

## DEC Burning Ban In Effect March 16 To May 14

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos today announced a statewide ban prohibiting residential brush burning will begin March 16 and run through May 14. With spring approaching, DEC is reminding residents that conditions for wildfires are heightened in springtime when most wildfires occur.

"While many associate wildfires with the western United States, the start of spring weather and the potential for dry conditions increase the risk for wildfires in New York," Commissioner Seggos said. "To protect our communities and natural resources, New York prohibits residential burning during the high-risk fire season to reduce the potential for wildfires. The burn ban has effectively reduced the number of wildfires over the last decade, and we're encouraging New Yorkers to put safety first."

Even though areas of the state remain blanketed in

snow, warming temperatures can quickly cause wildfire conditions to arise. DEC will post a Fire Danger Map rating forecast daily for the 2020 fire season and the NY Fishing, Hunting & Wildlife App, on DEC's website. Currently, fire conditions in most of the state are low risk.

Open burning of debris is the largest single cause of spring wildfires in New York State. When temperatures are warmer and the past fall's debris and leaves dry out, wildfires can start and spread easily and be further fueled by winds and a lack of green vegetation.

Every spring as the snow melts and vegetation dries out, New York's partnering local responders all too often have to leave their jobs and families to respond to wildfires caused by illegal spring debris fires. DEC Forest Rangers respond to and assist local agencies with the larger and more remote fires. Complying with the burn ban prevents unnecessary burdens on and dangers to state resources and local responders.

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## Drive Through Virus Testing Center Opens IN NY

On Friday, March 13, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo opened the state's first drive-through COVID-19 mobile testing center in New Rochelle. In partnership with Northwell and BioReference, the mobile testing center, which serves all parts of Westchester County, will test up to 200 people today, growing to up to 500 people per day in the coming days. The mobile testing center is prioritizing tests for individuals that are part of the highest risk population. New Rochelle residents who would like to be tested can make an appointment by calling 888-364-3065. This new testing facility builds on the Governor's efforts to ramp up testing capacity in New York State.

In addition to the tests being conducted at the New Rochelle Mobile Testing Center, the State is partnering with BioReference Laboratories to run an additional 5,000 tests per day - five times the state's target goal when this outbreak first came to New York. This is on top of the testing that will be conducted at the 28 public and private labs across the state and the out of state labs that New York is already contracting with.

All of this is a result of the proactive steps taken by Governor Cuomo and the Department of Health to get as many New Yorkers tested as possible.

## Life In the Time Of Covid 19; States Of Emergency Declared Across The Area; Normal Life Mostly Shut Down

The Covid 19 virus pandemic has upended the United States and the world, causing the cancellation of sporting events, amusement parks, theatre productions, meetings, and school closures across the country. Locally, Emory United Methodist Church canceled a ham dinner that it had planned, and Lori Nelson of LaValley's Loving Care Adult Home has closed the facility to visitors for the foreseeable future, in order to protect the vulnerable population housed within its walls.

Meanwhile, Delaware County Public Health Services currently has one confirmed, positive case of COVID-19. That person is reportedly under mandatory quarantine. All contacts have been notified and are also under mandatory quarantine, according to Public Health. Public Health is working to reduce the spread.

According to the County, the "testing kits" that have been referred to in the media are for the laboratories that run testing on the actual specimens. There are no "test kits" for the public. Weekly, more commercial labs are being credentialed to run testing for COVID-19.

There is a screening process for testing that is done via a primary care provider. If you have any of the COVID-19 symptoms (cough, fever, trouble breathing or pneumonia) check with your primary care provider. Do not come to the emergency room unless there's a pressing emergency. Triage sites for testing have begun to be set-up in certain areas in New York State. Sites that are close to Delaware County include:

- Catskill Regional Medical Center COVID triage and testing site.
- Vestal Virtual Walk-In Clinic

Effective, March 13, 2020, the New York State Governor has issued the following restrictions:

Events with 500 or more individuals in attendance are to be canceled or postponed.

Any gathering under 500 individuals in attendance are required to cut capacity by 50%.

Additionally, visitations to nursing homes and assisted living facilities are

You can take everyday preventive actions to stay healthy.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

Stay home when you are sick.

Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

They recommend if anyone has a fever, with cough or experiencing shortness of breath they should contact their health care provider.

For general information about COVID-19 please call the New York State Department of Health 24/7 hotline at 1-888-364-3065. For more information about COVID-19 you can visit [www.delawarecountypublichealth.com](http://www.delawarecountypublichealth.com),

Hancock Central School District superintendent Terry Dougherty tells the Herald that he is "in constant contact with the Delaware County Department of Health." He said on Friday, March 13, that the situation was "fluid" and that the District was set to open on Monday as usual, but that is always subject to change.

Over the weekend, that all changed with the following statement.

In response to COVID-19, the Chairman of the Delaware County Board of Supervisors, in accordance with recommendations from the County Health Director, has declared a State of Emergency under New York State

Executive Law, Article 2-B, to preserve the public health and safety and to make available and provide for all required assistance which is vital to health, security and well-being of the citizens of Delaware County. This declaration is effective Saturday March 14 through Monday April 13, 2020.

LOCAL EMERGENCY ORDERS ISSUED:

Tina Mole, the Chairman of the Board of Delaware County, in accordance with a Declaration of Emergency issued the following Emergency Orders:

1. In accordance with recommendations from the County Health Director I order the suspension of all classroom and extracurricular functions with regard to all public schools situated in the County of Delaware, except, schools may remain open for administrative and staff functions. This Order shall take effect at 12:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, and shall remain in effect until 12:00 a.m. on April 14, 2020 unless sooner revoked, but may be extended for additional periods.

2. Delaware County Office for the Aging Senior Meal sites and Senior Transit will cease operations effective immediately. This order shall remain in effect until 12:00 a.m. on April 14, 2020 unless sooner revoked.

HCS Superintendent Dougherty's statement earlier was as follows:

"According to NYSED Guidance Document, in the event of a school closure, if Hancock CSD has an identified student or staff member who is infected by Coronavirus, we will be obligated to close for a minimum of 24 hours in order to assess and investigate the extent of risk to the school environment. In addition, district staff will clean and disinfect the building. The District will work

with the Delaware County Department of Health to communicate the possible COVID-19 exposure. If a student or staff member is identified as testing positive for COVID-19, HCS will notify state health officials to determine what additional steps are necessary to the school and community. The District will work with the Delaware County Department of Health to ensure proper cleanliness and disinfection prior to reopening school.

In the event of government-imposed, long-term school closure, the District will implement a separate plan."

He sent the Herald a copy of a letter recently sent to parents of students, as follows.

March 12, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Recent developments with regard to the onset of the Coronavirus pandemic have heightened awareness and discussion of school and public health issues. In Hancock, providing a safe and nurturing educational environment for all students, employees and community members is our top priority!

To ensure maximum health and safety for all stakeholders, the following precautionary measures have been implemented:

Informational Letters Handouts - The district has mailed various letters and supporting handouts to parents/guardians of Hancock students. These also have been posted on our website

([www.hancock.stier.org](http://www.hancock.stier.org)) and shared on our social media pages (Facebook and Twitter);

Building Cleaning Maintenance- Our Board of Education has implemented emergency purchasing to expedite our ability to stock and warehouse treated disinfectant cleaning supplies. Additionally, our cleaning and maintenance staff frequently

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## Notice Effective Immediately

With regards to the State's directives concerning the Corona Virus outbreak, and because of the declared pandemic and as a precautionary measure, I am canceling Civil Court and "new" ADA arraignment Court dates for the next several weeks until the beginning of June 2020, due to the limited capacity of our Court Room and the fact that all have to utilize a "unisex" bathroom facility. This Order is in effect immediately. The Court will notify the Delaware County District Attorney's office, all Local, County and State Police and Probation agencies plus all pending defendants and their attorney's of this decision.

However, the Court will continue to do immediate arraignments but will not allow any "unusual" amount of people to be present in the Court Room. Court cases that have been arraigned and are in continuance, will continue to be entertained through conclusion.

AFFIRMED UNDER SEAL  
this 14th day of March, 2020

Judge Herbert W. Buckley

## Village Elections Are March 18

Village elections will be held Wednesday, March 18, at the Village Clerk's Office from noon until 9 p.m.

Trustees Dorothy Picozzi and Charlene Caramore are seeking re-election.

## There Is No Charge For News



## All PA School Districts, Public Libraries Closed For Two Weeks Over Virus Concerns

Officials at Wayne Highlands School District, along with every other Northeast Intermediate Unit school district, intended to announce a closure for the entire week of Monday, March 16, 2020 through Friday, March 20, 2020. PA Governor Wolf preempted that plan on Friday, March 13, by ordering the closure of all schools in the Commonwealth for two weeks.

In an effort to help slow the spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus), the Pennsylvania Department of Education has instructed all public libraries to close until Sunday, March 29, 2020. 19 (coronavirus), the Pennsylvania Department of Education has instructed all public libraries to close until Sunday, March 29, 2020. Therefore, effective Saturday, March 14, 2020 the 7 Libraries

of the Wayne Library Alliance (this includes Bethany, Hawley, Newfoundland, Northern Wayne, Pleasant Mount, Hamlin, and Honesdale) will be closed in accordance with this instruction.)

At this time, they are planning to reopen Monday, March 30, 2020. Library materials may be renewed online or returned to our book drop. If you are unable to renew or

return materials, no fines will be charged. ILL services are suspended during this time.

Online library services (e-books, downloadable audio books, and research databases) are always available 24/7 at [waynelibraries.org](http://waynelibraries.org).

There are now two reported cases in Wayne County.

## Village Gets New Revaluation Proposal

The Village Board of Trustees met on Monday, March 9, at 7 p.m. in the Village Clerk's Office.

Mayor Carolann McGrath was present, as were Trustees Charlene Caramore, Dawn Gotthardt and Dorothy Picozzi. Trustee Shaun Shannon was excused.

The Board approved the right of way across Village owned property on the west side of Sands Creek Road for property belonging to Bernard and Kara Wormuth. There is no public road access to the land, so the Village will give a permanent easement across Village property via an old logging road. The land cannot be the subject of wide scale development, although attorney for the Village Bob McKertich said a cabin or home could be constructed. The Wormuths have said they wish to use the property for hunting and recreational purposes.

The Mayor brought forth a proposal from Assessor Larry Fitts, who offered to do a Village-wide revaluation for \$15,000. This is in comparison to the \$24,000 estimate by Town Assessor Jim Basile. The board agreed to table the matter until they could compare the proposals, and will discuss it at the next Department meeting on March 23. Fitts performed the last Village wide revaluation.

Bill Brown of Delaware Engineering asked the Board to schedule a public hearing on the second round of funding for the Village Wastewater Treatment Plant. That was also tabled until the Department meeting.

Under public participation, Jim Serio asked the Board to consider doing away with its assessor position, and instead using the Town's assessment to levy taxes. "You could save some money going forward,"

he said, and noted that it would "simplify things" if both municipalities used the same valuation. "Most villages have done this." He also said that he thought the Town would keep the assess-

ment rolls up to date, which brought some pushback from the Village Board, who pointed out that the Town hadn't reassessed since 1968. Serio responded that he believed Basile was serious about fixing the assessment problems. The Board went into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m.

## DVH Closed To Visitors

In an abundance of caution, UHS Delaware Valley Hospital will no longer allow any visitors to the hospital beginning at 8 AM on Monday, March 16 and continuing until further notice.

Family and friends of patients can call the hospital at 607-865-2100 and speak with a staff member about any specific needs or questions.

We regret the inconvenience this may cause, but we want to do everything we can to prevent the spread of the COVID 19 virus to our pa-

tients, staff, visitors and community at large.

By practicing social distancing, we hope this will more quickly bring this emergency to an end.

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## Mayor's Corner

By Mayor Carolann McGrath

As you are aware there has been a lot of talk and coverage about the coronavirus (COVID-19) and the risks it poses to you, your family and your community. I received a letter from Howard A. Zucker, M.D., J.D., Commission of Health, from the Department of Health, State of New York. I have been asked to advise you to do the following:

1. Wash hands with soap and water, often
2. Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands, especially before eating.
3. Avoid contact with sick people
4. And stay home if you feel sick, or are caring for a sick housemate.

It is also suggested that you have a thermometer, decongestants, anti-inflammatory drugs and acetaminophens for fevers available. If you have any questions regarding COVID-19 you can call the Department of Health's hotline at 1-888-364-3065 or check the Center for Disease Control (CDC) at their website: [www.cdc.gov/COVID19](http://www.cdc.gov/COVID19). If you would like a copy of the letter it is available at the office.

## Fifty Years Ago

From an issue of  
The Hancock Herald  
Dated March 19, 1970

A second rape case has been reported in nearby Wayne County, and like the first, a Deposit resident is the accused. According to Pennsylvania State Police, a 15 year old juvenile, the mother of a 17 month old child, is reported as the victim in the latest case which occurred on March 11. The attack supposedly took place in a mobile home on Hancock's Pennsylvania Side. The mother stated she was alone with a family friend, aged 21, of Deposit, whom stopped for a short visit and raped the girl. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

Mrs. Janet Walz, administrator of Read Memorial Hospital has announced changes in the office procedure at the institute and effective immediately anyone wishing to make payments in person are requested to do so at the rear of the building instead of the front main office as had been the procedure in the past.

William A. Hite, elementary principal of Hancock Central School for the past three years, has resigned his position here effective June 30, to accept a similar position in Akron Central School District, Akron, NY, effective July 1. Hancock's Board of Education accepted Mr. Hite's resignation with deep regret and wished him continued success as he advances his career in education. Mr. Hite and his wife, Nancy, with their two children, William and Kevin, live in Cadonia and expect to move to Akron this summer.

William H. O'Neill of Cadonia who needs no introduction to residents of the community and a wide surrounding area, will observe the 80th anniversary of his birth on Saturday, March 21. Mr. O'Neill continues to be very active and is enjoying good health.

Voting in a Village Election was the heaviest in many years on Tuesday of this week and as a result, when re-organized, the Village Board will not be com-

posed of all Republicans. There was a total of 466 votes cast and apparently many of the GOP faithful wanting a change voted for the opposition as only one of that party's two candidates was elected. The victors in Tuesday's election were Joseph J. DeSerio, and Independent candidate and David Edwards, a Republican. Village Justice Horton T. Brewer (R) had no opposition and was reelected with 363 votes.

The Catholic Women's Welfare League at St. Paul's Church is sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 22, at 2:00 p.m. on the church grounds. All area children up to and including grade three are welcome to attend. Parents are requested to bring at least one dozen colored, hard boiled eggs to be hidden.

A daughter, Lisa Joe, was born on Thursday, March 12, 1970, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kille Jr., (Ruth Rausch) of Fishes Eddy.

Harry F. Vandermark, 57, of Sidney Center, a former resident of Hancock, died Saturday, March 6, 1970, following an illness.

Thomas Henry Paden, 79, of Binghamton, a native of Cadonia, died Saturday, March 14, 1970, following a long illness. Mrs. Jessie Warren, 79, of Starrucca, for several years this newspaper's correspondent from South Starrucca, died Saturday, March 14, 1970, at the Barnes Kasson Hospital following a brief illness.

## UDC Committees To Meet

NARROWSBURG – The Upper Delaware Council (UDC) will hold the next monthly meetings of its Project Review Committee and Operations Committee on Tuesday, March 24, at the UDC office, 211 Bridge St., Narrowsburg Project Review begins at 6:30 p.m. Operations begins at approximately 7:30 p.m., following adjournment of Project Review.

The agendas will include new and old business, updates on ongoing projects, reports of recent meetings, and notices of upcoming events.

All committee meetings are open to the public. For further information, call the UDC office at (845) 252-3022 or visit [www.upperdelawarecouncil.org](http://www.upperdelawarecouncil.org).

## Through The Years

### One Hundred Years Ago

From a 1920 Issue of  
The Hancock Herald

Little Mothers Leagues  
Publish Health Hints Prepared Each Week for the Readers of this Newspaper by the NYS Department of Health

The state wide movement now under way for the organization of Little Mothers' Leagues deserves the hearty support of every community, for these leagues have proved themselves most effective gents in carrying out the aim expressed in their motto, "KEEP THE BABIES WELL!"

When the campaign against infant mortality was begun in New York City Dr. Josephine Baker, the director of child hygiene in the City Department of Health saw that the Baby's Older Sister was an important factor in the problem. Often it is she who has a large share of the

responsibility for the care of the baby and while the mother is hard to reach, the sister is in school and can be taught the

So Dr. Baker started the Little Mothers' Leagues, voluntary clubs which all schoolgirls over twelve years of age are asked to join. These leagues organize with their own officers and meet once a week to hear lectures by the school physician, the school nurse or a teacher on the feeding and care of babies and discuss what was learned in the previous lecture. At the roll call each girl can read what she has done each day during the past week to keep the babies well.

The lecture is not merely a talk, but a practical Demonstration of how to weigh or wash or clothe a baby, how to arrange the baby's crib, how to modify and pasteurize milk and the like.

### Twenty Five Years Ago

From an issue of  
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Dated March 22, 1995

A Sullivan County farm has reported a rabid cow. The owners of J&E Wiessman Farms in Callicoon are undergoing a series of rabies immunizations shots after discovered their one year old beef cow frothing at the mouth last week. Department of Health officials confirmed that the animal was rabid, the first known case of a rabid cow in Sullivan County. The animal lived outside during the winter months, and DOH officials say that it could have been bitten 6 months ago. It is not known what type of animal infected the cow.

Down Memory Lane: Shad fising on the Delaware River in 1909 resulted in a huge catch as shown by this postcard photograph. The men holding the fish are Ernest Deitz, Harry Hubbell, Walter Hubbell, Irvin LaValley, Charles Proskine, and Oliver

Hewitt. The postcard is courtesy of Don Hewitt.

Robert Charles Otto Schmidt Jr., of Newburg, formerly of Hancock, died Saturday, March 11, 1995, as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was 20 years old.

Elmer Maslar, Uniondale, died Saturday, March 11, 1995, at his home, following an illness. He was 61.

Gertrude Marguerite Buckley, a longtime resident of Hancock, died Friday, March 17, 1995. She was 88.

Mary Terwilliger Serge Newell, former resident of Hancock, died December 8, 1994, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. She was 95.

Wendall Lou Duncan of Equinunk, died Tuesday, March 14, 1995, at Wayne Memorial Hospital. He was 61.

Friends and neighbors are planning a benefit for the Haddens in an attempt to buy them a van so that Ron can travel in more comfort. Ron suffered horrendous injuries in a car accident on Route 10 when he

The present movement in this state has the hearty support of Commissioner Finley of the State Department of Education and Commissioner Biggs of the State Department of Health. Pledge cards and membership certificates for members of the leagues will be provided by the Division of Child Hygiene of the State Department of Health, with Official Badges (not to cost more than 10 cents.) bearing the state seal and the motto, "Keep the Babies Well," and the state will exercise a general supervision over the work of the leagues.

Is there a Little Mothers' League in your town? If not will not the big mothers and the schoolteachers set I motion the machinery for organizing one? Full information in regard to the plan maybe be obtained by writing the Division of Child Hygiene, State Department of Health, Albany.

*Beautiful Hancock Women  
The Secret of their Increasing Charm*

It is really surprising that in such a short tie there should be so marked an improvement in the appearance of so many Hancock ladies, but it is not surprising when the cause of this improvement is known. And there is no great mystery about it after all. Drop in most any day now at H. S. Jones' drug store and you are likely to see one of the clerks wrapping up a box of the little tablets that do so much to improve appearance of one's complexion. Just take two of Seaver's Laxative Tonic Tablets at bedtime. These tablets contain dandelion and other purely vegetable extracts that are known to have selective action for skin affections and being both a laxative and tonic they quicken the circulation, open the pores and encourage the action of the bowels, stimulate the liver, enrich the blood and at the same time cure biliousness, sick headache and chronic constipation.

was hit by a drunk driver last summer on July 31. The benefit will be held May 7, at the Lake Como Community Hall. Ron has one word for smug drivers on the road. "I was a real good driver, but it didn't matter. During that one tenth of a second before the crash, you can't run and you can't hide. I never thought this could happen to me."

School taxes would decline by a fraction of a percent under the budget approved by the Hancock Central School District Board of Education at their meeting on March 13. According to HCS Superintendent Richard Dillon, the budget had been set at \$6,333,282. Savings were found by reducing staff and also by some unanticipated revenue aids from state programs. Some professional positions will be changed as a shared service program with other schools is also being implemented. The budget election will be held on May 3.

Rotary speakers Bill Douglass, executive director of the

Upper Delaware Council, and Nancie Robertson, who is in charge of public relations for the UDC, addressed the Hancock Rotary Club on March 16, concerning UDC plans for both longterm programs and summertime events in the Delaware River corridor.

Dave Thomas, the founder of Wendy's Restaurants, was a high school dropout. Despite heading an organization that had annual sales of more than \$3.6 billion, he was always bothered by this fact, but thought it was too late to do anything about. However, he recently received his high school equivalency diploma and hopes to inspire others to do the same. You can also earn your high school equivalency diploma. It's never too late! The Afton Consortium of Schools offers a variety of opportunities to do so. For more information, call June White, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Life On The Mountain

By Judith Present

There are lots of places and building that have ghosts, but one stands out more than most. Can you figure out which building I'm talking about? The ghosts are famous people that have lived at one time in the White House on 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Presidents and First Ladies seem to still inhabit a place in the White House. Staff members and visitors have all reported feeling otherworldly presences, baffling noises and even running into actual apparitions

Abigail Adams and husband John, the second president of the United States moved to 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue from the former U.S. capital in Philadelphia. At the time, Washington D.C. was still just a town, built mostly on swampy land on the banks of the Potomac River. Since the East Room of the new White House was the warmest and driest, Abigail used it to hang the wash there. Her ghost, clad in a cap and lace shawl, has been seen quite a few times heading towards the East Room, arms outstretched as if carrying laundry.

With a 200-year-old building, there are many stories of strange happenings in the middle of the night. But when the building is the White House, the sightings often take on a more historical theme. Many believe the ghost of President Abraham Lincoln is still haunting the White House 150 years after his death. One of the famous tales is about Rex, Ronald Reagan's dog who showed strange snarling behavior from fear in the Lincoln Bedroom. Of course Mary Todd Lincoln did go to séances and a few times she dragged Lincoln to at least two of them that are known. The story goes Lincoln had foreseen his own death twice while there, including afterwards dreaming it shortly before his death.

In 1824, Andrew Jackson was defeated by John Quincy Adams in one of the most contentious Presidential elections before the one we have today. But he was elected president four years later the bad tempered Jackson continued to hold grudges against those who had supported his opponent. (Sounds familiar?) In the early 1860s, First Lady Mary Todd Lincoln, held séances in the White House to commune with the spirits of her dead sons, told friends she had heard Jackson stomping and swearing through the halls of the presidential residence. The Rose Room, Jackson's bedchamber while he was president, is believed by some to be one of the most haunted rooms in the White House.

Jackson's ghostly presence showed up in the White House correspondence of Harry Tru-

man our 33rd president. In June 1945, just two months into his first term, Truman wrote to his wife Bess of the spooky quality of his new residence: "I sit here in this old house and work on foreign affairs, read reports, and work on speeches, all the while listening to the ghosts walk up and down the hallway and even right in here in the study. The floors pop and the drapes move back and forth and I think it's Jackson. Eleanor Roosevelt used the Lincoln Bedroom as her study, and said she would feel Lincoln's presence when she worked there late at night.

During her visit to the White House, Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands heard a knock on her bedroom door in the night; when she answered it, she reportedly saw Lincoln's ghost, wearing his top hat, and fainted dead away. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, who visited the White House more than once

during WWII told a story of emerging naked from his evening bath smoking his customary cigar, only to find a ghostly Lincoln sitting by the fireplace in his room.

Also seen is David Burns, the man who sold the government most of the land on which the city of Washington, D.C. is on and that includes the presidential residence. Lillian Rogers Parks, a seamstress who chronicled her 30-year career working at the White House in a 1961 memoir, told the story of a valet to President Franklin D. Roosevelt who reportedly heard a disembodied voice coming from a distance in the Yellow Oval Room, saying "I'm Mr. Burns."

Psychics have speculated that Lincoln's spirit remains in the White House to be on hand in times of crisis, as well as to complete the difficult work that his untimely death left unfinished.

## BUMPER STICKER AMERICA

*I got another letter from this lawyer today that said "Final Notice". I'm glad he isn't going to bother me anymore.*

The Letters To The Editor Section is presented as a public service to our readers. Letters printed in this section reflect the view of the writer only. Letters should contain the signature of the writer, along with a telephone number at which the writer may be reached. Letters should be limited to 350 words. They may be edited for length or content, or not published at all, at the sole discretion of the Publisher.

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## Loaves And Fishes Dates

Sign-up for the Easter food bags is underway during regular food bank hours and ends Tuesday, March 31. The distribution of the food bags is on Tuesday, April 7 from 1:00 - 2:00 pm only in the Father Rausch Hall.

## Mass Food Distribution Canceled

United Way of Delaware and Otsego Counties announces a change to the Public Mass Food Distribution. Effective immediately, Mass Food distributions will no longer be open to the public. Due to safety concerns, space and time constraints, the ability to continue serving the community in this manner is undoable. THERE WILL NOT BE A MASS DISTRIBUTION ON MARCH 25! If you find that you are in need, please contact your local food pantry. If you are unsure of your local pantry, please call 211 or go to helpme211.org

We appreciate the opportunity to serve our community in this manner and are saddened to be unable to continue to offer this resource.

## Anglers Dinner Planned

The Anglers Reunion Dinner will be held on March 31, 2020 at the Rockland House. Social hour, 6 pm, Dinner 7 pm. Cash Bar. \$29. pp Ed and Judy Van Put will present "Fishing In Sullivan County" Call the Rockland House at 607-498-6024 for reservations asap.

## Memorial Service Postponed

The memorial service for Denton Edwards has been canceled due to flu/virus. Family will re-schedule for a later date.

Send Town of Hancock Ambulance donations to PO Box 733, Hancock NY 13783

## Sign Up to Help Upper Delaware Litter Sweep

NARROWSBURG – Get involved in the 2020 Upper Delaware Litter Sweep by signing up as a clean-up volunteer, becoming a community organizer, offering donations of goods and services, or attending the next planning session on March 31 to learn more.

EVERY(able)BODY is encouraged to get out along their local roads and waterways throughout the Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River Valley of NY and PA between April 22-25 to clean up litter and engage in educational programming to prevent its proliferation.

The Tuesday, March 31, meeting will be held at 3 p.m. at the Upper Delaware Council (UDC) office located at 211 Bridge St. in Narrowsburg. Particularly needed to step forward are organizers for the land-based trash pick-ups in their communities.

Route planning assistance, safety training, equipment distribution, and information on trash disposal sites will be provided at a future meeting ahead of the April 22 celebration of Earth Day.

Organizers are hoping that the Litter Sweep culminates with a festive recognition event at the Narrowsburg Union on Saturday, April 25, if current health advisory conditions allow.

Log on to <https://sites.google.com/view/upper-delaware-litter-clean-up/home/2020-litter-sweep-details/volunteer-questionnaire> to complete an on-line Volunteer Questionnaire that outlines participation opportunities.

Donations of products such as trash bags, safety vests, work gloves, and waste hauling services will be gratefully accepted. Arrangements are being made with the five river valley counties of Wayne and Pike in PA, and Delaware, Sullivan, and Orange in NY for what services each can offer. However, since Orange County does not have a free trash disposal program at this time, sponsorship opportunities must be explored.

Please contact UDC Project Coordinator Dan Paparella from the Upper Delaware Recreation Project at [paparelladan15@gmail.com](mailto:paparelladan15@gmail.com) or (570) 468-3904 to make arrangements.

Visit the Upper Delaware Litter Sweep's Facebook page for further details as plans progress.

## Koalaty Winners Named

Congratulations to all of the Hancock Elementary School award-winners for the second-quarter marking period of the 2019-2020 academic year! Students listed below received certificates of achievement in front of friends and family during the February 20 Morning Program at the HES Cafeteria.

Koalaty Kid Awards  
Greatest Improvement (overall): Mariana Bello, Liam Chapman, Dante Edwards, Preston Johnston, Madison Norton, Kemper Possemato, Tripp Rosengrant, Brice Sattowski, Xavier Vincente, Gavyn Westbrook.

Greatest Improvement (by subject): Jena Furlong (art); Ivan Haskell (music), Axedon Possemato (music), Kayden Swartwout (music); Brendin Miller (physical education); Cherish Wright (library).  
Greatest Effort (overall): Karynn Appley, Ariela Drumm, Ivan Haskell, Arianna Hunt, Braylee Marino, Ava Reynolds, Adelaide Roenfeldt, Kayden Swartwout, Aubreyh Werner, Chanel Wignall.

Greatest Effort (by subject): Aurora Ruiz (art); Chanel Wignall (music), Cherish Wright (music); Arissa Crawson (physical education); Preston Johnston (library).

Positive Attitude (overall): Mattison Coddington, Jake D'Elia, Baylie Ellis, Nicholas Irimescu, Jayden Lassiter, Earl Miller, Richard Miller, Addison Picozzi, Kendall Whitehead.

Positive Attitude (by subject): Ariela Drumm (art); Austin Bolster (library); Madison Bolster (music), Gianna Calendrillo (music); Madilynn Gustin (physical education).

Problem Solver (overall): Ariana Blakeslee, Jayden D'Elia, Joshua Dunlap, Cole Mazepa, Scott Reed, Landyn Robinson, Steven Saul, Jacob Wormuth.

Problem Solver (by subject): Livian Robinson (art); Dante Edwards (music), Sophia Jefferson (music); Cameron Thomas (physical education); Elisha Simmons (library).

## Talk Of The Town

By Jill Gorton

The big talk of the day is Coronavirus and social distancing.

I think we already have social distancing down pat. The wide use of the smart phone has led to social distancing already. Go to a basketball game and watch a great play and half of the time, someone misses it, because they are checking their phone. Now all you have to do is stay in your own living room instead of the gym and look at your I-phone. I think you should keep it plugged in because it will need more recharging than ever.

One person with the virus said it was the worst thing he ever had to do was send out word to everyone that he had the virus and to self-quaran-

time. I applaud him for contacting people and it's not the worst thing. I would think having an std and calling a lot of people is worse. Just sayin.

Everything is shut down and if you need toilet paper, you are out of luck. Apparently the last bastion of civilization is tp. Every time there is a flood, blizzard, invasion or pandemic, people rush out and get a year's supply of toilet paper.

Other people who were less cunning or less far sighted are left to knock on neighbor's doors and ask to 'borrow' a roll. We all know borrow is an euphemism and they will never return the priceless paper. I recommend thinking ahead in the next pandemic and as soon as you hear someone is sick in China, run to the biggest box store and get a pallet of tp. Just don't try to sell it on Amazon at inflated prices, or they will shut you down. One man cornered hand sanitizer and face-masks and proceeded to try to gouge people. Amazon said, "Not in my warehouse."

The most amusing thing I saw all week was a man with blue gloves and a facemask at the local Post Office. He was fumbling to pick up money with his gloves and asked why we were not garbed in masks and gloves. "I told him I thought he had it and was protecting us." He insisted that everyone was doing it. I personally didn't see any

masks in town and said, "it keeps your germs from spreading but is not protecting you. He then touched his face with his glove. I told him he just contaminated himself by not using alcohol on his gloves before touching his face. I always try to be helpful. I am not minimizing the virus but keep your head about you when others are losing theirs, please.

Stay away from crowds and wash your hands. I am going to get a few flu meds to have on hand. I figure it can't hurt to have some cough and congestive meds on hand and I am spreading my search to other towns as I look for toilet paper.

Parents, enjoy your children's time to bond with you, if you can get them off their phones. I suggest chores as a way to combat boredom. Every time one complains of boredom, have them rake the yard or clean the closet or maybe their room. God Bless us all. Keep safe and help others if you can.

## State Theatre Closing Mar 23 Due To Virus

Contributed Article

State Theatre Deposit will close after the showing of "Call of the Wild" effective March 23 for two reasons. The national community is in a state of panic and confusion over the Coronavirus, and we want the safety of all our patrons as well as our employees to be our top priority. Movie companies are all holding their new releases until further notice such as Disney, Sony, Universal and Paramount.

The management and Board of Directors will use this time wisely to thoroughly clean, paint, and upgrade the interior of the theatre for the reopening in the near future. Follow The Deposit Courier and our Facebook page for our reopening date.

Thanking our loyal patronage for your understanding in this very fragile matter.

Call theatre manager Carolyn DeNys at 607-467-2081 if you have any questions or concerns.

## HNB Donates To Cooperage

Honesdale, PA – The Honesdale National Bank was once again authorized to make approved contributions under the Commonwealth's Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program. HNB designated \$5,000 of their approved allotment to the missions of The Cooperage Project. The funds, donated by HNB, will support the innovative youth programs, Pop-Up Club, and Rumping Radishes.

HNB President & CEO David Raven stated, "The Cooperage Project continues to host a range of instructive and entertaining activities for our community. We are fortunate to have an opportunity to support their mission and work through the EITC program."

The Honesdale National Bank, established in 1836, holds the distinction of being the area's oldest independent community bank headquartered in Northeastern PA, with offices in Wayne, Pike, Susquehanna, Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties. The Honesdale National Bank offers personal banking, business banking and wealth solutions. HNB is a Member FDIC and Equal Housing Lender with NMLS ID # 446237.

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Walking Towards Faith: God sent his Son, Jesus Christ into the world, not to condemn it, but so that we might be saved through Him. He came into the world so that we might have light. Through the ages, many have lived their lives of work, study, business, social relationships and family life separated from faith. As a consequence of this alienation, temporal realities have been adversely affected by our remaining in the shadows of the light of revelation. Without the light of Christ, many have come to consider the world as an end in itself. The search for material well being at any cost has led us to a new paganism. In turn, this has led us to a fear of anything that causes sacrifice, suffering and redemption. Therefore, we are alienated from the suffering of Christ on the Cross as the source of our redemption. "To be continued..."

## THE CAMPTONS

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Rolland Bojo, Jr., CRMC Chief Nursing Officer

## CRMC Honors Certified Nurses

**Harris, NY** – Catskill Regional Medical Center will celebrate Certified Nurses Day on March 19 by honoring its board certified nurses. Nurses will be recognized for their professionalism, leadership and commitment to excellence in patient care.

“On this special day, our nurses celebrate their certifications and commitment to providing exceptional patient care,” said Chief Nursing Officer, Rolland Bojo. “Catskill Regional encourages national board certification for all its nurses.”

Board certification of nurses plays an increasingly important role as it assures high standards of care for patients and their loved ones. While a registered nurse license provides entry to general nursing practice, the additional requirements of board certification necessitates education as a strong personal commitment to excellence by the nurse.

Board certification recognizes the nurses who have met the educational preparation required for the role, the specialty practice requirement and who have passed the board certification exam. There are many nursing certification specialties such as medical-surgical, pediatric, pain management, cardiac vascular, oncology, hospice, case management, emergency nursing, critical care and many others.

About Catskill Regional Medical Center

## DEC Burning Ban...

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New York first enacted strict restrictions on open burning in 2009 to help prevent wildfires and reduce air pollution. The regulations allow residential brush fires in towns with fewer than 20,000 residents during most of the year, but prohibit such burning in spring when most wildfires occur. Since the ban was established, the eight-year annual average number of spring fires decreased by 42.6 percent, from 2,649 in 2009, to 1,521 in 2018.

Campfires using charcoal or untreated wood are allowed, but people should never leave such fires unattended and must extinguish them. Burning garbage or leaves is prohibited year-round. For more information about fire safety and prevention, go to DEC's FIREWISE New York website.

Some towns, primarily in and around the Adirondack and Catskill Parks, are designated "fire towns." Open burning is prohibited year-round in these municipalities unless an individual or group has a permit from DEC. To find out whether a municipality is designated a "fire town" or to obtain a permit, contact the appropriate DEC regional office. A list of regional offices is available on DEC's website.

Catskill Regional Medical Center is dedicated to providing quality health care to residents of Sullivan County and neighboring communities at its 218-bed main hospital campus in Harris and at the 15-bed Grover M. Hermann Hospital in Callicoon. An academic affiliate of the Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine, Catskill Regional Medical Center retains compassionate professionals who continually strive toward the hospital's mission to improve the health of our community by providing exceptional health care. Catskill Regional Medical Center is a member of the Greater Hudson Valley Health System (GHVHS), which is recognized by Ethisphere as one of the 2018 and 2019 World's Most Ethical Companies. To learn more about CRMC, visit [www.crmcnyc.org](http://www.crmcnyc.org).



## Rep. Jonathan Fritz To Deliver Keynote At UDC Dinner

**BEACH LAKE** – Pennsylvania Representative Jonathan Fritz will deliver the keynote address at the Upper Delaware Council's (UDC) 32nd Annual Awards Ceremony on May 3 at Central House Family Resort in Beach Lake, PA.

Fritz was elected to represent the 111th Legislative District of the PA House of Representatives in November 2016. The district is comprised of parts of Wayne and Susquehanna Counties.

During the 2019-2020 legislative session, Fritz serves on the House Appropriations, Commerce, Environmental Resources & Energy, and Aging and Older Adult Services committees. He also served his first term as a deputy whip for the House Republican Caucus.

Fritz previously fulfilled two terms as Honesdale mayor and two terms as a Wayne County commissioner. A product of the private business sector, he was general manager and head of sales for a local tractor and

farm machinery dealership for many years.

The Honesdale High School graduate earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Pennsylvania State University in 2001.

He resides in Honesdale with his wife, Donna, and their three children.

The Sunday, May 3, ceremony will open at 3 p.m. with a cash bar reception at the resort located at 81 Milanville Road. A buffet dinner featuring prime rib, chicken parmesan, and baked salmon with maple glaze entrees will be served at 4 p.m. The keynote address and presentation of awards to Upper Delaware River Valley contributors will follow.

The public is welcome. Tickets are \$28. Reservations are required by April 24. Please visit [www.upperdelawarecouncil.org](http://www.upperdelawarecouncil.org) or call (845) 252-3022 to reserve seats.

## Sherman Bible Chapel Postpones Annual Ladies' Conference

Due to President Trump's announcement this week regarding the National Emergency, Sherman Bible Chapel will be postponing their 2020 Ladies' Conference that was previously slated for March 28, and have rescheduled for May 30. This will bring it past the 8 week mark where the World Health Organization and other leading officials in the health care industry feel this outbreak of the COVID-19 will be under control.

Conference organizers expressed their goal, as always, is to keep not only their church family safe, but those who are traveling to the Conference

from outlying areas in our communities. The conference generates between 175-200 ladies each year.

The Ladies' Leadership Team will be calling each one who submitted a registration to bring them up to speed with the changes, and offer a refund if the date will not accommodate their previous scheduling. Sherman Bible Chapel is also grateful to the sister churches who were flexible with the date change.

Further information on the rescheduled Ladies' Conference will be available in this publication, or by calling 607.467.2777.

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## Honesdale Businesses Stay Open During Pandemic

Greater Honesdale Partnership in conjunction with the Chamber of the Northern Pocos and Wayne County Commissioners have surveyed the Honesdale PA business community on their response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. What we have found is most businesses are choosing to remain open with normal operating hours. Also, they are paying close meticulous attention to keeping surfaces clean and safe for their customers.

The Salvation Army has chosen to speak to clients remotely for the time being.

If you are still looking for hand sanitizer, Mount Pleasant Herbarium is open with 70% alcohol hand sanitizers in 2 sizes. Dave's Super Duper states they are stocked with toilet paper and other necessities and with normal shipments foresee being fully stocked by Monday. Salvation Army Ladore Lodge is temporarily suspending buffet service but is still holding events. The Cooperage Project will hold its' open-air Farmers Market this weekend but is closed until March 27, 2020, Stephen's Pharmacy and local banks have drive-up services that can be utilized for safer interactions.

GHP's message to our community is similar to that you've heard from so many media reports, continue to practice good hygiene, cover

your mouths when coughing or sneezing preferably with a tissue or elbow and stay home if you become sick. The Wayne County community is stronger together. Let's take a step back from the barrage of media reports have patience with one another and continue to work together.

The Greater Honesdale Partnership is a member-run organization however, the Honesdale community is where you will find our heart. We will be a service to any member or non-member looking for information. There is no better time to shop local.

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## DID YOU KNOW

40% of working Americans do not have paid sick leave +/- 38 million Americans, roughly 10% of our population, are homeless with no permanent address

The above is from a conservative news publication, not TV. As of today, March 12, less than 100,000 people have been tested for the COVID-19 virus, and thus keeping all recorded "figures and totals" intentionally low

Where are the million test kits...? The Ohio Governor, a republican, even said his state is far short of test kits as of today, that were needed yesterday to help prevent the spread of this novel virus.

What happened to conservative and compassionate in politics today?

Is this the new Spanish flu which killed millions in 1918? Didn't that flu kill the current president's grandfather?

Just some things to think about

Dave and Kevin  
Lordville

## Sheriff's Department Details Computer Repair Scam

The Delaware County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division are currently investigating an on-line computer repair scam that led to significant financial victimization of an elderly local resident.

On Tuesday morning, March 10, 2020, Delaware County Sheriff's Investigators were contacted by The Delaware National Bank of Delhi and advised that an elderly bank customer had fallen victim to an on-line scam and lost thousands of dollars.

Investigation learned that the victim, who had been experiencing operational troubles with their home computer, responded to an on-line "pop-up" notification indicating the computer was in need of repair. The victim subsequently responded to the "pop-up" and allowed the scammer to remote into and take control of the home computer's operating system. The scammer further convinced the victim to share personal financial account information which allowed the subject to access the victim's financial account on-line before locking and restricting the victim's access to the computer. The perpetrator then conned the victim into believing that a sum of money had been deposited into the victim's bank account before directing the victim to make a cash withdrawal of those funds from the bank account. The victim was instructed to ship the cash, via UPS Express Overnight delivery, to an address in San Diego County, California, and immediately

provide the scammer with the UPS tracking number. Sadly, the victim withdrew the cash from their bank account late last week and shipped it to the identified address; the cash to never be seen again.

The victim was later re-contacted by another con-artist who instructed the victim to withdraw additional cash and ship it to an address in Las Vegas, Nevada. The victim then withdrew additional cash from the bank earlier this week to ship to the Las Vegas address. Fortunately, an attentive employee of The UPS Store located on St. Hwy. 23, Oneonta, NY, recognized the victim as the sender of a package late last week. After a brief conversation, the UPS employee learned that the customer was sending cash and immediately informed the unsuspecting victim that they were the victim of scam, not to send the package and to report the scam to law enforcement. In this case, the employee saved the victim from the certain loss of thousands of dollars more.

Delaware County Sheriff's Investigators subsequently contacted Detectives at the San Diego County Sheriff's Office in California, who determined that the parcel containing the cash had been delivered to an unidentified subject at the delivery address. The delivery location was determined to be an unoccupied residence utilized as an AirBNB. Further investiga-

tion revealed the Las Vegas address was also advertised as an AirBNB.

While this investigation remains on-going by Delaware County Sheriff's Investigators and San Diego County Sheriff's Office Detectives, unfortunately, like in most cases of this nature, it is very unlikely that this victim's money will ever be recovered.

This despicable scam, and the financial exploitation of this elderly victim, is a classic example of what is known as a "Tech Support Scam" where the perpetrators pose as technology support representatives and offer to fix non-existent computer issues—gaining remote access to victims' devices and, thus, their sensitive information. These perpetrators often initiate their contact from obscure, foreign locations and utilize unwitting and transient "reshippers" and leave little evidence which would lead to their apprehension or the recovery of the stolen funds.

Sheriff Craig DuMond strongly encourages the public to always remain vigilant for scams and learn about the ever changing types of scams, whether they are on-line scams, telephone, lottery or mail scams. Sheriff DuMond also reminds the public that they should never ship cash by U.S. Postal Service or any other means and to contact the Delaware County Sheriff's Office or local law enforcement if they have concerns that they may be the target of a scam or identity theft.

The public can learn more about how to protect themselves and their loved ones, especially our vulnerable elderly population, from these unscrupulous thieves.

A wealth of invaluable educational materials, including a guide for what to do if you have been scammed and on-line complaint forms, are available to the public through the New York State Office of the Attorney General, <https://ag.ny.gov/internet/common-online-scams>; the Federal Trade Commission, <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/>; and the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Internet Crime Complaint Center, <https://www.ic3.gov/default.aspx>.

## Gardening With Nature:

### Native Bees

Saturday April 11, 2020

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With Master Gardener Jessie Caccavale, learn about ways to help preserve PA's wild bees, including conservation of native habitats, planting native flowers and building nests to attract bees. Participants will make native bee houses to hang in their yard.

In lieu of a fee, all participants are asked to bring a non-perishable food item to the workshop. All donations will be given to local food pantries.

For more information and to register, go to: <https://extension.psu.edu/gardening-with-nature-native-bees>

The Pennsylvania State University encourages qualified persons with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of accommodation or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Diane Diffenderfer at 570-253-5970x4110 in advance of your participation or visit.

Send news and photographs to [hancockherald@hancock.net](mailto:hancockherald@hancock.net)

## Around Town

**Hancock Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary** - First Monday - 7 p.m.

**Hancock Town Board:** First Tuesday - 7:00 p.m. Town Hall.

**East Branch Fire Dept.:** First Tuesday - 7 p.m. at the East Branch Fire Hall.

**The Knitting/ Crocheting Group:** Every other Wednesdays 2:00 at the library.

**Hancock Fire Dept.:** First Thursday - 7 p.m. Firemen's Club Rooms.

**Senior Citizens:** Card & Game Party First Friday - 12:30. Legion Hall.

**Hancock Rotary Club-** Every Thursday, 12:10 p.m. Messenger Hall.

**Am. Legion Post 289:** First Tuesday - 7 p.m. Legion Hall.

**Hancock Village Board:** Second Monday - 7 p.m. Village Hall.

**HCS Board:** Second and fourth Monday. Superintendent's Office, 7 p.m. - Room 202.

**American Legion Aux.:** Second Tuesday - 6 p.m. Legion Hall.

**Parkinson's Support Group:** Second Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. American Legion Hall.

**The Book Club:** third Thursday - 2:30 at the Read Library.

**Village Planning Board** - third Thursday, 4:30 at the Village Clerk's Office

**The Upper Delaware River Tailwaters Coalition and The Upper Delaware River Tailwaters and Tributary Communities' Task Force** - third Thursday - 6:30 PM FUDR Office, 158 East Front Street. Call 607-832-5432.

**Delaware Valley Garden Club:** Third Thursday - 7 pm. For meeting place call 607-637-2950.

**Village Departmental Meeting:** Fourth Monday - 10 a.m. Village Hall.

**Senior Club:** Last Friday, 12:30 p.m. Messenger Hall.

## SUNY Delhi Students Awarded

DELHI, NY (02/26/2020)-- Several local students received "Best in Show" awards for their entries into SUNY Delhi's fall 2019 Student Research & Creative Achievement Day.

At the end of each semester the college celebrates the research and creative activity of students and faculty. The Fall 2019 exhibits included posters and presentations from students enrolled in courses in Statistics, Art, Architecture, Science, History, Mechatronics, Literature, and Veterinary Sciences, as well as students from the Honors Program.

Professor of Biology Jack Tessier helped to organize the show and says that research projects are important experiences for students because they give a glimpse of what professionals in the discipline do, require critical and high-level thinking, and provide a chance to practice presentation skills.

Local students who received the Best in Show award include:

Maranda Klinger of Walton (O'Neill High School) is studying Event Management  
Christine Briggs of East Meredith (Charlotte Valley Central School) is studying Liberal Arts & Sciences:  
General Studies  
Connor Tucker of Delancey (Delaware Academy Middle/High School) is studying Mechatronics Technology

SUNY Delhi's hands-on approach to teaching and learning includes over 60 academic programs in specialized areas, including applied technologies, nursing, hospitality, veterinary sciences, applied sciences, business, and liberal arts and sciences. SUNY Delhi offers certifi-

## States Of Emergency...

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wipe down doorknobs, desks, and common sitting/standing areas with treated cloths every day;

Handwashing Sanitizing- Hand-sanitizing gel is widely available throughout the district. Students, faculty, staff, and community members are strongly encouraged to use hand sanitizers and frequently wash their hands in an effort to maintain personal hygiene. Informational flyers are posted in all restrooms and common areas throughout the district;

-Community Distancing- All stakeholders are to exercise caution and good judgement with regard to respecting acceptable personal space between people, especially in large group settings.

In addition to the above-mentioned practices, the district vigilantly maintains proactive relationships with the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Delaware County Delaware

County Public Health Services, various mental health organizations, as well as local law-enforcement agencies.

The nurses offices at Hancock Elementary School and Hancock Central School (middle/high school) are also reliable sources for up-to-date information on the Coronavirus pandemic, as is the Coronavirus

Information page on our district website ([www.hancock.stier.org/CoronavirusInformation.aspx](http://www.hancock.stier.org/CoronavirusInformation.aspx)).

Most important, it is our deeply held belief that the use of common sense as it pertains to managing personal health and hygiene is the first and best approach to successfully combating the Corona virus.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support of the Hancock Central School District. It is my sincere pleasure to serve all members of our school district community.



**MOVED.** This utility pole on Rose Hill Road in Lake Como, PA., apparently bore the brunt of an errant driver over the weekend. It is listing to one side and deep tire tracks and skid marks in the road point to someone going wide of the mark. Herald Photo by Sally Zegers

## Akshar Cancels Town Hall

While the most important part of my job is to meet and listen to the people I represent, public health and safety comes first.

We are in the midst of a public health crisis, and that's why we're postponing our planned Vestal Town Hall meeting until later this year.

While communities across our state and our nation are either actively dealing with the Coronavirus or actively preparing for it, it's important for all of us to stay informed and take the appropriate precautions to keep everyone safe.

Whether it's social distancing, staying home if you can or practicing good hygiene, we all need to do our part to be good New Yorkers and good neighbors.

My team and I are monitoring the situation closely, and staying in contact with the Department of Health and our local health officials on a daily basis.

We'll do our best to share any important updates we get with you, and you can find links to the Department of Health's resources on our website.

Until then, I'm urging everyone across the 52nd Senate District to take the appropriate precautions and listen to the experts at the State Department of Health and your local County Health Departments.

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## Help Wanted

The Town of Hancock is now accepting applications for **Highway Department Summer Employment, specifically mowing**. Candidates must be 16 years of age. Qualified individuals may pick up, complete and return an application at the Town Hall, 661 West Main Street, Hancock, New York 13783 during regular business hours Monday through Friday. No phone calls or emails please. An Equal Opportunity Employer. Female applicants are encouraged to apply for this position.  
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- Complete annual training and pass safety and track worker exams

- Must pass post-offer medical exam, drug screening, and background screening

- Requires random testing for drugs and/or alcohol

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Hours are 25 to 30 a week, with pay depending on experience. Computer use is a must and an associate's degree or higher is preferable. Federal and state child-abuse and criminal clearances will be required.

Please send a resume and covering letter to the Northern Wayne Community Library, 11 Library Road, Lakewood, PA 18439, Attention: Judith Todd, or e-mail them to udo11@verizon.net. Application deadline is March 21.

*The Northern Wayne Community Library is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*

## Legal Notice

## Legal Notice

NOTICE OF BUCKINGHAM TOWNSHIP'S PROPOSED PUBLIC GATHERING ORDINANCE: Notice is hereby given by the Board of Supervisors of Buckingham Township of the intention to act upon the following proposed Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BUCKINGHAM, COUNTY OF WAYNE, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, RELATING TO THE CONDUCT OF PUBLIC GATHERINGS; ESTABLISHING APPLICATION AND PERMIT STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING PENALTIES; AND OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO

The full text of the proposed Public Gathering Ordinance is available for public inspection by appointment by calling (570) 798-2309. The Board of Supervisors plan to consider its respective Public Gathering Ordinance at its regular monthly meeting on April 6th, 2020 at 5:00 p.m., at the Township building in Starlight. Any interested parties may submit comments at this meeting.

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## Legal Notice

Sealed bid proposals will be accepted by the Preston Township Board of Supervisors, 1515 Crosstown Highway, Lakewood, PA until 9:00 a.m. prevailing time Thursday, April 2, 2020 for the following: 1000 ton more or less of 2A aggregate; 100 ton more or less of #2 stone; 100 ton more or less of #3 stone; 100 ton more or less of #4 stone. Two separate pricings sought for each aggregate: 1.) Pickup by the Township at plant; 2.) Delivered and taiglated to various job sites. All materials to be Penn Dot certified and approved by the Township.

Proposals are to be on forms furnished by the Municipality. Bids must be accompanied with a CDL statement of compliance.

## Legal Notice

Bids will be publicly opened at the Board meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at the Township Municipal Building, Lakewood, PA. The Municipality reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

The successful bidder must provide the Municipality with IRS Form W-9, certificates of insurance and payment and performance bonds in the amount of 10 percent of the contract within 20 days of the award. Failure to do so will be considered a breach of contract and constitute grounds to cancel the contract. Call 570.798.2114 for proposal forms.

Preston Township Board of Supervisors  
M. A. Llewellyn, Sec'y.  
54L 3/11 & 3/18

## Legal Notice

Sealed bid proposals will be accepted by the Preston Township Board of Supervisors, Wayne County, 1515 Crosstown Highway, Lakewood, PA 18439 until 9:00 a.m. prevailing time Thursday, April 2, 2020 for the following: 30,000 gallons more or less of liquid calcium to be applied to various township roads. Materials must meet PA DOT specifications. Bidders must be PA DOT approved vendors.

Proposals are to be on forms furnished by the Municipality. Bids must be accompanied by a CDL statement of compliance.

Bids will be publicly opened at the Board meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, April 2, 2020 at the Township

## Legal Notice

Municipal Building, Lakewood, PA. The Municipality reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

The successful bidder must provide the Municipality with IRS Form W-9, certificates of insurance and payment and performance bonds in the amount of 10 percent of the contract within twenty (20) days of the award. Failure to do so will be considered a breach of contract and constitute grounds to cancel the contract.

Call 570.798.2114 for proposal forms.

Preston Township Board of Supervisors  
M. A. Llewellyn, Sec'y.  
50L 3/11 & 3/18

## Legal Notice

Sealed bid proposals will be accepted by the Preston Township Board of Supervisors, 1515 Crosstown Highway, Lakewood, PA until 9:00 a.m. Thursday, April 2, 2020 for 500 ton more or less of antiskid material for winter maintenance 1.) Pickup by the Township at plant; 2.) Delivered to stockpile at Township yard in Lakewood. All Materials to be approved by the Township

Proposals are to be on forms furnished by the Municipality. Bids must be accompanied with a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10 percent of the bid made payable to the Municipality and a CDL statement of compliance.

Bids will be publicly opened at the Board meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at the

## Legal Notice

Township Municipal Building, Lakewood, PA. The Municipality reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

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Preston Township Board of Supervisors  
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## Sullivan County Declares Emergency

Monticello, NY – While Sullivan County currently continues to have no confirmed cases of COVID-19 (2019 Novel Coronavirus), as of the weekend of March 14-15, County Manager Joshua Potosek announced today that County government operations will be altered significantly for the time being.

“Considering the State’s ongoing efforts to contain coronavirus – which has now been confirmed in all the counties which surround Sullivan – it’s timely and prudent for Sullivan County government to protect both its employees and the public, without inconveniencing either more than necessary,” Potosek stated. “Thus I am declaring a State of Emergency in Sullivan County and initiating a series of measures to preserve service delivery and health & welfare.”

### Minimal Staffing at Many Offices

Effective Monday, March 16, County government offices will be staffed as lightly as possible, some with only one employee, so as to minimize the chances of coronavirus exposure and transmission. Certain facilities, like the Care Center and DMV, will continue to be fully staffed in order to provide necessary services to the public. But even in those locations, restrictions will be in place (see below).

## NY Changes Election Procedures

In an effort to keep New Yorkers safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo has signed an executive order temporarily modifying election procedures to help reduce the spread of the novel coronavirus.

The executive order suspends the candidate petitioning process — effective 5PM on Tuesday — for the June primaries for Congressional, State Senate, State Assembly and Judicial races.

The executive order also modifies the signature requirements for ballot access; candidates will only need to collect 30 percent of the statutory threshold. For Congress, candidates would need 375 signatures rather than 1,250. For State Senate, candidates would need 300 signatures rather than 1,000. For Assembly, candidates would only need 150 signatures rather than 500.

## Coop Ext Sets March Meeting

The Board of Directors of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County will meet at 7:00 p.m. on March 23, snow date March 24, 2020, meeting at the CCE office in Hamden to conduct business. The meeting is open to the public with comments no longer than ten minutes.

“Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by calling Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County at 607-865-6531 by March 16, 2020 to ensure sufficient time to make arrangements. Requests received after this date will be met when possible.”

Cornell Cooperative Extension is an employer and educator recognized for valuing AA/EEO, protected veterans, and individuals with disabilities and provides equal program and employment opportunities.

“I encourage citizens to call our offices to seek services whenever possible – and to only do so when absolutely necessary, considering the few staff who will be available to answer phones,” Potosek urged. “If it can wait a week or two, let it wait.”

The majority of County employees will continue to work during normal hours, however, as provisions have been made to give them access to their digital workspaces from home.

### Care Center Closed to Visitors

Except for families of loved ones receiving end-of-life care, visitation to the Care Center at Sunset Lake in Liberty is suspended indefinitely. This is to protect the County’s most vulnerable residents from coronavirus, which can be lethal for older adults.

“My own wife is a resident of the Care Center, so this news was devastating to me,” District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez remarked. “But I understand why it is being done, and like many other families, I am enduring this very painful sacrifice for the welfare of those we care for at the Center.”

### DMV Serving Only Sullivan County Residents

Starting Monday, March 16, all MV-44 transactions at the Sullivan County Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office will be conducted for Sullivan

County residents only, so as to limit the potential spread of coronavirus. This includes applications for and renewals of all driver’s licenses (Standard, Enhanced and Real ID), learner’s permits, non-driver’s license ID cards, conditional or restricted licenses, and reciprocity. (DMV’s previous camera breakdown has been repaired, so full services have been restored.)

In addition, the Sullivan County Clerk’s Office will process passports only for Sullivan County residents. The Clerk’s Office also strongly encourages e-recording of documents.

### Congregant Meal Sites Closed

All County-served senior nutrition sites have been closed indefinitely in order to limit potential exposures to senior citizens, who are most at risk from coronavirus. Meals on Wheels deliveries will continue, however, and officials are working on further efforts to meet the nutritional needs of residents.

### County Events Canceled

The Sullivan County Sheriff’s Office’s Victim Impact Panel scheduled for Tuesday, March 17 in the Government Center’s Hearing Room has been rescheduled for Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30 p.m.

The Sullivan County Career Center’s March Hiring Event on March 25 and the Monticello Library Hiring Event on April 4 have both been cancelled. Emergency Operations Center Opened

At Potosek’s direction, the Sullivan County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has been opened in White Lake, and provisions are being made to fully staff it as the need arises.

“We have been and will continue to be working closely with our local towns and villages, their police departments and State health authorities to address any impacts of coronavirus as they come our way,” Potosek explained. “While I can’t assure that we won’t have any cases of the virus in our County, I CAN assure that we are taking the steps necessary to fulfill our obligation to protect and promote the health and welfare of all our citizens.”

Updates and further details, including how to protect yourself against coronavirus, can be found at [www.sullivanny.us/departments/publichealth/coronavirus](http://www.sullivanny.us/departments/publichealth/coronavirus).

## Wayne Hospital Restricting Access

Wayne Memorial Hospital has no patients with the novel coronavirus or COVID-19 in the hospital at this time, but it is enacting certain visitor and group restrictions to help prevent the spread of the virus and of the flu to the hospital or any of its patients, staff and visitors. Symptoms of the novel coronavirus or COVID-19 include fever, cough, sore throat and, shortness of breath.

The hospital is not a testing site for the COVID-19 virus,

but it can facilitate tests authorized by the Department of Health (DOH). Hospital staff are able to take samples which the DOH picks up and delivers to a state lab, where the samples are tested. Result times vary. CEO David Hoff said this situation could change and tests could become more available locally in the near future.

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### Fox Youth 3/14/20

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### Friday Couples 3/6/20

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Double D Ranch 34-10, Evanitsky Logging 30-14, Scott's Auto Body 29-15, Fox Bowl #2 23-21, Mad Log Ale Farm 23-21, CL Repair 21-23, Buddenhagen Ford 20-24, Price Graphics 19-25, Fox Bowling Center 18-36, BYE 3-41.

High Scores: Doc Bolduc 202, 205; Mike Bowker 610, 220; Al Bullis Sr. 205; Andrew S. Bullis 697, 237, 227, 233; Carl Davis 202; John Fish 242; Bill Gleim 205, 213; Paul Gordon 654, 213, 246; Rob Johnson 714, 255, 242, 217; Dan Kee-

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### Independent 3/11/20

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High Scores: Audy Boice 201, 206; Al Bullis Sr. 215; Andrew S. Bullis 699, 253, 221, 225; Carl Davis 216; Shane Dirig 664, 231, 220, 213; Brandon Drumm 225; Bill Gleim 619, 222, 207; Ben Green 609, 222, 206; Pete Green 651, 236, 211, 204; Marty Haeussler 216, 203; Jack W. Hazen 213; Mark Hitchcock 201, 203; Rob Johnson 690, 226, 238, 226; Dan Keesler 644, 265; Jerry C. Kulakosky 203; Scott Lacy 600, 236, 214; Dick Layton 211; Mitch Persbacher 201, 205; Aaron Phillips 200, 216; Dick Price 256; Jeremy Roach 661, 235, 200, 226; Jason Scofield 200; Bob Sobas 246; Zuke Wormuth 660, 225, 211, 224; Jay Wormuth 641, 256; Scott Wormuth 223.

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High Scores: Marty Haeussler 205, 214; Ashley Hanstine 190; Reva Jones 540, 238; Paul Sieglar 254.

### Thursday Night 3 3/5/20

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High Scores: Ray Cornwell 607, 206, 214; Dan Keesler 640, 243, 205; Rick Mills 656, 237, 229; Dick Price 219; Andi Sedlock 222; Scott Wahl 213, 220; Dan Wormuth 202.

### Thursday Night 3 3/12/20

Cornwell Construction 64-32, Jenson Logging 58-38, S&S Auto 55-41, Conklin Logging 54-42, Fox Bowling Center 53-43, Dirig's Hammer 52-44, S and S 1 44-52, Conklin Construction 44-52, Patche's Place 42-54, BYE 6-90.

High Scores: Dale Conklin 203; Matt Conklin 202; Shane Dirig 206; Gino Jones 665, 223, 253; Dan Keesler 645, 226, 243; Dick Price 200; Andi Sedlock 200; Natasha Viera 548, 234; Dan Wormuth 207.

## PA House Returns To Session

HARRISBURG – The House is preparing to return for a historic session week on Monday, March 16. As a result of the Capitol complex being closed to visitors, several committee meetings, hearings and informational sessions have been postponed. Floor proceedings will go on as scheduled with an effort to work as expeditiously as possible to address key issues related to COVID-19. The session schedule could be shortened if legislation to address the virus is agreed upon. There will be no guests in the House chamber or in the gallery.

Legislation to be considered by the House is still being determined as leaders from the House, Senate and the Wolf administration collaborate on the best legislative course of action to assist in the continuing efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19 in Pennsylvania. Discussions are on-going and planned through the weekend to address possible funding, access to health care services, insurance and workplace protection reforms and the scope of a health emergency declaration.

The swearing-in ceremony for Roni Green, recently elected to represent the 190th Legislative District, will proceed as scheduled.

The public is encouraged to follow live web streams of House session and the majority of committee meetings at PAHouseGOP.com. Up to the minute changes to committee meetings and schedules is available at www.legis.state.pa.us. Important information and events may also be viewed by visiting Facebook.com/PAHouseGOP.

### Did You Know?

Mr Potato Head was the first toy to be advertised on TV.

## Purple Means No Trespassing In Penn's Woods

HARRISBURG, PA - Landowners who post their properties now have the option of using purple paint rather than signs to alert others that lands are private and trespassing isn't permitted.

House Bill 1772, which was signed into law by Gov. Tom Wolf in November of 2019, and took effect in January.

The bill adds language to the section of state law dealing with criminal trespass.

Under the law, a person is considered a "defiant trespasser" – which carries enhanced penalties – if he or she enters or remains in any place where notice against trespassing is given by actual communication, lawful posting or fencing.

House Bill 1772 makes the use of purple paint on trees or posts a lawful posting method in all but Allegheny and Philadelphia counties.

Vertical purple lines must be at least 8 inches long and 1 inch wide. The bottom of the mark must not be less than 3 feet or more than 5 feet from the ground. And painted marks must not be more than 100 feet apart.

Now that the "purple paint law" is effective, hunters should know they might encounter purple markings on trees and that these marks are meant to define the boundary of an adjoining private property that's posted against trespassing.

The new law also authorizes unarmed persons to go onto private property for the sole purpose of retrieving a hunting dog.

In Pennsylvania, defiant trespass is a third-degree misdemeanor punishable by up to a year in jail and \$2,500 in fines. And if trespassing occurs while hunting, additional game-law

violations – and additional penalties – also might apply.

A recent legislative act has provided the Game Commission the authority to investigate trespassing complaints and enforce trespassing violations as a primary offense, even if game-law violations aren't alleged and the agency will enforce trespassing aggressively.



Specific type of paint for no trespassing markings

## Trout Stocking Dates In Local Wayne Sites

HARRISBURG, Pa. (January 31) – Excitement for the spring trout fishing season begins today as the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC) is pleased to make its 2020 adult trout stocking schedules available online and on the PFBC's "FishBoatPA" mobile app.

"Winter may be with us for a little while longer, but this is a great reminder that spring is right around the corner," said Tim Schaeffer, PFBC Executive Director. "Now is the time to take a good look at the trout stocking schedules, get your gear ready, buy your fishing license, and start planning your opening day fishing adventure."

Trout stocking schedules can be accessed quickly and easily through the increasingly popular, free FishBoatPA mobile app for smartphones, or at www.fishandboat.com. The schedule is searchable by county, lists the waterways in alphabetical order, and indicates stocking dates and the species of trout that will be stocked. 2020 Pennsylvania fishing licenses are available for purchase online through The Outdoor Shop (www.pa.wildlifelicenses.com) Opens In A New Window, or by visiting any of the more than 700 retail license issuing agents across the state. To participate in trout fishing and keep trout, anglers ages 16 and older require both a fishing license and a trout/salmon permit.

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## Alan Sorensen Named Orange County Planning Commissioner

Monticello, NY – Rock Hill resident and Sullivan County District 9 Legislator Alan Sorensen has been appointed Orange County's newest Commissioner of Planning, succeeding longtime Commissioner David Church. Pending confirmation by the Orange County Legislature, Sorensen will assume his duties March 16.

"I am thrilled to bring my planning skills and experience back to a Countywide level, like I did as Sullivan County's Planning Commissioner from 1997-2003," Sorensen stated. "But I also want my constituents to know that I will continue to fully serve them for the rest of my term on the Sullivan County Legislature. This new job cannot and will not impact my obligations to voters."

As a private planner, Sorensen has developed comprehensive plans, new code regulations and innovative programs in dozens of communities across Sullivan, Orange, Ulster, Delaware, Greene and Columbia counties. This new position, however, will not require as many evening meetings in his schedule.

"I'm a regional planner, and I anticipate my role in Orange County will dovetail very well with my role in Sullivan County, to the benefit of the people of both," he remarked. "I am aware of my legal and ethical obligations to both counties, and I will represent all those I serve with honesty and integrity."



"Alan is currently the longest-serving legislator in Sullivan County, and I have been privileged to call him a friend for much of that time," Legislature Chairman Rob Doherty affirmed. "I am delighted that he will hold such an impactful position in Or-

ange County, but I am also confident that he will continue to provide Sullivan County's citizens with the top-flight representation that has repeatedly returned him to District 9 office. Sullivan County remains fortunate to have him."

Andes, NY - On Wednesday afternoon, March 4, 2020, Delaware County Sheriff's Deputies arrested an Andes man on charges of Endangering the Welfare of a Child and Unlawful Possession of Marihuana in the Second Degree. Sheriff's Deputies arrested and charged 46-Year-Old Cristian T. Demeo, of Andes, NY, at the conclusion of their investigation of a reported domestic incident in the Town of Andes on February 19, 2020. Demeo is accused of possessing and smoking marihuana in the presence of children less than seventeen years old. Demeo was issued an appearance ticket and directed to appear in the Andes Town Court on a later date to answer the charges.

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