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## Happy StART Creations – Boutique and Art Studio for hand-painted creations.

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By Lisa Dudley  
Donna Parise is the owner of Happy StART Creations located at 35 Firehouse Lane, Red Hook – on the same road as Mac's Farm and Garden World.



Donna Parise

Donna started this company after her mother passed in 2021. "She was the most positive person on the face of the earth and I wanted to find a way to make her legacy live on." Donna's colors, imagery and designs are a tribute to her mother. "Painting with Positivity."

It was a tough time in the world with Covid and many families, including Donna herself, were grieving and suffering. Donna had originally studied art and design in school and became a display designer

and merchandiser, directly out of college, for 10 years. Then she moved onto a new career for 30+ years, working in the music touring industry which brought her around the world a few times but she never left behind her love for art. She even had art classes on tour. On a tour with Pink, during one of her art classes, the group painted Pink's jeans and she wore them onstage.. However, Covid put a halt to the touring industry.

So, Donna went back to what

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## The Claverack Free Library

is pleased to announce the opening of an exhibition of work by the Columbia County Plein Air Artists on Wednesday, September 11th, 2024 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the Marilyn and Bob Laurie Gallery.

Columbia County Plein Air Artists (CCPAA) return to the Claverack Library to unveil their latest works in oil, acrylic, watercolor and pastel. For close to a decade, this multidisciplinary group of artists have converged

in the great outdoors to capture the ever-changing light, color and beauty of their iconic environment. Working outdoors (en plein air) gives their work a bold, fresh immediacy, be it in an intimate view of a small historic village or an expansive rural landscape. Both locals and visitors alike will be captivated by the unique, fresh perspective of the CCPAA.

Works by Arlene Boehm, Susanna Grannis, Helen Hamel, David Lesako, Myra Lobel, Abe

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## Spencertown Academy Presents Creative Nonfiction Writers Conference November 7 - 10; Application Deadline September 30

Spencertown Academy Arts Center presents All Write, Columbia: Creative Nonfiction Writers Conference beginning Thursday, November 7 through Sunday, November 10. This four-day intensive writing conference will focus on both the craft and the business of writing nonfiction. Award-winning authors Donna Kaz and Mardi Jo Link will serve as workshop leaders, with additional acclaimed faculty including essayist Chloé Caldwell, memoirist and filmmaker Déjà Vu Prem, and story coach and the author Lisa Cron. Workshops, readings, and other events will be held in person at Spencertown Academy, while guest teachers are zoomed in.

"If you have always wanted to tell your story or turn a personal experience into an essay, this conference is for you. We look forward to gathering a mix of both emerging and veteran writers for this intimate, inspiring, and unique conference," says Conference Director Donna Kaz. "All you need to apply is a short nonfiction writing sample and the willingness to join together with others who share a passion for putting their life experiences onto the page."

"Spencertown is a welcoming literary community and the All Write, Columbia conference is the place to meet, share, edit, collaborate, and be inspired to keep writing," says Adriana Tampasis, 2022 alum.

The conference is open to all levels of writers ages 18+—from beginners who are just starting to write flash nonfiction to more advanced writers with a memoir manuscript. Tuition is \$500, including all workshops (plus an individual 45-minute consultation about 15-to-20 pages of each participant's writing), opening night reception, guest author talks, publishing/PR panel, craft workshops, and most meals. The conference will be limited to a maximum of 20 participants. A limited number of scholarships will be available for local writers from Columbia and Greene Counties.

The deadline to apply is Monday, September 30. For submission guidelines, schedule, and faculty bios, see [spencertownacademy.org/all-write-columbia](https://spencertownacademy.org/all-write-columbia).

This program is made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature.

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## Theatre on the Road presents DRACULA, the original Broadway version in the Widow Jane Mine in Rosendale.

For the third consecutive year, Theatre on the Road, a traveling company based in Rosendale, New York, will produce and stage *Dracula* at the Widow Jane Mine in Rosendale, New York on Thursday, September 26th at 7 pm, Friday, September 27th at 7 pm and Saturday, September 28th at 7 pm. All previous performances sold out.

From the Bram Stoker novel, this is the original Broadway production that premiered in 1927 and was revised in 1997 starring Frank Langella. Written by Hamilton Deane and John L. Balderston, has been described by Newsweek as "as evening of high-class fun".

Director Frank Marquette describes the play as follows: "Lucy, whose father is in charge of an English asylum, has been attacked by a mysterious illness. Dr. Van Helsing believes Lucy is the victim of a vampire



Dracula and Lucy

— a certain Count Dracula. Renfield, an inmate, suffers from delusions and is under the spell of the Count. Will he be found and finally laid to rest?"

Frank also offers, "I can't think of a better marriage of play and location. Who wouldn't like to experience *Dracula* live? I'm setting this in the 1920s with period costumes and making full use of the spooky wonders of the Widow Jane Mine."

The cast features a roster of accomplished actors all of whom live and work in the

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## "The REAL Gilded Age" - THEMED MANSION TOURS AT STAATSBURGH STATE HISTORIC SITE

In an era of outstanding period dramas to watch—from *Downton Abbey* to HBO's *The Gilded Age*—Staatsburgh State Historic Site is presenting a special theme tour exploring the real-life characters and themes at Staatsburgh that parallel these popular shows.

Led by a costumed guide, "The REAL Gilded Age" tour will show how servants and the Mills family conducted a busy weekend of high-society entertaining, comparing Staatsburgh to what viewers saw in the popular period dramas. The tour will take place on September 7, 14, 21, 22, 28 & 29 at 2:00 p.m. Reservations for "The REAL Gilded Age" are required and can be made at <https://www.Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS>. Admission is \$10.00; \$8.00 for seniors and



students; children under 12 are free.

Just as viewers saw on *The Gilded Age*, Staatsburgh's house parties featured lavish meals and entertainment. A full household staff of uniformed servants catered to every need of the family and their guests. The fictionalized romances of *Downton Abbey* had their historical counterparts at Staatsburgh: Downton's American heiress, Cora, married the fictional Earl of Grantham;

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Written by Shel Silverstein  
"I cannot go to school today"  
Sick "I cannot go to school today,"  
Said little Peggy Ann McKay.  
"I have the measles and the mumps,  
A gash, a rash and purple bumps.  
My mouth is wet, my throat is dry,  
I'm going blind in my right eye.  
My tonsils are as big as rocks,  
I've counted sixteen chicken pox  
And there's one more - that's seventeen,  
And don't you think my face looks green?  
My leg is cut, my eyes are blue -  
It might be instamatic flu.  
I cough and sneeze and gasp and choke,  
I'm sure that my left leg is broke -  
My hip hurts when I move my chin,  
My belly button's caving in,  
My back is wrenched, my ankle's sprained,  
My 'pendix pains each time it rains.  
My nose is cold, my toes are numb,  
I have a sliver in my thumb.  
My neck is stiff, my spine is weak,  
I hardly whisper when I speak.  
My tongue is filling up my mouth,  
I think my hair is falling out.  
My elbow's bent, my spine ain't straight,  
My temperature is one-o-eight.  
My brain is shrunk, I cannot hear,  
There is a hole inside my ear.  
I have a hangnail, and my heart is -  
what? What's that? What's that you say?  
You say today is ... Saturday?  
G'bye, I'm going out to play!"



# ACCORDING TO QUACKERS



## 23rd Anniversary Commemoration

At the center of the mission of the 9/11 Memorial & Museum is the annual commemoration ceremony. Family members of 9/11 victims will once again gather on the Memorial Plaza to read aloud the names of those killed in the 9/11 attacks and in the 1993 World Trade Center bombing. The National September 11 Memorial & Museum leads the nation, and the world, in marking the anniversary of the day that changed our lives forever. The 23rd anniversary commemoration ceremony will take place on the Memorial Plaza and focus on an in-person reading of the names by family members. Throughout the ceremony, we will observe six moments of silence,

acknowledging when each of the World Trade Center towers was struck and fell and the times of the attack on the Pentagon and the crash of Flight 93. Our program will commence at 8:30 a.m., and the first moment of silence will be observed at 8:46 a.m. Families can access the Memorial Plaza beginning at 7:30 a.m., and the commemoration is expected to conclude at approximately 1:00 p.m. The invitation and/or letter you received in August, as well as P and T case numbers or Memorial Park identification cards, will serve as your family's credentials for admittance to the ceremony. The first entry to the Museum will be at 8:00 a.m. and the last entry to the Museum will be at 5:30 p.m. The Museum will close at 7:00 p.m. Due to capacity constraints in the Museum and to help ensure your timely admission, we strongly encourage advance reservations. As always, tickets to the Museum are free for family members. Each family member must have a ticket to be admitted to the Museum. Museum tickets can be reserved. For additional information about how to make a Museum reservation, please call (212) 266-5201.

## Claverack Free Library- from page 1

Madey, Tom Madey, Kathie Mock, Martha Morano, Lori Rothstein, Debbie Shaw, and Audrey Wyman will be on display from September 5th through October 18th during library hours.

The Claverack Free Library is located at the junction of NY Route 23 and NY Route 9H.

Library parking is located at 629 Route 23B, Claverack NY. For information contact [www.claveracklibrary.org](http://www.claveracklibrary.org) or 518.851.7120.



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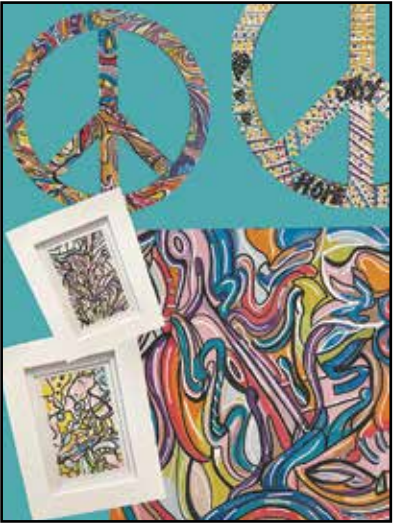
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she knows: Art and Design. “I always loved fashion but I’m not a patternmaker, seamstress.” She started painting “one of a kind” canvas tote-bags, selling them at craft shows, farmer’s markets and most recently, at the Woodstock Flea Market. All clothing, and bags are prewashed and then painted with non-toxic paint and markers. All designs are hand-painted and treated with a non-toxic garment spray, so all can be easily washed. Eventually a space opened at 35 Firehouse Lane in Red Hook and she knew it was time to fulfill her life-long dream of opening a

boutique-studio. The space is perfect for a studio, boutique and a place to hold creative workshops. She wants this to become a place where small groups of friends can book a private, personalized, relaxed, workshop and paint a tote bag, pair of jeans, etc. with positive imagery and words. “At Happy StART Creations, my vision is to create designs that inspire and make you smile. I believe that art and design have the power to make a difference. I hope to bring positivity, beauty and creativity during these trying times.” This has become a great adventure for Donna, as well as for her customers. Her art work



brings to life power words such as Smile, Dream, Love, Hope, Joy, BE YOU, Be Brave, Dance and Sing, etc. – whatever word, color or energy they want to carry with them or wear on their body. Store items include a variety of canvas tote bags, Home decor, Denim bags, Hats, Beach Bags with rope handles, Adult clothing, Kids clothing, Water-Marbled wood jewelry and Eco-friendly bags and Backpacks. People can request any kind of designs be it seasonal images or a music group or just positive words. She recently had a request for a sports team and another request for a political candidate. Donna is also skilled at water marbling which is usually done on paper but is a gorgeous statement on cloth and wood beads. The best fun is when clients bring in their favorite garment to be transformed, especially if there is a spot or stain, which she will revive and cover with a painted design. The back of denim jackets is always a customer favorite. Creative Workshops offered at Happy StART Creations is a



relaxed, fun, experience. Perfect for birthday parties (age 14 or older), for a ladies afternoon get together or a teambuilding event. Classes range from 4-10 people and no previous experience is welcomed. All materials, snacks and one-on-one instruction is provided. Friends can bring their own playlists for background music or any other personalized requests, which Donna is happy to provide. Workshops consist of painting on

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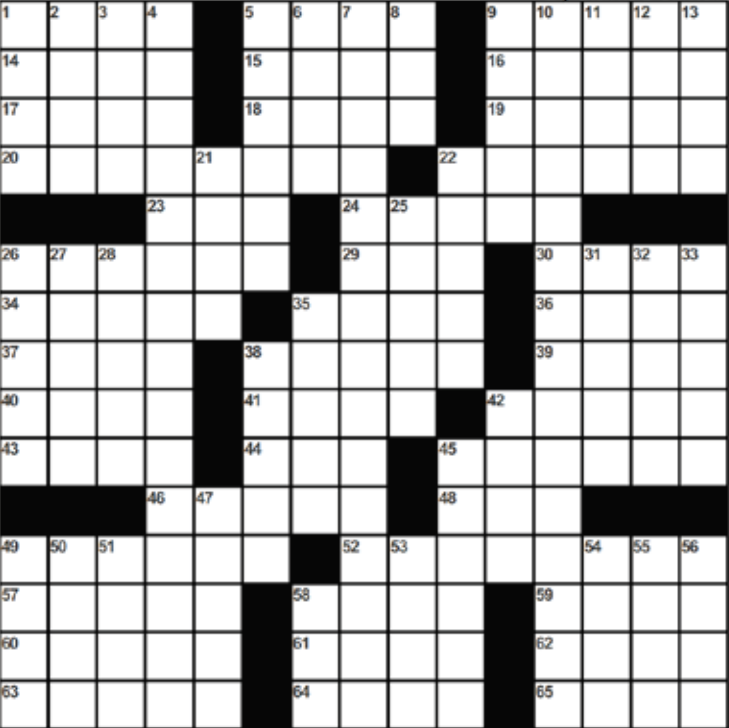
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ACROSS

- 1) Terrier type
- 5) 45 player
- 9) Santa \_\_\_\_ Park race track
- 14) Soon, in old poems
- 15) Type of exam or hygiene
- 16) One in concealment
- 17) Bill Clinton's veep
- 18) Chum
- 19) Acclaim
- 20) Deviating from the norm
- 22) "Any \_\_\_\_?" ("Volunteers?")
- 23) Comic's booking
- 24) Monster mass
- 26) Use the keyboard, again
- 29) Grand \_\_\_\_ (wine label term)
- 30) Guitar's ancestor
- 34) "The Brady Bunch" housekeeper
- 35) Scads
- 36) China setting
- 37) Extinct flightless bird
- 38) One of the Barbary States
- 39) "Sister Act" roles
- 40) Accessible to all
- 41) Break in friendly relations
- 42) "Haste makes waste," e.g.
- 43) "The Untouchables" man
- 44) Mr. Baba
- 45) Scatterbrained
- 46) Stomach woe
- 48) Floral neckpiece
- 49) Early arrival?
- 52) Maritime upright
- 57) Computer speaker abbr.
- 58) Absolutely wicked
- 59) "\_\_\_\_ the wild blue yonder"
- 60) Taking advantage of
- 61) Knowing, as a secret
- 62) Close to
- 63) Set free
- 64) Numbers for your children?
- 65) Nell, lover of Charles II

MING DYNASTY

By Hank Dellman



DOWN

- 1) Story spanning generations
- 2) Door feature
- 3) Days of long ago
- 4) Exhausting
- 5) Display of respect
- 6) Pressing agent
- 7) Miraculous
- 8) Sick
- 9) Leading in a race
- 10) Nagging pettily
- 11) Having nothing to do
- 12) Raze (with "down")
- 13) \_\_\_\_ and sciences
- 21) Ready to be picked
- 22) Supporting beam
- 25) Circle, as a planet
- 26) Home health hazard
- 27) Forgo a big wedding
- 28) They have highs and lows
- 31) Frequent diner's order
- 32) Color trace
- 33) \_\_\_\_ up (relented)
- 35) Craftiness
- 38) Identify a caller
- 42) Arabian Gulf port
- 45) Creatures from outer space
- 47) Slang
- 49) Damascus road convert
- 50) Trojan horse, infamously
- 51) Leave
- 53) Bubble bath ingredient
- 54) From the beginning
- 55) Command to Spot
- 56) Ripped
- 58) By way of

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any tote bags, backpacks, shirts, jeans, etc. She is open to all and any ideas. Seasonal workshops will also be offered, as painting on wood shaped pumpkins, hearts, peace signs, etc. During the workshops, space is closed to the public, as she encourages a personalized experience. According to Angela Cox, who is Dean of Student Services at St Peter's Health Partners Schools, Donna helped her make a beautiful tote bag that she uses every day. "I don't have a creative bone in my body," Angela reveals," but "Donna helped me compose the design and I was able to express myself

in a style that suits me." Angela says she wanted "to learn from Donna Parise specifically because Donna is a very talented artist." Donna Parise's Happy StART Creations boutique and studio is also open for shopping. (Friday-Saturday-Sunday) Donna is a prolific painter and the items offered in the store range from painted jeans, shirts, dresses, jackets, canvas bags, pillows, canvas wine bags and also framed art work, all with positive colors, words, images. For the next few months, she is offering gift boxes filled with a tote bag, hand marbled wood bracelets, painted wood peace signs or whatever else you request. These items will be themed as a HOPE box



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When I try to encourage my clients to crate train their dog, oftentimes they misunderstand what a crate represents to their dog. Owners will frequently tell me that they think the crate is the equivalent of a cage or maybe even a prison cell. What people don't realize is that for most dogs, a properly introduced crate is the equivalent of a den that dogs naturally are drawn to and perceive it as a safe haven for them. It's the kind of environment that a dog would seek out if he/she were on their own in the wild to make them feel less vulnerable and safe. Understanding that your dog's needs are often satisfied differently than human needs, is how we develop a better understanding and a stronger bond with our dog.

Your dog thinks that the family is his pack and that your whole house or apartment is his den. For many dogs, however, the house is too large of a den, with many unwanted opportunities for stress and confusion. A properly used crate can be the dog's sanctuary. It also serves as a valuable tool for owners to manage the dog's

behavior during the training process, especially during the housebreaking process. Some important points about using a crate:

1. A crate should never be considered a substitute for diligent training and supervision.
2. The need for safety and shelter is but one of your dog's needs. If all his needs are not appropriately addressed, crating may only create new problems.
3. Dogs should not be left in a crate unsupervised for long periods of time.
4. Buy a crate that is appropriate for the dog's size. It should only be large enough for the dog to stand up and turn around. While the puppy is still small, you might have to create a barrier to reduce the size of the crate and encourage the puppy to start controlling his bladder/bowels understanding that the puppy is less likely to soil the area that he considers his living space. Some crates come with a divider for this purpose.
5. Never use your dog's crate as punishment. "Time outs" are not an effective training strategy. Teaching your dog to use a crate:

1. Place an old sweatshirt or blanket on the floor of the crate as bedding. The "pack" smell of your old things will help comfort your dog, so be sure to handle or wear the item first.
2. Create a cozy, dark and comforting environment for your dog by placing a cover

over three sides of the crate leaving only the entrance open. Just keep the temperature in mind; you don't want it to be too hot in his den. In warmer weather, a dark sheet will suffice.

3. Start the introduction with no pressure. Allow you dog to investigate the crate by placing toys, treats, even food and water inside, leaving the gate open and creating a positive association. Dogs learn by association. If you force your dog into a crate and slam the gate behind him, he is bound to associate negative memories to the crate the next time you want him to go in it.
4. Start closing the gate when he is occupied and let him be. Many dogs will take a nap. However, do not be surprised if it takes your dog three or four days to become comfortable and relaxed. Start crating your dog for short intervals while you are still in view. Don't give the dog the idea that crating him means you are leaving.
5. Do not release your dog from the crate because he whines. Wait until he is quiet. That might require you to sit beside the crate for a while and comfort your dog through the bars of the crate. Reacting to his demands will teach him that whining works to get what he wants.
6. Once he has had pleasurable exposure to the crate, you may gently guide him to it on leash, if necessary. If he resists, stay calm but firm, try feeding the leash through the back of the crate to provide better direction while giving lots of encouragement often is all that is needed. And the results? Happy Dogs = Happy Families

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Barbara Sweeney Fassett is the Owner of Bark Busters Home Dog Training, Dutchess County. As such, she has done business in the mid-Hudson Valley 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/>

## Snake Bites in New York State

By: Julianne Porter, DVM  
Snake bites are not a common occurrence in our area, but they are important to discuss

because they can be serious and even life threatening. Out of the 17 species of snakes in New York, 3 are venomous. These are members of the Crotalinae subfamily, referred to as Crotalids or pit vipers, and are the Timber Rattlesnake, Massasauga (also a rattlesnake), and Copperhead. While venomous snake bites will require immediate medical attention, bites from most of the snakes in our area will typically only cause local irritation and infection. However, it is always a good idea to check with your veterinarian if your pet is bitten.

Snakes are a beneficial part of the ecosystem – they are excellent rodent and insect control and thus helpful to have around for our gardens. Most snakes will try to avoid people and pets and only bite as the last resort. While

humans will often wisely walk away from a snake encounter, our curious or prey-driven pets are not always inclined to do the same.

Hiking is a common time a dog will encounter a snake. Keeping your dog from wandering off and exploring holes or high grass will help limit the chances of an encounter. Do not let your pets explore dead snakes as some can still bite after death and inject venom. This includes a decapitated head.

Learning the difference between venomous and nonvenomous snakes can be helpful, but it is still best to avoid all snakes as even a bite from a nonvenomous snake can cause irritation, infection, and pain. If you think your pet is bitten, please remove collars and harnesses as they can be constricting and proceed

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**Snake Bites from page 5**  
to a veterinarian as soon as possible. Use a slip leash or carrier to safely contain your pet. Do not delay with at-home first-aid. If you can identify the snake safely, do so. Do not kill the snake if possible – a photo can also identify them.

Crotalid venom can cause local and systemic effects. It is mainly hemotoxic, meaning it destroys red blood cells, as well as an anticoagulant. This can cause local tissue damage, clotting disorders, heart, lung and kidney damage, and even mild neurological defects. Pets can present in shock with multiple organ damage. Some rattlesnakes, such as the Mojave and Eastern diamondback, have neurotoxic venom, but those are not found in the New York area.

Treatment is aimed at stabilizing the patient if they are in shock, providing pain relief and antibiotics (if bacterial contamination or significant necrosis of the skin is noted), and neutralizing the venom, when appropriate. Since the local tissue around a bite can become very necrotic, wound care is often needed, sometimes for weeks following the bite. Some veterinary emergency hospitals will carry antivenin, but it is not always warranted or beneficial. Antivenin works best if administered in the first 4-6 hours following a bite. Your veterinarian can determine if antivenin is indicated.

Prognosis varies and depends on the size of the pet, type of snake, number and location

of bites, amount of venom injected, time between bite and treatment, and the pet's own individual health status and susceptibility to the venom.

Snakes are not always viewed with the same affection as other wildlife, but they are important, and learning how to coexist in our area is ideal. However, if an encounter does result in a bite, it is important to know the steps to take to get treatment needed. With fast and appropriate therapy, most pets will survive snake bite envenomation.

## Churchtown Fire Company Support Center to the Rescue

By: M. Vogt

The volunteers of the Churchtown Fire Company Support Center recently came to the aid of local resident Doreen Baretsky by hosting a very successful Chicken BBQ. Doreen extends her sincere gratitude to all members, family, friends, and many generous donors that made this a huge success, and the money raised will greatly help her with medical and other expenses following the death of her husband Jim.

This is one example of the many kind-hearted events that the members of the fire company have sponsored to assist needy individuals and families in the community. Recently, after more than 90 years, members of the Churchtown Fire Company No 1 have established a new tax-exempt corporation called "Churchtown Firehouse Community Support Center Inc."

This new corporation will continue to provide non-firefighting services to the community. It is dedicated



to charitable and educational purposes, specifically to offer a multi-functional community center for cultural, educational, human services and recreational programs. Additionally, it will serve as a Red Cross Disaster or Emergency shelter for the public and other tax-exempt charitable organizations in the Town of Claverack and surrounding communities.

Currently the Columbia County Recovery Kitchen is utilizing the facility to prepare and provide hundreds of free meals to needy

residents throughout the county. However, the Churchtown Firehouse Community Support Center, Inc. will continue to make the facility available to the community for fundraising events, organizational meetings, community events, private functions and any other activities that promote and benefit our community and the people of Columbia County. If you have a need for any of these services, please contact Bob Preusser at (518) 821-0934 or (518) 851-5194.

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**Theatre on the Road from  
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Hudson Valley area of New York. They include Gabriel Pages as Dracula, Michelle Kafel as Van Helsing, Connor Bond as Jonathan Harker, Dan Anderson as Dr. Seward, David Britton as Renfield, Heather Roland-Franco as Lucy, Nicole Perepeluk as Miss Wells and Frank Marquette as Butterworth. Amanni Sitz will provide sound effects and lighting, and Sue Regan will stage-manage. Kristen Marquette, Theatre on the Road's co-owner, will provide costumes and styling. Michelle Kafel, who is playing Van Helsing, is also the co-director of this production. General admission tickets are \$25 and can be purchased by visiting [www.widowjanemine.com](http://www.widowjanemine.com). For information call 845-658-9900 or 845-475-7973.

Theatre on the Road is the creation of actor, writer and director Frank Marquette and wife and producing partner, Kristen. Producing plays for

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**The Real Gilded Age from  
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Staatsburgh's Beatrice Mills married the real Earl of Granard.

Visitors to Staatsburgh may also wish to stroll or picnic by the Hudson River, follow the site's self-guided landscape tour, or walk the woodland trails in adjacent Mills and Norrie State Parks. A full list of all Staatsburgh's programs and events is found on the site's reservations page: <https://www.Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS>

Staatsburgh State Historic Site and the Ogden Mills & Ruth Livingston Mills Memorial State Park are located on Old Post Road in Staatsburg, off Route 9

between Rhinebeck and Hyde Park. The historic site is one of 6 sites and 15 parks administered by the Taconic Region of New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. For more information, call 845-889-8851, or visit Staatsburgh's websites at <https://parks.ny.gov>, [www.facebook.com/StaatsburghSHS](http://www.facebook.com/StaatsburghSHS), and [www.staatsburghstatehistoricsite.blogspot.com](http://www.staatsburghstatehistoricsite.blogspot.com). Staatsburgh's events are listed at <https://parks.ny.gov/events>.

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](http://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.

**Spencertown Academy  
Presents from page 1**

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Night Benefit will also honor local community member Ed Murray for his exemplary service to Ramapo as a staff member and to the Rhinebeck area community as CEO of NDP (Northern Dutchess Paramedics) Emergency Medical Services.

Murray began working at Ramapo as a member of the dining room staff at the age of 15. He spent six summers working in Ramapo's camp for children with social, emotional, and learning challenges before embarking on a career in advertising. In 1988, Murray returned to Ramapo, joining the year-round staff and making Rhinebeck his home. As one of the few year-round staff at the time, Murray was involved in counselor recruitment, buildings and grounds, and the operations of the campus. When camp was in session, he was responsible for safety/security.

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# God's Corner

## To Be Known

By Naomi Fata

This past week I've been listening to the audio recording of Prince Harry's autobiography, Spare. As part of the British royal family, he has a face that is known around the world. Throughout his entire life, tabloid magazines have featured true and false parts of his everyday moments on their front pages. Is this what it means to be known? That the entire planet knows our face, and parts of our story? We all crave to be known. But is this the type of "known" that satisfies?

In Psalm 139, David wrote, "You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely."

God doesn't come to know us through a gossip column that caused a scandal. He knows us because He is our Father who cares—not one with ulterior motives—but one with our best interest in mind.

None of us have experienced a perfect relationship with our parents, so it may be hard to comprehend that God knows us in such a loving way. He knows everything, from the darkest secrets to our innermost dreams. He knows the talents and abilities that He gave us when He formed us in our mother's womb.

Though God knows you, do you ever wonder if you know yourself? I think back to the teen years when I was trying to figure life out. There was so much pressure to know what career path to take. Yet, I hardly knew myself. The striving to "find oneself" created a lot of restless anxiety. Perhaps you too, have experienced a time when you were trying to find yourself.

The safest place to find yourself is with people who know you and love you. If you

are fortunate to have family and friends who know you well, they may be a source of guidance in this area. But ultimately there is One who knows you perfectly. God—your Good Father—He knows you. This knowing is not something to run from. Though He knows the wrong that you have done, He isn't looking to condemn you for that. Instead, He is offering to pour out His love into your heart, to show you who He created you to be, and to give you the wisdom, guidance, and confidence to walk in that. Don't fear being known by Him. Being known by Him will bring you joy you cannot imagine.

## SERVING THE LORD WITH A HEART OF LOVE

"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." Colossians 3:23 Labor Day is Monday, September 02. It is a day that has been set aside to honor the American labor movement. As Christians we are to be thankful for the blessing it is to serve the Lord, and to serve one another. We know that since the fall of man (Genesis 3), work has been more difficult, but it still should have a very important place in our lives. As Christians we are Servants of the Lord. We are to serve Him with a heart of love, and do everything heartily, as to the Lord. **JESUS IS THE GREATEST SERVANT THAT EVER LIVED!**

"Even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28). The Lord Jesus came from Heaven to be a Servant, and to give His life as a ransom sacrifice for our sins. Jesus willingly laid His life down on the Cross for our sins, and Rose victoriously the third day over death and the grave. He is the greatest Servant that ever lived **THE EXAMPLE OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST!**

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that Jesus was betrayed, He washed the Disciples' feet and demonstrated by this act what it means to be a true servant. This was a task reserved for the servant of the house. After He had washed the Disciples' feet, he said, "If then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you." (John 13:14,15).

## THE JOY OF SERVING ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE!

"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). The Christian has liberty in Christ, and the liberty is to be used to serve others.

## REMEMBER AS CHRISTIANS WE SERVE THE LORD CHRIST!

"Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ" (Colossians 3:24). The Lord has given to each one of us talents and Spiritual gifts. They are to be used to glorify the Lord, to edify the Lord's Church, and to help others. Let's use what God has given us. One day we will appear before the Lord at the Judgment Seat of Christ. I trust that we will all hear the words of the Lord for a life well lived because we have used our talents and gifts to serve the Lord, and to serve one another. "Well done, good and faithful servant" (Matthew 25:23a). **SALVATION IS A GIFT OF GOD'S GRACE TO ALL THAT CALL UPON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST TO BE SAVED!**

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## Crazy Quilting

September 4: Crazy Quilting: Focus on Embellishment. Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church, 1168 Rte. 55, Lagrangeville. Skyllkill, a local chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America, is having an in-house presentation by local resident Diane Johnson. Diane brings over 40 years' experience to her needlework and quilting instruction. One of her areas of specialty is crazy quilting with a focus on embellishment and working with wool including related subjects like punch needle. This program begins at 12:30pm. Join other needleworkers for fun and learning beginning at 10am or, come for this program only beginning at 12:30. For more information visit [www.facebook.com/SkylkillEGA](http://www.facebook.com/SkylkillEGA) or email to [EGASkylkill@gmail.com](mailto:EGASkylkill@gmail.com).

## Rhinebeck Garden Club

In July, The Rhinebeck Garden Club's monthly meetings moved outdoors. We visited some of our members' gardens and had private guided tours of two public ones: The Beatrix Farrand Garden and Wethersfield.

Membership continues to grow as we welcomed seven new members.

We are very proud of the job we did this year designing the Dough Boy Statue garden on East Market Street. Make sure to visit it if you haven't already done so. The club designs the beds, purchases and plants the flowers in time for the Memorial Day Parade. Many of our members contribute a week each season to water and weed it. We also have a spring garden on Huntington Road, although less visible, it shouldn't be missed.

Our annual bake and plant sale of perennials, shrubs, herbs, and houseplants is September 28 at The Rhinebeck Reformed Church. Selection is always varied and priced competitively. Contact us if your perennials or small shrubs need dividing, and you would like to donate them to the sale. A member may be able to help dig and pot if you are unable.

Meetings are usually held at the Rhinebeck Village Hall at 10am on the fourth Wednesday of the month. Members are expected to participate in the Club by volunteering for or chairing a committee; suggesting or arranging a speaker or trip; presenting horticulture topics; serving on the board; signing up for refreshments; or opening their garden for member viewing.

For information, call club president Hannah at 914-263-5298, or [Log into Facebook](#)

## MASONIC SCHOLARSHIP WINNER HONORED

Jacob Somma, a Germantown Central School Senior, was presented a \$1200.00 scholarship for most improved student by the members of Monumental Hudson Widow's Son Lodge. Jacob plans to attend Columbia-Greene Community College in the fall, majoring in their Construction Technology program. After that, he plans to attend lineman school. He is currently a volunteer firefighter with the Greenport Fire Department.

Monumental Hudson Widow's Son Lodge #7, Free and Accepted Masons, located in Tivoli, NY, has been in existence since 1787 and awards a scholarship every year to hardworking and promising students like Jacob

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be accompanied by an adult. The free program tour will be offered on Saturday, September 7 at 2:30 p.m. Advanced reservations are required: [www.Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS](http://www.Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS)

While enjoying a scenic walk around the historic estate grounds of Staatsburgh along the Hudson River, a site guide will point out various buildings from the estate—



from the Mills family mansion that reminds many of another famous home in Washington D.C., to a look at buildings that functioned as a power plant, a stable, and housing for staff. Visitors may also wish to picnic along the river, or tour the site’s Gilded Age mansion (an admission fee applies to mansion tours, and reservations are required at [www.Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS](http://www.Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS))

Staatsburgh State Historic Site and the Ogden Mills & Ruth Livingston Mills Memorial State Park are located on Old Post Road in Staatsburg, off Route 9 between Rhinebeck and Hyde Park. The historic site is one of 6 sites and 15 parks administered by the Taconic Region of New York State

Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. For more information, call 845-889-8851, or visit Staatsburgh’s websites at <https://www.Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS>, [www.facebook.com/StaatsburghSHS](http://www.facebook.com/StaatsburghSHS), and [www.staatsburghstatehistoricsite.blogspot.com](http://www.staatsburghstatehistoricsite.blogspot.com). Staatsburgh’s events are also listed at [parks.ny.gov](http://parks.ny.gov)

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Arts Mid-Hudson Hosts Free September 18 Mixer in Kingston: A Community Gathering for Artists, Organizations, and Businesses

Arts Mid-Hudson is excited to announce its upcoming AMH Mixer, set to take place on September 18th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at [Cornell Creative Arts Center](#) (129 Cornell Street, Kingston, NY). This free event provides a unique opportunity for local organizations, businesses, and individuals to connect, collaborate, and celebrate the vibrant arts community in the Mid-Hudson Valley.

Join us for an evening of networking and camaraderie as we bring together artists, cultural organizations, and arts enthusiasts from across the region. Attendees will have the chance to meet the dedicated Arts Mid-Hudson team and learn about the various ways we support the arts through grants, programming, memberships, marketing, folk arts, and more.

One of the highlights of the evening will be the “Community Table,” where participants can promote their artistic practices or organizations by bringing a small stack of marketing materials, such as business cards, event flyers, or brochures, to share with others. Additionally, we will collaborate on a community art project that will be displayed in Arts Mid-Hudson’s Kingston

office, symbolizing the unity and creativity of our Mid-Hudson Valley arts scene.

Don’t miss this wonderful occasion to engage with your arts community, share your work, and discover new opportunities for support and collaboration. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Event Details:**  
**Date:** September 18, 2024  
**Location:** Cornell Creative Arts Center | 129 Cornell Street, Kingston, NY 12401  
**Time:** 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

We are proud to have the support of our sponsors for this event: [Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union](#), [Petro Home Services](#), and [Hole in the Wall Donuts](#). Their generous contributions help make this mixer possible, and we are

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For more information, please visit our website at [www.artsmidhudson.org/amh-mixer](http://www.artsmidhudson.org/amh-mixer) or contact us at 845-454-3222

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- 4 chicken leg quarters (about 3 1/2 pounds)
- 3 1/4 teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- 4 teaspoons lemon zest, divided
- 2 teaspoons black pepper, divided
- 2 medium acorn squash, halved and cut into 1/2-inch slices
- 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 3 thyme sprigs
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 teaspoon honey
- 1 teaspoon sumac, divided
- 1 teaspoon Aleppo pepper
- Fresh thyme leaves, for garnish

#### Directions

Place chicken on a rimmed baking sheet; sprinkle evenly with 2 teaspoons salt, 2 teaspoons lemon zest, and 1 teaspoon black pepper. Refrigerate, uncovered, 8 hours or overnight.

Let chicken come to room temperature, about 1 hour. Preheat oven to 450°F. Add acorn squash to baking sheet; drizzle chicken and squash with olive oil. Sprinkle squash with 1 teaspoon salt and remaining 1 teaspoon black pepper. Tuck thyme sprigs around chicken and squash.

Bake in preheated oven until a thermometer inserted in thickest portion of chicken registers 165°F and squash is tender, about 35 minutes. Transfer chicken and squash to a platter. Discard thyme sprigs; reserve pan juices.

Heat butter in a small saucepan over medium, stirring occasionally, until browned and fragrant, about 3 minutes. Scrape pan juices from baking sheet into saucepan. Whisk in honey, 1/2 teaspoon sumac, remaining 2 teaspoons lemon zest, and remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt. Drizzle over chicken and squash. Sprinkle with Aleppo pepper, thyme leaves, and remaining 1/2 teaspoon sumac.

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## Germantown Garden Club Prepares for Flower Show

In preparation for the club's upcoming National Standard Flower Show, accredited Flower Show Judge Barbara Cambell demonstrated examples of the show's design classes. Barbara gave tips, shared ideas and answered questions about horticulture entries from the members.

A tradition for 95 years, the Germantown Garden Club will hold its annual award-winning Standard Flower Show at the American Legion Hall, 1154

Woods Rd., Germantown. The show is free and will be open to the public Saturday, September 7, 1 to 4 pm and Sunday, Sept 8, 1 to 3 pm. The title for the 2024 flower show is "*The Four Seasons*". The design and horticulture class entries will reflect this theme.

The Design Division features fresh and dried flower arrangements in six major groups of four designs each. The Horticulture Division features specimens including individual flowers, annuals and perennials, herbs, cut branches, containers, combination plantings and vegetables. The show also features educational exhibits. The Botanical Arts Division features a photography exhibit.

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

For more information call president Irene Clum at 518-537-4793.

dollars to support and donate to several organizations and causes. "I don't think people realize how much the Fair & Amusement industry folks care and give back. We are very fortunate to be surrounded by such generous people," stated Andy

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Imperati, President/CEO. "I'd like to especially thank Vincent Nelson, of Vinnie's Fine Foods for spearheading this project."

The vendors purchased the Grand Champion Hog at the Dutchess County Youth Livestock Sale with the processed meat being donated to Red Hook Responds along with a \$1000 donation. An additional \$2000 donation will go to the Dutchess County 4-H Scholarship Program with the rest being carried over to next year's sale. Thank you to the following for their generosity  
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## Food Concessionaires Unite to Make a Difference at the 2024 Dutchess County Fair

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At this year's Fair, many of the food concessionaires found the time to collect over \$8000

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## Dutchess County Fair and Powers Great American Midways Donate to Red Hook Responds

The 2024 Dutchess County Youth Livestock Sale took place on Saturday of the Dutchess County Fair. For many, the livestock sale has been the final event for open, FFA and 4-H participants to show and sell their animals with the proceeds of the auction going towards college tuition or investing in another project for next year's Dutchess County Fair.

The Dutchess County Agricultural Society and Powers Great American Midways purchased a 1410-pound steer from Lucas Preciado at this year's Dutchess County Youth Livestock Sale held on Saturday of the Fair. Once processed, the meat will

be donated to the Red Hook Responds Meal Program. Red Hook Responds is a prepared meal agency of the Food Bank system that delivers ready to heat and eat meals within the Red Hook and Rhinebeck area.

"The Agricultural Society and Powers Great American Midways purchases something from the auction every year. This year we felt it was most important to help those within our community," stated Andy Imperati, President/CEO of the fairgrounds.

Next year's Livestock Sale will take place on Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> during the Dutchess County Fair that will be held August 19 – 24, 2025.

### Rhinebeck Garden Club

Wednesday, September 25, 10am.  
Rhinebeck Garden Club monthly

meeting. Rhinebeck Village Hall, 76 East Market Street. Program: Cyanotype: A Process of Creating Art, Presented by Yoram Gelman. Refreshments served. Every year the Rhinebeck Garden Club puts together a series of meetings, field trips and events. Meetings are open to the public, but visitors are asked to join after attending two meetings. For more details, or information, call Hannah at 914-263-5298 or logon to <https://www.facebook.com/p/Rhinebeck-Garden-Club-100064834505072/>

### Hamlet Park

Members of Hillsdale's Hamlet and Infrastructure committees joined Town Supervisor Mike Dvorchak on Saturday Aug. 3 to spread fresh wood chips beneath playground equipment

at the town's Hamlet Park. The materials were supplied by the Hillsdale Highway Department. "The work is part of a continuing effort to rejuvenate the park, a valuable but underused Hillsdale amenity," Dvorchak said.



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## Bannerman Castle Trust- from page 13

schedule and tickets visit: <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/> Friday, September 6 Movie Night on Bannerman's Island! Take a sunset cruise to Bannerman's Island and join us for the classic film THE GHOST AND MRS. MUIR, Starring Rex Harrison and Gene Tierney. Defying her conventional in-laws, young widow Lucy Muir (Gene Tierney) leaves London with her young daughter and moves away for a quieter life in a secluded seaside cottage. Lucy discovers the ghost of the deceased former owner, sea captain Daniel Gregg (Rex Harrison) is haunting the house, but gathers the courage to stand up to him, and woman and ghost become friends. Faced with dwindling means of support, Lucy agrees to the

Captain's challenge to write his colorful life story. <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/> Saturday, September 7 Annual Chefs Farm Fresh Dinner on Bannerman's Island! The Bannerman Castle Trust and Chef NOAH SHEETZ proudly present their Annual Fundraiser Dinner on Bannerman's Island. Noah and five chefs from New York return to create a special five-course delectable meal. Enjoy the island during peak summer garden bloom and see the progress being made on the historic island. The cruise on the Estuary Steward tour boat, guided tour, dinner (with music by the Storm King Duo) and a fine art sale are all included in the price of the ticket! Boat departs from the Beacon Institute dock, across from the Beacon Train Station at 2 Red Flynn

Drive. Tickets on a first come first serve basis, reservations required. Visit <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/> September 14 - January 31; Exhibitions at Bannerman Island Gallery, 150 Main St. Beacon, NY. September 14, 4:00-6:00pm Main Gallery, Opening Reception for the Bannerman Castle Trust's 30th Anniversary Exhibition An exhibition featuring artwork, photographs and artifacts showcasing the history of Bannerman's Island and the Bannerman Castle Trust organization's ongoing development since 1994. West Wall Exhibition - Artists Virginia Donovan (Paintings) and Mary Ann Glass (Photo-Mixed Media). This ongoing show features Hudson Valley Paintings & Photography. (Art Sale proceeds help support preservation projects on Bannerman's Island. Gallery

Hours: Saturdays & Sundays, Noon - 5:00pm, weekdays by chance & appointment. Contact: [bannermangallery150@aol.com](mailto:bannermangallery150@aol.com) and visit [www.bannermancastle.org](http://www.bannermancastle.org) Sunday, September 15 Bannerman Castle Trust's Third Sunday Music Concert Series presents Singer/Songwriter Tara O'Grady. The daughter of Irish immigrants, raised in NYC, Tara now resides in the Hudson Valley. She's been referred to as "an Irish American Jazz Powerhouse" by the Irish Central and "Resplendent, fun and a force of nature" by Jazz Ireland. This Concert is FREE for visitors taking the 11:00am and 12:30pm Bannerman Island tours - enjoy great music while taking your tour! For tickets: <https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/>

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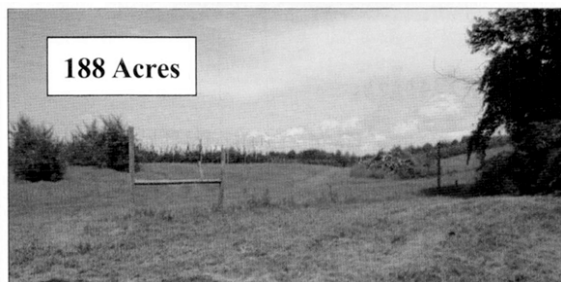


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regularly moves audience members to tears. She is based outside of Saratoga Springs, NY. She records all her own music at home with her partner/producer Jimi W and is funded entirely by her community of fans on Patreon and across social media. Please note: Harmonies on the Hudson concert series is presented free of charge by the Friends of Clermont. All Harmonies on the Hudson concerts are weather permitting. Check out the whole season’s concert calendar at [friendsofclermont.org/events](http://friendsofclermont.org/events) Saturday, September 14, 2024 12:00pm to 2:00pm Tea at Clermont Walled Garden Sip tea while enjoying finger foods, live music, and our beautiful formal gardens. Plus, back by popular demand, local artist Ruby Silvius will join us with examples of her internationally recognized tea bag art. An online auction will be available leading up to the event. Please note: The cost of the event is \$60 for Friends of Clermont members and \$75 for non-members. Children under 12 are free. Tea at Clermont Gardens raises money to support Friends of Clermont’s ongoing garden restoration

work. Your gift is 100% tax-deductible! Register in advance at [friendsofclermont.org/events](http://friendsofclermont.org/events) Saturday, September 14, 2024 Rain date: Saturday, September 21, 2024 2:00pm Clermont Grounds and Gardens Tour Meet at the Visitor Center Join us for a late summer tour of Clermont’s formal gardens. Walk with one of our experienced tour guides and learn the history of the land. From woods to farmland to manicured lawns, Clermont’s landscape has changed with each generation. This tour includes gentle inclines on uneven surfaces. Please wear comfortable footwear and dress for the weather. Please note: Space is limited. This event is free of charge, but visitors must register in advance at [bookeo.com/Clermont](http://bookeo.com/Clermont) Sunday, September 22, 2024 2:00pm Cornelia Livingston’s Sewing Table: Its Materiality, History, and Labor Meet at Visitor Center. Cornelia Livingston’s sewing table is one of the most eye-catching pieces in Clermont’s collection. Join us for an in-depth discussion on the material history and the systems of labor and industry hidden beneath the surface of this beautiful mother-of-pearl and papier-mâché piece from the mid-nineteenth century.

This lecture will cover the origins of papier-mâché and lacquer work furniture before diving into the history of the pearling industry before and throughout the industrial revolution. Please note: The cost of the event is \$5 per person, please be prepared to pay at the door. Space is limited. Visitors must register in advance at [bookeo.com/Clermont](http://bookeo.com/Clermont) Saturday, September 28, 2024 11:00am to 1:00pm Crafty Kids: Halloween Party! Welcome the Spooky Season with a Crafty Kids arts and crafts day! Enjoy a snack as you decorate a spooky coffin deco box, paint a treasure chest perfect for hiding candy, or let your imagination run wild with our table full of Halloween craft supplies! Light instruction is offered, creativity is encouraged. This is a program for children; all children must be accompanied by an adult and all adults must be accompanied by a child. Please note: The cost of the event is \$5 per person, please be prepared to pay at the door. Space is limited. Please make reservations in advance on Bookeo: <https://bookeo.com/clermont> Sunday, September 29, 2024 1:00 pm The Hudson River Schools of Art and Their Ice Age Origins; Robert & Johanna Titus Lecture & Book Signing Visitor Center Join Robert Titus, retired professor of Geology, and Johanna Titus, retired professor of Biology, for a talk about the Hudson River School of art and the Ice Age! During the 19th century there was something of a cultural Renaissance right here in the Hudson Valley region. America’s first worldclass literature appeared. We also saw the birth of American landscape architecture. Most importantly, led by Thomas Cole, we saw the appearance of the Hudson

Valley School of Art. In short, our region became the center of a truly important cultural movement. None of this, we argue, would ever have happened if the Hudson Valley, especially the North Lake area, had not been so heavily glaciated. We take our readers to see how the North Lake glaciers created the landscapes that so inspired the great artists of those times. Then we look down into the Hudson Valley. First it is filled with ice but later it is filled with the glacial meltwaters of something called Lake Albany. Those waters drained away and platforms composed of lake sediment emerged. When the Livingston family came along, they built their mansions upon those platforms. Their architects designed the

grounds so that scenic views were opened up. These are called planned views, and they became central to landscape architecture as it developed all across America. Robert and Johanna Titus are best known as popular science writers. Over the years they have written for several regional magazines, including Kaatskill Life and Tri-County Historical Reviews, as well as the Mountain Eagle and the Columbia Paper. They have authored five books on the Catskills and Hudson Valley geology. The Titus’s run The Catskill Geologist Facebook page and a blog site, [thecatskillgeologist.com](http://thecatskillgeologist.com) Please note: Space is limited. This event is free of charge, but visitors must register in advance at [friendsofclermont.org/events](http://friendsofclermont.org/events)

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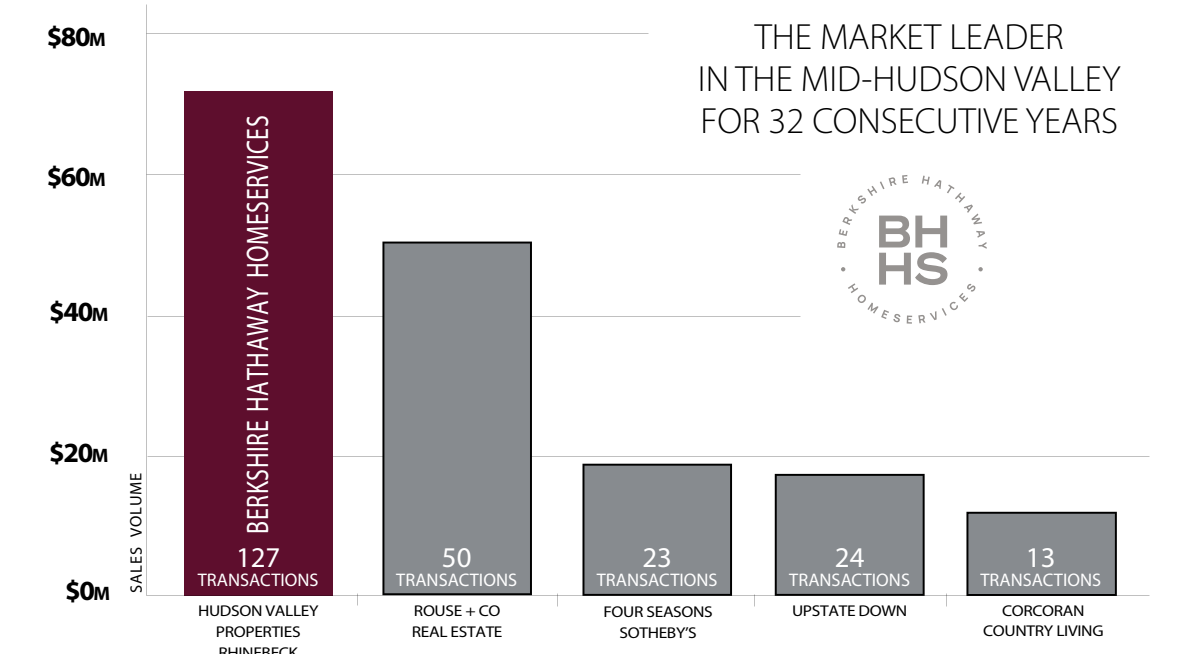
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**Red Hook, NY:** Located in Linden Acres this 1977 Split boasts a spacious LR, DR & EIK w access to back deck. 3 BR's with full tiled bth on the upper level, ample closet space & original unscathed Oak flrs. On the lower level is a huge FR w Brick FP, FB with slider to yard, laundry & 2 Car GAR. This would make a great In Law Suite. Set back privately, the yard is a level 1/2 acre with tall Oak trees begging for a swing. Minutes to Village of Red Hook, Kingston Bridge & Bard. Great neighborhood for biking, trick or treating & walking Fido. Home needs updating but it is worth every effort. **\$439,900**



**Red Hook, NY:** Lose your heart to this 4 BR/ 3.5 Bath Two Story with distant views of the beautiful Catskills. With charm right out of a story book this home has been loved & maintained with attention to detail. Enter the spacious LR with gleaming maple floors, stone FP with driftwood mantle, country style KIT & formal DR w sliders to deck. An enclosed porch invites you into the huge FR w laundry & partial Bth. The first floor also hosts Primary & second BR with oversized closet. On the upper level, you'll find a large landing for office space, two add'l BR's & Bth. A full bsmt w plenty of storage & whole house generator. Sitting pretty on two park like acres, a two-car GAR & Baby Barn complete the picture. Located off a pretty, county road with views of Catskills & farmland. Minutes to village. **\$499,000**



**Red Hook, NY:** Experience a perfect blend of modern convenience & rustic charm in this serene Upstate setting. Set back off a quiet country road on 3 park-like acres, sits this 3 BR / 2 Bath Contemporary with open layout & HW floors throughout. The large LR with wood stove flows into a formal DA with sliders a to covered porch, & to a newly remodeled KIT with SS appliances & quartz counters. The lower level accommodates the second Bth with Laundry & Playroom which would make a great Guest Quarters, Home Gym, or Office. A Two Car GAR provides add'l storage. Plenty of room outside for a horse, chickens or a pool. Easy access to TSP, Bard, & all Hudson Valley offers. Welcome Home! **\$525,000**



**Village of Rhinebeck, NY:** Once upon a time in the year 1820, in a sweet village called Rhinebeck, a pretty Saltbox was built by a master craftsman. Over the years, it evolved into a 3 BR/ 1.5 BTH & loved by the owners who meticulously restored it over the years while retaining the delightful charm of the home's era. They took great care to maintain the integrity from the W B Flrs that flow throughout the Center Hall into the light-filled LR w Original Hand-Hewn Beams, Period Federal FP & Built ins. The HW flrs carry into a formal DR w Corner China Cabinet & Kit is updated w lovely finishes. Off the enclosed porch is a Bonus Rm, perfect for an Office / 4th BR. Escape to the back deck to enjoy the hummingbirds that visit the abundant flower beds. One Car Det GAR. A quick stroll & you're downtown surrounded by shops, movies, cafes, fine dining & The Historic Beekman Arms. A quick trip takes you to the Taconic/ Amtrak. Come make this historic jewel your own & live happily ever after! **\$699,000**



**Village of Red Hook, NY:** Rare Red Hook duplex on massive corner lot, plenty of yard space & 2 car GAR. Features two town home style homes, with high ceilings & vintage details. Large LR, KIT & dining on first floor of each unit, three large BR'S & BTH upstairs. Full bsmt in each unit with laundry & plenty of storage. New propane-based heating. Live in one & rent out the other, perfect for people looking to live close, but separate. Or investment property. Two blocks to Linden Avenue, Highschool, Bard shuttle, restaurants, & shops. This location cannot be beat! Come take a look today! **\$625,000**



**Gallatin, NY:** "Little Diamond In the Rough". This sweet home is waiting for that someone with skill & creativity. Perfect opportunity to redesign, reimagine & recreate this 1940s Ranch. Situated on knoll surrounded by stone walls on 1 country acre, two story Barn/GAR with electric, plus add'l outbuilding. Whether you're looking for a weekend getaway, starter home or rental income, this affordable property may be just the right fit. 10 minutes to Red Hook, Hudson & TSP. **\$229,000**



**Rhinebeck, NY:** Welcome to this delightful 1960's Ranch with sunny LR & brick FP that will warm your chilly nights & give holiday cheer. The formal DR is a place to gather & enjoy a meal prepared in the "Betty Crocker" KIT. BBQs on the back deck are a must! 3 cozy BR's where sweet dreams are made, 1 plus 1/2 bth. The massive full w/o bsmt allows for add'l living space, playroom, office/ wkshp. The level yard backs up to the woods for privacy. Located in friendly neighborhood & tucked at the end of a cul de sac. 5 minutes to Village, 10 minutes Kingston Bridge & TSP. **\$449,900**



**Red Hook, NY:** Two Family Living for the Price of One! Located in a picturesque cul-de-sac neighborhood down a breathtaking country road, minutes to village. Enter the LR with gleaming HW floors, brick FP & large picture window. The LR effortlessly floats into a DR & KIT with updated appliances. Sliders off the DA lead to a lovely deck. 3 BR/ 1 FB on main living. Downstairs is a whole other apartment that includes 1 BR/ 1 FB, LR, & EIK with modern updates. 1 acre ready for you to create your own outdoor oasis. Generator, C/A, & newer roof complete the picture. **\$515,000**



**Red Hook, NY:** Set back privately on 1+ acre, is this one level 3 BR/ 2 BTH Ranch. Chilly winter nights have been spent cuddled up to the Brick FP in the spacious LR, Festive holiday meals in the formal DR & large Country KIT with Skylights & plenty of workspace. The screened porch invites you on a sultry summer day to sip lemonade with a good book. The full bsmt allows for future growth & 3 Car DET GAR is perfect for studio, wkshp. The level backyard is a perfect place to play / garden & backs up to a lovely forest. 5 minutes to Bard, Village, & Kingston Rhine cliff Bridge. **\$529,900**



**Red Hook, NY:** Retro 1956 Ranch has a Mediterranean flare with a SPECTACULAR VIEW OF THE CATSKILL MOUNTAINS & Borders 1700 acres of "forever wild" Tivoli Bays. The enormous LR has JAW DROPPING SUNSETS from a large picture window facing West, a pellet stove & access to an expansive deck with awning & gazebo which overlooks the prettiest fields of wildflowers & rolling meadows. The KIT features custom brick finishes, abundant cabinetry & a formal DA that accesses a breezeway with a full wall of sliders & a custom brick FP. There are 3 BR's, a tiled bath, finished lower level with FR, second FP, FB, wkshp & two car GAR. Minutes to Bard, Tivoli & Kingston Rhinecliff bridge. A truly special find! **\$699,900**

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**Village of Red Hook, NY:** Mixed Use with Endless Possibilities 1.25 Acres **\$299,900**  
**Red Hook, NY:** Minute to Village, 4.98 Acres **\$175,000**  
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