepare the order. After the order has been delivered, Bio-Tech will have five days to comply.

Judge Cerrito found the paper mill guilty of violating its State Pollution Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) permit in October 1982. In his decision, he said there was evidence that insect life was "greatly diminished" downstream from the mill as compared to upstream and prospects for improvement were not "encouraging." ...

[Ferris said:] "DEC didn't want me in business from the start. The mill was shut down when I bought it 10 years ago. I didn't get a fresh start at all. They (DEC) had seven

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lawyers on this thing, how could I fight that?"

Mr. Ferris still maintains he is not polluting the river. "Look at the river. The amount of stuff we are putting in amounted to zero. We did not reduce the oxygen level. We have no impact on the river. The fish are there.

Mr. Ferris said he had to lay off 25 workers and, "It's very unfortunate." The mill will continue to operate with 25 employees as long as possible, he said, and will meet its orders by converting paper but will not use the paper-making machine.

Three Years Ago

September 1, 2020

[Greenwich Mayor Pam Fuller writes]: "In the last year and especially in the past few months, with many people confined to their homes, we've had a number of complaints about traffic and specifically about cars and trucks speeding through Greenwich. The impression too is that the volume of traffic has increased in the past few years. Since our police force is small and our officers are busy, we decided to experiment with electronic speed signs, which flash the speed that cars and trucks are moving as they drive by. ... The signs are expensive — about \$2,700 each — so while we think they're effective we wanted to have some hard data before we put them all over the Village. ... The first sign we put up was on Church Street, which as we know is used as a cutthrough from Main Street in front of the library to Salem Street. From August 1-10, 13,461 vehicles drove up Church Street. Of those, 689 were traveling at a speed over 30. That is 5%. The speed limit on Church Street is 25, so cars going between 26 and 30 are speeding, but not excessively. On Main Street during the same time period, 38,723 vehicles passed the speed sign. Of these, 1,049 were traveling faster than 35 mph in a 30-mph speed zone, or just under 3%."

—Compiled by Darren Johnson

Invasive species management

Embrace your love for the woodlands of the northeast. Join the Agricultural Stewardship Association (ASA) and Addison Kubik, the Education Coordinator at the Capital Region Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (PRISM) for an immersive experience as we explore the Cambridge Community Forest, aimed at learning about identifying and effectively managing invasive species that threaten our forest ecosystems.

The walk will take place on Saturday, September 16th, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Cambridge Community Forest. You will have the opportunity to learn from experts about recognizing and addressing invasive plants, insects, and diseases that pose significant challenges to the health of our forests. During the walk we will identify invasive plants and insects using the program iMapInvasives. Addison Kubik will delve into the crucial topic of how the identified invasive

plants and insects affect the forest ecosystem. Attendees will gain insights into effective management techniques designed to mitigate the impact of these species and ensure the long-term health and resilience of our precious natural landscapes.

The Woods Walk is suitable for older children and adults who are eager to expand their knowledge and actively contribute to the conservation of our forests. Participation is free, but registration is required. You can secure your spot on the walk by visiting the ASA website at www.agstewardship.org or by sending an email to Janet@agstewardship.org.

Support for this program is generously provided by the Robert H. Wentorf Foundation and by the following ASA business sponsors: The Fort Miller Group, Odd Duck Farm, Boralex, Breanna Lundy- Certified Financial Planner, Salem Farm Supply, Kelly & Sellar Ryan, PLLC - Attorneys at

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ASA was founded 33 years ago as a non-profit land trust focusing on farmland conservation in Washington and Rensselaer counties. Today, ASA has conserved over 30,200 acres and 165 farms. For more information visit www.agstewardship.org

'Historic Highlights in Hebron'

The Hebron Preservation Society is pleased to announce that they are hosting "Historic Highlights in Hebron", a tour of historic buildings in the Town of Hebron, for the first time in many years. The event will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2023 (rain or shine) from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

There will be six homes, a former house of worship and a one-room schoolhouse featured. The tour will meander across the rolling hills and valleys of the picturesque town with stops at the eight buildings included this year representing Hebron's interesting architecture both old and new. The houses date from the 1700s through an energy efficient home circa 2006. Many of the houses are near Belcher or between Belcher and West Hebron. There are also two buildings on NYS Route 22 in East Hebron. Included in this year's tour are the 1790 "Eagle House" owned by Mark Urbaetis and Randy Squires, the home of Maggie Leary and Jim Gallagher built in 1841 by the Qua family, the newest house on the tour, an energy-efficient post and beam frame house circa 2006, is owned by Kate Abbott and Stephen

LeBlanc, the eyebrow Colonial home of Todd Koch and Elisa Coakley-Koch was built in the 1860s, the 1789 James Flack house is the home of Carla and Brian Fredenburg and features a huge central chimney supporting four fireplaces and a bake oven, the James Reid house, circa 1830 is the owned by David Albrecht and Loretta Greenholtz-Albrecht. This house was originally part of a mill property and includes a waterfall and foundation of an 1830s grist mill. The tour continues east onto Chamberlin Mills Road along the Black Creek Valley to New York State Route 22. The 1845 District # 16 East Hebron School, sometimes referred to as "The Hollow" School was continually in use until about 1945. The last building on the tour is the Hebron East building of the Hebron United Presbyterian Church, formerly East Hebron Presbyterian Church (East merged with West in 2016 to form the Hebron United Presbyterian Church).

Each building on the tour

has interesting and unique features.

Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased by credit card in advance online at

<http://hnps.betterworld.org/events/fall-2023-hebron-house-tour> or they can be purchased on the day of the event using either cash or personal check.

The event is a fund raiser for the Hebron Preservation Society, a not-for-profit organization promoting and preserving the history of the Town of Hebron, NY. (There will be no discounted tickets sold because the event is a fund raiser.)

If you have questions, please call 518-854-

Chicken parm dinner: \$15!

The chefs at the Cambridge Food Pantry will be preparing a chicken parmesan dinner to be served on Saturday, September 23rd from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The Food Pantry is located at 59 South Park St., Cambridge NY (across from the school bus garage). Diners can eat in with friends old and new or take dinners home to enjoy. Either way, they will be a great help in supplying the needs of the pantry. The menu will include chicken parmesan, penne pasta, bread, salad and dessert...all for only \$15. This meal is one of the most popular of the offerings during the fall, winter and spring dinners.

There is also a Truck Fund for options of repairs/maintenance of the 2007 truck and/or to rent a truck as needed or to replace the 2007 truck. The truck is needed for food pickups at the Regional Food Bank in Latham and at Middle Falls and Greenwich. The truck is very important in obtaining what is needed to keep the pantry supplied. There will be the opportunity to donate to this fund at the dinner.

Nine Bottskill baptisms

On September 10th at 3:00 the Bottskill Baptist Church will be celebrating a Baptism Service for nine candidates. This very special service will be led by Rev. Vince Spiezio and will be followed by a reception for the recently baptized individuals in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday Services start at 9:15 with guest pastors, Rev. Bruce Johnson on September 10 and Rev. Paul Smith on September 17. All are welcome to Sunday Services, with Sunday School Activities and after service refreshments always part of the Sunday Worship.

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Reading is fundamental

Shirley Renauld
Journal & Press

How did you learn to read? As you rode around, do you remember learning to read/recognize signs with perhaps colors and shapes as clues to words such as the red octagon with STOP on it. Did you learn to identify words as someone read to you? You loved “Goodnight Moon”.

Long ago people did not read. There was no alphabet, nothing was written to read. They communicated by speaking and doing. History and stories were told by one generation to the next. Have you seen the piece of Navajo pottery, the Storyteller, with children sitting all over him to listen? Archeologists have found picture writing (like our rebus?) in our Southwest and in Egypt hieroglyphics and the Rosetta Stone for translating, including an alphabet. Now scribes could write (like our calligraphy?) especially the Bible and clergy could read. Mass literacy came with the invention of the printing press: books could be printed, translations made and people began to learn so much about their world.

We know that our first settlers brought books with them and clergy taught reading until, as in the “Little House” books, Ma could teach the girls to read at home (homeschooling!). Then there were enough children in the area for a community school--a building that was also used as a church (Could we use that idea now?).

In the early 1800s, clergyman and educator William McGuffey wrote a set of “Readers” for children to learn to read, especially aloud. The first book started by teaching the upper, then lower, case letters of the alphabet (Does that remind you of working along with Sesame St?) Then it taught easy words with their pictures beside them (Remember matching a set of puzzle cards this way?). Next were short sentences with words repeated often. Sentences got longer and taught morals/proper behavior and then included literature. These Readers taught children both at home and at school and are still used by some homeschoolers.

In the 1940s, you would ride a school bus (How will you get to school? There is a shortage of bus drivers.) as central school districts were formed and rural schools were closed. You would learn to read from the “Dick and Jane” series. (They have been reprinted for you to read now.) The method was called whole language. You would still learn to identify words that were repeated often in increasingly longer stories about the adventures of this family as shown in the pictures. But they did not live in the country, so if you did, you didn’t completely relate to them.

Since letters have sounds, we can learn to read by phonics: There are consonants and vowels both long or short, As we get into reading longer words and non-English words as in translated fairy tales (Which are your favorites?), we can clap their parts, their syllables, and sound each out. There are prefixes and suffixes, silent letters, letter blends, accent marks, and punctuation marks. Some words, like wind, can have two meanings so you have to use context for pronunciation. Learning methods became a blend of whole language and phonics.

So what works for you? We don’t all learn in the same way. Do you have a reading textbook at school or read whole books from one “bag of books” to the next? Do you have reading worksheets? Reading is not just a subject; you have

to read math problems and large numbers, maps and charts, foreign words. ot learn to do something...

Let’s just read!

As we travel, we now see Purple Loosestrife along the roadsides and in other wet places (It’s a good year for it!). There’s Goldenrod blossoming all over. Some people have used them both for health purposes, but mostly they are considered invasive. Look for bees and butterflies using them though. Have you been able to see Milkweed making its pods now? Best of all would be to see Monarchs visiting them and hopefully see “The Very Hungry Caterpillar” happen. Local folks found a young Monarch caterpillar on their milkweed plant and are watching it eat and grow. They will keep us posted, but, patience, it will take a few weeks remember. Pull grapevine off everything it’s growing on, strip off the leaves and make circles while it’s flexible.

We see all the fields of corn, both the field corn growing tall, beginning to tassle out and make its ears, as well as our favorite: sweet

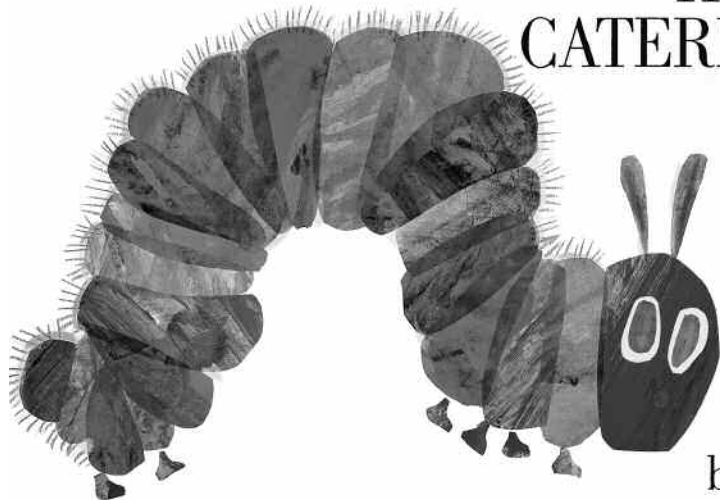
‘Local folks found a young Monarch caterpillar on their milkweed plant.’

corn. As you husk yours, keep all the husk together as you pull it down and break it off if you want to make a cornhusk doll. Tie it together at the neck to make the head. Shape some “silk” over it for hair. Put in a stick or stem to be the arms and tie under it for the waist. Trim the “skirt” even at the bottom or divide the husk and tie at the ankles to be a boy. Once it is dry, draw the face and decorate with markers or paint. Play and dramatize with it.

After enjoying the kernels, save some cobs. Your chickens will peck them clean for you and give some feathers for making throwing toys: Break cobs in half and push three feathers into the soft centers so they will “fly” like arrows to a target. Ask a friend to hold out a grapevine wreath to aim into. Take turns and keep score.

Along our travels, we visit places where residents are direct-marketing produce they have grown: Sometimes it’s the one product that is currently in season. Sometimes it is a farm stand offering several items. There are the Amish markets with breads, pies, and other goods that they baked early that morning (get there early before they’re gone), pickles they’ve made, produce they grew, handmade items, including beaded jewelry that the children made.

Some families cannot grow enough seasonal produce for themselves, so they join a CSA, Community Supported Agriculture. From a farm they get a box of food that is ready for harvest that week. You also get ideas and recipes for preparing meals and preserving what you can’t finish. You get an invitation to visit their farm, learning right where your food comes



THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR

by Eric Carle

from, as by pulling up your carrots and spray-washing them with Aiden.

Some farms have stores for selling what they raised, including their meat in freezers.

Labor Day on the first Mon of September is the federal holiday to honor American workers by giving them the day off, but you might see it as the start of your school work again.

The Farm-to-School Program will go with you to school: Food raised locally, including from your school garden and what is mature from the one in the ag dept, will go to cafeterias for lunches. (Who took care of them all Summer?) What foods from your own garden will you take for your lunch?

Ah, for weekends:

It’s music and camping on 8 & 9 as East-bound Jesus holds its annual Throwdown.

It’s Gymkhana Under the Lights at the Fairgrounds on the 9th. Will it be a clear night to see stars? Hopefully you saw the children’s paintings in the style of “Starry, Starry Night” in Salem. Paint your own. Maybe even see van Gogh’s original at the Museum of Modern Art the next time you get to NYC. It was even the theme of a local prom.

It’s Homecoming Day on the 10th at many area churches. It’s Easton Day at the South Meeting House, a gathering for all of us as well as for members of regional Quaker/Society of Friends chapters. We participate in the silent worship, share our food for lunch and do afternoon activities. Local storyteller, Jeannine Laverty, has traditionally told the story of the Feather of Peace/White Feather Incident that occurred here: During the Revolutionary War, a group of Burgoyne’s Indians on a raid approached the Meetinghouse while the Quakers were at meditation, which they continued although they saw feathers of headdresses pass under the windows. When the Indians saw that the Quakers were unarmed, they stacked theirs and joined the worship. When the meditation time was over, the Quakers shook hands with the Indians and invited them to share food with them. The Indians placed a white feather over the door to indicate it was safe from raiding. A white feather continues to be over a door.

The 15th is Rosh Hashanah. Happy New Year! Enjoy family as you gather. What of the past year will you remember? Will you help make the challah bread? It’s another way to do braiding.

Defending farmers by fighting climate change

Alan Stern
Special to Journal & Press

I recently had a conversation with a farm friend after one of our recent thunderstorms. I asked him how the long dry spell earlier this spring and the long wet one last year has impacted his work. His farm is a full time major agricultural operation, the source of his living. Sadly, my friend said, between too wet or too dry, the crazy weather has put him a month behind.

In a place with a growing season of four to five months, the loss of a month translates to 20% to 25% of productive time and the economic consequences can be severe. A lot of rain during the planting season delays planting and that means a delayed harvest. Excessive rain also damages soil, removing nutrients crops need to grow. Too much water also leads to fungus and mold in the soil, which can kill crops. Drought, the other extreme, can severely stress crops, hampering growth by disturbing an array of processes that impact quality and yield.

Climate change is a very real and very present danger to farmers, not just here in Washington County but everywhere in New York, across the country and around the world. Farmers are on the front line, their livelihoods depending on the regularity of seasons and weather. Even when all other market variables are stable, they operate on thin margins. When weather upsets the prices they pay for investments in seed, fertilizer and equipment and the markets for what they sell, they face overwhelming difficulties. When weather upsets planting, growing and harvesting, even the most prolific commodity crops, like corn, a major crop in our part of the state, may not make it in time for harvest.

It's a problem that requires every one of us, individuals, local governments, businesses and industries to change practices, large and small, that hold the promise of mitigating an already begun climate and economic disaster. The American Farm Bureau Federation, the largest farmers' organization in the United States, and one that swings conservative, recognizes the threat that climate change presents to farmers. As opposed to the way in which far right politicians have resisted government efforts to face this threat, the Farm Bureau has established ambitious sustainability policy positions in the areas of climate smart farming, carbon mar-



kets, renewable energy and agriculture research and innovation.

To achieve the climate goals the Farm Bureau supports, they co-founded two groups, the Food and Agriculture Climate Alliance and Farmers for a Sustainable Future that support science based research and lobby for proactive Farm Bill legislation to protect the environment and the livelihoods of farmers. This recognition of government's role in legislating to ensure meaningful change does not replace but enhances the Farm Bureau's preference for voluntary private sector action to fight climate change.

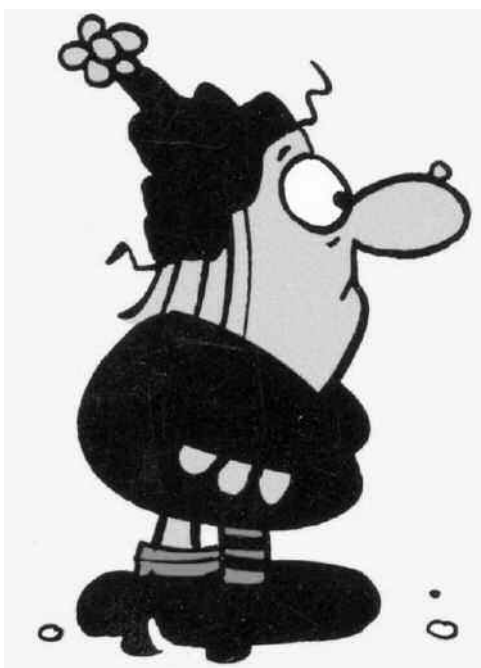
It is unfortunate that there are those who seek to undermine this important effort for political ends. Here in New York, they attack New York State's Climate Action Legislation to meet zero emission goals. They use a toxic blend of grievance politics and inflammatory rhetoric echoing conspiracy theories and misinformation. They rail about government overreach. They spread the tall tale about taking away gas stoves, ignoring the fact that current appliances are not affected by the Law. They also ignore the Legislation's exemption for electrification in communities where the grid will not currently support the goals. A favorite tactic is to express "major concerns" about moving ahead to meet ambitious goals, in this case the concern that the technology does not exist to meet them. This is just code for do nothing.

While there are indeed major challenges to assuring adequate infrastructure for them, technologies for alternative energy sources

most certainly do exist. We have scientific, technological and financial resources to meet these challenges if we have the will to do so. We cannot afford to let "major concerns" stand in the way of doing something so important just because it presents challenges or may be hard to accomplish. We would be better served by following the example of John F. Kennedy when he committed to going to the moon, something for which the technology did not exist in 1962, that "... we choose to do these things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard, because that goal will serve to organize and measure the best of our energies and skills, because that challenge is one that we are willing to accept, one we are unwilling to postpone, and one which we intend to win."

To save our farms, and by extension to assure the food chain for all of us, we must be unwilling to postpone, and must intend to win the climate change battle. Those who put political posturing above joining the fight should get out of the way.

Alan Stern is a 20-year Greenwich resident. He was a senior manager at the NYS Education Department for nearly two decades, in private practice working internationally for ten years as a professional development/leadership consultant to Fortune 500 companies and is currently the Chair of the Washington County Democratic Committee.



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Bancroft Library events

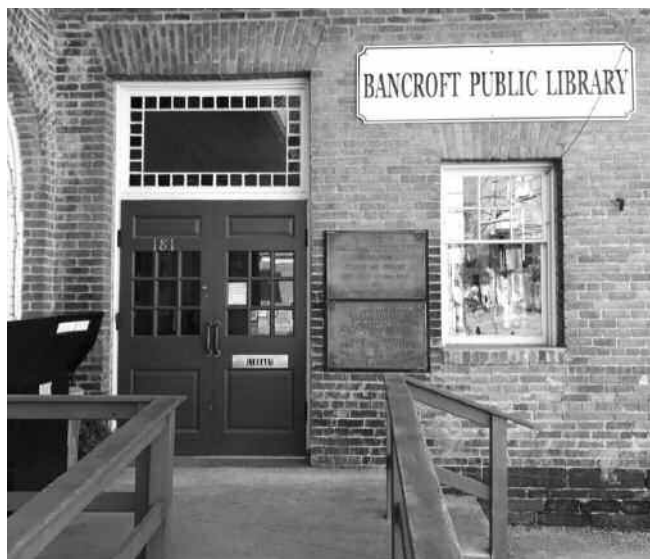
Some upcoming events at Salem's Bancroft Library:

Writers' Group

The Writers' Group meets at Salem Bancroft Library on the fourth Tuesday of each month starting at 5:00 p.m. All levels are welcome. Attendees will read aloud a selection of their original writing and listen to the creative work of others. Gentle constructive comments will be given. The goal is clarity of communication. On Tuesday, September 26th, we will share bits of novels, non-fiction, essays, and poems. All genres encouraged.

Kickin' Knitters

We meet monthly on the third Thursday of the month at Salem Bancroft Library at 6:00 p.m. We share skills and suggestions and work in crochet, knitting, cross stitch, small loom weaving, and simple macrame. In short, all fiber arts. Join us this month on Thursday, September 21st. Bring along the piece you are working on, or begin a small knit neck cozy. Beginners and all levels are welcome. Free knitting needs, hooks, and yarn are always available.



Salem Seniors

Senior Citizen Potluck Lunch – Join us at the Bancroft Public Library on Wednesday, September 27th at 12:00 noon for our monthly Senior Citizen Potluck Lunch. Bring a dish to share or just bring yourself! The fourth Wednesday of the month we gather for delicious food and a great program. September's program will be led by Anna Maxwell, the Washington County Dairy Princess.

Salem Bancroft Library is located at 181 South Main Street, Salem, NY. The library phone number is (518) 854-7463.

—Submitted by Lori Stokem

An Artist's Take

Political Cartoon of the Week by Joel Pett



JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

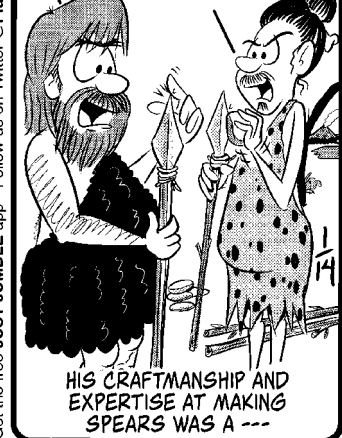
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

NRHOO
 PADLI
 RXILEI
 FOTRIP

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No one makes spears like you! How do you do it?
 I only use locally-sourced flint and sharpen them for two days.



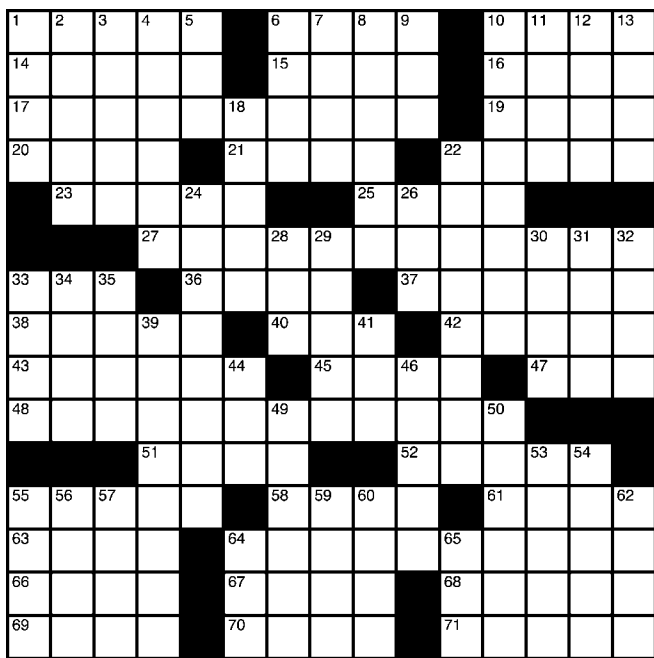
HIS CRAFTSMANSHIP AND EXPERTISE AT MAKING SPEARS WAS A ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Coila Crossword

(solution page 22)



Across

- 1 Blackjack player's request to a dealer
- 6 Mouth off to
- 10 Punxsutawney celebrity
- 14 Fairy tale monsters
- 15 Tattoo parlor supplies
- 16 "iZombie" actress McIver
- 17 Response to "Thanks"
- 19 Jazz great Fitzgerald
- 20 Gardener's bagful
- 21 Penny
- 22 Milk source
- 23 Last non-AD yr.
- 25 Prefix meaning "all"
- 27 Response to "Thanks"
- 33 Bubble bath spot
- 36 Eurasian border river
- 37 Laugh nervously
- 38 Festoon
- 40 Energy
- 42 Relatively cool heavenly body
- 43 Krispy Kreme products
- 45 Nick at
- 47 Slip-__: shoes without laces
- 48 Response to "Thanks"

- 51 Meat loaf's "Bat Out of"
- 52 Big name in hotels
- 55 Iridescent gems
- 58 Too
- 61 __ school
- 63 Muted, as colors
- 64 Response to "Thanks"
- 66 Self-images
- 67 Retired tennis pro Kournikova
- 68 "Big Little Lies" actress Witherspoon
- 69 Brooklyn NBA team
- 70 Exam
- 71 Ill-fated Ford

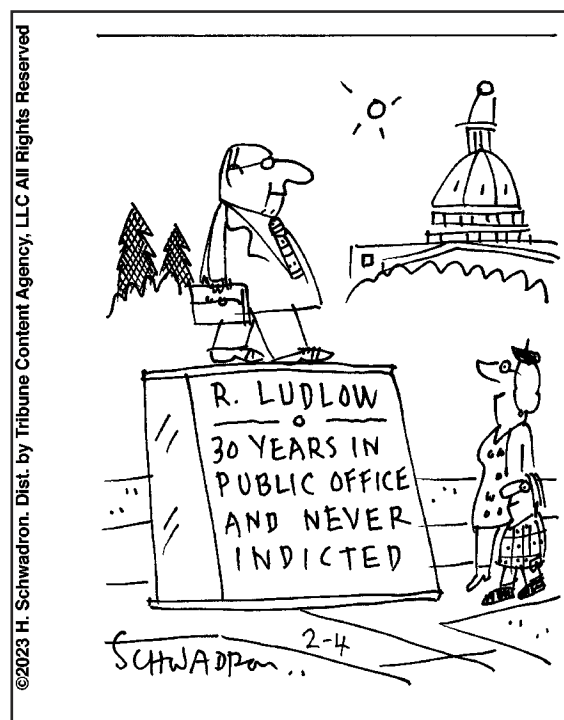
Down

- 1 "You can't have any!" types
- 2 Aptly named cooler brand
- 3 "How to __ Your Dragon" __ Your
- 4 Sampling of songs
- 5 Inexact no.
- 6 Agree (with)
- 7 Unknown composer, for short
- 8 Chairlift alternative

- 9 Former Air France jet, for short
- 10 Foretells
- 11 Wait on the phone
- 12 Cruise stopover
- 13 Shakespearean king with three daughters
- 18 Take place
- 22 Not probable
- 24 Generous bonuses
- 26 Bumped into
- 28 Knock
- 29 Supreme Court justice Kagan
- 30 "The Simpsons" bus driver
- 31 Cruel
- 32 Slips up
- 33 "Look what I did!"
- 34 Japanese soup noodles

- 35 Super skinny
- 39 Without mercy
- 41 Avocado center
- 44 Tee sizes, briefly
- 46 California/Nevada resort lake
- 49 Comedian Boosler
- 50 Expired, as a subscription
- 53 Brings into alignment
- 54 Not long-winded
- 55 Inviting store window sign
- 56 Numbered book part
- 57 "That was __ of fun!"
- 59 ICU caregivers
- 60 Picket fence piece
- 62 Take (off)
- 64 Little rug
- 65 "You __ My Sunshine"

9 to 5 by Harley Schwadron



Argyle Acrostic

By Frank J. D'Agostino (solution page 22)

- | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| Find these words that are associated with summer. | Burgers
Cherry Bomb
Fair
Fireworks
Flags
Fourth
Holiday
Hotdog | Ice Cream
Independence
July
Parade
Patriotic
Picnic
Pool
Roman Candle | Salads
Sausage
Sparkler
Summer

Find Mr. D'Agostino's puzzle books on Amazon. |
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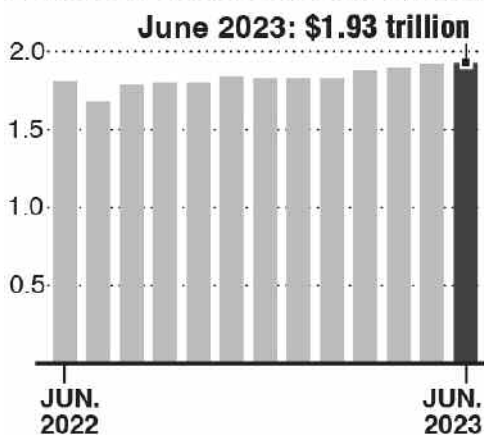


Construction spending

June construction spending in the U.S. rose 0.5% from May.

CONSTRUCTION SPENDING

In trillions of dollars, seasonally adjusted



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 Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Take a tour of Tang

The Frances Young Tang Teaching Museum and Art Gallery at Skidmore College welcomes visitors to explore the Museum and exhibitions through guided tours with curators and Tang Guides.

Curator's Tours are given by exhibition organizers, who work closely with artists and can provide valuable insights. They are often given by members of the Tang's curatorial staff, as well as with faculty co-curators. Tang Guide Tours are given by members of the Tang's visitors' services staff, which includes numerous Skidmore College students, who are trained in various methods of talking about art and interacting with visitors.

Curator's Tours

Thursday, September 21, Noon: Curators' Tour of Unset Texts with Associate Curator Rebecca McNamara and Associate Professor of English Paul Benzon

Thursday, October 5, Noon: Curator's Tour of Paula Wilson: Toward the Sky's Back Door with Associate Curator Rebecca McNamara

Friday, October 20, 2:30 pm: Celebration Weekend Tour of Paula Wilson: Toward the Sky's Back Door with Associate Curator Rebecca McNamara, as part of Skidmore College's Celebration Weekend

Saturday, October 21, 4 pm: Tour of Forms of Awakening: Selections from the Jack Shear Collection of Himalayan Art with co-curators Benjamin Bogin, Skidmore College Associate Professor of Asian Studies; Rachel Seligman, Tang Assistant Director for Curatorial Affairs and Malloy Curator; and Ariana Maki, Associate Director of the Tibet Center and Bhutan Initiative at the University of Virginia; and exhibiting artist Palden Weinreb.



The tour is followed by a public reception in celebration of all fall exhibitions.

Thursday, November 16, Noon: Curators' Tour of Forms of Awakening: Selections from the Jack Shear Collection of Himalayan Art with Rachel Seligman, Assistant Director for Curatorial Affairs and Malloy Curator, and Benjamin Bogin, Skidmore College Associate Professor of Asian Studies

Thursday, December 7, Noon: Behind-The-Scenes Tour of the Tang with Curatorial Assistant Ivy Vuong

Tang Guide Tours

Sundays, September 10 through December 3, 2 pm: The weekly Tang Guide Tour will be given by members of the Tang Guide staff, which will be announced on the Tang website at <https://tang.skidmore.edu>

Friday, October 20, 4 pm: A special Tang Guide Tour will be given as part of Skidmore College's annual Celebration Weekend.

All tours are free and open to the public. No reservations are required. For more information, contact the Visitors Services Desk at 518-580-8080, tang@skidmore.edu, or visit <https://tang.skidmore.edu>.

About the Tang Teaching Museum

The Tang Teaching Museum at Skidmore College is a pioneer of interdisciplinary exploration and learning. A cultural anchor of New York's Capital Region, the institution's approach has become a model for university art museums across the country—with exhibition programs and series that bring together the visual and performing arts with fields of study as disparate as history, astronomy, and physics. The Tang has one of the most rigorous faculty-engagement initiatives in the nation, the Mellon Seminar, and robust publication and touring exhibition initiatives that extend the institution's reach far beyond its walls. The Tang Teaching Museum's building, designed by architect Antoine Predock, serves as a visual metaphor for the convergence of ideas and exchange the institution catalyzes. The museum is open Tuesday–Friday, noon–5 pm, with extended hours on Thursday until 9 pm. More information at <http://tang.skidmore.edu>.

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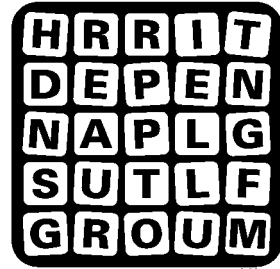
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Fun & Games

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Boggle BrainBusters!

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



INSTRUCTIONS: Find as many words as you can by linking letters up, down, side-to-side and diagonally, writing words on a blank sheet of paper. You may only use each letter once within a single word. Play with a friend and compare word finds, crossing out common words.

BOGGLE POINT SCALE
 3 letters = 1 point
 4 letters = 2 points
 5 letters = 3 points
 6 letters = 4 points
 7 letters = 6 points
 8 letters = 10 points
 9+ letters = 15 points

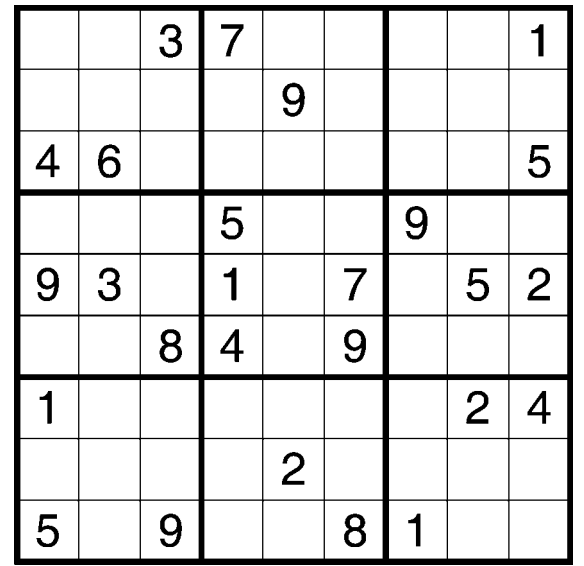
YOUR BOGGLE RATING
 151+ = Champ
 101-150 = Expert
 61-100 = Pro
 31-60 = Gamer
 21-30 = Rookie
 11-20 = Amateur
 0-10 = Try again

Boggle BrainBusters Bonus
 We put special brain-busting words into the puzzle grid. Can you find them?
 Find AT LEAST SIX TWO-SYLLABLE FISH in the grid of letters.

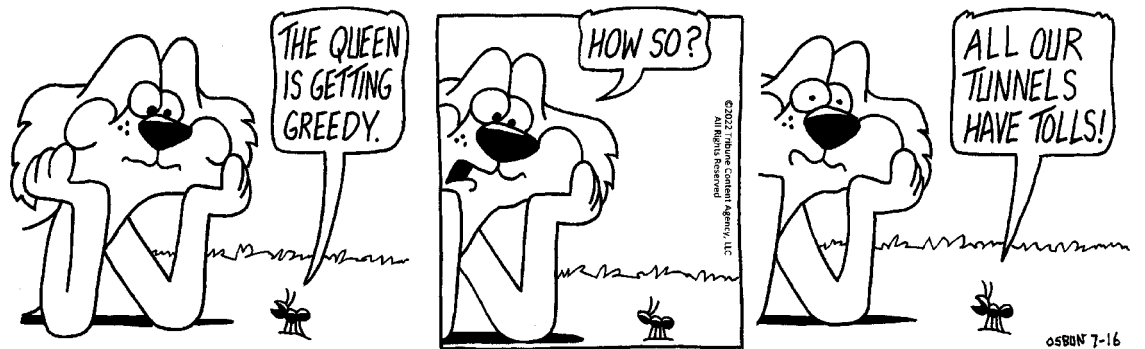
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Salem Sudoku

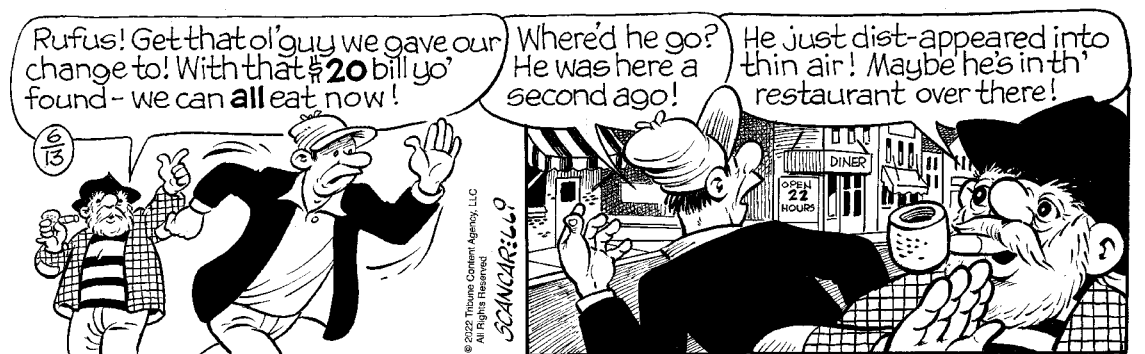
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Animal Crackers by Fred Wagner



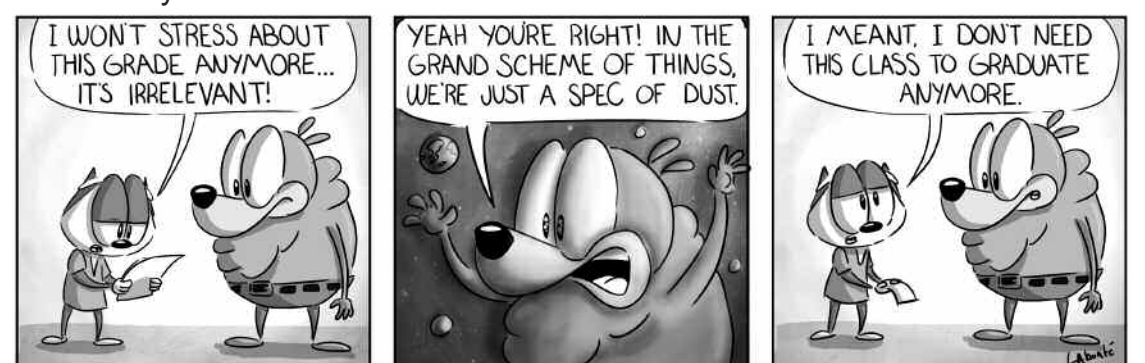
Gasoline Alley by Jim Scancarelli



The Middletons by Dana Summers



Filbert by LA Bonté



Broom Hilda by Russell Myers



Answers

Boggle: TUNA MULLET GROUPE HERRING SNAPPER FLOUNDER

Jumble: FURRY TITLE NUANCE PEWTER

Final Jumble:
"REEL" TREAT

9	7	1	8	8	6	2	5
6	8	9	1	2	9	7	4
4	2	8	5	7	6	9	1
7	1	9	6	3	4	8	2
2	5	8	7	9	1	4	3
6	5	8	7	9	1	4	3
3	4	7	2	8	5	1	7
4	9	4	2	2	5	1	9
5	8	3	7	1	8	8	4
7	1	4	9	6	2	5	1
8	3	7	5	4	2	6	8

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A ₁	O ₁	O ₁	U ₁	R ₁	R ₁	T ₁	Triple Word Score
A ₁	I ₁	N ₁	L ₁	K ₅	M ₃	M ₃	
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Fall Bible meeting

You are warmly invited to the Hudson Crossing Fall Bible Meeting on September 22-23 (Fri - Sat). Come one or both days, rain or shine. We will be gathering at 6pm at the Hudson Crossing Park Pavilion located on County Rd. 42 Schuylerville, NY.



Whether you already know God or just curious to learn more, come.

Visit: hudsoncrossingbiblemeeting.com.

Free Thursday dinners

The Hebron United Presbyterian Church is offering its second Free Community Dinner on Thursday, September 14th at the West Hebron Church at 3153 County Route 30 between 5:00 and 6:00pm. Please join us for a delicious sit-down dinner of Chili and Cornbread, along with a variety of desserts. Meet your neighbors and learn about other community programs at our church. Come rain or shine, and bring the kids early for a story hour from 4:00-4:45pm (children must be accompanied by an adult). If you have any questions, or need more information about the dinner, please contact Charlie Duveen at 518-409-1784.

Other programs include purchasing school supplies for Salem and Hartford schools; participating in a Community Bed Build with the Mechanicville Chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace - where we assemble beds for children ages 3-17; game night on September 22 from 6-7:30pm. Also planned at Hebron East in October is another Puppet Club for children in grades 3-6. You do not need to be a member of the church to participate in any of these great opportunities. Hebron United Presbyterian Church holds Sunday worship services at 10:30am and Sunday School classes for both children and adults at 9:30am. All are welcome here! For more information on any of the projects and activities, please contact Debi Craig at 518-854-3102.

The Hebron United Presbyterian Church has two church locations - one in East Hebron at 6559 State Route 22, and one in West Hebron. Both church facilities are handicapped accessible.

RC Churches News

Mass at Holy Cross Catholic Church on Sunday is at 8:15AM, at St. Patrick's on Sunday at 11:30 AM, (a children's liturgy will resume September 17), and at Immaculate Conception in Hoosick Falls on Saturday at 4 PM and Sunday at 10 AM. Holy Cross, Immaculate Conception, and St. Patrick's Churches will hold a combined parish picnic to celebrate the formal Installation of Mary Rosmus as Parish Life Coordinator. The Very Reverend Joseph Busch will preside at the Installation Mass on September 10 at 11:30 AM at St. Patrick's, followed by a picnic on the lawn. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

September 14 is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and will be celebrated on Sunday, September 17 at 8:15 at Holy Cross. It is also Catechetical Sunday and will include the Blessing of parents and Catechists during Mass.

On September 24, Priest Sunday, the parishes will honor Fr. Peter and celebrate his birthday at all Masses.

A new exciting year of Faith Formation is beginning with the Theme, 'Filled With the Spirit'. Registration is open for the Family Faith Formation Program: Growing Up Catholic Faith Stories: Spirit With Us, Sacrament Prep for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, and Adult Bible Study: The Holy Spirit in the Bible. Please check the website for information and registration. Please register by September. Please visit the Parish Website: www.bat-tenkillcatholic.org, to prepare for Sunday liturgy, access Adult Faith Formation materials, and so much more.

Please remember your local food pantry.

-Submitted by Rose Mary Sheffield

Legal Notice

SCHOOL TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE GREENWICH CENTRAL SCHOOL

Towns of: Argyle, Cambridge, Easton, Fort Edward, Greenwich, Hebron, Jackson, & Salem

Owners of real property located in that portion of the Greenwich Central School District, County of Washington, New York, take notice that taxes will be received from September 1, 2023 through November 3, 2023.

Taxes may be paid in person via our dropbox or by mail to Greenwich Central School District, District Office, 10

Gray Ave., Greenwich, NY 12834, between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday. Please present your tax bill with payment. From September 1 through October 2, 2023, NO PENALTY will be charged.

A two percent (2%) penalty will be added from October 3, 2023, through November 3, 2023. All unpaid taxes

will be turned over to the Washington County Treasurer by November 8, 2023.

Tomarra McCall
Tax Collector

Pub. August 23 & 30

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW SECTION 206

- The name of the limited liability company is HIGH GEAR HAULING LLC
- The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State was March 4, 2022

3. The County in New York in which the office of the company is located is Washington

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(6X through 9/16)

Castles of New York

Old Saratoga Seniors are hosting a trip to the Castles of New York. This will be three days, two nights on October 4-6, 2023. The cost will be \$469 for members. For more information and to reserve a seat contact Peg Jennings or Pat Temple at 518-338-2329. There are seats still available. It should be a fun trip. Reserve now.



Legal Notice

Notice of Formation of T1 BKS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of

State of New York SSNY on 6/20/23. Office Location: Washington County.

SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served.

SSNY

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A 'Kinder' breed of goat at county fair

Molly Abate
Journal & Press

Founded in 1840, the Washington County Fair is recognized as New York's number one agricultural fair. Visitors to the Fair last month were in for a treat this year as Kinder Goats made their grand debut.

The Sheep and Goat barn, located in the center of the fairgrounds, had Pygmy, Nigerian Dwarfs, Nubians, and numerous other goat species for visitors to learn and interact with. Yet the Kinder Goat, an American breed that originated in Snohomish, Washington, was a new draw for visitors. The 2023 fair marked an important time in goat history, as it was the first time the only Kinder barn, Homestead Farm Kinders, in Washington County, has shown for visitors.

Leslie and Cliff Green-Witham own Homestead Farm Kinders, spread across a few acres in Washington County and currently raises a herd of 21 goats. Leslie Green-Witham was raised in San Francisco, California, yet decided the urban lifestyle was not for her. Thirteen years ago she moved to Washington County, starting a farm with her husband and spreading her passion for Kinder goats, a rare and uncommon species.

Leslie Green-Witham's passion for Kinder Goats is contagious to anyone who meets her. Her family originally raised Pygmy goats, followed by Nubians, with the intention of controlling the brush surrounding their farm. Now, with a farm of 21 Kinder goats they rely on the animals not only for brush removal but also for milk, cheese, and ultimately meat.

Kinder goats are a midsize goat, originating

from a crossbreeding of registered American Pygmy bucks with registered Nubian does. The bucks average 135 pounds while the does average 115, making them larger than Pygmy goats, but smaller than Nubian goats.

Homestead Farm Kinders raises 21 Kinder goats, 16 does and 5 bucks. Each doe produces between a quart and a quart and a half of milk each day. The milk content of a Kinder goat averages 5.5 to 7% butter fat, making it ideal for cheese making. This high butter fat percent makes this breed ideal for Homesteaders.

The goats at the Green-Witham farm are good quality Kinders and are registered with the Kinder Goat Breeders Association.

Leslie Green-Witham describes Kinder goats as sweet and playful, yet mischievous. The breed is known to be friendly and easy to handle, the family even raises babies in their home until they're old enough to join the herd. It was clear meeting the Kinder goats at the fair that they love attention and meeting people.

The Kinder Goats have sturdy bodies, which come from their American Pygmy roots. They have longer legs, similar to that of a Nubian. Their stockier body type makes the goats less prone to jump fences. Kinder Goats have a high meat to bone ratio, which will be beneficial when the time comes to utilize them as meat.

Green-Witham stated, "They seem to do great in all different climates. They are in Alaska, Florida, California, Tennessee, Missouri and Ohio. They're all over the place and they handle the conditions just fine."



Kinder Goats are a manageable species, able to produce milk and meat, while maintaining the brush around the farm. Kinder Goats commonly birth twins or triplets, allowing the herd to efficiently grow.

The Washington County Fair is an event where passions and interests are shared with people of many backgrounds. Homestead Farm Kinder chose to use their time at the fair to share their passion on Kinder Goats with fellow farmers, and to bring awareness to the rare breed who are dual purpose and easy to love. Leslie and Cliff Green-Witham hope that the fair brought attention to the breed and will encourage others to raise and enjoy the benefits of Kinder Goats. They had seen plenty of interest throughout the week and hope that Kinder goats are given the attention that they deserve.