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AROUND TOWN —

■ Tractor Parade Canceled Another COVID casualty A major fundraiser for the Hancock Community Education Foundation, the annual Fall Festival and Bob Ray Memorial Tractor Parade is canceled.

■ Parish Priest Reassigned

Members of St. Paul the Apostle RC Church bid farewell to Fr. Daniel Quinn as he begins his parish responsibilities at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament in Albany, NY.

■ Moon Float 2020

Participate in a moonlit paddle down the Delaware River on Saturday, October 31 at 7:30. Proceeds to benefit Michelle's Mission, a local not for profit providing comfort bags for cancer patients. See page 4 for details.

■ Build a Scarecrow

Saturday, October 17th from 9-3 at the Robert Nichol Nature Science Center the Hancock Community Education Foundation is hosting a build a scarecrow contest. \$10.00 fee, materials provided. See page 5 for details.

■ Free Meals

As of October 1, **ALL** students attending the Hancock Central School District will be eligible to receive one free breakfast and one free lunch per school day until December 31, 2020.

■ Chicken 'n Biscuit Dinner Saturday, October 17th 4:30-6:00 (or until it's gone!) @ Hancock Emory United Methodist

Church Parking Lot. FREE!!! – a gift to the community from Emory. **■** Halloween . . . Stay tuned The Village of Hancock will

make final plans for Halloween festivities at the next board meeting (Oct 12). The Herald will post that information on our Facebook page. Trunk or Treat is canceled. HCS announced that the costume parade and class parties are canceled.

■ Date Change for Board Mtg. Due to election day, the next meeting of the Town of Hancock Town Board will be rescheduled for Wednesday, November 4th at 7 PM.

■ UDC Meets October 20

The Upper Delaware Council (UDC) will hold the next monthly meeting of its Water Use/Resource Management Committee on Tuesday, October 20 at 7 pm in the UDC office, 211 Bridge St., Narrowsburg, NY. Contact ashley@upperdelawarecouncil. org for questions about in-person or teleconference options.

■ Book Sale

Manchester Community Library in Equinunk, PA will hold its monthly Book Sale on Saturday, October 17 from 9 a.m. until noon. With more books than shelf space, the library discounts sale books to .50 for hardcovers, and .25 for paperbacks. Buy by the bag or box - we have a long winter looming. The library is located at 3879 Hancock Highway, (a.k.a. Route 191) about two miles south of the center of Equinunk. Turn in at the Manchester Township / Library sign and keep to the left. Call 570-



John W. Podbelski, 92, passed away October 8, 2020, at R. W. Johnson Hospital in Rahway. Born in Sayreville, he was a longtime resident of Hancock, NY and South Amboy, NJ be-



Smaller groups make social distancing in classrooms easier. Middle school students using their chrome books during class receive instruction

Hancock Herald

Cindy Ray is the new Editor

& Publisher of The Hancock

fore moving to Cranford 24

A US Army veteran of the

Korean War, Mr. Podbelski held

a Master of Education degree

from Rutgers University. He be-

gan his career in education as a

commercial teacher in Hancock

Central School, served as High

School Principal there, and then

Superintendent of Schools be-

Wildcat Reset

Hancock Central School Reopening Plan

"Protecting the health, safety, and welfare of all of our stakeholders are and always will be our top priorities when reopening school in the face of COVID-19," said Hancock Central School (HCS) Superintendent Terrance Dougherty.

The United States is dealing with its most serious health crisis in more than 100 years. In the midst of this health crisis, our students need to be educat-

Tightly aligned to CDC, NYSDOH, NYSED and NYSPHSAA guidelines, HCS reopened on September, 10 with many policies and procedures in place that are quite different from a typical first day back.

As per the New York State Department of Education mandates, schools in New York State could implement one of three plans: (1) In-Person: All students return to school for in-building instruction; (2) Remote: All students stay home for digital/virtual instruction; (3) Hybrid: Combination of In-Per-

son and Remote instruction.

The HCS district is utilizing a Hybrid Plan with students in grades PreK-6 attending school in-person each day on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Students in grades 7-12 will be assigned to either Group A or Group and are expected to attend school in-person on Monday and Tuesday OR Thursday and Friday. Students in grades 7-12 will remotely follow their daily class schedule on the offdays when they are not attending in-person instruction.

This plan will change based on COVID-19 spread, developing health conditions, state and county requirements, and practical experience with the plan. It is possible that all three learning scenarios may need to be utilized throughout the school year. "Change is the only constant," said Dougherty. "We must remain flexible in our approach." He emphasized that changes and updates will be communicated with immediacy.

As required by the New

York State Department of Health the health and safety plan includes mandatory health screening for all staff, students, and visitors entering any school building; isolation protocol for anv student or staff who exhibit COVID-19 symptoms upon or after arrival at school; and safety protocols for student transition between classes, controlling student daily arrival and departure, and regular training for students and staff in established safety procedures.

This means maximizing social distancing, frequent hand washing or use of hand sanitizer, face coverings that completely cover the nose and mouth and enhanced cleaning and disinfection of spaces/surfaces.

Every student will be issued an iPad or Chrome book depending on grade level and the school district will provide Internet connection for any student without access. This may include increasing frequency of attendance to four days per

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Local EMT Deploys to NYC

Assists with COVID Outbreak

By: Sally Zegers

One of the factors helping New York City struggle through the worst days of the COVID 19 pandemic was the use of EMTs from across the country, some of whom had received their trainties. She is the daughter of David and Judy Franskevicz Gorton of Greene, and the granddaughter of Doug and Jill Gorton of Hale Eddy and the late Edward and Mary Franskevicz of Hancock.

Kaitlin, who graduated from Greene Central School, got her EMT-Basic card through a class held by Delaware County in 2018. "I soon realized how much I enjoyed doing volunteer EMS for Delhi Fire Department and decided to apply to go to paramedic school at SUNY Broome," she tells the Herald, choosing an "accelerated path" which consisted of doing the two year degree program in one year. When the Covid-19 pandemic hit, her classes went online, and she took the opportuni-

ty to deploy to NYC. "I deployed to NYC and brought my laptop and was able to do my classes in the ambulance between 911 calls," she said, even taking her midterms while deployed. She received an A.A.S in Para-medicine this summer as well as a Certificate in Para-medicine. After you successfully complete the program you take a New York State Skills exam and a New York State written exam. When you pass both of those you receive your New York State EMT-P card.

Cooperstown branch of American Medical Response (AMR), deployed to New York City in the last week in March, staying until the first week in May, a total of 35 days. AMR has a contract with FEMA for national disasters.

The company deployed ing in Broome and Delaware seven employees in the begin-Counties, including Kaitlin Gorning, including Kaitlin: Mark ton, a young woman with local Rossley, who was Kaitlin's partner for the duration of the 35 days, Nathan Owens, Nick Marquez, Nick Keever, Brad Darling, Mike Nelson. "We did switch some employees during the deployment and Amanda Leffingwell came down to work as well," Kaitlin says. She was housed at a Hotel in Queens.

> The City had one official case by March 1, a health care worker who had returned to her home in Manhattan after a visit to Iran. However, genomic tests have shown that the virus was already in the City in February. By April, New York City had more confirmed COVID cases than were reported in China. By April, NYC accounted for 25 percent of all the COVID 19 deaths in the United States. Refrigerated trailers were parked around the City for use as makeshift morgues to handle the number of dead, and television sets across the country brought the apocalyptic scenes into everyone's living rooms.

At first I was terrified of catching the virus . . .

"At first I was terrified of catching the virus," Kaitlin says, but she quickly adjusted to the new normal. "After a few days it became routine and natural with





Meet the family . . . Front: Gunner Davis and Margaret Schaefer Middle: Lin Schaefer, Michael Davis and Brayden Davis Back: Lonny Schaefer, Nicole Pietronsanti, Nichole Anderson, Brian

LOCAL FARM PRODUCE **FINDS ITS WAY TO SCHOOL CAFETERIAS**

DEPOSIT, NY — Catskill Cattle Company is a 4th generation (soon to be 5th!) family-owned agricultural business. "We are a fourth-generation dairy farm family with a fifth generation on locally sourced foods to five the way," said Lonny Schaefer, school districts in Broome and one of five siblings, who own and operate the Catskill Cattle Company in Deposit, NY.

Family, friends, volunteers scurried to husk, clean and pack the fall harvest of sweet corn for delivery to local farmers markets and schools in the Broome/Tioga BOCES district on Saturday, October 3.

Schaefer explained that their family farm participates

in the NY Thursdays Program. The program was launched in 2017 under the guidance of State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball and brings Tioga Counties. "We know that by feeding our students well, right from the start, we're helping to educate them on the benefits of a healthier diet. We're also making sure they know where their food comes from and introducing them to the farmer who grew and produced the fruits, vegetables and dairy products on their plates," said Ball.

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Village Board Holds **Election**

Village Elections were held on September 15, 2020. Incumbents Dorothy Picozzi and Charlene Caramore ran unopposed and each were elected to another 2 year term.

The board meets every second Monday at 7 pm at the Village Clerk's Office.

Town Board Talks of East Branch Water Project and Preliminary Town Budget

By Kristin Barron

The Town of Hancock Town Board heard an update on the ongoing East Branch water system project and approved the town's tentative 2021 budget during the regularly scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, Oc-

Bill Brown, project engineer for the East Branch initiative, of Delaware Engineering, D.P.C., Oneonta, reported on the Three Phase project.

"The bulk of the work is done," Brown said regarding the project's Second Phase which will be completed later this fall.

During Phase Two, water line construction was completed, and new mains and services were installed from O&W Road to the reservoir at the southern

end of Main Street. A new liner was also installed in the water reservoir. Paving of sections of Fish Road, Main Street, and O&W Road is currently under-

The board approved a change order and invoice in their agreement with RB Robinson Contracting, Inc. of Candor, NY, who is doing the Phase Two project, for additional grading and carpentry work around the reservoir as well as purchase of valves and additional water service piping in the amount of \$46,993. Revised contract total is \$451, 293. Funding for the project is through a New York State Office of Community Renewal grant. (NYSDOH)

The East Branch water project was begun in 2019. Work for Phase One, which including

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Delaware County **COVID-19 Report** The known active cases in or any other NY College or

fore retiring in 1984. Later he taught business classes at Cranford High School from 1986 until 1996. He was a member of the Sayreville Knights of Columbus, the Hancock American Legion, Post 289, having served as a past Commander, the Hancock Rotary Club, having served as a past President, and various educational organizations during his tenure in New

Mr. Podbelski was predeceased by his beloved wife, Genevieve (Malyszko) Podbelski and by seven siblings.

Surviving are his devoted daughters, Judith Podbelski and Jana Chickinski (and her husband, Conrad); three loving grandchildren, Valerie and Michael Podbelski and Emily Lab Reports Chickinski; and his brother, Ed-

Friends and relatives are invited to visit 4 - 8 PM Monday at the Dooley Funeral Home, 218 North Ave. West, Cranford, N.J, 07016. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 AM Tuesday at St. Raphael's Church, 346 East Mt. Pleasant Ave., Livingston. Interment in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Sayre-

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cranford First Aid Squad or to a church for Memorial Masses.

By Ann Kozak

New Owner Restarts Publication of The Hancock Herald

Welcome Back, Readers!

The Hancock Herald, the area's weekly newspaper that has been absent from local stores and newsstands since April, restarts publication on October 14, 2020.

Cindy R. Ray of Hancock has purchased the paper from Sally Zegers, who served as editor and publisher of the Herald from 2003 until this past April when the paper suspended publication due to the pandemic.

A Hancock native, Ray is well aware of the vital role small town newspapers play in fostering community spirit and involvement by keeping readers informed of the local issues and events that affect them. The paper is especially important to local advertisers, and can help attract new residents, businesses

and industries to the area. Ray will be assisted in the transition by Louise Botsford who will continue to serve as advertising representative.

A graphic designer, Rachael Argiros, has been added to the staff, enabling the Herald to offer graphic design services to advertisers and general public. Ray, whose recent corporate

experience includes business development and management, spent more than twenty years teaching high school history, journalism and photography. She has a bachelors degree in history from SUNY Cortland, and a masters degree in secondary education.

In addition to the print version of the Herald, a new online version of the paper will be launched soon.

The Herald staff welcomes reader input in the form of ideas. articles, and letters to the editor. The Hancock Herald office is located at 102 E. Front Street. Cindy Ray can be reached at 637-3591 or by email at hancockherald@hancock.net.

now 8. To date there have been 132 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in Delaware County, with 91people now under mandatory quarantine and no one under precautionary quarantine. As of October 11 no one is isolated in the hospital, 8 people have died and 116 have fully recovered and are no longer isolated or receiving

For more information about

SUNY Delhi, SUNY Oneonta

the County as of October 11 is University you can access their dashboards at: https://www.suny.edu/covid19tracker

> For information regarding your local school districts please refer to the dashboards at: https://schoolcovidreportcard. health.ny.gov/#/home

For information about guidance for business reopening please

https://forward.ny.gov/

Delaware County NY COVID-19 Update Number in lew Positiv Active ospitalized Mandatory Date ositive Case Cases Received Cases Today Today Today Today Today 10/11/20 204 0 91 COVID-19 otal Posit Discharged/ Related Recovered Deaths 20731 132 116 Information will be updated daily by Delaware County Public Health Services. Due to limited testing capability, the number of positive cases does not reflect current illness.

If you have any questions please call

Delaware County Publice Health Services

at 607-832-5200

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All columns on this page are the opinion of the writers, and do not necessarily reflect the views of The Hancock Herald.

ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE RC **CHURCH**

Early on in the Church's history, questions arose surrounding the issue of entry of Gentiles into the Christian communities. Jewish-Christians thought that Gentiles first had to become Jews before they became Christians. To settle this dispute, Church leaders came together in Jerusalem in 48 A.D. This is significant as it was the first Church council to be convened. This council resolved the issue and declared that Gentiles did not have to become Jews before they became Christians. Ultimately, this encouraged the spread of Christianity as can be seen through the missionary travels of St. Paul in particular. St. Paul traveled to areas like Asia Minor (present-day Turkey), Greece, and even to Rome! By 313 A.D. there were Christian communities all along the shores of the Mediterranean Sea.



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will cast lines of any length up to thirty ems (five date added equipment, is now in a position to take inches) and of any desirable size of body. These care of orders for work, which heretofore we were lines are cast from matrices, which have been not in position to handle. It also made it possible assembled into line of any given length by ma- for the enlargement of the paper, thus giving to nipulation of a keyboard and then to the casting subscribers an increased amount of reading at no mechanism. Most of the work performed in conincrease in price of subscription. You are cordially nection with the making of these lines of type is invited to visit the Herald office and see the Linodone automatically.

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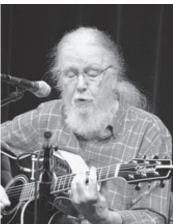
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Music on the Delaware Virtual Coffeehouse Concert 3

Music on the Delaware's focus on the intricacies of human third Fall Virtual Coffeehouse relationships with a wry touch. Concert will take place on He will use guitar and keyboard Sunday, October 18 from to accompany his singing. :00-8:00 pm. The performer will be singer/song- can be found at this numwriter Walt Birbeck. ber: https://us02web.zoom.

Originally from Phil- us/i/82709328311 adelphia, Walt is now An added bonus for this virbased in southern New tual concert is a drawing for a Jersey. After a spell in Virtual Coffeehouse coffee mug. the Marines, he spent most A winner will be selected from of his life working in mental e-mail addresses received by the health and substance abuse treat- time of the concert (send to mument, except for a few years in siconthedelaware@gmail.com)

Seattle where he had a film and
The last two fall Virtual video studio. A casual musician Coffeehouse Concerts will take for most of his life, Walt only place on Sunday, November 1 seriously began to write songs with the Zelos Saxophone Quarafter he retired. Writing soon led tet; and on Sunday, November 15 featuring John Welton and A man of eclectic tastes, Lyndsey Stropkey. Both events Walt's songs are poetic and can be viewed live using the highly personal - songs of per- above zoom number. Finally, spective and understanding that save Saturday, October 24, for



Birbeck will perform at a Virtual Coffeehouse Concert musician can be sent by check (made out to Walt Birbeck) to Music on the Delaware, PO

All Music on the Delaware come with age. Generally folk- a concert by Kimberly Hawkey, virtual converts from 2020 are based, his tunes are simple and Evan Jagels and Loren Daniels archived on the Music on the straightforward, meant to help from the Main Stage of the Wal- Delaware Facebook page under

Backyard Living

By Cindy Ray

Back in my misspent youth I took up the pass-time of counted cross stitch. I think I was gifts for friends and family. trying to find a hobby – something to pass the time that wouldn't require my friends to post made it to its intended recipient. Alas, it took bail. For those of you not familiar with the art, quite longer to complete than I expected and it is a type of embroidery in which X-shaped stitches are sewn into a piece of fabric with for years (and years and years) Occasionally colored thread resulting in an image.

ommunicate his lyrics, which ton Theatre!

It is, in fact, quite tedious. Nevertheless, I pursued the hobby with a laser-like focus. poem. I cross stitched ornaments, dish towels, pillowcases and a myriad of images depicting musical instruments and woodland creatures. I also produced a few pieces featuring Dawn.

poems. Most of my creations became birthday Christmas, wedding and even baby shower

There was one piece, however, that never it ended up languishing behind my dresser I would take it out – probably during a Spring cleaning frenzy - and I would re-read the

Yesterday, I was reminded of the message of the poem during a conversation with a friend. So, I share it here. This is for you,

Warning

By Jenny Joseph

(May 7, 1932 – January 8, 2018)

When I am an old woman I shall wear purple With a red hat which doesn't go, and doesn't suit Or only bread and pickle for a week And I shall spend my pension on brandy and

And satin sandals, and say we've no money for But now we must have clothes that keep us dry I shall sit down on the pavement when I'm tired And gobble up samples in shops and press alarm bells

And run my stick along the public railings And make up for the sobriety of my youth shall go out in my slippers in the rain And pick flowers in other people's gardens And learn to spit.

because it consisted primarily of story folks.

You can wear terrible shirts and grow more fat And eat three pounds of sausages at a go And hoard pens and pencils and beermats and

And pay our rent and not swear in the street And set a good example for the children. We must have friends to dinner and read the

But maybe I ought to practice a little now? So people who know me are not too shocked and surprised When suddenly I am old, and start to wear

Life on the Mountain

by Judith Present

northward toward the home and tons, nor could anyone figure on in Aurora. property of Judge J. S. Procter. how the craft was powered.

Chicken and

Biscuit Dinner

inhabitant of this world. The never did it. Who doesn't like an old Reporter went on to say that U. In 1945 Brawley Oats iron but exhibited no magnetic In 2008 Tim Oates a the early morning of April 19,

to show that he was not an said they would analyze it, but fragment of the debris intriguing But that's not the end of the military personal involved. But

only one aboard and while into the well beneath the buried in the town cemetery. badly disfigured, enough of his windmill and some in the coffin A Professor from North remains had been recovered with the alien. Military personal Texas State discovered a

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a strange craft, described as an and could not be deciphered. which he claimed he got from some of the debris. But during it a hoax claimed there was "airship" sailed over the Aurora The craft was made from some drinking that water and had the the early 2000's an investigation never a windmill on the Judge's public square and continued unknown metal and weighed well sealed shut. And life went team arrived with the goal of property the investigators found But in May 1973 a United could also see through x-rays Many who spent time Dear Editor, Flying low, the craft struck the The people of Aurora Press International revived the there was something under studying this incident rule out Judges' windmill, toppled it and took the pilot's little body to incident and proceedings got the body, but they were denied it's a hoax. Yet on the other The Dallas Morning News a marker giving the history of at the time of the incident still pieces of metal. They found that been very clear. If it had been stated that the pilot of the ship the incident. Most of the debris remembered it and the remains markers were constantly being a clear attempt to put the little s supposed to have been the from the wreckage was dumped of a "small man" who had been taken along with grave robbers town of Aurora on the map there rural residents together. I am over the years, who took debris. probably wouldn't have been

west story and a mystery to boot; S. Army Signal Corps officer T. purchased Judge Proctor's properties and was too shinny descendant of the original Oates 1897? No one seems to know yet this is an unsolved mystery. J. Weems provided the opinion property and was determined to be iron. Over the years was the current owner now of the for certain. Well, long before the Roswell that the pilot was the native of to use the old well as a water debris was still being found property where it took place. He Incident of aliens, a similar the planet Mars, yet how he supply and even though he had even though at this point some allowed investigators to unseal incident occurred in Aurora, knew such a thing is not very taken out all the debris from were thinking this was a hoax the well and examine the water, Texas. Aurora isn't too far from clear. lol There were papers the airship he eventually, from made up by the reporter to sell which they found had very high Fort Worth and around 6:00 a.m. found on the pilot described drinking that water, got a severe papers. Yet over the years the concentration of aluminum. And on the morning of April 19, 1897 as "unknown hieroglyphics" case of Rheumatoid Arthritis, military comes and confiscates even though many who thought

destroyed the adjacent water the Cemetery and gave it a underway to exhume the pilot permission to excavate the site hand what actually happened Ray for continuing with the tank and then it exploded. Christian burial. Today there is of the craft. People who lived and exhume the body and any at Aurora in 1897 has never HANCOCK HERALD. A

Old Bat Factory

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Lordville

Letters to the

Editor

welcoming the paper back

Good luck and congratulations

on being the new owner and

publisher of our local paper.

striking out keep you from playing the game

Obituaries

Edward J. Juba

February 9, 1927 - September 27, 2020

low the Adirondacks and above above Leonard Street.

throughout most of the state be- uously perched atop the terraces alumni/friends.

to be with the Lord on Sunday, by his loving family, after a brief making the first arrest in the raid trout in the West Branch of the those requiring medical treat- a straight-shooter, and a man of rounded by those she loved at enjoyed festive lighted displays and nephews. on the Mafia at the notorious Delaware River," around 1965, ment, he reluctantly accepted integrity. A man of deep faith, age 81. "Ed" was born in Newburgh, 1957 Appalachian Meeting; and soon after the new Cannonsville reciprocity from friends when he was a parishioner of St. Paul's | Irene was born to John and spooky decorations at Hallow- will be held at the East Branch NY on February 9, 1927 to John his favorite, covering the Wood- Reservoir first released deep- he later became the one needing Catholic Church over eight de- Isabelle Tompkins on December een and at Thanksgiving her Community Church in East

Ed graduated high school the Army. He liked to say that his military enlistment at Fort

Knox, Kentucky.

that she was the visiting grand- attended many HCS sporting "view of heaven." At the age of 23, fate took daughter of the owner of the events over six decades. Ed was predeceased by Hancock.

good at many sports, even winfirst and last stops in 33 years spread forth, and the fishermen's his meticulous and sizable orhonored. ning the Newburgh city marbles of service. Sergeant Juba was paradise flourished. ding in Florida. He completed she was driving 22 in a 20 mile- kids' sporting events at Hancock tures, gazing up the river valley tionfoundation.org.

a turn for Ed when he was chalDo Drop Inn in Cadosia, where one of the most vocal fans at the his parents and three siblings – lenged by a friend to take the he ate spaghetti and meatballs 1972 and 1973 HCS Section IV John Jr., Madeline (Shaw), and

Nathan Daniel Barber May 28, 1986 - September 30, 2020 Nathan D. Barber, 34, of ah, 3 children, Dakota, Garrett, A celebration of Nate's life will

> Oneonta, NY. Marie Louden Nutting and the by his maternal grandparents, up to assist Nate's family with beloved husband of Sarah Mar- David and Agnes Louden. funeral expenses. This can be zulla-Barber. He loved farming A graveside service will done by clicking the link at the

Surviving are his wife, Sar-view Cemetery, Hancock, NY.

Coventry, NY, passed away un- and Gabriel, his mother, Marie, be held at 2PM at the home of expectedly on Wednesday, Sep- 5 siblings, Sarah Siverson, Mi- Karl Silfee 1403 State Hwy 235, tember 30, 2020 at home. He chael Barber, and Alissa, Brit-Harpursville, NY, 13787, also was born on May 28, 1986 in tney, and Megan Nutting, and on Saturday, October 10, 2020. several nieces, nephews, aunts, Donations can be made to Nate was the beloved son of and uncles. He was predeceased the memorial fund that was set

and he was an amazing father to be held on Saturday, October top right of the obituary at www. 10, 2020 at 11AM in River- hbfuneralchapel.com.

New York State Police exam every Thursday. A first date at baseball championship games, Jean Marie. He is survived by with him. Ed joined the New the opening of the old fire hall along with his sons, witnessing "Barb," his wife of 65 years, York State Police in 1950, with eventually led to a distant court- two of the greatest and most along with five children - Roba uniform that included wide ship, as Barbara Caruso attend- improbable comebacks in the ert (Little River, SC), Kathy breeches and spurs - vestiges ed nursing school. The couple history of HCS sports. He also Linke (Sudbury, MA), Lisa Rosof the recently retired Trooper married on May 22, 1955 and enjoyed attending Notre Dame si (Vestal, NY), Edward J. Juba horseback patrol legacy. Over took up life-long residence in football games and tailgaters II (Round Rock, TX), Mona the years, Ed had assignments Hancock, in the house conspic- with his adult kids and other ND Bickler (Chappaqua, NY), along Living in a close-knit com- dren, and four great-grandchil-

New York City. His most mem- Ed appreciated the great munity and being an active dren. Additionally, Ed is surorable Trooper moments were outdoors, but he loved fishing, member appealed to Ed. Al- vived by his older sister Dorothy | Irene Carol Warfield went Halloween, Thanksgiving Warfield, 19 great grandchildren pulling duty at the Rosenberg especially with his sons. He ways happy to deliver meals to DiLorenzo of Middlebury, CT. home to Jesus peacefully Sun- and Christmas were her favor- and 1 great, great granddaughter executions at Sing Sing in 1953; recounted how he "discovered those in need and give rides to Ed Juba was a family man, day, September 27th, 2020, surite holidays. The community as well as many precious nieces

son-Biedekapp Funeral Chapel, | life was her family, if she loved Tompkins, Richard (Cindy)

ed her from doing so.



and Mary Juba, the fourth of five stock Music Festival in 1969. er, cold water. As he fished the acts of kindness. He knocked on cades. He never lost his love of | 5th, 1938 in Hamden, NY. She home threatened to burst at the Branch, NY, on Friday October children raised during the Great Ed donated a photo he took and river in solitude from Hancock many doors for three US Census learning, good food, sports and married the love of her life Daseams with so many loved ones 2nd, 2020 at 2:00 pm. "love beads" he received at the to Deposit, neighbors took no-cycles to ensure the community adventure. He will be missed, vid Bryon Warfield on Decem-waiting to feast on the delicious We ask that in lieu of flow event, on permanent display tice of his large catches and was fully represented. For de-remembered and loved forever. ber 17th, 1955, they went on to meals she so lovingly prepared. ers donations be sent in Irene's from Newburgh Free Academy at the Woodstock Museum in asked where he fished. Always cades, morning coffee with his The family is planning a have five children. In addition Irene joins her husband, memory to the beautiful, comin 1945. Although varsity baseBethel. Ed retired in 1982, out a Trooper, Ed surrendered his pals was a routine highlight.

celebration of life for Ed in to being a loving wife, mother, her father and mother, a brothpassionate, caring angels at Heball was his first love, he was of Troop C in Sidney – both his Fifth Amendment rights, word Ed was known locally for 2021, when he can be properly and grandmother, Irene worked er, Wesley Tompkins, her sister lios Care Hospice, 297 River as a machine operator for Bard and brother in law, Charlotte & Street, Oneonta NY, 13820. ganic garden. Many admirers Donations can be made Parker in Hancock, NY and later Harry Barnhart, an infant son Arrangements by Henderchampionship. Two weeks after proud that he never had to fire proud that he never had to fire when the kids were young, over the years complimented Ed; in Ed's memory to St. Paul's at 3M in Long Eddy, NY. Irene Douglas Michael Warfield, a son-Biedekapp Funeral Chapel, graduation, Ed was drafted into his weapon in the line of duty. Ed enjoyed playing a wide various often they were surprised when Church, 346 West Main St, Han- served many years on the vol- son David Bryon Warfield Jr., Hancock. While on duty in 1951 in ety of indoor and outdoor games handed some of the day's har- cock, NY 13783, or the Hancock unteer ambulance squad in East a grandson Daniel Crisell, and the Germans surrendered when Hancock, Ed pulled over an at- with his gang. Despite the de- vest. As Ed grew older, he cher- Community Education Founda- Branch, NY, while acquiring a grandson in law Paul Coman. they heard that he was departing tractive female just to "check mands of his irregular work ished sitting on his front porch, tion, PO Box 819, Hancock, NY her credentials as an EMT. She Irene is survived by her for boot camp, at Camp Blan-her license and inform her that hours, Ed made time for his feeding the birds and small crea- 13783, www.hancockeduca- served until her health prevent- children Valerie Skinner, Teresa (Robert) Davis, Gary (Cheryl) per-hour zone." He discovered Central School and regularly toward what he called his own Arrangements by Hender- Irene's greatest passion in Warfield, brothers Ted (Myrtis)

Irene C. Warfield

December 5, 1938 - September 27, 2020

you she did so fiercely. Through Tompkins, Donald (Dona)

out her life she welcomed nu- Tompkins, Glenn (Evelyn)

merous people into her home Tompkins, Gordon (Nancy)

and took on the role of honorary Tompkins, grandchildren Chris-

mother or grandmother to many. ta Skinner, Sherman (Brenda)

If you visited Irene hungry, you Foote, Valerie Coman, Amanda

didn't leave that way and more (Rob) Evans, Robert (Brittany)

often than not you left with an Davis, Crystal Warfield, Jessica

armful of home baked goodies Warfield, Gary Warfield Jr, Cas-

at Christmas and imaginative Irene's memorial service

sandra (Bill) Rathbun, Megan

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Russell John Wormuth December 1, 1948 - October 7, 2020

ard and Georgeanna (Stouten- muth, and Nova Catania, 11 sib- Russell's wishes were to be perg) Wormuth.

Russell was an Army Veter- (Barbara) Wormuth, Raymond held. hunting, golfing, and in the remuth, Barbara (John) Zupa, cock, NY, 13783.

Russell John Wormuth, Surviving are 4 children, Scott (Jodi) Wormuth, and many 71, of Lake Como, PA, died on Suzanne W. Wormuth, Jody nieces and nephews. Russell Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at (Theron Chris Evanitsky), Bil- was predeceased by wife, Jane home after an illness. He was liejo Wormuth, and RJ Wormuth, M. Wenk Wormuth, sister, Donborn on December 1, 1948 in 3 grandchildren, Trysten Evan- na Guthrie, and brother, Lyndon Hancock, NY, the son of How- itsky, Kaydin Stephens-Wor- Wormuth.

lings, Juanita Macknik, Ronald cremated and no services will be an, serving from 1969-1971. He (Marilynn) Wormuth, Ger- Please consider a dona-

worked his life as a truck driver ald (Mary) Wormuth, Maurice tion in Russell's memory to the and security guard. He enjoyed (Sherry) Wormuth, Jean (Hank) American Legion Post #289, working the local chicken bbqs, Whitmore, Charles (Sara) Wor- 210 Pennsylvania Ave, Han-

cent years, spending time with Kevin (Judy Ellis) Wormuth, Arrangements by Hender-Robin (Paul) Ignatovich, and son-Biedekapp Funeral Chapel.

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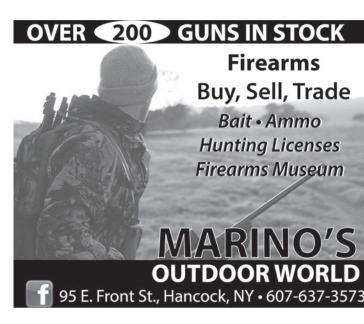
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Local EMT Deployed . . . (Continued from page 1)



EMT Kaitlin Gorton in PPE gear. She volunteered for leployment to NYC – a COVID-19 hot spot

point my posting spot in NYC from NYC, she was tested for deployed again," she said.



Left to Right: Nick Marquez, Brad Darling, Nate Owens, Kaitlin Gorton, Mark Rossley, Nick Keever and Mike Nelson

calls. "There was no traffic, min-cases in the City had declined. imal people in the streets. At one Before she returned home ployment, I would sign up to be \$40,833.66. was in Bronx directly in front of Covid-19 in Queens, and then

If the city itself was quiet, were negative, meaning Kaitlin colleges have reopened, and DOH for completion of Phase budget at 7:15 PM during the the caseload was not. "In the did not have to quarantine at that many people are assuming that Three. Plans are currently bebeginning of the deployment time. Kaitlin became an EMT there is no longer a risk. "The ing finalized for submission Nov. 4 we handled an overwhelming by volunteering for her local CDC guidelines for wearing to NYSDOH. During Phase amount of people experiencing fire department in Delhi. Shawn masks, social distancing and Three, remaining water mains In Other Matters: Covid-19 symptoms," she says. Kauffman, who is an RN and gatherings have been loosely will be installed as well as a "The first two weeks I spent Paramedic convinced her that followed by many recently so backup well and generator. in NYC I was covering South she would like it take a ride on we've seen an increase in posi-Bronx, the last weeks spent the ambulance. "He was right," tive cases, Otsego County being known things right now," said there I was covering Queens. she says with a laugh. Delhi FD an example. We handled everything from was able to send me to my basic

about a quick return to normal life, saying: "I don't foresee life required public hearings to congoing back to normal for at least nother year until a vaccine is eveloped and safely ready for use. I know I've heard a lot of concerned people say if a vaccine comes out, they will not be getting it or having their children receive it due to risk of it being a new vaccine with side effects. It might take some time

reach the American Dream, so entire block can receive service.

too is reliable broadband access. This does not work however,

These are not new concerns account for rural areas, which

We need to treat it as such. when attempting to accurately

for our community. This time lack dense populations. That's

last year, I held a rural broad- why, when the House consid-

of the Federal Communications formation Administration from

folks across NY-19 and discuss data for broadband availability

During this conversation, legislative package designed

In conjunction with these higher to ensure that they are

issue. For too long, the federal citizens to access grant funding

(FCC) to meet with relying solely on census-block

to 10+ calls in a 12-hour shift. a paramedic. Shawn Kauffman structed on the water reservoir Wednesday, November 4th.

she was never short of the life learn and are the reason I want- tank walls and rotted gables. the tentative Town of Hancock preserving items. "We had ac- ed to continue my pre-hospital cess to PPE and I never fell short education." Kaitlin urges peo- The end wall boards were of it. FEMA had a stock for the ple to volunteer for their local food for the beavers . . . deployed units. My company fire departments and ambulance back home also mailed me a box squads, saying they will get a lot of N95 masks and I was able to out of it. purchase an N100 mask for use Kaitlin says her future plans food for the beavers," said said Noble, which translates to n the city." She is brisk and are to continue to get experience Brown. often understated: "I think my and continue her education to During the meeting, the 1,000 for residents outside the parents were worried. They kept become a Flight Paramedic. She board also approved a change village and 46 cents per 1,000 reminding me to wear my PPE, volunteered for the NYC duty order and invoice in their agree- for village residents. Total ten-

Yankee Stadium. It was empty again tested in Delaware County opportunities there might be for of 2021. The town was awarded a budget hearing and vote on fi-

before the public is safe again."

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how their lives have been im- maps.

pacted by a lack of high-speed



Congressman Delgado has represented New York's 19th Congressional District since January, 2019.

Every day, I hear from folks of rural broadband impacts their consumers as opposed to what in a way that keeps me from cancer.org. across my district in upstate businesses and day-to-day life. they can potentially provide New York about their inabili- Even a year ago, before the pan- within 7-10 business days. The ty to access basic broadband. demic, it was clear that the digibil would also require that new These conversations range from tal divide was holding back our FCC funding awards be built the virtual classroom, to seniors in search of telemedicine ser- concerns, I have been laser fo- future-proof. The second bill, vices, to small business owners cused on addressing flawed the Community Broadband looking for new ways to connect broadband maps, a key first step Mapping Act, would allow lowith customers in the digital when it comes to tackling this cal governments and concerned

The COVID-19 pandemic government has relied on "centor make their own broadband has made it abundantly clear that sus block mapping" when col- maps to challenge FCC data. affordable high-speed coverage lecting data to determine where This package, along with my cannot be a luxury for the few. to allocate funding for broad- amendment, represent important Instead, it must be treated as a band projects. The approach steps for fixing these maps and basic utility and made available assumes that if one house in expanding broadband throughto every American. Just as hous- a census block has broadband out our area. ing and education are critical to access, then every house in the

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Town Board Meeting . . . (Continued from page 1)

As for the PPE, Kaitlin says and Dan Endress helped me and work was done to repair the The Board also reviewed

and I was in contact with them "as an opportunity to travel, ment with BH Decker in the tative expenditures amount to By May, the number of gling neighbor, and to learn. quired masonry repairs. The based on the town's overall as-"If FEMA does another de- revised contract amount is sessment of \$54,189.585, said

"There are a lot of un-Brown, noting that grants may Kaitlin isn't optimistic be subject to a 20% reduction. Finally, the second of two

health calls, injuries to basic lift where she was taught by Marga- a new well, well house, and pip- duct a performance review of • The board heard a presenta- week or acquiring Internet acassist." It was different than ret Wilson. "The opportunities ing, was completed in Septemton the Phase Two work has been tion from Shannon Cilento, cess from an alternative location the Wildcat Reset, visit HCSD's EMS in Delaware County be- I was given through Delaware ber by BH Decker, Inc. of Delhi scheduled for the next town the new Resources and Land tion. cause of call volume, which ran County is the reason I became NY. A new roof was also conboard meeting scheduled for

budget for 2021. Bookkeeper Monika Noble noted that the town is "Trying to keep taxes down as much as possible." There will be a .9% per-"The end wall boards were cent increase in expenditures." a tax increase of 52 cents per During the pandemic the daily while I was deployed." meet new people, help a strug- amount of \$11,083.66 for re- \$3,684,120.00. Tax rates are • Town Board member Pat

> The final phase of the proj
> The Board approved the No one knows what future ect will commence in the spring tentative budget and will hold when she got home. Both results deployment. Kaitlin notes that a \$749,875 grant from NYS- nal approval of the preliminary

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ect Review Workbook to the be commended," said Doughtown and offered her assis- erty. tance with any future projects.

to own option. Purchase of rates, noted bookkeeper Noble and Highway Superintendent Neil Emerich.

O'Brien notified the board that representatives from Delaware River Solar and Joule energy during the November

Due to election day, the next meeting of the Town of Hancock Town Board will be rescheduled to Wednesday, November 4th at 7 PM. Regularly • The Board approved an scheduled meetings are held on agreement with Samsara for the first Tuesday of each month \$11,599 a year for installation at 7 PM at the Hancock Town and upkeep of new GPS sys- Hall on West Main Street.

Council Awards **Grants**

vided to its member municipal-

NARROWSBURG — The Upper Delaware Council (UDC) Michelle's Mission is the feeling stuck in life," said M will award \$25,000 to fund vision of Michelle Callan who chelle's daughter Kaitlyn. three project through its Fiscal succumbed to skin cancer on This year there will be Year 2021 Technical Assistance September 20, 2019 at just 46 Moon Float fundraiser on Saturyears-old. The project provides day, October 31 at 7:30 pm. All That brings the cumulative first-time chemotherapy bags to types of watercraft are welcome mount that the UDC has pro-- drift boats, kayaks, canoes.

The bags are stocked with The float starts at Outdoor Adities and counties to \$916,952 items for men and women in- venture Recreational Services since 1988. In all 260 projects cluding cozy socks, chemo 41 South Pennsylvania Ave., have been funded caps/baseball caps, a painted Hancock, NY and will end at the Approved for FY 2021 rock, playing cards, tissues, Buckingham access. Come ear-(Oct. 1, 2020 - Sept. 30,2020) gum, chap stick, antibacterial ly to get your vehicle shuttled to lotion, word search and pens, Buckingham. There will be re-Town of Hancock: \$10.000 to nail polish, water bottles, and freshments at the halfway point create a Joint Master Plan bemany more items. Michelle and lighting provided at the oand field hearing at Colum- ered federal funding legislation knew how scary the first day halfway point and at the landtween the Village and Town of

bia-Greene Community Col- last year, I included an amend- of chemotherapy could be and ing. Participants are required to lege in Hudson, where I invited ment that would bar the Nation- wanted to provide comfort, bring headlamps or flashlights Commissioner Geoffrey Starks al Telecommunications and In-hope and inspiration to others. and must wear a personal floa Phase II update of the 2007 Town of Tusten Comprehen-Sponsorship money or cozy tation device (PFD). There is a donations may be dropped off at \$15 suggested donation. the Town's completed Phase I Kaybirds florist at 5 West Main All proceeds will benefit update funded by a 2020 TAB St., Hancock, NY or mailed di- Michelle's Mission. Call 607rectly to Kaitlyn Callan at 127 644-5071 or 607-237-3078 if ment, I've since introduced a 7th Ave., Carbondale, PA 18407. you need more information. **Town of Delaware:** \$6,000 to

hire a consultant to conduct a Lastly, Kaitlyn reminds evommissioner Starks heard to close the digital divide. The made happen until the very end eryone to protect your skin by Recreational Access Study along from small business owners, first bill, the Broad-band Speed of her life. The Moon Float is using sunscreen daily and eduthe Delaware River through the educators, medical profession- Act, would require Internet ser- such an awesome thing to do. cating yourself on the ABCDE's Town of Delaware to assess the als, electric co-op owners, and vice providers to annually report The outpouring of support in of moles on your skin. Early easibility of developing a walkpeople throughout our region data to the FCC showing the achelping me honor my mom's detection is key to recovery. For ing trail and improving access to about how the scarcity and cost tual speeds they are providing to last wishes helps me grieve her more information visit www. the river for fishing and boating. This project follows a 2020 TAG project by the Town of Hancock which assessed the same from the Village of Hancock (Delaware County) to Long Eddy in the Town for Fremont (Sullivan

Mid-term progress reports or the FY 2021 grants will be due by February 26, 2021. The deadline to complete their projects and submit documentation for reimbursement is August 20,. 2021.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH was observed Sunday, October 4 b Parishioners from St. Paul's Catholic Church. These faithfu folks gave one hour of their time to form a life chain in front of the church as they stood or knelt in silent prayer for the end of abortion and to focus on the gift of human life.

petitive basis to the UDC's eight member New York towns, five Pennsylvania townships, and their encompassing five river corridor counties. Buckingham and Manchester Townships in Wayne County, PA would be eligible to receive this member benefit if they joined the UDC. To access a directory of the UDC's Technical Assistance Grants from 1988-2020, review program guidelines, and download forms, visit www.uperdela-

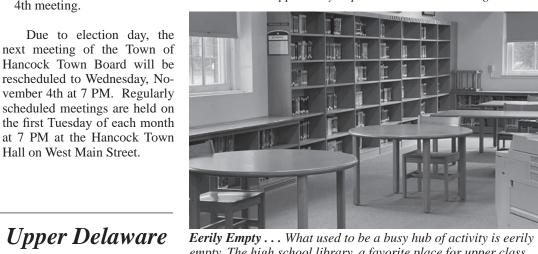
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HCS Reopens (Continued from page 1)

School Reopening page on-line Use Specialist at the Upper "The execution of this plan at https://www.hancockstier.org/Delaware Council. Cilen-has been outstanding. Our staff, SchoolReopening.aspx. to distributed the new Proj- students and community are to



Energy would be giving a pre- Music continues . . . band rehearsals are held in the auditorium sentation to the board on solar where the vast space and soaring ceilings provide adequate ventilation and opportunity to practice social distancing.



empty. The high school library, a favorite place for upper class



New use of space. . . Some classes have been moved to alternative areas to adhere to safety protocols. Here, a fifth grade class receives instruction in the gymnasium.

Catskill Cattle Co. (Continued from page 1

participated in the program. They are open year-round with "The program allows children U-pick strawberries available that they see growing in fields summer, and pumpkins in the on their way to school," said fall. Schaefer. "Our family is proud large variety of pumpkins and

The UDC board approved resolution at the Oct 1 UDC monthly meeting to award the three grants Technical Grants are available on the com-

warecouncil.org. Please contact UDC Resources and Land Use Specialist Shannon Cilento at (845) 252-3022 or shannon@upperdelawarecouncil.org with any questions about the TAG program.

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to be part of that." Schaefer explained that gourds available for purchase although they are predominantly individually or "cheaper by the a beef company, raising mostly dozen." Simmental commercial beef, For more information go

they also offer a large selection to: www.catskillcattle.com or of produce for their roadside facebook.com/catskillcattle. stand, markets, restaurants,

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On the Spotlight

By James Kilgore MOUNTAIN

their branches across a land that was once a farmstead filled with history of farming, fur trapping and tailoring. It is a special place where a random grove of 2,500 wild apple trees provide each year a harvest that now is captured and naturally processed by two apple farming pioneers in East Branch

Red Kill Mountain Homestead Farms is the dream, the love, the business of partners Matthew Trattner and Ashley Rossi both transplants from northern New Jersev who together have brought the wild apple back from decades of oblivion. They have reintroduced products of a by-gone age by embracing the challenge of wild apple farming or as they call it "wild apple stewardship", a trade they further refer to as "permaculture", organic farming with a twist which they call farming by "utilizing the patterns and resilient features observed in natural ecosystems."

On an old farmstead that spreads across a high ridge of Red Kill Mountain near Roxbury sits an apple grove first planted some 150 years ago, a grove that expands naturally in time. Each fall the apples are picked by hand and

gathered to make products rarely available elsewhere. All made from wild, natural, left-to-nature apples with different tastes, sizes and colors. Apples in season are sold at the Red Kill Mountain

Homestead Farm store and processing plant and kitchen on Burnwood Road in East Branch. In their kitchen and processing plant Trattner and Rossi make magic and produce apple molasses, apple spread, apple sauce and dried apples.

A bite on a piece of dried wild apple will bring a taste of a lemon-like tartness with complex flavors of cinnamon, mixed fruit with an apple base. It awakes your every taste bud, like tasting a very fine wine.

I have vet to taste the other products but know from the makers that their care and creativity have produced something very special, a taste not experienced by many and a taste once cherished by the earliest settlers of the Catskill Mountains.

Apple Molasses, also known as cider syrup, is the flagship product of Red Kill Mountain Homestead Farms. "We hand-select and hand-harvest our wild apples and press them into sweet cider. The cider is then boiled down into a delightful apple molasses," says Rossi. Apple molasses, Rossi points out is listed as an "endangered food" by Ark of Taste an international catalogue of "endangered" heritage foods.

Homestead Farms' apple spread is made in small batches from hand-selected apples "with the skin on and then hand-blended with the farm's apple molasses," adds Rossi.

In wintertime Rossi and Trattner produce maple syrup from a sugarbush the couple cares for on their Red Kill Mountain apple farm. The syrup is aged in old bourbon barrels producing a sweet, mellow taste.

We want to be good stewards of the land

"We want to be good stewards of the land that is under our care," says Tattner of the couple's approach to wild apple farming practices with its "stewardship" twist, all totally natural and driven by what nature brings. "We have as part of our mission to educate others through our products that this food source – wild apples - needs to be preserved and protected," adds Rossi.

Red Kill Mountain Homestead Farms products come attractively packaged and come in 10 to 7-ounce jars or in the case of dried apples in a 7/10 ounce specially-sealed harvest-brown bag. Products may be purchased on the Red kill Mountain Homestead Farms website at www. redkillmountainhomesteadfarms.com. Products including fresh apples now in season can also be purchased at the farm's "Milk House", the official retail store located at 3432 Burnwood Road, East Branch, NY 13756. Store hours are Friday, Saturday and Sunday by appointment. For more information email redkillmountain@gmail.com or call Ashley at (845) 674-3535.



Business Partners and Entrepreneurs . . . Ashley Rossi and Matthew Trattner at their Red Kill Mountain Homestead Farm store on Burnwood Road in East Branch.



Orders are shipped country-wide . . . Ashley Rossi showcases items for sale at the farm's "Milk House" - the official retail store located at 3432 Burnwood Road, East Branch, NY





Wild Apple Products . . . Apple Spread, Apple Molasses, and Dried Apples are just a few of the items featured at the farm store.

Annual Chili Sale Equinunk Historical Society

EQUINUNK, PA — The Equinunk Historical Society in Equinunk, PA will hold its annual Chili Sale on Saturday, November 14.

Important Note: Orders MUST be received by Friday, Nov. 6!

Ordering is easy - Call 570-224-6722, (the Equinunk Historical Society) and leave a message. You can also call Carol Ann at 570-224-4466, or send an email to ehs22@verizon.net.

The sale is TAKE-OUT only, and pick-up hours on the 14th are noon to 4 p.m.

Cost: \$10.00 for 1 quart of chili, plus two rolls and two brownies. You'll have dinner for two for only \$10.00! You can also specify vegetarian if that's your choice.

EHS is located at the junction of Rte. 191 and Pine Mill Rd. in the heart of the village. The address for your GPS is 1972 Pine Mill Rd.

Many not-for-profit organizations are struggling this year as their profit generating activities were all cancelled due to the pandemic. The chili sale is a way to help make up for lost income that benefits us both! Place your order now - we'll be glad you did.

DEC Forest Ranger Highlights Recent Forest Ranger Actions

Town of Middletown Delaware County

Wilderness Search: On Oct. 3 at 7:45 p.m., Delaware Countv 911 contacted Forest Ranger Seeley regarding two hikers lost in the Dry Brook Ridge Wild Forest. The couple, from Otego and Unadilla, were hiking the Huckleberry Loop Trail when it became dark and lost the trail due to not having a light source.

Ranger Seeley arrived on scene at 8:50 p.m., along with two New York State Troopers. Utilizing his handheld GPS unit and the provided coordinates, Ranger Seeley and the Troopers were able to locate the hikers at 10 p.m., slightly off the trail.

Ranger Seeley provided the hikers with food and water before they proceeded back down to the trailhead. The couple was back to their vehicle at 12:30

U.S. Postal Service **Announces New Prices for** 2021

No Increase in Forever Stamp – Remains 55¢ Price increase for additional weight and postcards

Wed 10/21

Turkey Sandwich,

Fruit, Vegetable

Bagel, Fruit, Juice,

Milk

Back: Cathy Van Mater, John Rajoppi, Jim Serio, Nancy Lear Front: Rosie Hubbs and Yma Sherry

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James Serio Real Estate Joins

Keller Williams Upstate NY Properties

HANCOCK, NY — Keller Williams Upstate NY Properties is proud to announce that James Serio Real Estate has affiliated with Keller Williams to become the James Serio Team.

Serio's decision to affiliate with Keller Williams Upstate NY Properties enables his team to remain the local real estate experts in Hancock, NY. "I have seen how real estate continues to evolve nationally as technology plays a larger role" said Serio. "I wanted to be at the forefront of what I think is the future of real estate for Hancock. I want to be able to take care of my clients and agents in the best way that I can, and I believe that Keller Williams will empower us to do that with their powerful tools, technology, and referral network.'

For more than two decades, Jim Serio and his team have amassed an impressive real estate sales record -- from land, homes, sportsmen retreats, commercial properties and second homes. Beyond the sales transaction, Jim and his team are passionate about bringing additional value to their clients, including clean-out services, educational seminars, and tax as-

sessment grievance services. Serio first came to the area in 1990 and successfully developed one of the premiere fly fishing resorts in the country at West Branch Angler in Hale Eddy, NY. Serio established JSRE in 1998 to help sportsmen and their families find their ideal property. An environmental enthusiast at heart, Serio played a key role in a 20 year effort that continues to improve the ecological health of the Upper Delaware River in particular, and the wild trout fishery in the Hancock area.

"We're excited to welcome the James Serio Team to the Keller Williams family and provide the resources they need to sell more properties, more efficiently, at higher prices" said Deb Dolan, Team Leader of Keller Williams Upstate NY Properties.

"We are in a robust seller's market, and there is a shortage of properties for sale. If you're thinking of selling - NOW is the time! Contact us today!" said

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Regal to Temporarily Suspend U.S. Theater Operations

and cannot underscore enough

how difficult this decision was."

said Mooky Greidinger, CEO of

As major U.S. markets,

Decision Driven by Ongoing Theatrical Calendar Delays and the Continued Closure of New York and Other Key U.S. Markets

Article Provided by Regal

In response to an increasingly challenging theatrical landscape and sustained key market closures due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Cineworld, parent company of Regal, announced lective commitment to the Cin-mainly New York, remained that it will be temporarily suspending operations at all of its out to state and local officials 536 Regal theaters in the U.S., to educate them on these initiaas of Thursday, October 8, 2020.

thing in our power to support a our theaters to the new protocols safe and sustainable reopening in the U.S. - from putting in place robust health and safety measures at our theaters to joining our industry in making a colema Safe protocols to reaching tives. We are especially grateful "This is not a decision we for and proud of the hard work

made lightly, and we did every- our employees put in to adapt

closed and without guidance on reopening timing, studios have been reluctant to release its pipeline of new films. In turn, without these new releases, Cineworld cannot provide customers in both the U.S. and U.K.

- the company's primary markets - with the breadth of strong commercial films necessary for them to consider coming back to theaters against the backdrop of COVID-19. These closures will

Wed 10/14

Popcorn Chicken,

Dinner Roll, Fruit,

Vegetable

Bagel, Fruit, Juice,

Milk

Hancock Central School Menu

impact approximately 40,000 employees across the U.S. Greidinger added, "Despite

our work, positive feedback from our customers and the fact that there has been no evidence to date linking any COVID cases with cinemas, we have not on their reopening status and, been given a route to reopen in New York, although other indoor activities - like indoor dining, bowling and casinos were already allowed. The prolonged closures have had a detrimental impact on the release slate for the rest of the year, and, in turn, our ability to supply our customers with the lineup of blockbusters they've come to expect from us. As such, it is simply impossi-

ble to continue operations in our

Fri 10/16

Cheese Pizza,

Garden Salad, Fruit

Cereal, Fruit, Juice,

Milk

primary markets." Regal will continue to mon-

itor the situation closely and will communicate any future plans to resume operations at the appropriate time, when key markets have more concrete guidance in turn, studios are able to bring their pipeline of major releases back to the big screen.

Regal, a subsidiary of the Cineworld Group, operates one of the largest and most geographically diverse theatre circuits in the United States, consisting of 7,076 screens in 536 theaters in 42 states along with the District of Columbia and Guam as of September 30, 2020.

Mon 10/19

Chicken Fajita w/

toppings, Rice Pilaf,

Assorted Fruit

Pancakes, Fruit,

Juice, Milk

Bowling Results

Friday Couples League 10/2/20

Moo's Drop Inn 18-6, Fox Bowling Center 16-8, Twisted Sisterz 16-8, Bass and Son's Loggin 15-9, Conklin Logging 14-10, Goin' Postal 12-12, Deposit Sanitary 12-12, Mike's Hauling 10-14, Card Logging 10-14, I'm Lovin' It! 9-15, Team Brandon 6-18, Dirig Construction 6-18.

High Scores Andy Bullis 684, 223, 256, 205,

Samantha Card 184, Shawn Card 645, 223, 238, Dale Conklin 683, 204, 226, 253, Shane Dirig 624, 211, 216, Mike Dufton 206, Janet M. Ellis 504, 189, Scott Ellis 643, 216, 216, 211, Linda Ferris 192, Gino Jones 210, Hope Jones 199, Dan Koch 221, Dennis Leonard 225, Carol McGraw 190, Brianna Meres 520, 201, Brooke Rosengrant 577, 233, 183, Kathy Smith 181, Alea Tiffany 200, Scott No Independent League due to Wahl 225, Jay Wormuth 620, 226, 201, Jeremy Wormuth 637, 238, 243.

Thursday Night 3 10/8/20 Scott's Auto Body 28-4, Patche's

Place 22-10, Dirig's Hammer 21-11, Cornwell Construction 19-13, Conklin Logging 16-16, S&S Auto 16-16, Fox Bowling Center 14-18, S and S Auto 1 12-20, Sonny and Sons Stone 10-22, BYE 2-30.

High Scores

Dale Conklin 607, 236, 211, 607, Kenny Cornwell 537, Ray Cornwell 648, 213, 223, 212, 648, John Fish 201, 564, Gino Jones 607, 207, 214, 607, Dan Keesler 611, 234, 611, Joel Keesler 203, 502, Dennis Leonard 531, Rick Mills 555, Cole Newman 216, 500, Dick Price 204, 565, Mike Robinson 201, 206, 564, Paul Siegler 549, Natasha Tuttle 571, 222, 189, Scott Winans 208, 576, Dan Wormith 761, 237, 278, 246, 761.

Power Outage

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October 17 Handmade Paper Making October 23 DIY Harry Potter Wands for Halloween

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Rabies Clinic Set

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** Appointments ONLY call 607-832-5200, no walk-ins **

Thurs 10/15

Rotini w/ Meat

Sauce, Broccoli &

Fruit

Egg & Cheese

Muffin, Fruit, Juice,

Milk

- All attendees (humans, not pets!) must wear masks or face coverings at the clinic.
- To manage crowds and allow social distancing, preregistration is required! It's the law! Every dog and cat must be vaccinated
- against rabies. Cats and dogs can get their first rabies vaccine at 3 months of age

(607) 637-2277

Please bring the previous vaccination record to verify if your pet is eligible for 3-year coverage. Dogs must be on a leash and under proper control Cats

Tues 10/20

Hot Turkey

Sandwich, Fruit &

Vegetable

French Toast, Fruit,

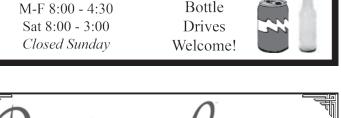
Juice, Milk

- and Ferrets should be in a carrying case. ■ Local organizations have volunteered their facilities for your convenience. It is your responsibility to clean-up
- after your pet. It's the law, you can be fined. ■ Vet only available at the advertised clinic time — no

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