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# GREENING OUR WORLD

### HEARTS GATHER AT SUNY SULLIVAN

LOCH SHELDRAKE -Through a chance encounter at a recent anti-pipeline rally, a 17-year-old SUNY Sullivan student was able to convince an Oscar-nominated documentarian to bring his latest work to the Loch Sheldrake campus for an intimate screening of "Gathering Our Hearts at Standing Rock," just in time for Earth Day.

Iris Fen Gillingham, a firstyear early admission student from Livingston Manor, has had a front row seat to climate change her whole life—three major floods, which should have been 100- and 500-year events, hit her family farm within a span of five years when she was a child. As a result, her family was unable to keep farming for a living. Add to that the looming threat of fracking, and Ms. Gillingham knew she had to add her voice to the climate change fight. She is regional youth director for Earth Guardians New York, and she is involved in SUNY Sullivan's branch of Earth Guardians RYSE (Rising Youth for a Sustainable

"Seeing the state of the world today I realized that if I want to have a future, a future where myself and my kids will have clean drinking water that I could not wait for political leaders to evoke change," Ms. Gillingham said. "We as the people have the power to create a sustainable and just world. I cannot just accept the status quo, and as a young person I am going to use my voice to speak and my feet to

On April 19, director Fi-



From left to right, Wes Gillingham of Catskill Mountainkeeper, "Gathering Our Hearts at Standing Rock" director Fidel Moreno, Iris Fen Gillingham of SUNY Sullivan Earth Guardians RYSE and performer Rachel Marco Havens, at a screening for "Gathering Our Hearts at Standing Rock" on April 19 at SUNY Sullivan's Seelig Theatre.

del Moreno brought his film, information. The issue is not can really get things done." "Gathering Our Hearts at Standing Rock" to SUNY Sullivan's Seelig Theatre at the request of Ms. Gillingham and a friend. After the screening, Mr. Moreno answered questions from the audience and performed a traditional water ceremony in honor of the water protectors at Standing Rock.

documentary was filmed at the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation in North Dakota, during the height of protests against the Dakota Access Pipeline, which would carry oil through Sioux ancestral lands and threaten the tribal water supply. Many people still don't understand the whole story of Standing Rock, Mr. Moreno said before the screening, and he hopes his film will help provide that

over, despite President Donald Trump lifting delays on the pipeline, Mr. Moreno said,

Rock again.

"One of the things that struck me when we arrived was how absolutely everyone was working together toward this common goal: protecting their water and land," Mr. Moreno said of his experience at Standing Rock. "So many people coming and going but still there was order... at one point there were over 280 distinct tribes from all over the New Jersey, and increase oil U.S., Central and South America, and Canada. It truly made me realize the power of numbers, that a likeminded group is dependent on fossil fuels."

It's important to connect

North Dakota to New York, Ms. Gillingham said, so local and he plans to visit Standing residents understand the significance of the situation.

"One of the biggest issues with climate change is that the oil and gas industry is in a rush to build the infrastructure to keep us addicted for the next 50 years" Ms. Gillingham said. "The oil industry's attempt to increase oil tanker and barge traffic along the Hudson, build two pipelines from Albany to refineries in traffic by rail, including crude from the tar sands, will take us down the wrong road. One that

### EARTH DAY IS A MONTH LONG AT HAC

by Amanda Loviza

HURLEYVILLE – Earth Day will last about five weeks at Gallery 222, with the opening of a new environmental-themed fine art exhibit.

"Wild and Balanced" opened on Saturday, April 22, and will continue Saturdays through the end of May. The exhibit was curated by Connecticutbased Six Summit Gallery director Leo Feroleto and conservation-minded artists who hope to encourage dialogue about environmental issues through thought-provoking art.

"Wild and Balanced" is the latest installment of the Hurleyville Arts Centre's efforts to bring "art with a purpose" to Hurleyville. The creative portrayals of animals and the environment in the various art pieces, including a sculpture of a fawn topped with a pieced-together child's face, inspires viewers to pay attention to wildlife and nature in ways they wouldn't normally expect, said HAC web and media coordinator Ellyane Hutchinson. The Arts Centre operates Gal- like, 'I can't believe this lery 222.

There was a great turnout Hutchinson said. at opening night, which also



'Centaurus" by Gaetanne Lavoie is an oil on linen painting that is on display in the Hurleyville Arts Centre Gallery 222 environmental art exhibit, "Wild and Balanced."

several of the artists, Ms. Hutchinson said. People were impressed to see art of that level, with that type of message, in the Catskills.

"Quite a few people were is in Hurleyville," Ms.

It was a wonderful opporfeatured a reception with tunity to speak to the artists, many of whom are conservationists themselves, and learn from them, said Erin Dudley, art programs coordinator for HAC.

made a point to work with conservationist artists and to host fine art exhibits that promote messages of environmentalism and conser- County resident.

vation, due to the history of its location in Ivoryton, CT. Ivoryton was ground zero for ivory manufacturing at the turn of the 20th century, Mr. Feroleto said, indirectly causing the slaughter of thousands of elephants for the production of piano keys, billiard balls and other items.

On May 13, after another reception with the "Wild and Balanced" artists, Hurleyville Arts Centre will host a screening of Leonardo DiCaprio's documentary, "The Ivory Game." Leaders of African Wildlife Foundation, including its president, Kaddu Sebunya, will host a panel discussion about ivory trafficking and the poaching of African el-

Hurleyville Arts Centre is continuing to build a schedule that blends art with activism, politics and culture. Its line-up included a February screening of the Josh Fox documentary "How to Let Go of the World and Love All the Things Climate Can't Change" and a discussion with the director, and in late May it will Six Summit Gallery has feature a screening of the documentary, "They Shall Not Perish" with an introduction by writer/director George Billard, a Sullivan

Homestead School third grade teacher, Ms. Balsano helps students Ahmed (center) and Krisha (right) with their Earth

### EARTH DAY FOR THIRD **GRADERS**

by Gabriela Almonte

GLEN SPEY – Earth Day occurs every year on April 22. It was founded in 1970 by U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson.

At my school, the Homestead School, we made litter bugs instead of regular bugs because of Earth Day. We also made three bottles that have different things in them. The first one had grass in it, the second one had leaves in it, and the third one had dirt in it. It was an experiment because when you put water in the big bottles with their cap off, the water in each bottle will look or get darker and darker and

to me, it was very cool.

Earth Day is about taking care of our Earth so it stays forever, like "do not litter."

That's a good reason because sometimes if you litter on the beach it can hurt animals and make them endangered. At school we have an Earth Day Pledge of Allegiance. It includes: "I pledge not to litter on the ground" and "I pledge to be nice to people that surround me."

Earth Day is also very special to me because it's my grandma's birthday and that's

Happy Earth Day, every-



Main Street has been renovated and is open for business! On May 12 from 4 to 7 p.m.,

HURLEYVILLE -

by Heather Gibson

Fiber on Main and Pinwheels will be hosting an Open House. You don't want to miss out on this fun evening, but here's a bit of information to prepare you for the big event and all the surprises they are working on.

When I arrive at Pinwheels, Maria is busy trying to organize her new space. She doesn't have the room she had at her previous location, so she's doing her best to downsize and figure out new and creative ways to display quilts and fabric. Maria begins to tell me the story of how she found Hurleyville, and I learn that her son Michael lives at The Center for Discovery, so she's been coming to this area for a long

"We'd like to give back to this area, maybe settle here," she explained. "It's a feel-good community that my family would like to be a part of." Pinwheels was born in Ma-

ria Tamaoka's family home in Connecticut, but later planted itself in Croton-on-Hudson, NY. Now Pinwheels has been uprooted and is settling here.



Maria Tamaoka, owner of Pinwheels at 227 Main St., specializes in imported Japa-

nese fabric.

Pinwheels began as a quilting club for Japanese women. These women, married to Japanese businessmen, didn't have much to do here in the states. Maria, whose husband Hilo is from Japan, wanted to help these women develop a skill and a hobby. Maria would provide the materials needed to quilt and the women would feed her dinner, and sometimes dessert and coffee. She began to find great purpose in this work and began to import Japanese fabric. In fact, Maria is the main distributor of the popular fabric called Daiwabo

here in the U.S. Daiwabo specializes in the color taupe. This fabric is contemporary. She also sells Oakshott, which is from England. Oakshott specializes in solid colors, not prints, and has a great deal of movement

to it. Both of these fabrics are unique, as they are very different from what we would buy at a typical Jo-Ann Fabric store.

Pinwheels will sell quilting books and also allow customers to borrow them. Maria will offer community quilting classes, and she will teach the community how to make a zipper bag, a step stool and pillow cases. She will also host a "Christmas in July" event where she will teach how to make a tree skirt or a stocking. Please register for all Pinwheels quilting classes by visiting www.hurleyvillemakerslab.org and feel free to contact Maria at 914-271-1045 with any questions regarding what Pinwheels will

offer in the near future. Next door, Annie Cadden greets me with a huge smile and offers me a cup of hot tea. There's relaxation music playing in the background as she begins to explain how Fiber on Main has evolved. I can't help but smile. I think of Ken Robinson, one of the world's leading international advisors on education, who once said, "Being in your element is not only about aptitude, it's about passion: it is about loving what you do, tapping into your natural energy and your most au-

thentic self."

Annie is in her element, and her excitement for all that Fiber on Main has to offer is abso-

HEATHER VISITS...

FIBER ON MAIN AND PINWHEELS

lutely, undeniably contagious. She shows me around, and I meet some new people. One woman is spinning. No, not on a bicycle, in a spin class, silly. I'm referring to spinning wool into yarn. Annie shows me some yarn that was just dyed with onion peels, and she explains to me how Fiber on Main uses organic materials often found in nature to dye the yarn into various colors. I am quite fascinated to learn of the process and the steps taken to bring yarn from sheep to shop.

Annie works directly with the Hurleyville Maker's Lab, and she explains that working with them has been a blessing because she's been pleasantly surprised by how quickly they can produce some of the tools needed to turn fiber into a finished product. One of these tools is the inkle, which is used for weaving. When I asked Annie to explain the concept or philosophy of Fiber on Main, she referred me to their Facebook page, where it states, "This is a fiber arts studio which hosts classes and workshops for everyone; expanding the maker's movement on Main Street."



Fiber on Main, now decorated with a sign made at the Hurleyville Maker's Lab, will have a joint grand opening with its neighbor, Pinwheels, on May 12.

"This is a community space, a gathering place, a place where you can come with your baby in a stroller and learn to knit or crochet, a place where you can rent a piece of equipment for very little money and weave a rug for your new home," Annie further explained.

Fiber on Main is offering a ton of classes, and also will be hosting teachers and artisans from the Hudson Valley. For example, Cal Patch from www.hodgepodgefarm.net will be coming to teach a few different sewing classes; one in which you can learn to make your own leggings. Ali from www.saltandstill.com be regularly teaching classes on bundle dyeing. Additional workshops and events include: Bi-Monthly Knit-Ins, Community Spin-In, Intro to Weaving, Kitchen Dyes, Intro to Spinning, Rigid Heddle Weaving, Weave a Rag Rug, Backstrap Weaving and so much more.

For registration, workshops and event listings please go to www.hurleyvillemakerslab.

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### The Inquiring Photographer

by Heather Gibson



Q. How has social media impacted your life, negatively or



"Social media has been great for keeping in contact with friends and family, but too many of us from the younger generation have lost many of our social skills and our willingness to 'think outside the box' due to social media which influences one way or another."

**Emily Favreau** 



John "JC" LaPolt

"Social media for me has been a blessing. There are many friends and family I don't get to see often because of distance and with social media I can keep a connection with them on a daily basis and get a glimpse into their life adventures. There are negative ways to utilize social media of course, but with anything else it's what you choose to do with it to see what you get back. It's fun to take pictures and keep in touch. I also enjoy it as a tool of discovery and education as you may run across things you might have never encountered in your own life, and then get an idea from someone else and then seek out new experiences."



Petra Ferraro

"That's a loaded question. It's been a great impact in terms of being able to stay in touch with friends and family and friends that have spread out throughout the country. It's been a great way for me to grow my personal business. It does sadden me to see how negative and judgmental some people can be, though. It seems our society has allowed everyone to think their opinion is the right one and has forgotten the rule that we need to respect each other."



**Amber Whitlock** 

"Growing up I felt that I was greatly affected by social media both negatively and positively. During childhood, especially when I was entering middle school, I felt there was a lot of pressure regarding social media. Pressure to have a lot of friends on your social media account, or to get likes on your pictures. I believe stress like that rings true especially to females in general. I know for me when I was growing up I felt the need to look a certain way because that's what I saw on TV, or on the internet. The negative stigmas from social media were a powerful and manipulating tool growing up. However, I feel as though I have been affected positively by social media as I got older. When I entered college I learned how important social media really is, especially in today's society. Networking is an important part of most career fields and social media is a fast and effective way to establish connections. There is no denying that social media today has a greater impact on people than ever before."

### Hamlet Happenings

HURLEYVILLE - Sullivan

First was awarded a Mainte-

nance Program grant at the

Sullivan Renaissance Spring

Forum on April 20. The grant

will be used for the care of proj-

ects that continue to make Hur-

leyville an oasis in the Town of

Volunteers will be needed to

help get gardens, planters and

barrels ready for planting. Work

Some members of the group

have already been hard at work

picking up the litter on Colum-

meets on the third Thursday of

each month at 7 p.m. at the Hur-

leyville Firehouse. The meet-

ings are open to everyone in-

terested in the revitalization and

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about Hurleyville and Hur-

The Sullivan County Mu-

seum and the Sullivan County

Historical Society are looking

for volunteers. Anyone inter-

ested in exploring genealogy

and the history of life in Sulli-

van County can call Pat Burns

at the museum. The museum's

phone number is 845-434-8044.

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Exhibits at the museum in-

• Sullivan County Wildlife

**Exhibit** features mounted

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• The General Store dis-

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able at the commercial cen-

• The Woodstock Festival

provides a history of the

land on which the festival

was held as well as a look at

the legendary celebration of

• A History of Sullivan

County Farms showcases

photographs and authentic

• The Military Room gives

well-deserved recognition

to Sullivan County veterans

from the Civil War through

displays original memora-

• The Borscht Belt provides

• The Frederick A. Cook

**Gallery** features the largest

public collection of artifacts

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A prototype of the bagel

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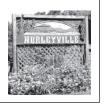
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dates will be announced soon.

Fallsburg.

by Kathleen Sullivan



**3rd Annual** WHAT THE HILL? Friend-Raiser Festival

> **SUNDAY, AUGUST 27TH** 11:00 am Hurleyville Firehouse

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Please contact MaryAnn (845.798.5418)

Donna (845.800.5402) for information.

www.columbiahill.org

1958, 1965, 1968, 1972, 1973, 1980, 1983, and for the years after 1987 are needed to help make the collection complete.

The museum, located at 265 Main Street in Hurleyville, is open on Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and from Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30

Please visit www.scnyhistory. org for more information on the Sullivan County Historical Society and the Sullivan County Museum.

The Bread of Life Food Pantry at the Hurleyville United Methodist Church is open each Thursday (except the first Thursday of each month) from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The volunteers at the food pantry also provide free clothing for families in need on the last Thursday of each month.

Volunteers at the church host the Community Lunch Program. Upcoming dates will be announced on the church's page on Facebook

The church hosts a Youth Group on Fridays from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Young people are invited to join in a variety of activities including board games, trivia, movie nights, arts and crafts. Upcoming dates are May 5, May 19, June 2, June 9, and June 16.

A Bible study group is held at • Early Sullivan County the church on every Tuesday at 7 p.m. bilia that depict two cen-

Please call Katrina at 845turies of life in Sullivan 436-7942 for more information or if you can help with any of these activities. a record of this unique era in

The Columbia Hill Neighborhood Alliance (CHNA) will host the third annual "What the Hill" Friend-Raiser Festival at the Hurleyville Fire House on Sunday, Aug. 27 at 11 a.m.

The festival will feature live entertainment, fun activities for kids of all ages and local artisans and vendors.

Visitors to the festival will have an opportunity to learn about important environmental issues that responsible development demands...our water, our wells and wildlife.

The event is open to the public and admission is free. Refreshments will be available.

Parking will be available at

the fire house at 166 Main St. in Hurleyville.

Spaces are available for vendors, environmental groups and community organizations. Contact Donna, 845-800-5402, or MaryAnn, 845-798-5418, for more information or to reserve a space.

CHNA volunteers are dedicated to the preservation of the very special rural community character of the towns of Thompson and Fallsburg, protection of the natural resource base and encouragement of smart growth. High density, multi-family projects are not suitable for our current land capacity or for the future of the Catskill region. We can develop responsibly and protect our environment only when we insure our community infrastructure is balanced and sustainable.

Visit CHNA at www.columbiahill.org or on Facebook for more information.

ty legend and one of the 'coolest cats' ever in April. Hugh Brodie, his sax and his scats will be sorely missed. A cousin to another legend, Ella Fitzgerald, he spent his life perfecting his unique jazz sound. I was privileged to have met him several times at different functions before I ever heard him perform but once I did, I understood exactly why he was held in such high esteem by his fellow musicians. God speed, Hugh. May is shaping up to be

The Scene

We lost a Sullivan Coun-

Music and Entertainment in and around Hurleyville

a jam-packed month of music! The Spring Music Series at the Rivoli in South Fallsburg kicks off on May 8, bringing singers and groups into a concert setting with 2 acts per evening. Part of the proceeds will be used to restore the Rivoli marquee. You can find the dates and performers in the schedule below.

Also at the Rivoli, the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is presenting The One Act Festival, nine one-act plays performed May 9 through May 21. For more information on the plays to be performed or their directors, call the theater directly at 845-436-5336. I've included the dates, times and ticket price in the schedule below.

#### Mondays

Every Monday: Dutch's Open Mic, 7 p.m., 205 Rock Hill Dr., Rock Hill

May 8: Shlomo Franklin

& Friends; Patty Greco, Spring Music Series at the Rivoli Theatre, 7 p.m., 5243 Main St., South Fallsburg (general admission \$10)

May 15: Yasgur; Slam Allen, Spring Music Series at the Rivoli Theatre, 7 p.m., 5243 Main St., South Fallsburg (general admission \$10)

#### **Tuesdays**

May 9 & May 23: Another Odd Tuesday with The Greater Sullivan Search and Rescue Orchestra, 5:30-8:30 p.m., The Brew, 280 Rock Hill Dr., Rock Hill

May 9: Moon Sauce w/ Darren Steele; On The Roxx, Spring Music Series at the Rivoli Theatre, 7 p.m., 5243 Main Street, South Fallsburg (general admission \$10)

May 16: Lot 14; Jazzmosis, Spring Music Series at the Rivoli Theatre, 7 p.m., 5243 Main St., South Fallsburg (general admission \$10)

#### Wednesdays

May 10: Carol Smith and Little Sparrow; Sara Hulse Band, Spring Music Series at the Rivoli Theatre, 7 p.m., 5243 Main St., South Fallsburg (general admission \$10) **Thursdays** 

Mic and the High Falls Café, 12 Stone Dock Rd., High Falls Fridays:

Every Friday: Al De-Fino and Larry Ravdin, Jazz standards to dine by, Sorella Pizzeria, 6-9

p.m., 3562 State Rte 55, Kauneonga Lake

May 12 & 19: One Act Festival, The Rivoli, 5243 Route 42 (Main Street), South Fallsburg 7 p.m. (tickets \$10)

#### **Saturdays**

by Jane Harrison

May 6: Open Mic/Home Grown: host Kevin Mc-Daniel WJFF 90.5FM, 12 -1 p.m.

At The Pickled Owl, 218 Main St., Hurleyville:

May 6: Talking Machine (modern acoustic rock) 6 May 13: The Acquain-

tances (jazz to rock variety) 6 p.m. May 20: Dennis New-

burg (acoustic rock) 6 p.m. May27: Jan-Turan (edgy folk rock) 6 p.m. At Sorella, 3562 State

Rte Kauneonga Lake Every Saturday: Al De-Fino and Larry Ravdin,

Jazz standards to dine by, 6-9 p.m., May 13 & 20: One Act Festival, The Rivoli, 5243

Route 42 (Main Street), South Fallsburg, 7 p.m. (tickets \$10) **Sundays:** 

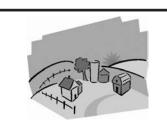
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May 4 & June 1: Open loon, 2037 State Rte 17B, Bethel: #ShineOn, Jazz Brunch, 11a.m. -2 p.m., May 14 & 21: The Rivo-

li, 5243 Route 42 (Main Street), South Fallsburg; One Act Festival, 2 p.m. matinee only (tickets \$10) Until next time....

#### FROM THE FARM

by Eve Springwood Minson



The month of May might just be the busiest month in the garden! There is so much to do, but never enough time to do it, at least not to do it like those magazine gardens we've been looking at all winter.

In order to be most effective, try making a list. This will allow you to prioritize and then enjoy the world around you while getting some work done. No other month is as transformative as May and it's worth slowing down to take in all the beauty.

My priority list looks something like this:

- Get vegetable garden ready – spread and dig in compost, rake out beds, plant seeds for early coolseason crops, such as peas, spinach, lettuce, kale, carrots, turnips, beets, radishes, etc. Broccoli and collard plants can be planted now,
- Clean up perennial gardens and add compost. Treat yourself to a few new plants from local garden centers to replace plants that may have died or to fill new space you've made.
- Leave some room for colorful annuals as fillers throughout the gardens including the veg garden. Some of my favorites are nasturtiums, marigolds, zinnias, cosmos, sunflowers, and Mexican sunflowers.
- Purchase warm season veg transplants like toma-

toes, eggplants, peppers and basil – unless you've grown them from seed at home. You can grow cukes, zukes, beans and squash from seed planted directly into the

- ground. • Buy straw with which to mulch the veg garden, and shredded hardwood bark mulch for the perennial gardens.
- When frost possibility is past (Mother's Day as a rule of thumb), plant your warm season plants and bring out houseplants for some extra sun but be careful not to

scald them with too much sun too soon.

- Don't forget to water everything regularly when Mother Nature isn't doing
- Drag out hoses, sort out

tools, put air in your wheel-

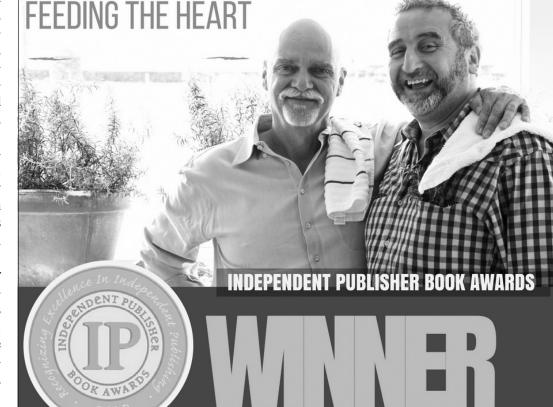
barrow tire and go buy some extra potting soil for annual containers and houseplants And finally, take a break and look at all you've done. It really is spring!



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## SUNY SULLIVAN TEACHES CLIMATE **CHANGE THROUGH GAMING**

by Eli Ruiz

LOCH SHELDRAKE -SUNY Sullivan celebrated Earth Day with a number of interesting events, including a national competition called the Arctic Climate Game Jam.

The Arctic Climate Game Jam was inspired by the 2016 Arctic Science Ministerial meeting, which brought together Science Ministers from 24 countries to discuss Arctic research themes and develop international science collaborations. A key theme of the meeting focused on using Arctic science as a vehicle for STEM education and citizen empowerment.

According to official event literature, the Arctic Climate Game Jam involves teams from different colleges and universities "gathering to rapidly design game prototypes (online, pervasive, tabletop, or other formats) that make learning about climate change more fun, engaging, and accessible to a range of audiences."

SUNY Sullivan's team was led by the college's dynamic computer science and information systems professor, Dr. Cynthia Marcello, and featured a mix of six computer programming, simulation game development, graphic design and various other

by Amanda Loviza

HURLEYVILLE - The

Center for Discovery con-

sumes more energy annu-

ally than the entire hamlet

of Hurleyville. It's a fact

that comes with size and

24-hour facilities. This

year, for the first time, all

that power will come from

The Center has been try-

ing for years to make the

switch to solely renew-

able power, Assistant Vice

President for Environmen-

tal Policy and Develop-

ment Tom Burnham said.

The Center purchases its

energy through bulk annual

contracts, and every year, it

seeks to obtain that energy

from renewable sources,

Mr. Burnham said. This

January, it finally became

cost effective to make the

switch. The Center's energy

this year will be fully wind-

powered, and it even saved

the nonprofit 2 percent in

It is a testament to how far

renewable energy has come,

renewable sources.

their climate-related video game on April 21, agreeing on a rather short three-day

The first day was spent culling real-world information from Columbia University climate researchers.

"We wanted players to have a true experience playing our game," said Dr. Marcello during an April 22 interview with the Sentinel. Dr. Marcello said on April 22, "It was just logical for us to include real world climate data [in the game]."

Next, the team had to pick a demographic to target with their creation. "We decided to focus the game on middle-schoolage kids," Dr. Marcello offered. "With the added benefit that if a parent wants to watch or play along with the child, I believe older folks can learn from it as well."

issues affecting the Arctic region, Dr. Marcello and her team decided to focus gameplay on three specific animals: the polar bear, the albatross, and the narwhal - a medium-sized toothed whale with a tusk-like protruding canine tooth.

As for concept, the team decided on recreating each species' respective "jour-

On April 22, SUNY Sullivan students (front to back) Greg Henderson, Sean Saylor and Nick Clark work on their environmental video game, "Polar Plight," which they built that weekend with the help of other students and SUNY Sullivan computer sciences and information systems professor, Cyn-

computer and technologyrelated majors.

The crew began creating window for completion.

With a host of climate

goes into something like this," Dr. Marcello said. characters have to be built change, environmental isfrom scratch, but the team

also has to consider and tweak such aspects as the physics of the wind, water and any moving object feayet to be named.

SUNY Sullivan Arctic Jam team members (standing left to right): Joshua Conlon, Nicholas Clark, Dr. Cynthia Marcello, Barbara Schmitt, Blaise Camacho, Lance Eisele, Sean Saylor, Greg Henderson and Donna Harness (seated in front) at the

ney," as Dr. Marcello put

"We felt that creating a journey that each animal would actually go through would work really well in a video game with levels," she explained.

game's build out, no easy task according to Dr. Mar- Friday to accomplish this." cello.

"The game is easy at first," added senior simulation game development major Sean Saylor. "But as you progress through the different levels the litter grows and the animals' food supply shrinks... it becomes more and more difficult for them to meet their needs."

"People just don't know how much work actually

much realism as we can being harmed in the proaccomplish," said freshman and simulation game design major Blaise Camacho, whose tasks involved water physics. "It's a lot... but it's a lot of fun too."

The third day was "completion day."

"Sunday game development went well, however we still have about another 8-10 hours of development to do before we finish," Dr. Marcello told the Sentinel The second day saw the in an e-mail interview. "We will reconvene this coming

> A seeming win-win, the Arctic Climate Game Jam not only helped Dr. Marcello's students refine their coding skills, but the final product presents one of the more novel mediums to be used to raise awareness in a decidedly important demographic toward the many perils our environment may face in the future.

"Games are an effective digital storytelling medium suitable for people of all ages to learn about Not only do the featured the many areas of climate sues, and other related causes that need increased awareness," Dr. Marcello said. "By providing a safe environment for the player tured in the game, which as to experience changes of of the Sentinel's visit had state in a simulated world, the player becomes more "We're striving for as aware of the issues without cess. Reaching the player at an emotional level is necessary to encourage lifelong changes in behavior. This is how games serve to educate the player."

## BOCES TEAMS Up With Maker's Lab

by Amanda Loviza

HURLEYVILLE – A new BOCES program is pulling students from across the county into the Hurleyville Maker's Lab and helping them learn 21st century skills to solve practical prob-The TEAMS (Technol-

ogy Engineering Arts Math

Science) Challenge program was created at Sullivan County BOCES last year, after school superintendents visited the maker's lab. Seven teams from six districts signed on to participate in the challenge, where students have chosen a problem in their school they would like to solve, and then utilize the resources of the maker's lab to help them create solutions to those problems. The teams' projects range from building a robot that will carry books for a student on crutches, to syncing announcements onto cafeteria garden shed. Each team had the freedom to identify any



Hurleyville Maker's Lab Director Mark McNamara, center, teaches new software to students during one of the TEAMS Challenge days at the Maker's Lab. TEAMS Challenge is a **BOCES** program in which middle and high school students from six different school districts are competing to design creative solutions to problems within their schools.

Denise Sullivan, community liaison for the Maker's Lab.

"I like that these challenges were vague and they get to bring them to life," Ms. Sullivan said.

The teams started visiting the Maker's Lab in January to get lessons from the lab's director, Mark McNamara in TV screens, to building a laser cutting, 3-D printing, using the CNC router, and software called SketchUp. problem at their school, and This program has opened design a solution for it, said students' eyes to a world of

possibilities in what the machines at the Maker's Lab can do, Mr. McNamara said.

"It gets them out into the community and it exposes them to tools and equipment they won't see, even in shop class," Mr. McNamara said.

The Maker's Lab has been phenomenal to work with, TEAMS program facilitator Carole Diehl said, and students have learned to use some technology that they had never seen before.

"The kids have been great, they have been really watching, they're really interested," Ms. Diehl said.

Bringing the projects to life has not come without stumbling blocks. The Monticello High School team had to revamp their project when they found out their idea to make cafeteria trays out of melted-down plastic would not meet food-grade plastic standards. Every team, but especially those with outdoor projects, was slowed down by excessive snow days.

The program will culminate with a public presentation of the students' projects on Saturday, June 3, at the Hurleyville Arts Centre, Ms. Sullivan said. Judges will assess the teams based on their inventions, their problem solving skills and their presentation skills. The event will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. It will be a great day not only for the students to show off their accomplishments, Ms. Sullivan said, but also for Hurleyville to welcome families from across the county to see the community.

HURLEYVILLE ARTS CENTRE

Saturday, May 6

Secret of the Wings

12:30 p.m.

Queen Katwe

7:00 p.m.

Friday, May 12

Years Of Living Dangerously

6:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 13

Dumbo

12:30 p.m.

**African Wildlife Foundation Event** 

6:30 p.m.

Friday, May 19

Years of Living Dangerously

6:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 20

**Happy Feet** 

12:30 p.m.

They Shall Not Perish

7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 26

**Years Of Living Dangerously** 

6:00 p.m.

A Monster Calls

### **VOTERS TO DECIDE** ON FCSD **IMPROVEMENTS**

capital improvement project on May 16 that officials say addresses energy efficiency as well as health and safety renovations district-wide.

grades, including entrance vestibules at the juniorsenior high school and the urged residents to educate elementary school. There themselves about the expenwill be bathroom renova- ditures and to ask questions tions and exterior site im- if necessary. provements, including the "On behalf of the Fallsoutdoor track and practice burg Central School District fields. The HVAC upgrades will continue the district's quest to improve student comfort and thermal efficiency.

The gymnasium floor,

FALLSBURG - The bleachers and windows Fallsburg Central School will be replaced at the high District will ask voters to school. The pool renovation, decide on a \$15.9 million a centerpiece of the capital project, will include a new tiled deck, a new pool liner and plumbing upgrades.

FCSD Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz said the vote will There will be security up- determine how effectively the district is able to address its facility issues, and he

> Board of Education, we look forward to hearing from [voters] as we approach the May 16th vote," he said in a statement.



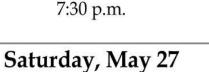


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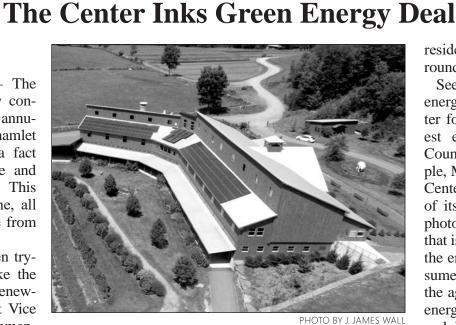




A Monster Calls

7:00 p.m.

**Hurleyville Arts Centre** 216 Main Street Hurleyville 845-707-8047



At the Michael Ritchie Big Barn Center for Environmental Health and Education, roof-mounted photovoltaic panels create electrical energy that is used to power The Center for Discovery. The panels only produce a small percentage of The Center's energy, but this year The Center signed a contract to get all of its energy from renewable sources.

Mr. Burnham said, and it is a sustainability milestone The Center for Discovery is pleased to have reached.

"It speaks to who we are," Mr. Burnham said. "We're trying to be good stewards of the environment. We know that impacts the people we serve [and] our

The Center's underpinning environmental philosophy centers on taking care of the Earth, and providing people with an environment and food that is free from toxins, Mr. Burnham said. From toxin-free paint to organic food, The Center tries to provide a safe and healthy environment for its

residents, staff and the surrounding community.

Seeking out renewable energy is a way The Center for Discovery, the largest employer in Sullivan County, can lead by example, Mr. Burnham said. The Center even produces some of its own energy through photovoltaic systems, but that is a small percentage of the energy The Center consumes. Because of how big the agency is, The Center's energy choices can make a real impact on the greater community, Mr. Burnham

"It was just the right choice," Mr. Burnham said. Conservation is the best way to make a financial and environmental difference, and Mr. Burnham said he hopes The Center can send a message that conserving energy, investing in safe products and food, and using renewable power are positive choices that are rapidly becoming more affordable for everyone.

#### From the Firehouse





Department is always burn resulted in damage looking for new recruits, to a house. There were whether to drag hose and fight the flames of a fire or help in the background. We even provide free training and all the gear you need to be safe. We can always use help. Stop by the firehouse any Monday night to see what Even though your lawn is we are all about and how

you can help us.

fighter Dylan Dainack April. A Firematic Service was held and over seventy-five firefighters from the Hurleyville Fire Department and surrounding departments came to the service. I would like to thank our brother and sister firefighters on behalf of the Hurleyville Fire Department for their day of the funeral the a giant American flag trucks from the Liberty the cemetery.

Sullivan County Volunteer Firefighter's Association will be holding their annual memorial service at the Sullivan County Government Center at 2 p.m. to honor those firefighters that answered their last alarm in 2016. The Hurleyville Fire Department will have three names read at the ceremony. They are Bill Cole, Richard Simmons and Bob McKay.

the temperatures went up and the winds dried everything up, there was a rash of brush fires and il-

The Hurleyville Fire attended to. One illegal ferent agencies. We have men's Association parade. a couple of large brush fires on Easter Sunday that caused some of us to be late for dinner. Don't forget that the "New York State Burn Ban" is still in effect until May 14. NO OPEN BURNING. starting to green up, the woods, underbrush and On a sad note, Fire-fields are still very dry.

The fire department passed away early in has been meeting with The Center for Discovery and other emergency services organizations on an elopement plan. This plan is to address the possibility that a resident of The Center for Discovery walks away from the campus and gets lost, or just comes up missing. Typically, when the fire show of support. On the department is called for a lost person, one of the procession passed under first steps is what is called a "modified type-one suspended by the ladder search." In this type of search we would set up a and Loch Sheldrake Fire fire truck and blow the si-Departments as we trav- ren to give the lost person eled from the church to a reference point to walk to. As simple as it sounds, On Sunday, May 7, the it works. If that doesn't get a result we escalate our search tactics.

These tactics will not work for a special needs person, therefore the development of the elopement plan. Once there is a plan on paper, a tabletop exercise can be conducted. If all goes well with the table top, a drill may be set up with all of the different agencies that would be involved in the search. We would go out As predicted, when into the field with manpower and equipment and execute the plan.

All of this careful planning requires the colegal burns that had to be operation of many dif-

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be handled in-house. The

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already met a couple of times and are confident all of our Chiefs to follow that a well thought out (and they did). This tourplan can be formulated. Working with all the different agencies is known as a "Unified Command." By planning ahead, it allows us to be proactive instead of reactive. The result can be a safer outcome to all involved.

the seventh annual Bill for tee box sponsors and Carlson Golf Classic on Saturday, May 20 at the Tarry Brae golf course. Bill was an all-around good guy. He was a Past Chief of the Hurleyville Fire Department and worked at the Terry Brae golf course for many years. When he was Chief ing up in June. So mark the fire department won your calendar for June its first "Blue Ribbon 17. For more information, Trophy" at the Sullivan call Jack Halchak at (845) County Volunteer Fire- 436-5418.

He would set a mark for nament starts at 1:30 p.m. with a shotgun start. The \$85 fee includes lunch and the awards banquet, green fee, cart, and cold drinks all day long. In addition to all of that, there is a closest-to-the-pin contest and a long-drive Let's not forget about contest. We are looking prizes for the raffle. If you would like to sign up, donate a prize, or need more information please call John Jaycox at (845) 866-6431.

Looking ahead the 16th Annual Morningside Fishing Classic is com-



From the files of...

## THE HURLEYVILLE SENTINEL.

Compiled by Sullivan County Historian John Conway

MAY 6, 1933 **County Seat Crowd Starts Riot When Red Speaker** Uses U.S. Flag for Handkerchief Throng Shouting for **Lynching Pursues Offender** 

Isadore Katzowitz, a Woodridge grocer who came to Monticello Monday night to be one of the speakers at a May day mass meeting in front of Village Hall, caused turmoil on Broadway by rather ostentatious use of the American flag as a handkerchief.

Katzowitz was a target for a shower of eggs. He used the his face and an assemblage which previously had been good-naturedly heckling the group of radical speakers at once gave way to wrath. The speakers' stand collapsed. Katzowitz fled amid cries of "Lynch him!"

#### **Hurleyville Teachers Sign Contracts for Next Year**

At the regular meeting of the Board of Education April 24, the question of hiring teachers for next year at Hurleyville was presented for consideration, and contracts were awarded. In awarding contacts, the Board set up a minimum salary below which no cuts were made and above which reductions of one hundred dollars per teacher become effective. This cut with other reductions will result in a total saving to the school district of nearly \$900.00 in salaries next year. This saving was made necessary by reductions in state aid to public schools during the current year.

#### Fireman's Dance a Wow!!!

The dance given by the Hurleyville and Loch Sheldrake firemen last Wednesday night at the Morningside Casino proved to be one of the largest



affairs of the season. Music by the Honesdale Bachelors orchestra was 11 that could be desired. Moe Kove, in his usual

breezy manner, was master of ceremonies. The street singer has nothing on our singing gaflag to wipe the results from rage man Irving Cohen, who entertained the crowd with a number of songs. "Stretch Rubin displayed unusual talent in the rendition of "I Got a Right to Sing the Blues." The silver loving cup, offered to the fire company best represented at the dance was awarded to Chief Ed Glickman and his firemen of South Fallsburg. Judge Fox, of Monticello was awarded the lucky number

> MAY 27, 1933 Waxey Gordon, Racketeer and Bootlegger, Captured at White Lake by State **Troopers**

White Lake, Sullivan Coun-

ty, again comes into the spotlight with the capture of the notorious "Waxey Gordon," racketeer rated by Uncle Sam as Public Enemy No. 1. Federal agents have been searching the county for him since April 27, and he felt much chagrined, as he expressed it, "to be taken by a couple of hick cops." He will probably have a better opinion of Sergeant Thomas Mangan and Sergeant Jack Hopkins of the State Police in the future. Gordon was held on \$100,000 bail in New York City for appearance June

#### **Largest Crowd Ever** at Jefferson Dinner

More than 900 guests, including many Democratic leaders from southern New York, constituted Thursday night of last week the largest Jeffersonian dinner party ever in this part of the state. The capacity of the Flagler Hotel dining room was taxed to the limit by the crowd, which enthusiastically paid tribute not only to Thomas Jefferson. founder of the Democratic party, but also to President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Governor Herbert H. Lehman.

Vincent Dailey, state director of the Democratic Union. paid tribute to the Democratic county chairman, James M. Kelly, who, he said, had built the greatest Democratic organization in any upstate county. Dr. Victor Bourke of Livingston Manor was toastmaster.



#### SO YOU WANT TO BE A WRITER?

Serialized fiction, once a staple of American newspapers, has made a comeback on the pages of The Hurleyville Sentinel. From our very first issue, the Sentinel has featured standalone and serialized fiction stories that bring our readers to the newsstands each month.

Would you like to see your original work in our pages? We are now offering a unique opportunity for aspiring writers to become published authors by participating in the very first Hurleyville Sentinel Fiction Writing Contest.

And all you need is a completed short story and access to e-mail.

The guidelines are simple. Send, via e-mail to <a href="mailto:hurleysent@hotmail.com">hurleysent@hotmail.com</a>, your original short story of between approximately 1,000 and 3,000 words, remembering to include your name, address, and telephone number, as well as your e-mail address. This information will not be shared with anyone. Stories, and all characters therein, must be fictional.

Our panel of judges will review the entries and choose up to three entries for publication in The Hurleyville Sentinel. Stories will run in one or more issues, depending upon length, and may be edited for better fit. Winners will be notified via e-mail. Entries will be judged on creativity, writing style and proficiency, and structure. Extra consideration will be given to entries that incorporate Hurleyville or its history into the storyline. All decisions by our judges are final.

There is no entry fee, and there is no limit on the number of entries you can submit. All entries must be received by June 4, 2017.



### FROM THE FALLSBURG LIBRARY

by Kelly Wells and Amanda Letohic



**Bernie Deutsch** 

for yourself!

Thursday May 18 at 6 p.m., Ozobots will be in the building! Come meet these tiny robots that help teach coding. Ages 7-14 are welcome to participate. Our regular Children's Craft Night will be Mondays at 6:30 p.m., and our Preschool Story Hour is Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and 6

If you're interested in signing up for any of these programs, call Amanda at 845-436-6067 ext. 102.

Be sure to stop in and visit your local library at 12 Railroad Plaza in South Fallsburg. You can also keep up with us on Faceincluding but not limited ation of three dimensional book, Instagram, Twitter,

website, www.fallsburglibrary.org. If you have any questions about the library feel free to call the Library Director, Kelly, at 845-436-6067 ext. 103. The staff and Board

members of the Fallsburg Library are deeply saddened at the passing of Fallsburg Library Board President Bernie Deutsch. Bernie was one of the founders of the Fallsburg Reading Center in 1991. objects. Come try them out He worked diligently with other community members to turn the Reading Center into an official library, and was Board President when

or Snapchat or visit our the Fallsburg Library received its Provisional Charter in 2000, and again when we received our Absolute Charter in 2004. After taking some time off in 2007, Bernie returned to the Board in 2012 and was elected Board President in 2014, a position he continued to hold until his passing on April 24, 2017. Bernie will be greatly missed by the library and by all who knew him. We leave you now with a quote we found from Bernie from back in the 1990s, "A community without a library is in some ways no community at all."





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#### Spring is finally here! to our 3-day-a-week de-And with spring comes livery, maintenance of the budget vote and trustee system-wide online cataelection season for many log, and advanced tech

school districts and local

public libraries, including

the Fallsburg Library. On Tuesday, June 6, vided by RCLS are invalu-2017, the Fallsburg Library will have our budget vote and trustee election from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the library. If you are a registered voter of the Fallsburg Central School District, then you are eligible to vote on our operating budget and trustee seats that are up for election this year.

What does our operattional, and fun programs ing budget consist of? The for all ages. Check out Fallsburg Library's operating budget consists of many expenses that you would typically associate with running a library, in- at 7 p.m., the whole famcluding book and movie ily is invited to make a fun purchases, newspaper and magazine subscriptions, staff, utilities, and rent. 17 at 7 p.m., we'll have Our operating budget also consists of costs that you might not automatically consider. One such expense is the service fees that we pay to the Ramapo Catskill cools almost instantly into a solid, stable structure, al-Library System (RCLS) for a myriad of services, lowing for free-hand cre-

### THE CENTER FOR DISCOVERY COOKBOOK WINS INTERNATIONAL BOOK AWARD

HARRIS, N.Y. - A book that puts into words the values of nourishment and nurturing that The Center for Discovery keeps at the core of its food program has been recognized with an international book award.

"Feeding the Heart: Recipes, Flavors and the Seed to Belly Philosophy of the Department of Nourishment Arts" received a gold award in the category of Best Adult Non-Fiction Informational E-Book in the 2017 Independent Publishers Book Awards (IPPY Awards).

cookbook and storybook collaboration between The Center for Discovery CEO Patrick H. Dollard



The Center for Discovery CEO Patrick H. Dollard (left) and Chief of the Department of Nourishment Arts, Chef Cesare Casella (right) collaborated on the book, "Feeding the Heart," a 2017 IPPY Award winner.

and world-renowned chef, Cesare Casella, published "Feeding the Heart" is a in 2015. The book shares dozens of delicious recipes, as well as stories about how The Center uses food and farming to advance in-

novative models of care for its students and residents, who have complex disabilities, medical frailties and autism spectrum disorders. The book shares emotional stories about caretaking, food and farming, and gives insights into the passion behind the work at The Center for Discovery.

Hurleyville Sentinel, Hurleyville, N.Y.

The IPPY Awards are the world's largest international and regional book awards competition. The annual awards contest seeks to bring increased recognition to thousands of exemplary independent-, university- and self-published titles. This year's contest drew 5,000 entries in 117 categories. The winning books create an excellent and diverse reading list for those exploring ways to solve the world's problems, Independent Publisher said in announcing the list of winners.

The Center for Discovery is a residential, educational and research facility with multiple campuses in Sullivan County, NY, recognized internationally for providing the best care for people with severe disabilities, as well as advancing medical research in the field. Hundreds of students and adults come to The Center from across New York and other states for education and care. The Center's Department of Nourishment Arts manages hundreds of acres of certified organic and biodynamic farmland, which feeds residents and staff, and brings healthy food into the community through its Community Supported Agriculture program.

#### **EMS** Beat

by Albee Bockman, AEMT-P



#### "TIS' THE SEASON"

No, sorry, it's not Christmas, folks.

But it is allergy season, where noses are sneezin' and bees are bitin'!

Allergies occur when your immune system reacts to a foreign substance such as pollen or pet dander, or to certain foods. The immune system produces substances known as antibodies. When you have allergies, your immune system makes antibodies that identify a particular allergen as harmful, even though it isn't. When you come into contact with the allergen, your immune system's reaction can cause you to have a runny nose or to sneeze, as well as itching, rashes, swelling, or even asthma. Treatment for these minor irritations may consist of oral or nasal antihistamines, topical ointments such as Calamine Lotion, or an inhaler.

Now, the severity of allergies varies from one person to another and can be minor as stated above, or much more severe. A severe reaction is called "Anaphylaxis," an allergic reaction to bee stings, medications, foods such as peanut butter, shelled fish, etc.

Please heed: Anaphylaxis is a true emergency! It is life threatening and requires immediate attention.

The first signs of anaphylaxis may look like typical allergy symptoms. But within 30 minutes, more serious signs appear such as wheezing, tightness in the chest, and swollen lips and tongue.

As it progresses, one becomes confused, lethargic, and develops severe respiratory distress.

Unless Paramedics with medication such as injectable Epinephrine, oxygen and intravenous therapy respond, death may be imminent! I cannot stress enough the importance of calling 911 and having Paramedics respond to your call forthwith! Time is of the essence!

As I have said in the past, my goal is to "enlighten and not frighten" you. We need to be aware of the dangers around us at all times. I hope this information has been helpful.

Be well and safe, Hurleyville!

### SPOTLIGHT ON A HURLEYVILLE TREASURE

by Kathleen Sullivan

#### "SOPHIE FEDUN"

Sophie Fedun, the daughter of Alex and Mary Welhan Bagailuk, was born on January 10, 1918, in New York City. She and her brother, Ted, grew up on their family's farm at the intersection of Mitteer Road and Krum Road in Hurleyville.

Sophie began her education at the schoolhouse on Mitteer Road and graduated from the Hurleyville School on Main Street.

After training in culinary arts, Sophie worked in the kitchen at the Hurleyville School and for 4-H camps.



Sophie Fedun

She also worked for the New York Telephone Company on Main Street and was a bookkeeper for the Inter-County Farmers' Cooperative in Hurleyville until her retirement.

Sophie married George

Fedun on June 13, 1937, the quilts they made with at the Ukrainian Church in Thompsonville. Their wedding reception was held at the Garden House Hotel on Garden House Road in Hur-

Sophie and George were the parents of four children: George, Pat Gibson, Sonya Robinson and Mari-Jane

A charter member of both the Hurleyville Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary and the Luna Organization, Sophie also belonged to the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Woodbourne. Frunzi, Matthew Robin-

Home Bureau. Among its Daniel Robinson; her great activities, the group shared

others who couldn't afford to purchase them.

An avid hunter, Sophie also enjoyed working in ceramics. Sophie delighted in her

walks, especially on Main Street, and in visiting her neighbors and her friends. Sophie passed away on

December 22, 2001. She is survived by her children; her grandchildren, Mark Fedun, Peter Fedun, Nancy Bowdren, Gene Gibson, George Gibson, Christopher Gibson, Christina Sophie participated in the son, Jeremy Robinson and grandchildren; and a large



**Sophie and George Fedun in** the 1930s.

extended family.

Sophie is one of Hurleyville's many special trea-

Visit www.hurleyvilleny. com to find more treasures in Hurleyville.

### One Act Festival takes the stage at the Rivoli

SOUTH FALLSBURG -What do you get when you mix one producer, nine directors, 32 actors and countless behind-the-scenes folks with a healthy mix of drama, comedy, mystery, children's theatre, even music and dancing and two original works by local playwrights making their World Premiere?

A full evening of theatre -as the Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop presents its "One Act Festival" to whet your appetite for its 2017 Season.

The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop has been providing quality, awardwinning Community Theatre in our area since 1950. Hitting the boards at the Rivoli Theatre in South Fallsburg May 12-14 and 19-21, the "One Act Festival" will showcase nine short plays and the talents of seasoned well as fledgling directors and performers - which is truly what Community Theatre is all about. And to take community involvement one step further, this particular production will double as a food drive for the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless.

Producer and technical director, Jim Schmidt has gathered together the nine talented directors and their respective shows - Shawn Bailey will be directing and premiering his original work, "Confessor," Dawn Perneszi directs "Aunt Maggity's Dark and Stormy Night" by Edith Weiss, Mekayla Perneszi directs and premieres her original work, "Lifesaver," Fran Schiff will direct Wendy Wasserstein's "Bette and Me," Amber Schmidt directs "DMV Tyrant" by Christopher Durang, Lori Schneider directs "TRAPPED!" by Ben H. Winters, Constance Slater directs "Nights Thinking of Paris" by Laura Lonshein Ludwig, Harold Tighe will direct Arthur M. Jolly's "How Blue is My Crocodile" and Bunny Woloszczak directs "Bottle of Joy" by Charles E. Bright.

Featured actors include Shawn Bailey, Ed Berens, Kevin Cerda, Michael Feltman, Ryan Fogler, Elizabeth Green, Joseph Guidone, Seriya Jorge, Nicole Lavere, Melissa McTague, Bill Moloney, Noam Naiman, John Neails, Blaze Nolan, Jennifer Nolan, Teri Paris, Mekayla





Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop collaborators include (clockwise from top left) Taburica Stewart and Noam Naiman in "TRAPPED!", Paul Puerschner in "Confessor," Nicole Lavere, Jayden Ramsey in "How Blue is My Crocodile" and Mekayla Perneszi, Anya Rogers, Ally Porter, Ambe Schmidt and Stephani Watson in "Aunt Maggity's Dark and Stormy Night."

directors and performers as Perneszi, Alexandria Por- South Fallsburg, NY. See al Ramsey, Anya Rogers, Josh Rosengrant, Amber Schmidt, Lori Schneider, Lily Siciliano, Donna Steele, Taburica Stewart, Grace Strauss, Heather Strauss, Melinda Wallach, Stephanie Watson and Gary Zelweger. Grace Summa is the production Stage Manager.

> Performances of the "One Act Festival" will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 12, 13, 19, 20 at 7 p.m. (note early curtain time) and Sunday, May 14, 21 at 2 p.m. at the Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Route 42 (Main Street),

ter, Paul Puerschner, Jayden nine shows for one low price of \$10 general admission Bring a non-perishable food donation (please make sure to check expiration dates!) to benefit the Sullivan County Federation for the Homeless and receive a free item from the concession stand.

> Tickets will be available at the box office one hour prior to curtain for each performance or in advance, online at www.ShowTix4U com. For additional information and blurbs about the individual shows, visit www SCDW.net, or phone (845) 436-5336.

### Fallsburg Students Win Grand Prizes

High School students Kathleen Houghtaling and Stephenie Canales won Grand Prizes at the 23rd Annual County-wide Alcohol, Tobacco, Gambling & Drug Abuse Poster Contest, for their posters in English and Spanish respectively. Ms. Houghtaling is a 10th grader and Ms. Canales is a 9th grader. The event was held on April 21 at the Government Center in Monticello.

In addition to beautifully

FALLSBURG – Fallsburg framed copies of their awardwinning posters, each student received additional professionally reproduced copies for distribution to family and friends, and for display in the Fallsburg Central School District. They also received

> First, second and third prize winners in the categories of Grades 1-4, 5-8 and 9-12 received \$150, \$75 and \$50 gift certificates respectively.

\$250 gift certificates from

Wal-Mart.

The theme of this year's

event was: "I'm the Best Me; When Choosing To Be: Alcohol, Tobacco, Gambling and Drug Free."

Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange and Sullivan organized the annual contest that attracts entrants from all eight Sullivan County school districts. Co-Sponsors for this year's program were Susan and Stephen Miller, Merrell Benco Insurance Agency, Liberty Police Benevolent Association, Sullivan County Headstart, and Town of Fallsburg Community Coalition.

Honorary co-sponsors were the Sullivan County Legislature, represented by Chairman Luis Alvarez, who addressed the student entrants, their families, and dignitaries from Sullivan County schools and community. Catholic Charities offered special thanks to the Kristt Company for their continued support, to the many students who participated, as well as to the school staff, parents, and all those who offered en-

couragement.



Pictured left to right are Fallsburg High School 10th grader Kathleen Houghtaling, Grand Prize Winner in English, L.A. Branch, Prevention Projects Coordinator for Catholic Charities, Fallsburg High School 9th grader Stephenie Canales, **Grand Prize Winner in Spanish, and Marty Colavito, Director** of Prevention at Catholic Charities.



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#### March for Science

SUNY Sullivan science faculty joined the Middletown March for Science on April 22, part of an international day of science marches scheduled on Earth Day to protest any attempt by President Donald Trump's administration to minimize or discount the value of scientific evidence and research. Debra Lewkiewicz, chair of SUNY Sullivan's Division of Science, Technology, and Mathematics and a biology professor, said the faculty felt they must rise up to show the world they stand united for scientific progress. "As educators, our duty is to enlighten and empower students with knowledge and the ability to think critically. We must resist any segment of society that seeks to advance ignorance instead of knowledge," Lewkiewicz said.







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## CYCLING FROM HURLEYVILLE TO LIBERTY VIA RAIL TRAIL – A SURVIVAL STORY

by Angelee Santillo

"All the rail trails connect," they said.

As a girl from Liberty who grew up on Yaun Avenue, right across from the Chestnut Street rails-to-trails trailhead, I had always heard about how all the rail trails in Sullivan County connect in one way or another. But once I'd attempt to venture down that path, I would just begin to hit my stride when something odd would happen – I'd end up behind Agway without any direction. What now?

Sure, I knew I'd have to traverse commercial roads at some parts of the journey, but exactly how one was supposed to do that was not intuitive. There were no trail markers hinting me in the right direction, no signs indicating I was even on the right trail anymore.

Thus, like so many other recreational hobbies throughout my childhood, I quit rail-trailing for good.

That is, until I moved to Hurleyville as an adult. Exploring the rail trail in town has been a favorite pastime of mine the last few years, partially because − let's face it − it's one of the only things to do here. But my Hurleyville rail trail experience has been limited to the "Local Loop," as I like to call it. I start on foot or on bike down Mongaup, take the right at Krum Road past Valley Golf Club, and either make the right down the Rail Trail to end up back on Railroad Ave, or continue on pavement down Mitteer, eventually crossing Main Street to

by Win Hadley

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16 runs they put on the board

marked the fifth time they

have scored 15 or more runs

With the win, Sullivan im-

proved to 20-11 (with one tie

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On April 28, the Generals

swept two games at home

against Rockland with con-

vincing 10-2 and 19-1 wins,

pounding out 29 hits on the

day. Sullivan batters hit four

home runs in the opener,

with Ronald Medina, Johann

Paniagua, Manny Nova and

Cain Ruiz all going deep.

The offensive onslaught con-

tinued in the second game

as Medina swatted a pair of

homers and Jurg Steiger con-

Brophy where I take the road down until reaching the "end" of the Rail Trail, and work my way backwards to finish at the basketball courts. As great as the Local Loop is, you're really only on a few miles of actual rail trail. As sports editor for the Sentinel, I needed to do better.

And so, on one of the warmest days at the beginning of April, my partner & I decided to set out on bicycles, one mountain and one hybrid, and make the left onto the rail trail after Krum Road instead of the right that takes you back to Railroad. Armed with only my local-girl knowledge of Sullivan County geography, I knew that some way, somehow, that left would take us to my old stomping grounds in Liberty. At first, nothing was out of

the ordinary. For a couple of miles, we rode the rail trail over mostly smooth terrain, although the farther along we got, the rockier it became. For the average-to-experienced cyclist, the first part of the ride was mildly challenging but enjoyable, although having a good bike really does make all the difference. As we felt we had to be reaching a clearing of some sorts, we could feel we were navigating the path-less-traveled, as more branches, roots, and rocks seemed untouched and posed greater obstacles.

Nevertheless, we eventually reached a clearing, having not really broken a sweat yet. At this clearing, we were on a town back road, and we could see that the rail trail continued

SUNY Sullivan's Paniagua



The Rail Trail from Hurleyville to Ferndale is a great place to hike or bike all year around.

across the street. But to the right, I saw a familiar four-way intersection, one I'd been on countless times throughout my childhood – it was Twin Bridge Road. I wondered if we should turn right at this clearing towards the intersection and take a left onto Twin Bridge, or continue down the real rail trail in front of us.

My partner, an Ellenville local who admittedly could not contribute any knowledge to our navigation of Sullivan County, read the uncertainty on

"Do you know where you're going, or should we look it up?" she asked.

"We don't need to look it up," I said, too proud to accept help and refusing to use a cell phone in order to maintain the authenticity of our old-fashioned cycling adventure. "I know these roads, but if we go straight, it looks like it's going in the same direction as Twin Bridge Road anyway, and it's still rail trail."

Across the street we went. This part of the trail became a bit more challenging, and there were parts strewn so deep with gravel that our bikes nearly stopped in their tracks. But we pressed on, my partner enjoying the light workout while I panicked internally about getting us lost. Where could this take us out in Ferndale?" I wondered. I didn't think any other path connected the two towns besides Twin Bridge Road.

I was right. As we zoomed through the wooded area and past residences in the distance, sounds were growing louder

from where we could see a clearing. They were the sounds of traffic, which was encouraging at first, because at least we weren't driving towards the middle of nowhere. Then, as we exited the trail, I saw a familiar sight in the near-distance. We had reached Route 17 West.

As I watched commuters and tractor trailers speed by on the highway, I couldn't bring myself to glance at my partner, the one I'd just reassured I knew where I was going. She was a good sport, though, and feigned confidence in me while exploring the grassy expanse next to the highway by foot, looking in vain for any signs of a continuing trail. But as I glanced across the highway, I saw the familiar Prestige Auto billboard and knew exactly where we were. We'd have to cross 17 to get to Ferndale, and we obviously couldn't do that on the highway. We should have taken Twin Bridge Road.

Backpedaling, we retraced our path and revisited the fourcorners, where we began the steep journey up Twin Bridge Road into Ferndale, officially kicking off what we later called "the pavement portion" of our trip. Conquering the steep hills completely on bike, we finally got the intense workout we'd been looking for. One might say we even got more that we'd bargained for. After conquering all the menacing hills while making ourselves safely visible to passing cars, we reached the overpass on Twin Bridge that crossed the highway, and I knew we'd made it to Ferndale

and halfway to Liberty.

The most confusing part of the trip came after we got off the busy Old Route 17 and were at the bottom of Ferndale-Loomis Road by the antique shop. Looking up at that insane hill, one I'd driven down many times at illegal speeds because of the sheer momentum taking hold of my vehicle, it was clear that we would not be riding up it. Giving in and grabbing my phone, I looked up a map of New York State rail trails, but somehow, I couldn't understand where they were telling me the other trailhead was for the Liberty path. It said it was located somewhere near Sullivan Avenue, but I definitely did not want to cycle through Fast Food Alley, one of the more heavily-trafficked areas in town. And so, abandoning the idea, I informed my partner to my parents, who wanted to that we were going to walk our bikes up the beast of a hill.

tience wearing thin. "That hill it, they were in disbelief. is massive!"

"I know," I said, "but once we get to the top, we take one more residential road and then we jump on the Liberty rail

Hey, reassurance had gotten

me this far. Walking bicycles up Ferndale-Loomis Road is worse than you could ever imagine. Even for two relatively fit and outdoorsy people like us, the hill's relentless gradient paired with the sheer terror induced by the speeding cars is enough to make one write off that hill for good, and a pretty big deter-

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across towns. Nevertheless, we reached midway up the hill and took the quick right onto Upper Ferndale Road, the last main road we'd have to use before reaching the Liberty trails. It felt great to jump on our bikes again, and once the wooden sign welcoming us to the Liberty Rail Trail came into view, I was overcome with emotion, partly because I was proud we'd made it to Liberty, but mostly because I knew a visit to my mother's house would mean a great meal, and we were so unbelievably hungry.

rent to taking the rails-to-trails

I must say that the Liberty Rail Trail, although short, is very well-marked. It clearly told us that we could either make the right and end up at the unidentified trailhead that I could not place earlier, or take the left, where helpful white footprints on pavement led us to the Carrier Street part of the rail trail. Left we went, and in time we reached Carrier and saw Agway in the distance. We crossed Lake Street and rode behind Agway to find the trail again, another quick and leisurely ride down to the Chestnut Street trailhead, which was also well-marked.

We'd reached the end of our journey, and by the time we crossed the street, rode up Yaun Avenue (another hill) and collapsed on my parents' front lawn, it was nearly dark. We recounted our journey

know how we'd gotten to their house for dinner without cars. "Seriously?" she said, her pa- When we told them we'd biked "I didn't know all the rail

trails actually connected," my mom said.

"Well," I began, looking at my exhausted companion as she stretched out her burning calves on their living room floor, "Not exactly like you'd think."

In the end, we did it. We successfully biked from Hurleyville to Liberty via rail trail, and although the trails in the county really don't all connect that seamlessly, with a little effort and a mind open to adventure, it's a trip I would recommend doing at least once.

### Fallsburg JV Softball Starts Off A Good Season

by Julia Batista

Just as we reported about the baseball team last month, the Fallsburg Lady Comets are only fielding a Junior Varsity softball team this year. In the past, the varsity softball team has struggled during the season, so in an effort to rebuild their program, school officials decided to only have a Junior Varsity team that mixes both the younger and older players together to make them stronger.

"Just having a JV team allows the younger girls to learn from the older girls and develop their skills," offered Jennifer Davila, a junior, and also

the catcher on the team. "It also allows for the team to have substitutes and safety nets if anyone gets hurt since we have such a large number of girls."

"JV is very different compared

to Varsity, since some of us have always been on Varsity and the skill level is very different," Ms. Davila said, referring to her years on the Varsity team. "We had great seasons as a Varsity team, winning most of our games the majority of the time. But overall, I think that having just a JV team was the best way to go." Playing in just their third

game of the season on April 19, the softball girls brought home their first win of the season by a score of 6-0 against the Liberty Indians in a game shortened by weather conditions.

Liliana Moody, one of the two seniors on the team, has played softball since the fifth grade and has had a strong passion for the sport since then. "It's sad to think that I'm

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playing on a JV team, considering that it's my senior year, but I'm going to take this opportunity to spread my knowledge of the sport to the younger girls," Ms. Moody said. "Our win against Liberty fi-

nally made me feel as though we were an actual team and not just individual players. "It made me impressed with how the team performed under the extreme weather that day."

Moody also commented about the fact that it's her last

year playing on the team. "It's definitely bittersweet, but I'm going to try my best to help lead the team

to a very suc-

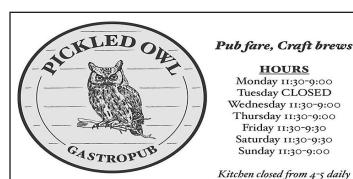
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and hopefully graduate leaving them in a better position than when I joined it," she said. "I just want them to develop a good, strong Varsity team for the future just like they had in the past while maintaining the lower levels of the sport so that they can bring

Hopefully both the Fallsburg JV baseball and softball teams thrive and grow better this year than they have been before. The Hurleyville Sentinel hopes that both programs are able to succeed and that Fallsburg can bring home many more wins!

home a title."







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### **TOWN OFFERS** LIFEGUARD CLASSES

SOUTH FALLSBURG – The Town of Fallsburg Parks and Recreation Department is pleased to announce lifeguard certification courses during the months of May and June. The courses will be held at the Vacation Village pool in Loch Sheldrake, and the Senior Center in South Fallsburg. The schedule includes classes for lifeguard certification as well as waterfront safety, CPR/AED review for professional rescuers and more. The classes will be offered on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays starting May 5, and running through June 15. Janet Carey

will teach the courses. Supplies for review courses Park. such as lifeguarding books,

pocket masks and masks, fins and snorkels, may be purchased at Morningside Park prior to the class. The cost of these is included in the registration fee for the lifeguarding course.

Registration forms for the classes are available at Morningside Park and the Fallsburg Town Hall. The forms are also available through the Town of Fallsburg website, www.townoffallsburg.com.

To get a detailed schedule and to ask any questions, call Morningside Park at 845-434-5877, ext. 300. Finished forms and payment should be turned into Morningside

### Fallsburg Football CLINIC DATES Sundays: March 26, 2017 April 23, 2017 · May 7, 2017 June 4, 2017 **Fallsburg Football Clinic** Grades 2-6 Time: 12:30pm-1:30pm Location: Benjamin Cosor Elementary School THERE IS NO COST TO ATTEND THESE CLINICS!

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SUNY Sullivan sophomore third baseman Johann Paniagua has broken the school record for career home runs

year, giving him 15 career home runs in a Generals uniform, a new school record. The sophomore third baseman hails from James Monroe High School in the

On April 29, Rockland enacted a measure of revenge, winning both games of a doubleheader at home, by 10-8 and 15-5 scores.

On April 30, Sullivan captured an impressive 7-6 nonleague win over the country's number 4 team, the Community College of Morris, as Paniagua collected three hits and drove in three runs. It was just the fifth loss of the year for Morris, against 39

With the victory, the Gen-

nected for a grand slam. Paniagua's blast in the erals improved to 23-13-1 on opener was his ninth of the the season overall.