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## TAKE A MINI-VACATION WITH MUSIC YOU LOVE AT APAC's ATHENS SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

By Joe Doran

An end of the week musical getaway — make that 8 getaways — are waiting just around the corner at



nearby Athens Performing Arts Center this summer.

The list of artists put together by promoter Rick Surrano with the leadership of Chairman Robert Smallwood and board members William Nestlen, James DiPerna and James Aroka, is top notch. With a mix of original music by rock and blues masters, and tribute bands that will have listeners grooving to some all-time favorite songs.

And believe it or not, all it takes to enjoy is just heading out to the outdoor park and stage located at 1 South Water Street, Athens, NY, and settling in for a good time, because the entertainment is being offered free (with donations

welcomed, of course.)

The story of APAC is one of the love of a local group of music lovers who have worked to bring live music to locals since the early 2000's. Rick, himself a longtime musician, says being able to bring artists and music lovers together in a way where they can take a mini-vacation from life's ups-and-downs, and just rock out to the joy that only music brings, is what makes it all worth it.

"We're all volunteers for 21 years doing this," says Surrano. "We raise money and make people happy, to have people enjoy eight nights in the summer where they don't have to worry

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## Photographic Scavenger Hunt at Staatsburgh State Historic Site Free & Fun Outdoor Family Activity

Staatsburgh State Historic Site invites you to explore the site's beautiful Hudson River landscape by taking a photographic scavenger hunt challenge! A camera and walking shoes are all that's needed to complete ten fun riddles on a loop through the grounds of the historic Gilded Age estate. All ages are invited to participate — play solo or with a group. Learn some of the highlights of the former grounds of the Mills family country estate, exploring the landscape and various buildings. All participants who submit their pictures before October 31 can receive free ice cream cones, courtesy of Stewarts Shops.



**Courtesy of Team Validator  
(Olivia & Susannah)**

To download the scavenger hunt to your phone, find the signs on kiosks throughout Mills State Park or visit [MillsFriends.org/virtual/lets-go-outside/](https://millsfriends.org/virtual/lets-go-outside/)

Complete the hunt and submit your photographic answers via Facebook Messenger (@StaatsburghSHS) or email (staatsburghshs@parks.ny.gov). Anyone completing and submitting all 10 tasks will win a coupon for ice cream, while supplies last. We invite you to post on Facebook or Instagram and tag us or use the hashtag #StaatsburghScavengerHunt.

Families may also wish to hike the woodland trails beginning at Staatsburgh; have a picnic or stroll along the Hudson River. Tours of the mansion can be reserved at <https://bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS> (there is an admission fee for people over age 12).

Staatsburgh State Historic Site and the Ogden Mills & Ruth

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## Celebrate July 4<sup>th</sup> At Clermont State Historic Site Reenactment from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

What was life like for the people of Clermont at the dawn of the Revolutionary War? See reenactors portray the daily life of these colonists through cooking, woodworking, blacksmithing, and more. Take an open house tour of the historic mansion and learn about the whole history of Clermont from one of our experienced guides. Make a historic craft or try out a colonial game. Be entertained by the songs and stories of Thomas Hooker Hanford. Learn about African American and European Colonial musical traditions with Carla and Keyes. Hear readings of Frederick Douglass' famous speech "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?" Enjoy delicious hot food from At First Bite and sweet frappes and coffees from Happie Bean. The day will end with a reading of the Declaration of Independence. Please note: The cost of this event is \$15 per vehicle. Cash only.

The event ends at 5:00pm. The park closes at sunset. Fireworks viewing will not be available. Clermont State Historic Site is located on One Clermont Ave., Germantown N.Y. 12526, right off County Route 9G. Clermont SHS was the home to generations of the Livingston family as well as generations of enslaved people, servants, tenants, and other people. The most famous resident, Chancellor Robert R. Livingston was chosen in June of 1776 to the Committee of Five to Draft the Declaration of Independence along with Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman, and John Adams.

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation oversees more than 250 parks, historic sites, recreational trails, golf courses, boat launches and more, which saw a record 84 million visits in 2023. For more information on any of these recreation areas, visit parks.ny.gov. download the free NY State Parks Explorer app or call 518.474.0456. Join us in celebrating our Centennial throughout 2024, and connect with us on Facebook, Instagram, X (formerly Twitter), and the OPRHP Blog



## Sausbier's Awning Shop, Inc For Awnings, Campers, Automotive and Marine Upholstery and Portable Fire Extinguisher and Automatic Fire Suppression

By Lisa Dudley

Sausbier's Awning Shop, located at 43 Eighth St. in Hudson, is a wonderful experience in creative problem solving and restoration. Imagine your electric bill could be cut significantly if you purchased an awning for your southern and western exposure windows. And imagine that the awning could be controlled electronically with a motorized and retractable awning that rolls up and locks tight during high winds and inclement weather.

Or picture yourself sitting on your balcony or patio while the rain pours around you and you are dry and content during a glorious summer shower — followed by a rainbow and the sweet smell of evening, after the rain.

According to the Professional

## The Olana Partnership Collaborates with Woodstock School of Art to Offer Summer Art Workshops at Olana State Historic Site

The Olana Partnership will host three summer Saturday art workshops in collaboration with Woodstock School of Art at Olana State Historic Site. During each afternoon workshop, expert teaching artists will focus

on different media to connect to Olana's current exhibition, *Afterglow: Frederic Church and the Landscape of Memory*. Participants are invited to explore memories, recollections, and reflections through artmaking.

On August 24, Anne Crowley will lead a plein air oil painting workshop focused on *Landscape Memories*. The last session on September 28 will feature Chris Gamet who will lead a charcoal workshop on *Drawing a Memorable Object*. Each workshop meets from 1:00-4:00pm at Olana State Historic Site and is suitable for beginners and intermediate artists.

Registration is required and participants are encouraged to sign up. Each session is \$74 per person. Supplies are not included but basic drawing and painting materials will be made available upon request. Refreshments will be provided during each program. To learn more and register, visit [OLANA.org/programs](https://OLANA.org/programs) or email [education@olana.org](mailto:education@olana.org).



**Landscape Memories in Plein Air: Oil Painting**

Sat., Aug 24th, 1:00-4:00pm

Anne Crowley's recent series of paintings are in honor of her twin sister who died in 1979. Her memories were triggered by the reflections of the landscape mirrored into the Ashokan Reservoir. "I have walked around the reservoir in every season, during every kind of weather for over twenty years, one day I suddenly had the sense that I was looking at portraits of Ellen and me in the landscape. It was such

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***The August  
Edition Of The  
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Is July 24th***

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# ACCORDING TO QUACKERS



## Thank You, My Friend

Poet: Catherine Pulsifer

I don't say it often enough  
Maybe because I think I'm tough  
But this thank you is long  
overdue

You are a great friend and I  
appreciate you!  
We have had some wonderful  
times

Times I wouldn't trade for a  
million dimes  
And then there have been times  
that are challenging too  
But I could always depend on  
you.

So, my friend, I just want to say  
Thank you, in every way  
For being my friend each and  
every day  
You are the best, you're more  
than okay!

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**Bruce Franck**

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## Photographic Scavenger Hunt from page 1

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Route 9 between Rhinebeck  
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staatsburghstatehistoricsite.  
blogspot.com](https://www.staatsburghstatehistoricsite.blogspot.com). Staatsburgh's  
events are also  
listed at [parks.ny.gov](https://parks.ny.gov)

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Centennial throughout 2024, and  
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[Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/staatsburghshs), [X](https://www.x.com/staatsburghshs) (formerly  
Twitter), and the [OPRHP Blog](https://www.oprhp.org).

## Olana Partnership Collaborates from page 1

a profound and unmistakable  
connection that I went home and  
started on a large canvas, the first  
of what turned into a series of  
memory reflections that I refer  
to as The Twinning Series.”  
Join Anne for the opportunity  
to express your connection to  
memories through landscape  
painting in a plein air workshop  
at Olana State Historic Site.  
The breathtaking views can  
help you share and reflect on  
an important memory of yours.  
Grab your French easel and  
oil painting supplies and enjoy  
this outdoor adventure in art.  
**Still Life: Drawing a Memorable  
Object with Charcoal Drawing**  
Sat, Sept 28th, 1:00-4:00pm  
Bring a family heirloom, gift  
from a loved one, special photo,  
or any memorable object to this  
workshop where students will  
prepare to express meaning  
through still-life drawing.  
Participants will use charcoal to  
draw on newsprint and Strathmore  
papers, participating in demos  
as they work from the objects.  
To learn more about each  
workshop and upcoming events  
and programs visit, [OLANA.org/](https://OLANA.org)  
programs or call 518-751-6938.  
**About Olana and The Olana  
Partnership:** Olana is the

greatest masterwork of Frederic  
Edwin Church (1826-1900),  
the most famous American  
landscape artist of the mid-  
19th century and the most  
important artist's home, studio,  
and designed landscape in the  
United States. Church designed  
Olana as a holistic environment  
integrating his advanced ideas  
about art, architecture, landscape  
design, and environmental  
conservation. Olana's 250-acre  
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five miles of carriage roads and  
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Valley and Catskill Mountains  
and welcomes more than 170,000  
visitors annually. The landscape  
is open for guided touring,  
and reservations are highly  
recommended. The landscape  
is open daily 8 AM-sunset.  
Olana State Historic Site,  
administered by the New York  
State Office of Parks, Recreation  
and Historic Preservation, is a  
designated National Historic  
Landmark and one of the most  
visited sites in the state. The  
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Office of Parks, Recreation  
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COMBO - \$45



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APAC from page 1

about anything, but just having a good time, relaxing and listening to world class music.”

Rick says that anywhere from over 500 hundred to over a thousand people typically come out for shows, and all it takes to enjoy, is to bring a favorite chair, and a cooler with refreshments for a summer night of fun.

He does advise that due to the small town character of Athens, parking along the streets and roads near the venue can fill up fast, so people who want to avoid a longer stroll might want to arrive early on show dates.

Concerts are scheduled for 7 to 9pm on Fridays, starting on July 19 and capping the summer



**Board Members**  
L to R William Nestlen, Robert Smallwood, Richard Surrano, James Aroka, Jim DiPerna

season on Labor Day weekend.

**A Hot Summer Musical Line-up**

Here’s a rundown on just some of the artists set to light up the stage this summer at APAC:

**Sonny Landreth (Friday, Jul 19):** A slide guitar virtuoso, Landreth has been acclaimed by listeners and fellow professionals alike.

Landreth apprenticed with zydeco king Clifton Chenier’s Red Hot Louisiana Band and a host of other accomplished

roots artists.

Eric Clapton says, “Sonny Landreth is probably the most underestimated musician on the planet, and also probably one of the most advanced.”

Landreth’s innovative guitar techniques have opened doors to new sonic textures and a complex

tonal vocabulary, all bound by the bayou rhythms of his longtime bandmates. His expressive, ethereal guitar work can be heard on hundreds of recordings from artists ranging from John Mayall to John Hiatt.

“All told, the different elements of this project came together and I’m really happy about it,” Landreth says. “Blacktop Run is probably the most eclectic recording I’ve done. And sonically, I think this is the best album we’ve ever made.”

**Matt Schofield (Friday, Aug 16):** Matt Schofield, a British-born musician currently living in the US, is always pushing the envelope and changing the British

Blues heritage. After more than 30 years of touring and 20 years into his solo career, Schofield—a multi-award-winning guitarist, vocalist, composer, producer, and band leader—has left no doubt about his status as one of the most significant and unique guitarists of his age.

His legendary career has taken him and his band to almost thirty countries worldwide. Acclaim from the industry and critics alike follows; he is the first guitarist inducted into the “British Blues Awards Hall of Fame” and has won three times as “British Blues Guitarist of the Year” and “British Blues Album

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1) Small fight

5) Creeping ground cover

10) Thing to beat

14) Bowed, in a symphony

15) First name among hoteliers

16) Roof repair site

17) Publication every 168 hours?

20) Shopper's binge

21) Soft Italian cheese

22) Wine valley

25) Reggae star Peter

26) B-movie lead-pumper

29) Affirmative motions

31) Soundly defeat

35) Ex-heavyweight champ

36) Flaps

38) Go \_\_\_ bigger things

39) It changes its taste every 168 hours?

43) \_\_\_ song (cheaply)

44) Nymph of Greek myth

45) British brew

46) Where to find fans

49) Warm and cozy

50) Sunshine unit

51) Nosh pit?

53) Honey-tongued

55) Manhattan feature

58) Blunder

62) They're busy every 168 hours?

65) Ocean eagle

66) Reclusive Garbo

67) Sarajevo resident

68) Chorus member

69) Pull-over sound

70) Sea urchin's snack

DAY AFTER DAY

By Janet Wise

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DOWN

1) Jig and band

2) Get ready for surgery

3) PC maker

4) Subway rider's need, once

5) On the \_\_\_ (secretly)

6) Poet's dusk

7) No slacker

8) Drive crazy

9) Good-luck animal

10) Prison section

11) Not merely paying attention

12) Iris place

13) Debussy's "La \_\_\_"

18) Rough shed

19) Elegant and fashionable

23) Impoverished

24) After-market item

26) Hooks for landing fish

27) Apportion

28) Royal headgear

30) Some Ikea purchases

32) Lend \_\_\_ (listen)

33) Inscribed stone slab

34) Obviously contrived

37) Police operation

40) Dick and Jerry

41) What semis do

42) More nervous

47) Printer's direction

48) Arrows' mates

52) Large lemur

54) Like a cool fall morning

55) Transfusion fluids

56) Kesey and Griffey

57) Fancy water-pourer

59) Function or position

60) Word with hygiene or exam

61) "Answer, please" (Abbr.)

62) Baseball mitt part

63) Supped

64) Amounted (to)

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The series launched in June with a beginning Embroidery class taught by Chloe Whittaker. A second **Embroidery Class** will be held on July 20th at 10:30 AM. Learn the art of decorating fabric using a needle and

thread. Embroidery hoops are a fantastic and traditional way to learn basic embroidery skills. Participants will master several essential stitches and complete an embroidery hoop which they can then display in their home. All materials will be provided. Suitable for older teens to adults. Class size is very limited, registration is strongly recommended.

On August 3, and August 10th at 10:30 AM artist Liz Albino will lead workshops on **Basic Landscape Painting**. Students will explore basic landscape painting and composition emphasizing foreground, middle ground, and

background. Materials will be provided. Suitable for ages 10 to adults, no prior art experience is necessary. This is a singular class, participants are asked to choose either the August 3rd date or the August 10th date. Registration strongly recommended.

On August 17th at 10:30 AM artist and author Diana Rupp will teach a Shibori Dyeing workshop. This class focuses on the Japanese resist-dyeing technique that involves twisting cloth and binding it to create a vast array of patterns on fabric All art materials will be provided. Class size is limited, registration strongly recommended.

In October, (dates TBD), artist David Dew Bruner will teach a workshop on the Visual Journal through Collage. Through the art of collage and mixed media, participants will explore how to create a visual diary. No prior art experience is necessary. Participants are encouraged to bring old magazines, books and fabric to use in class. Some materials will be provided. This class is suitable for adults 18 and over.

The Claverack Free Library is grateful for the support of the CREATE Council on the Arts for the generous grant that allows the library to offer free art classes to the community. *This project is made possible with funds from the Statewide Community Re grants Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and administered by CREATE Council on the Arts.*

To register for any of these classes please call the library 518-851-7120 or email [info@claveracklibrary.org](mailto:info@claveracklibrary.org). Library parking is located at 629 Route 23B, Claverack NY.



### NOSTALGIA: Paintings by Alix Travis

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## Arthritis in Cats

By Julianne Porter, DVM

Last month's article discussed osteoarthritis in dogs. It is important that cats are discussed separately, not because their arthritis is much different, but because their signs can be different and the treatment options are bit more limited. As with dogs, arthritis is a degenerative condition of the joints. It is chronic, progressive, and can affect any joint space, including the cartilage, joint capsule and associated bones. In cats, it typically affects the spine, elbow, hips and knees. Arthritis can be primary – associated with aging and “wear and tear”, or secondary – the consequence of some initiating factor such as a trauma or a congenital malformation such as hip dysplasia. Primary arthritis is more commonly diagnosed in cats, whereas secondary arthritis is more commonly diagnosed in dogs.

Cats are very good at hiding their pain, making arthritis a drastically underdiagnosed condition. There are signs at home that can indicate there may be a problem. Cats may no longer jump or seek out higher locations. They may avoid the litter box, especially if it's in a “far away” location such as down in the basement – or if the sides of the box are relatively

high requiring them to take big steps to get in/out. They may also have a personality change – they could be more withdrawn/less social or start growling/biting/scratching more. Cats who stop grooming (greasy coats, matted fur, dirty back ends) may have arthritis as the cause as they cannot contort their bodies to reach their entire coats.

A diagnosis can often be made on physical exam by palpating thickened joints, decreased range of motion, muscle loss, and sometimes painful reactions. However, radiographs are also very helpful. They can uncover more cases and assess the severity of arthritis. Studies have found that 90% of cats over 12 years old had radiographic evidence of arthritis, whether or not they had signs noted at home or on exam.

There are options to help alleviate discomfort, slow the progression, and improve overall quality of life. A big help is weight management as overweight cats are more prone to arthritis due to the added pressure on their joints and less active lifestyle. Supplements aimed to protect the joint cartilage are not always as effective as we'd like them to be and the efficacy studies are lacking, however some owners report improvement on supplements that contain glucosamine and chondroitin or polysulfated

glycosaminoglycans. Omega 3 fatty acids (mainly EPA and DHA) are helpful as they reduce pro-inflammatory factors. Just as with dogs, flaxseed oil containing alpha-linolenic-acid, is not helpful. Humans are able to convert ALA to DHA and EPA, however cats are not able to perform this conversion, making flaxseed an ineffective source.

A difference between dogs and cats is the use of nonsteroidal anti-inflammatories (NSAIDs). These are used often in dogs to provide anti-inflammatory and pain relieving effects. However, these are not as well tolerated in cats. There are few NSAIDs approved for use in cats and only one licensed for long term use outside of the United States. Using NSAIDs in cats is not completely off the table, but it must be approached cautiously with serious discussion with your veterinarian first. Corticosteroids are also controversial for treating arthritis, as they haven't been shown to relieve pain in cats. Because of the limited availability of using NSAIDs and steroids, pain medications (analgesics) are commonly used. There are several analgesics that can be considered, both oral and injectable.

Modifying the home by using ramps/steps, moving the litter box and providing one with lower sides or an opening to walk in, and offering soft bedding in multiple locations may also help. In dogs, physical therapy (including LASER and acupuncture) and surgical techniques are relatively common, but in cats these areas are just beginning to be explored. Our pets cannot verbally tell us that they are not well, so it is up to us to look for cues and have them evaluated at least annually. If arthritis is suspected, it should be addressed as soon as possible – the earlier the above treatments and modifications are implemented, the more rewarding the results. Every kitty is unique, and their treatment plan should be tailored to them.

## SUMMER SAFETY TIPS FOR YOUR DOGS

Presented by Barbara Sweeney Fassett And Bark Busters Home Dog Training Dutchess County

For all of us living in the Mid-Hudson Valley, we are aware that the months of July and August can be “dog days”; days that characterized by high temperatures, humidity and frequent thunderstorms. The arrival of summer also means that as temperatures rise, we flock to the outside to soak up the warm weather, and of course, we take our dogs along with us because, who does not love being outside in summer? However, you and I can voice when we get too hot and can find ways to cool ourselves down. Our pets cannot. Below are some important reminders about your dog in the summertime heat and how to keep them cool and comfortable. Tis the season for sunscreen

Did you know that dogs with light colored coats can get sunburned? Believe it or not, it's true! Dogs can also suffer from sunburn and skin cancer, so ask your veterinarian about a pet safe sunblock, preferably one that they cannot lick off. Ouch! Pavement is HOT!

Because we wear shoes, we likely do not notice how hot asphalt or concrete can get in the heat. During summer months, protect your dog's paws by walking on dirt or grass and sticking to early morning or late evening walks. To cool themselves down, a dog relies on the sweat glands in his or her paw pads, and if the ground they are working on is too hot, they won't be able to get the relief they need. A good test is to place your hands on the asphalt and if it feels hot to your touch is likely too hot for your dog's paws. **Please don't leave me!**

It's perfectly natural to want to take your dog along for a car ride while you take care of

a few quick errands. However, what many do not know is that your car's interior temperature is significantly higher than the outside temperature. So, while you're walking through the parking lot in 75° temperatures, inside your car, where you left your furry friend, it's a sweltering 118°! Even if you crack your windows, your vehicle will quickly become an oven, and your pet will be in unsafe temperatures. It only takes 15 minutes in extreme heat for your dog to suffer brain and organ damage. While we understand the urge to bring your pet along for the ride, please do not leave your pets alone in the car for any amount of time! **To cut or not to cut?**

Ask your vet or groomer if a haircut will help your dog stay cool this summer. For some breeds, a long coat is a dog's best defense against getting sunburned and protecting them from skin cancer.

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be an economic boost for the community. So although over the years we've had many people solicit us for the opportunity to sell their food and bring their hot dog trucks and whatever, we opt to help our community businesses. That was part of our mission statement when we first started."

Even after a summer of music is over, the season never really ends for Rick and the small but dedicated APAC team. He describes the process of scouting and booking acts:

"I actually start, our season ends September 6th. I give myself the rest of September off and then I'm scouting bands in October. It's a lot of work in regards to going through YouTube videos, going through people that I already know and have listened to, researching their tour schedules and all that, where they're going to be, or am I going to get a band that is playing in California one night and they got to fly into New York to play Athens in two days, which is much more costly. But I try to mix it up and provide different kinds of music. Of course, we have a certain demographic

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**Water, water, water!**

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If you have a pool, it's important to teach your dog how to safely get out of the pool. Dogs will naturally try to get out of the space from the same place they went in. If he enters from the side, the dog will try to climb out there, and can exhaust itself trying to climb out. Teach your dog where the stairs are located, use a leash and guide your dog to the steps. Do this at each part of your pool, so no matter where your dog enters the pool, they know where to safely exit.

If your dog is an avid swimmer in your backyard pool, it's still a good idea to regularly refresh your dog's memory about where the steps are located. Also, teach your dog not to go

in the pool without permission just like with humans, no matter how "water safe" your dog is, accidents can always happen.

Summer is a great time to be outside and have some fun! As we would like to take the extra precautions to protect ourselves from sun and heat, we need to remember to protect our pets as well. With a little preparation, you can make it a great summer for everyone! And the results? Happy Dogs = Happy Families Bark Busters is the World's Largest and Most Trusted Dog Training Company. Our techniques have been used to train more than 1.1 million dogs worldwide without the use of treats or physical force and we provide Guaranteed Support for the Life of the Dog. We teach our clients how to view the world through the eyes of the dog and to "Speak Dog". By learning how to effectively communicate with a dog and tapping into what the dog already instinctively understands, you build a relationship with the dog based on trust, respect and bonding. Barbara Sweeney Fassett has been the Owner and operator of Bark Busters Home Dog Training, Dutchess County for the past 18 years. For more information about Bark Busters, please visit our website at [www.BarkBusters.com](http://www.BarkBusters.com) where you can take a free 20 question quiz to rate your dog's behavior. You can also contact Barbara directly by phone at 845-535-5302 and join in the fun by "liking" us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/>

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that we want to appeal to in some ways, and then we try to draw other people in with other kinds of music as well. But we get a lot of rock, we get blues, we get some funky soul guys."



Where does the money to book high level talent come from?

It's a combination of hard work and community effort, says Rick. APAC holds several important fundraisers each year, and relies in part on local community grants. We could not do this without the support of our sponsors and the generous donations from the public. This combination of support is what makes what we do all possible, without 1 of them it just wouldn't produce the results we need to put on this event year after year.

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Rick says it's all about coming together as a community, and

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# God's Corner

## Creating Margin

By Naomi Fata

In sewing, you never want to sew too close to the edge of the fabric. If you do, a little wear and tear will cause the seams to come apart. It makes for an unstable garment, pillow, quilt, or slipcover. This is called seam allowance. For example, manufactured sewing patterns have a standard seam allowance of 5/8th inch, intending for the needle to be stitching 5/8th from the edge of the fabric. A common mistake among my novice students is to drift close to the edge of the fabric as they progress down the seam.

Seam allowance is like margin. Too little and the unraveling will begin. The goal of sewing is to connect pieces of fabric securely together—the goal of faith is to form a secure attachment to the father. This brings peace. Textiles fall apart without enough seam allowance. Without margin, you don't have the time or space to care for your own soul, which is your connection to God, to yourself, and to others.

In life, you may start off with good intentions of what your priorities are and even a plan for how to keep those. But as opportunities arise and life happens, your attention can quickly get diverted. Before you realize it, you lose margin.

The words of Psalm 37: 3-5 can be foundational for the beginning of forming margin. "Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. 4 Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. 5 Commit your way to the Lord trust in him and he will do this:"

When your delight is in a relationship with Your Father, rather than in the busyness of activities, we can learn to set boundaries, say no, and live purposefully. Identity doesn't come from the external activities, but from an internal connection with God.

Sewing a straight line with enough seam allowance takes focus, maintaining margin in your life also requires diligent attention. Take the time to think about who you want to be, what you envision for your relationships (both with God and others) and build time and space around these things. Often summer can give you the opportunity to pause from other commitments and give you the space to consider your responsibilities.

Pray: Lord, I want to have more margin in my life, but sometimes I just don't know where to begin. Please grant me the wisdom and strength to know where to implement margin. Amen.

Excerpt from Naomi's new book *Stitching Your Story*, releasing in Fall 2024.

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On July 4, the United States celebrates the 248th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. It was signed by 56 men on July 4, 1776, declaring our independence from Great Britain. It took several years until freedom was secured. A price had to be paid in order to ensure freedom and independence. While as a nation we celebrate our freedom, there is a far greater freedom that every Christian enjoys. It is the freedom from our sins. The Lord Jesus Christ came from Heaven, born of the Virgin Mary in the Town of Bethlehem. He lived a perfect life, and then willingly laid His life down for our sins. "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed" (John 8:36). When a person comes to know the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Savior and Lord, they are saved and are free in Christ. It is a wonderful gift of God's grace to be free from the wages of sin, and to live a life of freedom for the Glory of God.

### THE PRICE OF FREEDOM

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). The Lord Jesus Christ paid the price in full. When He died on the Cross he said, "It is finished" (John 19:30). The work of salvation was completed by His death, and then three days later He Rose bodily from the grave. **THE BLESSING OF FREEDOM** "Stand fast, therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage" (Galatians 5:1). Since those who know Christ are set free from sin and the bondage of the Law they must stand firm in the grace of God, and live in the power of the Holy Spirit. The Lord Jesus Christ set the Believer free. Hallelujah, what a Savior! **THE RESPONSIBILITY OF FREEDOM.**

"For brethren, ye have been called

unto liberty, only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another" (Galatians 5:13). One of the greatest blessings and responsibility is for the Believer to serve the Lord, and to serve others. There are so many ways in which the Believer can serve others. One of the greatest ways to be responsive in living the life of Freedom is to share Christ with the Lost, and to Edify those that know Jesus Christ as their Personal Savior and Lord. If you want to be great in God's Kingdom, be a servant of all! Let's always serve the Lord and others with a heart of joy, living the life of Freedom in Christ! If you would like to know more about freedom in Christ and/or the Blessings of being a Christian, please contact us. We are here to help and support you in what it means to be Christian, and in God's Word. We have excellent Christian material for all ages. If you would like to know more about the Ministries at GBFC, please contact us by Email at [fdcirone@aol.com](mailto:fdcirone@aol.com) or by telephone at (845) 876-2122 or (845) 876-6923. Grace Bible Fellowship Church is an Independent Bible Church. We are located at the intersection of Route 9 and Route 9G, 1/4 mile north on Route 9 in Rhinebeck, NY. Frank L. Cirone, Pastor.

### July 10

Skyllkill Chapter's Needlework Flea Market. Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church, 1168 Rte. 55, Lagrangeville. Skyllkill, a local chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America (EGA) will be holding its annual flea market. Find notions, supplies, kits and tools to support the projects you enjoy. Find yarn for knitting or crocheting, threads for stitching, fabric for quilting or books and patterns for new inspiration. Cash or Checks only. Doors open at 10am and close at 1PM. For more information visit [www.facebook.com/SkyllkillEGA](http://www.facebook.com/SkyllkillEGA) or email to [EGASkyllkill@gmail.com](mailto:EGASkyllkill@gmail.com).

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## Chancellor Livingston Chapter

Members of the Chancellor Livingston Chapter of the National Daughters of the American Revolution participated in Rev Con at the Wallace Center on Saturday, June 8th. Information was available for those interested in exploring the patriotic service of their ancestors, links to our National site, and coloring pages for children. This year the Chapter will focus on General Montgomery and his wife, Janet Livingston Montgomery as it will be the 250th anniversary of his death.



Regent Doris Harrington, Registrar Wendy Wallace, and Past Regent Joann Schmidt behind our table, which highlighted General Montgomery and Janet Livingston Montgomery

## ZONTA CLUB OF UPPER HUDSON VALLEY ANNOUNCES LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

On Tuesday, May 14, 2024, The Zonta Club of the Upper Hudson Valley presented its Jean M. Coon Humanitarian Award to Courtney Taibi, a graduating

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**Zonta Club Announces  
Local Scholarship Winner  
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senior at Greenville High School. The Zonta Club presents this scholarship annually to a high school junior or senior who performs outstanding community service.

Ms. Taibi has been an active member of many clubs and organizations throughout her high school years. She is currently the Vice President of the National Honor Society and a member of the Student Council. She also participates in soccer and track. Additionally, Courtney is the current Vice President of the New York State Future

Farmers of America where, among other responsibilities, she teaches leadership workshops to students. Ms. Taibi will be attending Cornell University in the fall, where she will be studying animal science in a Pre-Track Veterinary program.

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy. With nearly 27,000 members belonging to 1,133 clubs in 62 countries, Zontians volunteer their time, talents and support to local and international service projects focusing on achieving gender equality and empowering



**Courtney Taibi, Scholarship Recipient  
and Deborah Odlowski, Zontian  
Scholarship Committee Chair**

women and girls. Zonta Clubs also sponsor Z clubs for high school students to develop leadership skills, promote career exploration and encourage members to participate in school, community and international service projects. The Zonta Club of Upper Hudson Valley meets the second Tuesday of every month and welcomes new members. For more information, contact Jill Potter at [zontauhv@gmail.com](mailto:zontauhv@gmail.com).

**Germantown Garden  
Club Makes Annual  
Donation**

As part of its commitment to the community, the Germantown Garden Club supports their local library. That commitment began in the early 1900's with a small group of garden club members and a exchange of gardening books. As the years progressed so did the number of books in their collection. As the collection grew so did the need for a space to house these books. And so began to what is now the Germantown Library. Each year the club supports the library with a monetay donation toward the library's operating expenses and a donation of a gardning book to add to the library's gardening

section. With these donations the garden club also contributes subscriptions of 'Horticulture' and 'Cricket' magazines. For 2024 the gift to the library was a set of children's books titled: *Network with Nature, The Saved Seed, and the Frightened Frog*.



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For more about the Germantown Garden Club and their activities call President Irene Clum at 518-537-4793. The club's meetings are free and the public is always welcome.

The Germantown Garden Club is a member of Third District, Federatd Garden Clubs of New York State, Central Atlantic Region and National Garden Clubs.

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Based on the hit 1992 film starring Whoopi Goldberg, "Sister Act" returns to the stage for the second time in Mac-Haydn history. Nominated for five Tony Awards including Best Musical, this high-energy, uplifting tale is a story of unity and faith.

Leading the production is Director Todd Underwood whose direction and choreography was

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## Raise Your Voice from page 10

last seen on the Mac-Haydn stage with The Fully Monty in 2022 and Man of La Mancha in 2021. Partnering for the first time and making their creative debut at the Mac-Haydn is Choreographer Clint Hromsco. They are joined by Music Director Matt Levinstein and Music Supervisor Eric Shorey. The production features scenic design by Alivia Cross, along with lighting design by Andrew Gmoser, costume design by Daniel Hewson, sound design by Sean McGinley, hair and makeup design by Emily Allen, and props design by Clay Cates.

Making Mac-Haydn performance debuts are Laiya Parker as Deloris Van Cartier and Josh Walker as Eddie Souther. Among the returnees of the cast are Monica Wemmitt as Mother Superior, Cydney Gleckner as Sister Mary Robert, and Taye Martin as Curtis Jackson.

The musical comedy features music styles ranging from Motown, soul and funk to disco anthems. Get ready to raise your voice with the iconic score of "Sister Act", featuring "Fabulous, Baby," "I Could Be That Guy," "The Life I Never Lead," "Raise Your Voice," and the unforgettable title song "Sister Act" for a three-week run.

This show also earned Tony nominations for best original score with music by eight-time Academy Award winner Alan Menken and lyrics by Glenn Slater, plus best book of a musical by Cheri and Bill Steinkellner and Douglas Carter Beane. "Sister Act" is a tribute to the universal power of friendship and finding your voice, a hilarious and joyful musical experience for the entire family.

For tickets and information, please visit [www.machaydntheatre.org](http://www.machaydntheatre.org) or call the box office at (518) 392-9292.

About the Mac-Haydn Theatre Founded in 1969, the Mac-Haydn Theatre strives to present innovative, diverse and professional musical theatre productions to the residents of Columbia County and beyond. We aim to cultivate young talent for careers in theatre and seek to provide a supportive environment for the creation of new musical theatre works.



## Funding Available for Arts and Cultural Activities

### Dutchess, Orange, and Ulster Counties

Arts Mid-Hudson announces the Arts & Culture Project Grant Program, a funding program with over \$500,000 in funds to support the arts in Dutchess, Orange, and Ulster Counties. This funding is available to artists, nonprofit organizations, libraries, municipalities, unincorporated groups, and collaborations for arts and cultural activities occurring from July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025. Eligible projects may include, but are not limited to: exhibits, performances, concerts, festivals, in-school and community workshops, screenings, readings, cultural programming, and the creation of new work. Grant awards are determined by a peer review panel made up of community members. Applicants and grantees of NYSCA and other Arts Mid-Hudson funding programs are eligible for this program. These awards are made possible with funds from the New York State Legislature and administered by Arts Mid-Hudson.

**The deadline to apply is Thursday, August 1, 2024 at 11:59 PM.**

Complete information available here: Arts & Culture Project Grants — Arts Mid-Hudson

**Q&A Sessions:** Weekly Q&A sessions will be hosted on Zoom at a variety of times. You must RSVP to receive Zoom access information.

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July 15 at 3:00 PM  
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July 30 at 4:00 PM

Contact AMH with accommodation requests. AMH provides free in-depth support including informational videos, resources, one-on-one appointments, and draft review. We recommend reaching out for individual assistance to the AMH Grants Team well in advance of the deadline, at (845) 454-3222 ext. 11 or [grants@artsmidhudson.org](mailto:grants@artsmidhudson.org). The mission of Arts Mid-Hudson is to provide vision and leadership

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## Music In The Park

The Claverack Republican Club's thirteenth season of Music in the Park kicks off Thursday, July 18 with a performance by Dusk Till Dawn at the Claverack Town Park, 91 Church Street, Mellenville.

The schedule continues Thursday, July 25 with a performance by the Squids. The evening will also be a promotion for the Columbia-Greene Humane Society and attendees are asked to bring pet food, blankets, pet toys and other creature comforts for homeless pets.

The new month brings a show by Jarrod on Thursday, August 1, which will also be a special promotion for Everlasting Hope Animal Rescue. Again, donations of pet food, blankets, pet toys

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1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese  
1/3 cup minced fresh parsley  
2 tablespoons minced fresh oregano or 2 teaspoons dried oregano  
2 tablespoons minced fresh basil or 2 teaspoons dried basil  
1/4 teaspoon pepper  
3/4 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese  
Additional minced fresh parsley, optional

**Directions**

Preheat oven to 350°. Cut each zucchini lengthwise in half. Scoop out flesh, leaving a 1/4-in. shell; chop flesh. Place zucchini shells in a large microwave-safe dish. In batches, microwave, covered, on high 2-3 minutes or until crisp-tender.

In a large skillet, cook sausage and zucchini flesh over medium heat 6-8 minutes or until sausage is no longer pink, breaking sausage into crumbles; drain. Stir in tomatoes, bread crumbs, Parmesan cheese, herbs and pepper. Spoon into zucchini shells.

Place in 2 ungreased 13x9-in. baking dishes. Bake, covered, 15-20 minutes or until zucchini is tender. Sprinkle with mozzarella cheese. Bake, uncovered, 5-8 minutes longer or until cheese is melted. If desired, sprinkle with additional minced parsley.



### Music in the Park from page 11

and other creature comforts for homeless pets are appreciated. Thursday, August 8 will be a gig by Northern Comfort and a special promotion for the Mellenville-Philmont Food Pantry. Attendees are encouraged to donate non-perishable food items to help stock the pantry's shelves. The season winds up on August 15 with the club's annual First Responders Appreciation Night, a tribute to our local heroes in the fire, police, EMS and dispatchers' departments, with a variety of events specific to emergency services personnel, including the annual presentation of the club's

"Claverack Cares" award. The First Responders night always brings a large number of firematic and other emergency vehicles to the grounds, along with scores of personnel from the emergency services. The evening will also feature a special performance by Joe Adee And The Lug Nuts. The doors open each show evening at 6 p.m. with the music running from 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is free. Food and refreshments are available at the snack bar. The annual Music in the Park program is made possible by generous donations from our local business partners. Our 2024 sponsors are: Gold – A. Colarusso And Son, Inc., Michael

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### June 2024 Commercial Garden of the Month

by Linda Glowienka Every month in the summer, the Old Dutch Village Garden Club (ODVGC) highlights outstanding gardens in Red Hook. This year, the Garden of the Month for June is the Red Hook branch of the Rhinebeck Bank, at the corner of Route 9/South Broadway and MM Ham Memorial Firehouse Lane. This beautifully designed columned red brick building sits on a diagonal on about an acre



of land. Entry is from either street, so that you get varying views of its lovely gardens. The perimeter borders are deep and architectural. Evergreens and tall flowering bushes lean from the building, providing a 'garden wall' against the bank. The next level of the garden is formed by mid-sized clusters of daisies, allium, various lilies, and native grasses. Lastly, in the front of the border are low-growing plants – monkey grass and a variegated ivy with tall wispy flowers like Queen Anne's Lace that add a third dimension to the ground cover. In addition to the building's border gardens, there are a number of outlying 'little' beds in different shapes and sizes, giving an appealing structural impression to the otherwise flat lawn areas. Adding to the ecological pluses, there is a variety of pollinator

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## Sausbier's Awning Shop from page 1

to reduce air conditioning costs and shield interior furnishings from the sun's harsh glare may want to consider adding awnings.

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The American Society of Heating and Air Conditioning Engineers recommends that homeowners use "optimized and/or moveable external shading devices, such as overhangs, awnings, and side fins" to minimize a building's heat load. A fabric awning reduces heat gain by 55% to 65% during those hours when the sun shines directly on southern-facing windows or glass doors. That



figure jumps to between 72% and 77% for western exposures.

These organizations take their science very seriously. Another study, entitled, *Outdoor Thermal Comfort Improvement with Advanced Solar Awnings: A Subjective and Objective Survey* - by the Building and Environment periodical (May 2022) reviews the psychological advantage of awnings.



This article describes "investigating the issue of outdoor human thermal environment [no kidding, that's what they call it] ... and people's satisfaction in terms of outdoor thermal comfort ... as affected by many factors: micrometeorological parameters (i.e., air temperature, relative humidity, wind speed, etc.), and personal variables (i.e., gender, age, height, weight, clothing, physical activity, etc.) Clearly, fear of higher air conditioning costs and heat exhaustion is a very serious subject as relates to climate change and the highest temperatures on record. The ultimate results of these studies are obvious: awnings are a good investment, and they work!

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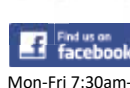
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**Sausbier's Awning Shop from page 13**

late 1800's and has grown and changed with the times. "Who would have predicted that awnings can now be made from woven acrylic vs. sail cloth canvas and controlled by motion sensors!"

On another note, Sausbier's can provide service for your fire extinguishers and fire suppression systems. The investment in the fire extinguisher/fire suppression business was originally for off

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Sausbier's Awning Shop Inc. is open Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm and Saturday, 8am until noon. You can reach Bill or Bob during business hours on 518-828-3748. Old fashioned values and workmanship are alive and well and customers feel right at home dealing with the honest, straight forward, down to earth folks at Sausbier's. Bob can also be contacted via email at [rstalkersausbiers@yahoo.com](mailto:rstalkersausbiers@yahoo.com). Or visit them on their website, [www.sausbiers.com](http://www.sausbiers.com), for a complete description of their awnings and canopies, upholstery and fire protection equipment, as well as a gallery of pictures that depict their customizable services. Sausbier's is a full-service business serving Columbia, Greene, Dutchess and Ulster counties.

**June 2024 Commercial Garden from page 12**

plants, important for plant reproduction. These beds include

milkweed, cornflower, monarda and black-eyed susan, great for attracting bees, hummingbirds, butterflies, birds and other insects.

Overall, the many elements of these gardens at Rhinebeck Bank form an archipelago of differing horticulture in the midst of commerce!

ODVGC meets the second Thursday of the month (except August) at St. John's Reformed Church in Upper Red Hook. The Club encourages and informs home gardeners, and works to support natural beauty in our community. For more information on the Club, follow us on Facebook: [Http://www.facebook.com/ODVGC](http://www.facebook.com/ODVGC).

**Crandell Theatre to Screen Iconic Hollywood Summer Nights**

The historic single-screen Crandell Theatre on Main Street in Chatham will screen a series of iconic films that originally dazzled at the box office and went on to become treasured, perennial classics. Beginning on Friday,

July 5, at 7 pm with *Jaws* — the summer blockbuster that started them all — Hollywood Summer Classics will run throughout July and August.

The series will also include such fan favorites as *Saturday Night Fever*, *The Big Lebowski*, *Dirty Dancing*, *Pulp Fiction*, *Star Wars Episode IV - A New Hope* (the 1977 original), *The Godfather*, *Jurassic Park* and *Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery*. These films will screen in addition to our regular weekend programming of new releases.

Another recent classic, *Minions*, will screen at 10 am on July 13 for **FREE** during the annual Chatham Summerfest sponsored by Chatham Area Business and Arts (CABA). The Crandell has long partnered with CABA to bring this beloved tradition to the Chatham community.

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**Crandell Theatre from page 14**  
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July 13, 7 pm **The Big Lebowski**  
July 19, 7 pm **Dirty Dancing**  
July 26, 7 pm **Pulp Fiction**  
August 9, 7 pm **Star Wars: Episode IV - A New Hope**  
August 16, 7 pm **The Godfather**  
August **\*TBA\* Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery**  
**About the Crandell** The Crandell Theatre in Chatham, NY, is one of a few community-based, nonprofit theaters in the United States devoted to film and one of fewer than one hundred single-screen movie theaters nationally. Since 2010, Crandell Theatre, Inc. has raised more than \$1 million to purchase the historic theater and make needed repairs. The current Crandell board is engaged in a multimillion-dollar campaign to renovate and restore the area's oldest, largest, single-screen theater and enhance the

moviegoing experience for generations to come. For more information, visit [crandelltheatre.org](https://crandelltheatre.org), or call 518-392-3445.

## Historic Tavern Trail at Lasting Joy Brewery: "The Secret Language of Towns, Villages, & Cities"

Wed. July 10, 6 - 7 pm, Lasting Joy Brewery, Tivoli NY  
RSVP required. Visit <https://www.historicredhook.org/upcoming-events/tavern-trail-lastingjoyjuly24>

Join Dutchess County Historian William P. Tatum III at Lasting Joy Brewery in Tivoli for a presentation on "The Secret Language of Towns, Villages, & Cities: Red Hook & Tivoli Edition." Explore one of the most confusing aspects of local life in the Hudson Valley: Where do we actually live? The US Post Office says one thing, the tax assessor says another, and local lore is entirely different. Join Dutchess County Historian to learn about the real history behind this confusion and why there isn't a Town of Tivoli, yet there is a Town and Village of Red Hook, but Rock



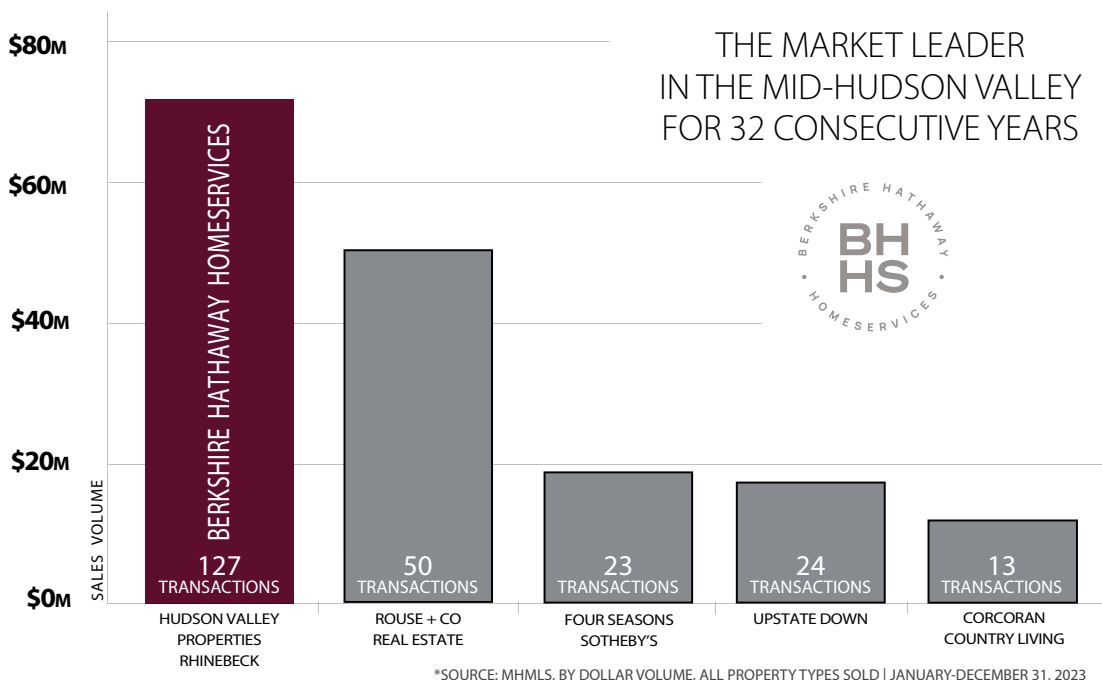
City is not part of either one. The Dutchess County Historic Tavern Trail brings history and local cuisine together while introducing the community to iconic locales. The Tavern Trail is a collaborative endeavor between the Dutchess County Department of History, local historical

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**Paul Bisaccia and Kathleen Beckmann**

Since 2006, Kathleen Beckmann has helmed NDSO, which she co-founded with her brother David Baxter. For nearly two decades, Beckmann has served as conductor and music director of NDSO. NDSO is committed to making orchestral music as widely accessible as possible in northern Dutchess County and the Hudson Valley, collaborating with the Poughkeepsie Ballet, the Mendelssohn Club, the Hudson Valley Saxophone Orchestra, Ars Choralis, and many local student performers.

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