

WOMEN MAKING WAVES

PHILANTHROPIST EMBRACES HURLEYVILLE

by Amanda Loviza

HURLEYVILLE — Hurleyville Arts Centre Executive Director Janet Carrus believes in reinvention. She has reinvented herself numerous times throughout her life. This time, she is reinventing herself as part of the fabric of Hurleyville, and she hopes Hurleyville will embrace her and her latest artful venture.

Mrs. Carrus' journey into the arts began with the death of her late husband, Gerry. She was in her early 60s, and a friend convinced her to try dance lessons for the first time.

"It actually transformed me," Mrs. Carrus said. "It was a personal challenge to accomplish how to dance."

She hadn't known a rumba from bachata, but before she knew it she was dancing competitively. Dance allowed her to transcend any self-consciousness about her body or age, and she found a new



PHOTO BY AMANDA LOVIZA

Janet Carrus, executive director of the Hurleyville Arts Centre, hopes to make arts and culture accessible to everyone in Hurleyville.

passion. That is the power of art, she says.

Mrs. Carrus has been a supporter of The Center for Discovery for decades, which led to her first visit to Hurleyville just a few years ago. In Hurleyville, she saw a once-thriving community that was struggling to reinvent and revitalize itself. She thought Hurleyville's small size made a community reinvention manageable, and

she wanted to be part of it. The arts seemed like the obvious missing piece of the puzzle, so she dreamed up the Hurleyville Arts Centre.

H.A.C. is not about coming into a new town and taking over or telling longtime locals what to do, Mrs. Carrus said. The arts center is about "community and inclusion." She wanted to create a space in which the community

could gather to watch a film, dance, talk politics or learn about environmental issues. Above all, she wants it to be open to everyone, whether senior citizen, child or person with a disability. One of her many past projects, a film called "Musical Chairs," is about wheelchair dancing. In Mrs. Carrus' mind, everyone has their own wheelchair—whether a physical disability, financial constraint or emotional struggle. She believes the arts remove limitations, and access to the arts is important for any community.

Coming up on the one-year anniversary of the arts center opening, Mrs. Carrus would like to see more local residents get involved in H.A.C. and give suggestions for programs. She has brought in environmental panels, dancers of all kinds and a variety of films, but she is determined to see the arts center grow. She's in it for the long haul—after commuting part-time from her apartment in Manhattan for the last year, she has had a house built on Main Street. Living in the city has been "like having a party but not being there," she said, so she made the decision to be totally invested in Hurleyville.

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SUPERHERO ANNIE SUNBEAM VISITS HURLEYVILLE

by Amanda Loviza

HURLEYVILLE — Who's qualified to help humans learn not to pollute their beautiful and important oceans? Annie Sunbeam, of course.

Hurleyville Arts Centre was one of the first venues to host an event featuring Annie Sunbeam, the newest environmental superhero introduced by Comics Uniting Nations and UNICEF. Annie Sunbeam is Comics Uniting Nations' newest hero in their line of comic books educating world citizens of all ages about UNICEF's Sustainable Development Goals for the planet. The Annie Sunbeam team, featuring co-creator Jill Schneider singing Annie's songs, along with Comics Uniting Nations co-founder Natabara Rollosson, DC Comics artist Bernard Chang, and Annie Sunbeam co-creator and executive producer Debbie Margolis Horwitz, came to Hurleyville Arts Centre on Saturday, June 10, to discuss environmental issues and the idea of using comic books for environmental education.

"Annie Sunbeam and Friends: Protecting Life Below Water" is a comic book

dedicated to UNICEF's Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 14, which seeks to conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources. In a colorful and accessible format, Annie Sunbeam teaches readers about key issues in the ocean, like pollution, over-fishing and acidification. And rather than just magically making the problems disappear, Annie helps humans see what they're doing and change their behavior to protect the health of the oceans.

"If you make simple changes in your daily life, you can help reduce fossil fuel emissions and help save marine life and ecosystems," Annie and her friends teach in the comic book.

Comics Uniting Nations was inspired by Comic Con, Mr. Rollosson said, where people of all ages gather with a shared passion for comic books. Comics have historically been used to educate and unite activists around the American civil rights movement and the Arab Spring, and Comics Uniting Nations hopes to create that same unity around protecting the planet. These SDG comics can also be downloaded eas-

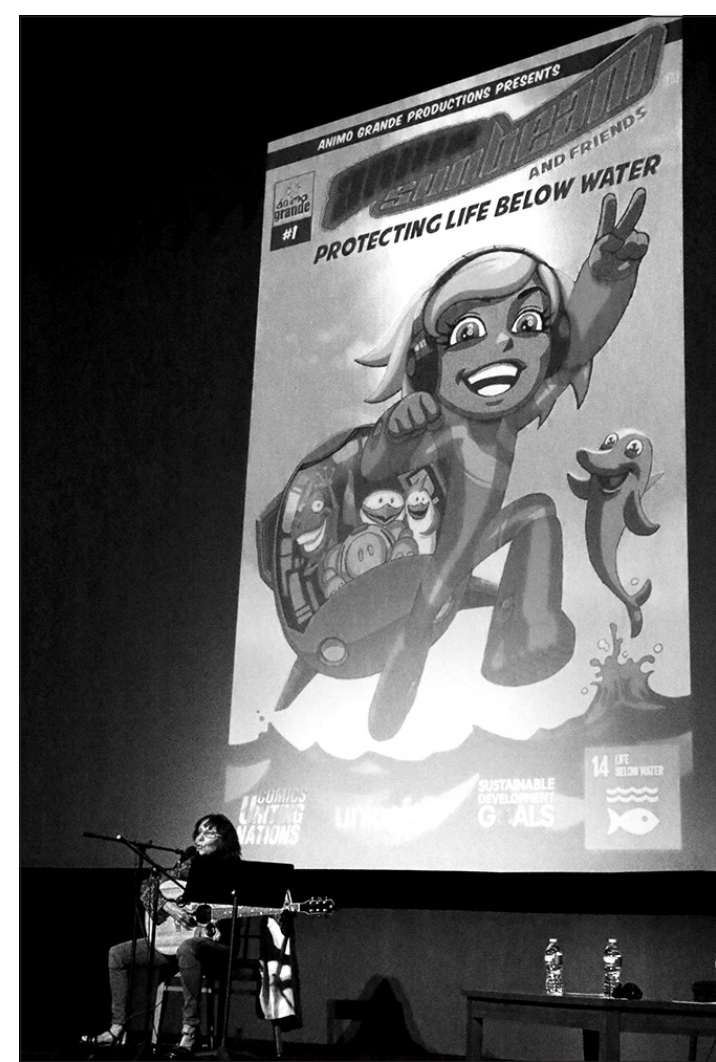


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Jill Schneider, co-creator of environmental superhero Annie Sunbeam, sings songs about garbage collection and Mother Earth having the blues during a Comics Uniting Nations presentation at the Hurleyville Arts Centre on June 10.

ily all across the world, and they have been translated into a variety of languages. The Annie Sunbeam comic provides enough information to make a child reader more knowledgeable than the average American adult about pollution and climate change, Mr. Rollosson said.

The world is in dire straits and people like the Comics Uniting Nations team are going to help get everyone in gear, H.A.C. Executive Director Janet Carrus said at the end of the event. Ms. Schneider told the audience that it is now their responsibility to go out into the community and spread the word about caring

for oceans and the planet as a whole. Of every two breaths a human takes, one comes from oxygen provided by the ocean. The planet's waters cannot be neglected.

Comics Uniting Nations, a partnership of UNICEF, The World's Largest Lesson, PCI Media Impact and Reading with Pictures, has a dozen comics now, with more to come. Mr. Rollosson has big dreams for how these seemingly simple comic books can help save the world.

"The universe has been quite good to this project, and who knows where it's going," Mr. Rollosson said. "But it keeps growing."



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Comics Uniting Nations co-founder, Natabara Rollosson, speaks about the power of education through comic books alongside, from left, Annie Sunbeam co-creator and executive producer Debbie Margolis Horwitz, co-creator Jill Schneider, and DC Comics artist Bernard Chang.

For program suggestions, comments or questions about Hurleyville Arts Centre: info@hacny.org or 845-707-8047.

H.A.C. TO HOST 'DIRTY DANCING' ANNIVERSARY EVENT

by Amanda Loviza

HURLEYVILLE — Hurleyville will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the movie "Dirty Dancing" with true local flavor at the Hurleyville Arts Centre on Saturday, July 22.

Local legend and inspiration for the character Penny, Jackie Horner, will introduce a screening of the film at the Hurleyville Arts Centre Saturday evening, and answer questions about Catskills resort life. Ms. Horner taught dance at Grossinger's Resort from 1954 to 1986, and was involved in the making of the film in the 1980s. When the film was finally made in 1987, it had a small budget and low expectations.

"At the beginning, people said, 'Why are you doing this little movie in the Catskills?' Another piece of fluff," Ms. Horner said.

But those involved in the movie, like screenwriter Eleanor Bergstein who was the real-life "Baby," were part of the Catskills resort culture for decades, and felt like they had countless stories to tell.

"Those were the best of times," Ms. Horner said.

"They were great years."

Ms. Horner was a dance instructor just like Penny, and she'll regale anyone with tales of late-night staff parties and endless dance lessons. Her husband, Lou Goldstein, also worked at Grossinger's as an entertainer. Their entire lives were at the resort, and they loved it, said Ms. Horner, who now lives in an apartment in Liberty that she calls a "museum" of the resort days.

The film "Dirty Dancing" was a surprise smash hit, and remains a household name.

"You know, I've only seen the film once," Ms. Horner said. "I cried and I couldn't watch it again."

On Saturday, July 22, the day will kick off with an all-body inclusive fashion show, featuring the dancers of Heidi Latsky Dance and set to the soundtrack of "Dirty Dancing." The fashion show will happen outside in front of the Hurleyville Arts Centre, and during the afternoon there will be an outside barbecue and refreshments served inside the arts center. H.A.C. is partnering with the Sullivan County Museum to put



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Jackie Horner, a longtime dance instructor at Grossinger's resort and inspiration for the character Penny in "Dirty Dancing" stands by her car during a recent visit to the Hurleyville Arts Centre. Ms. Horner will be speaking at an anniversary screening of the film on Saturday, July 22.

some Borscht Belt memorabilia on display. At 5:30 p.m., Ms. Horner will speak to guests inside the H.A.C. Coordinator Erin Dudley said she hopes families will bring their children and spend the whole day in Hurleyville, enjoying a salute to an important part of local lore.

"How cool is it that 'Penny' lives right here?" Ms. Dudley said. "'Dirty Dancing' has epitomized the Borscht Belt tradition for three decades, and this is an opportunity to celebrate the beautiful heritage that is unique to our region."

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A VISIT WITH...First Steps Daycare

by Heather Gibson

HURLEYVILLE — "I can't figure out why you want to interview me Heather, I'm really not that interesting!" Diane Harvey laughed.

Diane is the owner and operator of J & C First Steps Daycare, LLC in Hurleyville. She is clearly modest, and despite her petite frame and quiet nature, she has strong visions for both her business and her family, fully intending to carry out every one of them.

Diane and Tony Harvey were living in Brooklyn when they decided they wanted more for their young sons. They wanted the boys to grow up in the country. They longed for smaller classrooms, teacher interaction, green grass to run around on, and fresh country air. Tired of concrete and car horns, they made the decision to move their family to Hurleyville.

Jalen is now 16, and Cody 14. Both are in National Honor Society, and thriving in their school

environment. Diane couldn't be happier with the decision they made many years ago, and although she was once afraid to go outside—"we didn't have snakes and water bugs in the city"—she eventually grew to love living in "the woods."

"Childcare is all I know," Diane says. Prior to owning her own business, she worked for another daycare for over fifteen years. When she moved upstate she became certified by The Sullivan County Child Care Council and opened a daycare in her home. She also became certified in CPR and First Aid, and keeps up on all required credentials throughout the year. You won't find children watching Disney Junior in Diane's program. She is proud to be a "TV free" daycare, believing that entertainment comes in many forms, and encouraging creativity and self-growth through movement and discovery.

Her philosophy is simple: Children learn through play.

She stocks her program with



PHOTO BY HEATHER GIBSON

First Steps Daycare owner and operator Diane Harvey has a simple philosophy: Children learn through play.

puzzles, books and toys. She rotates these frequently so the children don't get bored. Crayons and paper are left out on a table, so that if a child gets inspired to express themselves by coloring or drawing, the materials are readily available. The children have 30 minutes of story time daily, but Diane emphasizes most—especially now that the weather is nice—that they must spend a lot of time outside.

You may have seen her walking around town, attached to a chain of children exercising safety by holding hands. They walk everywhere. They can be

found in the Hurleyville Market having a snack, or in the post-office mailing a letter. They walk down the Rail Trail, where they search for turtles and run freely on the path. They also walk up to the farm where they watch the cows and the chickens. Sometimes they take their snack up there, and just sit quietly among nature. They play at the basketball court, and have story time at The Little Free Library.

"The children got a big kick out of the park that dressed the trees in the park," Diane said. "They loved to touch it, and put their face on it, and look at the bright colors."

It is amazing how something so simple can provide such delight and a positive sensory experience for such little minds. She looks forward to spending more time at Fiber On Main, where the children will be able to feel wool and see how it is spun into yarn and then produce a familiar product like a rug or scarf.

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The Inquiring Photographer

by Heather Gibson



Q. "What inspires you to be a better woman? Who are your female role models and why?"

"My children inspire me to be a better woman each and every day. Children have so much potential and they emulate what and who they see. That's my motivation, to be the best person I can be so they can do the same. I want them to be happy, respectful and kind people. Hopefully, if I lead by example they will do just that! I never had to look further than my own home to find good role models. My parents had great values and ethics and raised us with high expectations: school, work and respectful interactions were a must. They were well respected and involved in the community and support us wholeheartedly."



Regina McKenny-Snead

"My mother is my role model she moved here from Columbia 25 years ago. She came here to give me a better life. What's more admirable than giving up your life to make a better one for the ones you love? Every single day I aspire to be a Mother who puts her children before herself, much like my mother before me."



Laura Sheiner

"I am inspired daily to be a better woman by all of the women in my life; personally and professionally. I have the privilege of working with and knowing some incredibly strong, hardworking, and determined females who ignite in me the desire to do my best daily. If I had to choose one person that I consider my female role model it would be my great-grandmother. During her life, she broke through a lot of the stereotypical gender roles of her time by being a strong, independent, and self-sufficient female. While still a wife and a mother, she maintained her personal identity rather than becoming "just a mother" or "just a wife." While most women of her time were housewives, she continued to work outside of the home and helped to provide for her family to the best of her ability. Well into her 80s and 90s, you would find her making simple home repairs and performing lawn care without assistance from anyone. My great-grandmother was a strong-willed woman who required help from no one. The quote, "The question isn't who's going to let me; it's who's going to stop me." by Ayn Rand comes to mind.



Christine Torres

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choice to become a part of a community as I get older," Mrs. Carrus said. H.A.C. has "an amazing little team" of employees dedicated to bringing positive new things to Hurleyville, Mrs. Carrus said, and she loves having the connections between H.A.C., Gallery 222 and the Hurleyville Maker's Lab on Main Street. Change comes from the grassroots, Mrs. Carrus said, and she hopes the grassroots in Hurleyville will spread art, innovation, environmental awareness and acceptance. "We have to change attitudes," Mrs. Carrus said.

She wants Hurleyville, and the world, to see people as people, and build personal connections without getting hung up on differences. Mrs. Carrus grew up the oldest of eight children in a middle class family and raised her children as a single mother, and she considers herself well-versed in struggle. Now she is in a position to do positive things, and she hopes her work with the arts center has a ripple effect with the community around her. "I'd like to go out leaving an impression that I wasn't just passing through," Mrs. Carrus said. "I would like to have made a difference."

Hamlet Happenings

by Kathleen Sullivan



Volunteers from the community helped the members of Hurleyville-Sullivan First finish planting gardens at the Hurleyville Firemen's Park, the Community Gateway at the entrance to the RailTrail, St. Mary's Community Center, and the Hurleyville Fire House. They also planted the three planters at the entrances to Hurleyville and the barrels on Main Street. Volunteers are needed to help maintain the gardens, planters and barrels throughout the season. Please call 845-436-6887 if you can help with watering and weeding.

Hurleyville-Sullivan First meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Hurleyville Firehouse. The meetings are open to everyone interested in the revitalization and beautification of Hurleyville. Please visit www.hurleyville.com for more information about Hurleyville and Hurleyville-Sullivan First.

Interesting events are scheduled at the Sullivan County Museum in August. A representative sample of the thousands of Sullivan County newspapers in the museum's collection will be featured at "Historic Newspaper Day" on Saturday, August 5. There were at least thirteen weekly newspapers in Sullivan County as late as 1964. Sullivan County newspaper owners and workers... past and present... are invited to take part in the event.

An exciting and long overdue event will take place at the museum on Saturday, August 12 at 2 p.m. The prototype of the bagel making machine invented and patented by Hurleyville inventor Label Wichinsky will be formally unveiled at the opening of an exhibit honoring Label's life and important accomplishments. The Town of Fallsburg will proclaim the day as "Louis 'Label' Wichinsky Day". Anyone interested in sharing photos and memorabilia for the exhibit can contact Myron Gittell at the museum. The museum will also host a Book Fair on August 12 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Authors and illustrators who were born in Sullivan County, or who have published books on Sullivan County will be featured at the fair. Please contact Suzanne Cecil at the museum for information on participating in the event. Suzanne's e-mail address is genealogy@scnyhistory.org.

Watch for the opening of another new exhibit at the museum. The museum has acquired a collection of exquisite hats and shoes, including fashions from Paris, dating from 1800 through 1960. Other interesting and educational exhibits at the museum include:

- Sullivan County Wildlife Exhibit
- The General Store
- The Woodstock Festival
- A History of Sullivan County Farms
- The Military Room
- Early Sullivan County
- The Borscht Belt
- The Frederick A. Cook Gallery

The Sullivan County Historical Society is still accepting donations of yearbooks from Sullivan County high schools and Sullivan County Community College.

Volunteers are always needed at the museum. Anyone interested in exploring genealogy and the history of life in Sullivan County can call Pat Burns

3rd Annual WHAT THE HILL? Friend-Raiser Festival

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27TH
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Hurleyville Firehouse

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Please contact
MaryAnn (845.798.5418)
or
Donna (845.800.5402)
for information.

www.columbiahill.org

at the museum. The museum's phone number is 845-434-8044.

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

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

The congregation of the Hurleyville United Methodist Church welcomed their new minister, Jackie Carter, on July 2.

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

Volunteers at the church host the Community Lunch Program. Dates for the program will be announced on the church's page on Facebook.

The church hosts a Youth Group on Fridays from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Young people are invited to join in a variety of activities including board games, trivia, movie nights, arts and crafts. Upcoming dates are July 14, July 28, August 4 and August 18.

A Bible study group is held at the church every Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Please call Katrina at 845-436-7942 for more information or if you can help with any of

these activities.

The third annual "What the Hill?" Friend-Raiser Festival hosted by the Columbia Hill Neighborhood Alliance will be held at the Hurleyville Fire House on Sunday, August 27 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. The festival will feature live entertainment, fun activities for kids of all ages and local artisans and vendors.

Visitors to the festival will have an opportunity to learn about the adverse effects of irresponsible development and poor planning on our environment and our quality of life.

Vendors, environmental groups and community organizations are invited to participate in the festival. Contact Donna, 845-800-5402, or MaryAnn, 845-798-5418 for more information or to reserve a space.

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

Parking will be available at the fire house at 166 Main St. in Hurleyville.

CHNA volunteers are dedicated to the preservation of the unique rural community character of Thompson and Fallsburg, protection of the natural resource base and encouragement of smart growth. These goals can only be achieved when we insure our community infrastructure is balanced and sustainable.

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

FROM THE FARM

by Eve Springwood Minson



As temperatures warm up and days lengthen, the season's harvest rolls in with arugula, broccoli, lettuce, garlic scapes, kale, chard, snap peas, scallions and other early veggies gracing our kitchens and plates. Garden tasks revolve around fertilizing, weeding and watering when it's not raining, but the best part is the delicious, healthy meals we can finally enjoy, along with gorgeous bouquets of flowers for our homes!

My thoughts turn to all the dishes I love to cook this time of year. Included in my repertoire are strawberry jam, spring soups, pestos and wonderful vegetarian dishes, saving extra greens and strawberries for smoothies and the winter freezer. Baked kale chips, Italian and Asian dishes, soups and amazing salads are on the menu for me, filling me with the finest nutrients

available - from the backyard to my belly in minutes.

It's also time to harvest herbs to dry for winter use - oregano, parsley, thyme, rosemary, summer savory and sage are but a few herbs we can put into a food dehydrator or bundle up and hang in a warm attic or kitchen for drying so we can enjoy in winter. Lavender flowers are heavenly and dry well, along with chamomile and mint for tea. Mint is also delicious fresh in iced tea and cocktails.

Summer crops like blueberries, tomatoes, peppers, and eggplants are a little slow coming in this year because of cool temperatures, but soon we will enjoy their bounty, as well. I try to preserve the summer's harvest in any way I can. Tomatoes can be oven-dried or made into sauce and canned, peppers can be sliced fresh and frozen for future

The Scene

Music and Entertainment in and around Hurleyville



by Jane Harrison

Let me start by saying I received erroneous information about an SPCA benefit with Joanna Gass on July 6 at the Brew. This event is NOT happening. If you were planning to attend and donate, please do so directly to the SPCA.

The long awaited summer weather seems to finally be here, igniting a firestorm of music and venues all over the region. David Rosenberg and friends are right here every Saturday morning on Hurleyville's Main Street, for The Center for Discovery's Thanksgiving Farm CSA pick up (next to the Maker's Lab, for now). The CSA is by contract, but the music is good and free so bring your chairs and sing along.

If you love Farmers' Markets (and who doesn't!), check out the Liberty's Farmers' Market, 116 Main Street (behind the Rooster) on Friday's 3-6 p.m. and the Rock Hill Farmer's Market in Rock Hill on Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.. Each has local musicians to serenade you which you shop the best local goods and produce.

Bethel Lakeside Music kicked off its Thursday Summer Concert Series in last week with Yasgur in Kauneonga Lake at Gazebo Park. This series will continue with different musicians/groups every Thursday through September 7 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

If you haven't experienced Jazzmosis, run - don't walk to the Downtown Barn in Liberty Friday July 7. This music such a fresh blend of Jazz, funk, blues and a wink from God that if you don't like any of these, you will still love Jazzmosis!! \$10 cover.

Speaking of love, "The Yet Another Odd Tuesday" is no longer odd at the Brew in Rock Hill with the Greater Sullivan Search and Rescue Orchestra performing every Tuesday night, instead of every other Tuesday, until Labor Day. Flying by the seat of their pants for a rollicking good time are Steve Schwartz, Kenny W, Bobby C, Eric Nies and songstress Joanna M Gass. Always, al-

ways a fun fest. On a completely different note, a big shout out and kudos to Annie Cadden for the brilliant idea of yarn bombing of the trees to herald the Grand Opening of Fiber On Main Memorial Day weekend. Well over 100 people toured the fiber arts studio and Pinwheels, the amazing quilting shop adjacent, and then went out to wander around each of the adorned trees. Each colorful piece of the yarn bombing was knitted or crocheted by a resident of Hurleyville (including myself) and surrounding areas or by an employee of The Center for Discovery. This was no small feat to accomplish and I was sad to see it come down, as it must for the tree's well-being.

Schedule for July
Every Monday
Dutch's Open Mic, 7 p.m., 205 Rock Hill Dr, Rock Hill
Every Tuesday
The Greater Sullivan County Search and Rescue Orchestra, Brew, 5:30pm-8:30, Brew, 280 Rock Hill Drive, Rock Hill
Thursdays
Every Thursday Summer Concert Series at the Gazebo Park, Kauneonga Lake
July 6: Debbie "Dallas" Fisher and Those Guys
July 13: Keith Newman and Linda Reno
July 20: Alan Sorensen
July 27: Dennis Newberg, David Milner

July 6: Open Mic hosted by JEFF ENTIN, the High Falls Café, 12 Stone Dock Rd, High Falls
Every Friday
Sorellas, Jazz Standards with AL DEFINO and LARRY RAVDIN and great Italian food! 6pm-9, 3562 State Rte 55, Kauneonga Lake
The Liberty Farmers' Market, 3-6 p.m., North Main St. (behind the big Rooster). Love that address!

July 7: Jazzmosis, the Downtown Barn, 14 Darby Lane, Liberty, \$10 cover (A full roster for July can be found on their Facebook page)
Every Saturday
The Farmer's Market in Rock Hill, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., 223 Rock Hill Dr., Rock Hill
July 1: Bryan Gordon

July 8: Those Guys
July 15: Keith Newman David Rosenberg and Friends, CSA pick up next to the Makers Lab, Main Street, Hurleyville
Sorellas, Jazz Standards with AL DEFINO and LARRY RAVDIN and great Italian food! 6pm-9, 3562 State Rte 55, Kauneonga Lake
The Pickled Owl: 6 p.m. start, 218 Main St, Hurleyville. At this writing, I have not yet received their July line up. What I can say is that the food and music are always stellar and you'll never be disappointed.
July 8: MiZ, The Catskill Distillery (behind the Dancing Cat), 8:30PM, 2037 State Route 17B, Bethel. Put a big star next to this as this is another "must see". A little country, a little bluesy and always wonderful.
Every Sunday:
MUSIC WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT: 11 a.m. to 1:30ish, DeFillippis Bakery, 506 Broadway, Monticello
The Dancing Cat Saloon: #SHINEON, Jazz Brunch, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., 2037 State Rte 17B, Bethel
Phew! The hills are alive!!
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THE CENTER FOR DISCOVERY GALA COMES TO HURLEYVILLE

HURLEYVILLE — The Center for Discovery hosted its annual fundraising gala, “Evening of Discovery” Saturday, June 10, at the Michael Ritchie Big Barn Center for Environmental Health, Education and Research in Hurleyville. Families of those who live and attend school at The Center, philanthropists, and community leaders gathered to honor The Center’s groundbreaking work developing new models of care for the education and treatment of individuals with significant disabilities and complex conditions.



The event featured a culinary tour of The Center for Discovery’s Thanksgiving Farm, and raised more than \$500,000 to benefit The Center’s advanced programs and services.

On Saturday, June 10, 2017, The Center for Discovery (TCFD) held its “Evening of Discovery” Gala at the Michael Ritchie Big Barn Center on the Stonewall Preserve in Hurleyville, NY, supporting its work for individuals with complex conditions. Attending were Edward C. Sweeney, Chairman; Jennifer Sweeney; Janet Carrus, TCFD board member and President of the Gerald & Janet Carrus Foundation; Aidan Quinn, TCFD board member; and Elizabeth Quinn.

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by Amanda Loviza

LOCH SHELDRAKE — Jay Quaintance knows what it’s like to be a student who doesn’t fit into the traditional education mold. His long and stuttering journey to his own higher education is what drives his passion to work in community colleges, where he believes students of all types have the most “democratic” opportunity to achieve a college education.

Mr. Quaintance brought his nontraditional vision to SUNY Sullivan last year as interim president, and in June was named permanent president of SUNY Sullivan. He said he knew by the end of his first semester in Loch Sheldrake that he wanted to stay. He likes the rural setting, and he appreciates the fact that every person in town has a connection to the college in some way.

“Community colleges are anchors in communities,” Mr. Quaintance said. “They don’t call them ‘community’ colleges for nothing.”

Mr. Quaintance did not attend a community college, but he credits a community college professor for helping him finally finish his bachelor’s degree, and

his first job after school was teaching at a community college.

“Community colleges are just a place where the work is good for the right reasons,” Mr. Quaintance said. “Everybody deserves the opportunity to get a college education.”

Mr. Quaintance himself has a bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree, but surprisingly, he has no high school degree or equivalency. About six weeks before the end of his senior year of high school in New Mexico, Mr. Quaintance found out there was no way he could raise his English grade above failing, and he would have to attend summer school. Rather than do that, he dropped down to attending only the classes he was interested in, and after the school year he got a job as a carpenter. From there, he began working at Montgomery Ward as a janitor. The department store had the only incinerator in town, and as the janitor, one of Mr. Quaintance’s chores each month would be to dispose of the expired blood from the local Red Cross.

“I would have to build this big fire and throw bags of blood in there in a way that didn’t extinguish the fire but got rid of the



PHOTO PROVIDED

Jay Quaintance has been named president of SUNY Sullivan after a stint as the college’s interim president.

blood,” Mr. Quaintance said. “It was really gross.”

A family friend—his future mother-in-law—convinced him he needed to go to college. New Mexico State University allowed students who scored high enough on their entrance exams to enter without a high school diploma, with the understanding that they would complete a GED in the first year. Mr. Quaintance said he took four out of the five GED tests, but never took the math exam, and therefore never attained a GED.

He didn’t instantly become a

good student. It took Mr. Quaintance 10 years to finish his bachelor’s degree, getting kicked out twice for bad grades. A doctoral program at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute brought him to New York, where he dropped out of school one last time. Not for grades, this time—but because he had an opportunity to work at SUNY Schenectady County Community College. He then worked as the Assistant Vice Chancellor and Assistant Provost for Community College Policy and Planning at SUNY, and served as assistant secretary for education in the governor’s office before coming to SUNY Sullivan.

“I understand really, really well why community colleges are important in American higher education,” Mr. Quaintance said.

As Sullivan County changes, Mr. Quaintance said he looks forward to crafting programs that help students fill the local workforce needs, and he wants SUNY Sullivan to have a leading role in innovation, public health, research and building long-term economic strength for the whole county.

Historic marker for old Hurleyville School

by Eli Ruiz

HURLEYVILLE — Back in 2014, brothers and lifelong area residents, Gordon and Henry MacAdam published the first volume of their Irish family’s more than century-long history in Sullivan County.

Inspired, as Gordon MacAdam related in a 2014 news article highlighting the work - titled “Family Remembrances” - in the early 1980s by a Port Jervis couple he’d read about who’d penned a familial history of their town in the then bustling railroad town.

Since then “Family Remembrances” has grown to four volumes, spanning many generations from 1790 to 2016.

While working on the tome, the brothers learned that local families can be honored through the placement of historic markers, or plaques. Last year, they were able to erect four official historic markers in the towns of Thompson and Forestburgh, commemorating their Irish immigrant ancestors’ contributions to both municipalities’ development and growth.

But the MacAdam brothers’ work was far from done.

Through the extensive research they did for their initial project, the brothers discovered a grossly neglected aspect of Sullivan County history: chronicling the existence of dozens of one-room school houses dating back to the 1800s. Seven of those schoolhouses still stand in the Town of Thompson.

One is right here in Hurleyville.

Fascinated by these tiny edu-

cational centers, Gordon MacAdam made it his next project to research, locate and commemorate with official historical markers as many of the one-room school sites as possible.

Mr. MacAdam would soon discover 20 one-room school sites in the Town of Thompson alone, so he enlisted a committee to help with the project.

Fortunately for MacAdam, one of those committee members was an old friend, Paul Lounsbury, who had grown up in Hurleyville.

“His [Lounsbury] family turned out to have owned the Hurleyville property,” offered MacAdam. “We were able to obtain the original leases, dating back to 1836, to the Monticello School District.”

According to MacAdam, the Lounsbury family eventually sold the property to the District in 1903.

All this could easily have been lost to history if not for the Lounsbury family’s foresight at the time of that sale. The Lounsbury family included a “reversionary clause” in the deed, stipulating that once the land ceased being used as a school the family would re-assume ownership of the property.

“It was likely agreed upon due to the very low price the land owners sold the property to the school for... after-all, it was for a school,” offered Mr. MacAdam.

One might ask oneself why the Town of Thompson would require 20-plus one-room schools back then, but to Mr. MacAdam it makes perfect sense.

“With transportation being what it was back then, and the fact that most kids did walk 2 to 3 miles to school, it was logical to place most of the schools where the population clusters were.”

The process for obtaining each historical marker is no easy endeavor, though, with extensive historical provenance required by the state, and of-



PHOTO BY JOHN CONWAY

Gordon MacAdam (center) poses with project collaborators (left to right) Paul Lounsbury, Suzanne Cecil, president of the Sullivan County Historical Society, Al Wolkoff, Town of Thompson Historian, and Judy Wolkoff, Sullivan County Historical Society board member. A mock-up of a historical marker is in front.

cial historical markers don’t come cheap either, costing, as Mr. MacAdam said, “between \$1,300 and \$1,800 each.”

To cover the cost, Mr. MacAdam would have to appropriate the funds from the municipality where each individual property is located.

“It really was quite the process to get it all done,” admitted Mr. MacAdam. “I would get on the board meeting agendas in the different municipalities and explain to them exactly what the project was all about.”

During this work, Mr. MacAdam discovered a Syracuse, N.Y. based philanthropic organization that might be able to help streamline the process: the William G. Pomeroy Foundation.

Mr. MacAdam says that Pomeroy, a wealthy businessman who passed away in 2007, “had a big interest in having historic markers erected throughout New York State.”

According to Mr. MacAdam, upon Pomeroy’s passing his wife set up his namesake foundation.

“Now what we’d do is submit whatever historical data we had on each school to the municipality like usual,” said Mr. MacAdam. “They would then submit it to the Pomeroy Foundation, as per their funding guidelines.”

Mr. MacAdam has found several former students who actual-

ly attended the one-room schools before District centralization.

“They’re [the former students] now all in their eighties and nineties,” offered Mr. MacAdam, adding, “and sharp as whips.”

“Many I know because two of the schools were close to where I grew up, so a number of my neighbors who are 15 or 20 years older than me went to these schools toward the end. So they usually know who the last teacher was, which may be something we may want to commemorate on the plaque... talk about history right from the source.”

Mr. MacAdam says that some of the sites were “nearly impossible to research” due to the sometimes convoluted lease, sale and resale arrangements of the past, so he enlisted the help of yet another friend, Mary Ann Drobysh-Berens, who owns an insurance and title search business.

“I’ve known her for 30-years, so I hoodwinked her into being my volunteer,” quipped Mr. MacAdam.

Mr. MacAdam expects the first of the plaques to be approved for funding sometime around December.

Any former one-room school students interested in participating in the project are encouraged to reach Gordon MacAdam by e-mail at gordonmac@hvc.nr.com.

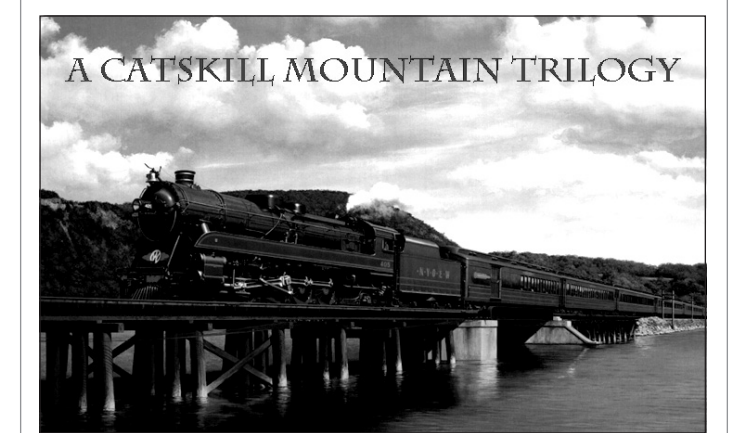


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Paul Lounsbury’s DVD, Catskill Mountain Trilogy, featuring his haunting ballad about three generations of life in Hurleyville can be found on YouTube.

PAUL LOUNSBURY NO STRANGER TO HURLEYVILLE

by Eli Ruiz

HURLEYVILLE --- Paul Lounsbury, who retired in 2007 after decades with New York State Electric and Gas (NYSEG), has deep Hurleyville roots.

“My grandparents were Daniel Addison Lounsbury and Carolyn ‘Carrie’ Applebee Lounsbury. They had 12 children. Their farm was on Whittaker Road, about a quarter mile past the [Hurleyville] one-room school house, and I know the Lounsbury family dates back at least 2 generations before that time,” Mr. Lounsbury said.

Mr. Lounsbury is a musician and songwriter, and a few years ago wrote a

song about the history of the Ontario & Western Railway, the railroad that went through Hurleyville and was responsible for the creation of the once great resort industry in the county. The song talks about the rise and fall of the railroad, which coincided with the rise and fall of the resort industry. Eventually he created a documentary of photos to sync with the lyrics of the song. It is called “Catskill Mountain Trilogy” and it has been on YouTube for some time.

“I’ve had about 25,000 views to date, and I would like to invite everyone to watch it and learn a whole lot about what life was like in Sullivan County,” Mr. Lounsbury said.



PHOTO BY ELI RUIZ

The former one-room schoolhouse at the corner of Whittaker Road and Anawana Lake Road is slated to get a historic marker.

A VISIT continued

FROM PAGE 1

Diane is very excited to see change and growth taking place in Hurleyville. She thinks it’s wonderful, only re-enforcing the decision she made long ago to come here in hopes of a better life.

She sometimes misses meeting friends in the city, and she misses the trains and subway system more than anything. Although she’s generally aggravated by crowds, there was something about the hustle and bustle of the subway that excited her. However, it’s a small thing to give up given what she’s found.

She says she’s most grateful for the teachers here. Whenever her sons have faced a challenge, she said, their teach-

ers “would pick up the phone and call me right away, and together, we’d work on solving the issue.”

She believes attention to detail and good communication make all things possible. She calls immediately if either son brings home a grade lower than an 85. She wants to know “what can we do to bring that B up to an A?”

She believes her children have one “job” and that is to focus on school. There is no reason they shouldn’t thrive, given the right support.

She admits being a Mom isn’t easy. There are moments of joy and moments of tears. It is clear she’s proud of her boys, and she is happy with the respectful men they are growing to be.

They hold the door open for her when she gets in the car, and that makes her smile, adding “when the parents pick up their children at 6 p.m., it’s time for Miss Diane to be Mommy. That is my time, our time. I clean up the toys, I wash the tables and floors, and I get dinner started for my family.”

She holds parents accountable for being late, and she makes sure she takes her own personal vacations.

“It’s important to rejuvenate and then I’m ready to come back and run around with the children again,” she said. Unfortunately, J & C First Steps doesn’t have any openings. Diane says small town word-of-mouth has kept her business alive.

“When a child gets too old to attend my program, there’s usually another child already waiting in the wings to come in,” she said.

She is grateful for the parents of the kids in her daycare.

“They are all great parents. I’ve had most of their kids since they were just a few years old,” she said. “It’s rewarding to watch their kids grow and learn.”

Diane concluded by saying that this is her favorite time of year.

“Each week we have water games, and do summer camp-type activities, and each Friday we wrap up the week with an outdoor BBQ, which is fun for the children and their parents who join us.”

I left Diane’s house feeling peaceful. The kids were napping while Diane and I swapped stories of motherhood and spoke about the responsibility of caring for other people’s children. It’s a big responsibility for sure, but she accepts it with professionalism and dedication. Diane spoke to me about how a good morning or bad morning is sure to set the tone for the rest of the day. Funny, I feel the same way about daycare programs. So much growth happens in those first few years.

The world needs more people like Diane to guide children through their very first steps.

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From the Firehouse

By Jack Halchak, Past Chief H.F.D.



The Hurleyville Fire Department is always looking for help, to fight fire or support those that do. We even supply all of the gear and provide all of the training needed, for free. Stop by any Monday night and find out how you can help. It has been a while since someone stopped by. Ryan Green did and is now a member. Welcome aboard to our newest member: Ryan Green.

The 16th Annual Morningside Fishing Classic was held on the first day of the New York State bass season. The 5 a.m. start greeted us with a misty fog and a very calm Morningside Lake with temperatures in the low 60s. Because of all the recent rain the lake was a little high and with the crazy weather that we have had (cold, hot, cold, hot) the weed growth was at a minimum. The water was a bit cool and tea stained in color, but clear. There were also a couple of brief showers during the contest. At times it got bright and the sun tried to poke through, but didn't.

A lot of fish were caught early, at the start of the contest. Many were caught on rubber worms, black and sweet potato in color were popular, fished Carolina rigged or Texas rigged.

But it seemed that the winners needed something different to catch the bigger fish. Case in point: The winner, Steven Bennett, used a multi-color crank bait to put 9.85 lbs.

of bass into his live well to take home first place. He had a 3.09 and 2.10 pounder in his limit of five fish. Second place went to Tom Clegg of Newburgh.

Tom used a black worm and fished it wacky style to fill his live well with five quality bass. Tom has placed in this tournament for a number of years and



Chad Unger of Forestburgh used spinner bait to catch the largest fish of the day and capture the lunger prize.

he won it last year. Third place went to Chad Unger of Forestburgh with 7.51 pounds of fish. Chad used a spinner bait to get his fish. Using the spinner bait he also caught the lunger of the day a 5.14 pounder that also won him a fifty dollar bill for the lunger (largest fish of the day by weight).

Only one pickerel was entered, and that was entered by Noah Crowley of Liberty. It was 18.50 inches long and weighed 1.38 pounds.

Close to Morningside Lake is the Morningside Four Corners intersection. The old Morningside Hotel was near the lake and the intersection was always referred to "Morningside Four Corners."

The fire department has responded to many, many accidents at this intersection over the years.

Let's take a look at the roads that make up the intersection.

Going from Hurleyville to Loch Sheldrake the road is variously called: County Road 104, Main Street, Loch

Sheldrake-Hurleyville Road, and Francis Currey Boulevard.

Making a left toward Liberty, it is County Road 51 or Hilldale Road.

Making the right toward Old Falls, it is County Road 52 or Brickman Road.

So where is the problem and why are there so many accidents at this intersection? The line of sight is good coming from all directions. When you are driving from Loch Sheldrake to Hurleyville you CAN NOT beat the light. 99 out of 100 times it will be RED when you get to it. Coming from Hurleyville to the light you can see the light as you round the corner. Coming from Liberty you can see the light change at least once and coming from Old Falls the line of sight is fine.

I have sat at the light and had a car pass me on the right and make a turn onto Brickman Road and at the same time I have even had a car pass me on the left and make the left towards Liberty all while the light was RED. There

are signs on all of the corners that say "no right turn on red."

Another time, while my wife and I were working on the Welcome to Hurleyville sign, we watched a car run the red light and get hit.

I have questioned people at the various accidents and they say "I thought I could beat the light."

You can't. For a light with a good line of sight and no right turn on red, there are way too many accidents at this intersection. You can't beat the light.

Please be careful at the "Morningside Four Corners" intersection.

As long as we are talking about traffic take note of the construction on Main Street in Hurleyville. With construction going on and the traffic cones the road is a little narrow.

If you see any red or blue emergency lights, pull over in a safe spot and let the emergency vehicles pass.

Summer is upon us and it brings more traffic.

Drive with care and be careful at the "Morningside Four Corners." Remember you can't beat the light, try as you might. If you try, you will likely hear me asking, "what happened?"

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The Splendid Campaign "Suffrage Is Coming and So Are They"

Just over a century ago, the November, 1917 election presented a referendum to New York State voters, which at the time consisted of only the state's male population, whether women should be allowed to participate in future elections. A similar state-wide measure presented to the New York electorate had failed handily two years earlier. Since the 1915 election, however, the movement for women's suffrage had gained national momentum as more and more states ratified similar amendments, guaranteeing women the right to participate in the electoral process in those states. During the summer and fall of 1917, regional and local advocates of the women's suffrage movement continuously canvassed throughout Sullivan County, in hopes of gaining support for the state referendum to enfranchise women in New York. The following articles from the 1917 Hurleyville Sentinel are reported on these suffragettes' activities and their progress. More on this topic in this space next month.

JULY 11 County Suffrage Convention at Liberty Next



So-called "vote-wagons" such as this, drawn by oxen or by horses as here, were a common sight around Sullivan County during the campaign for women's suffrage.

Tuesday

The Sullivan County Branch of the New York State Women's Suffrage Party will hold its annual convention in the large hall of the Memorial Building, Liberty on Tuesday, July 17. Mrs. Luther Payne of Liberty and her committee of arrangements has made every effort to ensure a successful convention and to extend the hospitality of Liberty to the delegates and visitors from every corner of the county and to the officers of the state and district organizations who will speak.

A large attendance is expected as Suffrage enthusiasm in Sullivan County seems to be growing phenomenally, due to the changed attitude towards women's service caused by the war and also to the efficient work of Miss Alida Brooks of Orange County, State Suffrage Organizer, who has brought the number of Suffrage clubs in

Sullivan up to twenty-one, the largest number of such clubs in any assembly district in the Ninth District.

Miss C W Montgomery of Wurtsboro, Suffrage leader of Sullivan County, who will preside at the convention, is working tirelessly for votes for women and expects her county to poll a good majority for suffrage on November 6th.

Among recent activities of the county suffragists is the efficient help they gave in taking the State Military Census. 151 volunteer women enumerators mustered by the county Suffrage Party, worked in 37 election districts. Everywhere, the county suffragists are working in gardens and kitchens to produce and preserve additional food supply. It is reported that one of the Sullivan Suffragists tends a post office, house and garden and has knitted seven sweaters and five pairs of

wristlets for the soldiers. Mrs. Merceine Skinner, whose husband is on the Men's Advisory Board of the New York State Women's Suffrage Party, and her committee made the second annual ball of the Wurtsboro Suffrage Club the greatest social event of the county as well as a financial success. Center-ville has also given a successful suffrage ball recently.

JULY 18

Local and Personal Items

The Women's Political Club was organized in Hurleyville Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Leslie H Prince, by Miss Alida Brooks of Montgomery, organizer of the Women Suffrage Clubs of Sullivan County. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Will. M. Prince, President; Mrs. Leslie H. Prince, Vice President; Mrs. Minnie Knapp, Secretary and Treasurer.

AUGUST 1

Local and Personal Items

The final figures of the military census of Sullivan County show 9,773 men and 9,723 women between the ages of 16 and 50 years. The total registration was 19,496 for the county. That Sullivan is a good section for marriageable women is evident by the fact that the census shows that the males are in majority by 50.

FROM THE FALLSBURG LIBRARY

by Kelly Wells and Amanda Letohic



We want to start this month by saying a HUGE 'thank you!' to all those who came out to vote for the library budget and trustee election on June 6. It's thanks to all of you that our budget passed by a margin of 82 to 17. With the results of the voting we welcome David J. Lawrence and Laurie Burke-Deutsch to the Board of Trustees. We're very excited for the great year ahead!

This month marks the official start of Summer Reading at New York Libraries with a great theme of "Build a Better World." To encourage more children and teens to participate in Summer Reading, our New York State Senator, John J. Bonacic, and our local Assemblywoman, Aileen M. Gunther,

are each offering certificates to those who track their reading this summer.

Stop in the library today for more details on each of these great challenges! And remember...the Fallsburg Library has a prize party in August for those who participate in Summer Reading this year. Prizes include games, craft kits, books, and some gift cards. Call, e-mail or stop in the library today to sign up. Those who sign up are given preference when registering for some of these great programs that we have coming up:

On Monday July 10 at 5 p.m., we have a kids' Karate Demo with Upstate Karate of Mountaintale. Come practice your moves!

Monday July 17, come visit



Sullivan County Historian John Conway will present three programs at the Fallsburg Library during the summer, beginning with "Transition: Major Changes in Early Sullivan County History" on July 13.

with Officer Rosa and his K9 partner Maus of the Fallsburg Police Department and learn more about what they do for our community.

On Thursday July 13 and Thursday July 27, adults can join us at 7 p.m. for two parts of our three-part lecture series with

Sullivan County Historian, John Conway and learn more about the county's vibrant history.

On Wednesday July 26 at 6 p.m., tweens and teens can join us at Brian Inger Park as we welcome back the guys from Rolling Video Bus!

As always, we have preschool story hour Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

Just for the summer reading program, we have Drop-In Craft Night on Tuesdays, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Drop in and make a fun Summer Reading related craft.

As you can see, we have many great things coming up at the Fallsburg Library. Some programs have limited spots so please call, e-mail, or stop in to sign up. Here's a reminder of our contact information: call: 845-436-6067, e-mail: fbr@rcls.org, stop in: 12 Railroad Plaza, South Fallsburg, NY or follow us on social media!



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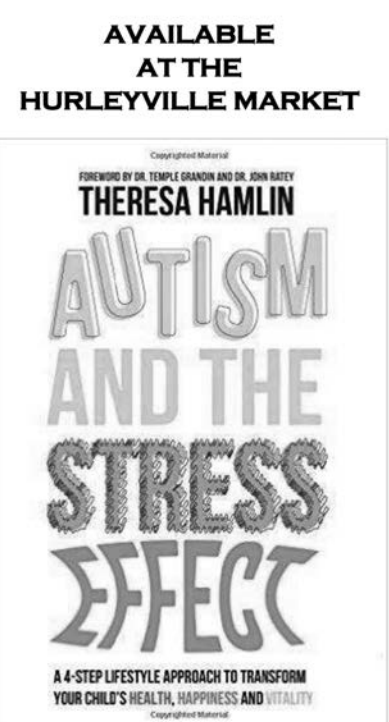
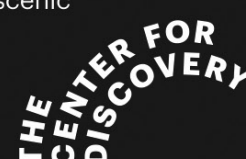


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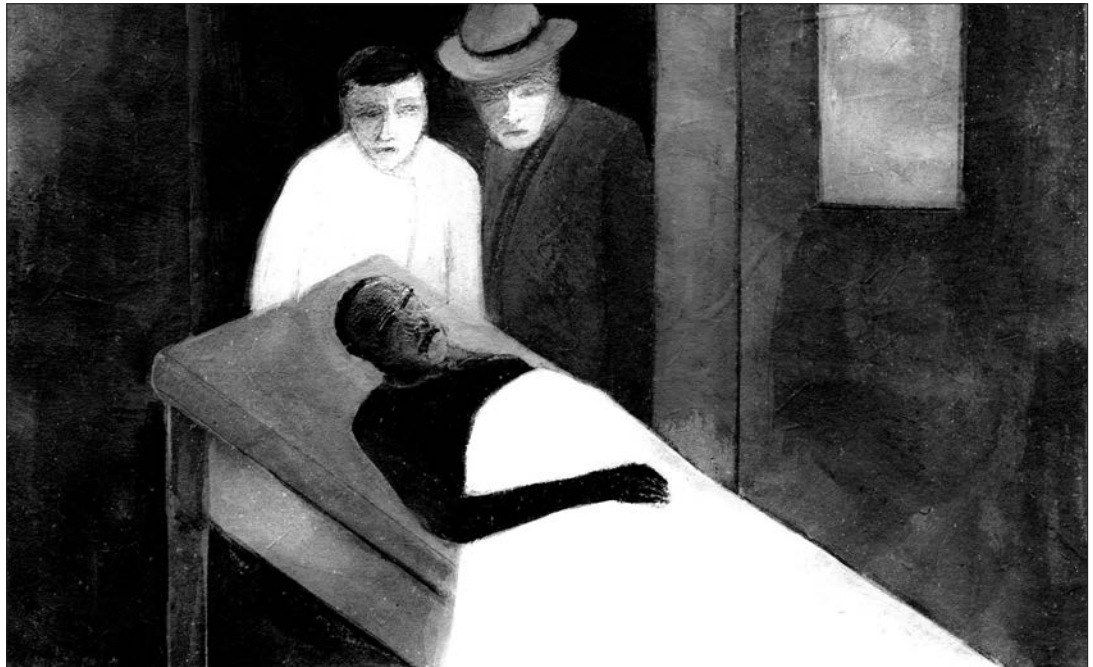
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HIT AND RUN PART II

It is New Year's Eve, the waning hours of 1931, and Town of Fallsburg Constable Bronco Kelly has found himself in the middle of a curious case of hit and run, that has left Hurleyville's only African American resident, Sidney Grant Van Keuren, better known as Doc, mangled and near death. But it seems as if the mystery is just beginning. Here is Part II of our story... based on actual events:



Doctor Kornblum escorted Bronco to where Doc was, his misshapen head making him barely recognizable.

It was late in the evening on December 31, 1931 and Joe Kile and I were seated in his kitchen, going over the events of the last few hours, events that had included the discovery of a badly injured man in a frozen ditch along Main Street. I had just advised Joe that it looked to me as if the man—Sidney Grant Van Keuren, or Doc, as he was known throughout Hurleyville, had been run down intentionally when there was a knock on his front door that could be heard throughout the large house.

We heard Joe's wife answer the door, and then heavy footsteps back toward the kitchen where we sat.

It was Ben Gerow, Sullivan County Sheriff, and Deputy Sheriff Jay Lass. Gerow did not look like he was in a good mood.

"I got to tell you, Kelly, I don't like getting dragged out of the house late at night, and especially not on New Year's Eve. Whaddya got here?"

Jay Lass looked a bit startled at his boss's bluntness, but said nothing. I took a deep breath. Gerow was known as a direct man and one who liked the facts.

"Hit and run, Sheriff," I

said. "Happened about 7:30 or so this evening, body left in the ditch out front. Victim's in bad shape."

Deputy Lass, a tall, slender man with a soft spoken manner, pulled a pencil and paper from his inside jacket pocket and asked, "Have you been able to identify the victim?"

"Sidney Grant Van Keuren," I told him.

"Van Keuren?" Gerow said loudly. "I know a lot of Van Keurens, I don't think I know any Sidney. Is he a youngster?"

"No," I answered. "He's mid-fifties, I would say, though it's hard to tell. He's a Negro. Known around town as Doc."

"Doc?" Gerow chuckled. "Okay."

Jay Lass followed up with a few more questions, but it became apparent that Gerow was eager to leave.

"Kelly, keep me informed on this. Especially let me know if the victim buys the farm."

I looked at Lass and nodded.

I knew Jay Lass pretty well, and my wife and I had been to his modest home on Spring Street in Monticello for dinner on occasion with Jay and his delightful wife, Tilly. They were decent folks.

"Victim's at the hospital in Monticello?" he asked.

"Yes, I'm heading there now."

"I'll be along shortly, after I drop the Sheriff off. If he is able to talk, I'd like to be there to hear what he might have to say."

I nodded, and watched as Lass turned to leave, walking toward the Sheriff, who was nearly at the front door. After a step or two, he paused and looked back at me.

"You knew him, didn't you?"

I nodded silently.

"I hope he's going to be okay," he said, and turned to join his boss.

I thanked Joe Kile for his help, let him know I was heading to the hospital, and went out the back door.

It was just starting to snow;

a heavy, wet snow that seemed like it meant business. And it seemed noticeably colder, too.

I fiddled with the choke until the car started up, let it idle for a minute or two, and headed to Monticello.

The snow continued as I drove to the Monticello Hospital, a large brick structure less than ten years old that sat high upon one of the most prominent elevations in the village. With the reduced visibility from the snow, the drive took considerably longer than usual, and it was after ten o'clock when I finally ascended the hill to the facility, the rear wheels spinning wildly in a desperate attempt to grab hold of something solid, and the rear end sliding back and forth in rhythmic response. As I exited the car, I saw a truck with a couple of men in the back heading to the entrance, presumably to throw some ash on the increasingly slippery driveway.

Once inside the imposing structure, a receptionist directed me to a tired looking nurse

who querulously informed me that it had been an unusually busy evening, with over-indulgent revelers and minor injuries from numerous fender benders. When I asked about Doc, she shook her head.

"You'll have to talk to Doctor Kornblum," she finally said.

Dr. Jacob Kornblum was not hard to find. He was in the middle of the action as a bevy of nurses and attendants scurried to and fro dealing with the needs of half-a-dozen patients. He looked up when he saw me.

"Constable Kelly, right?" he said quickly. "We've met before, I'm Jake Kornblum, and I'm afraid I don't have good news."

I was somewhat stunned by the doctor's blunt greeting, and did not respond right away, so he continued.

"Mr. Van Keuren is alive, but I do not expect him to be for much longer. He is suffering from massive internal injuries, and severe head trauma. It would not be much of an exaggeration to say that nearly every bone in his body is broken."

"But he's alive? Can he speak?"

"He is alive in a manner of speaking, Constable. I do not expect he will regain consciousness."

Dr. Kornblum escorted me around the corner to where Doc was, his misshapen head making him barely recognizable. I stood over him for a moment, maybe longer, and found myself uttering a silent prayer, which was interrupted by Jay Lass walking up behind me. We stood there together for a few minutes with-

out speaking.

Our reveries were interrupted by the harried nurse I had spoken to earlier.

"Deputy Lass? There's a telephone call for you."

Jay excused himself and left, but returned within what seemed like just a few seconds.

"I have to go, Bronco," he said wearily. "Hard to believe, but we have another hit and run."

"What? Another one?"

"That's right. Chestnut Street in Liberty. Body was found just a few minutes ago. Liberty police are on it, but I have to at least put in an appearance."

We walked to the front entrance and stood for a moment surveying the weather outside. The storm had intensified, but instead of the heavy wet snow that had been falling earlier, a cold, piercing sleet had developed. In the distance we heard church bells peeling, and Jay pulled out his pocket watch, opened the cover and checked the time.

"Happy New Year, Bronco," he said, extending his hand.

Fallsburg Constable Bronco Kelly certainly has his hands full investigating the hit run of Sidney Grant Van Keuren, and now it seems there was a second hit and run not long after, not far away in Liberty. Are the two incidents related? Will Doc survive his injuries? Will the hit and run driver (or drivers) be apprehended? Find out when Jack Robbin's short story continues in the next edition of The Hurleyville Sentinel...

EMS Beat

by Albee Bockman, AEMT-P

"DROWNING IN SORROW"

The summer season is a time for family, food, fun, and frolicking! Included in that fun is enjoying all the outdoor water activities that beautiful Sullivan County has to offer. Unfortunately, if we do not respect "Mother Nature," we may find ourselves in heaps of trouble.

As a Professional Health Care Provider for over 40 years, I have experienced numerous tragedies involving water. Sadly enough, the majority were - - avoidable.

Drowning is the third leading cause of unintentional death worldwide. It accounts for seven per cent of all injury-related deaths. The highest drowning rates are among children 1-4 years old, followed by children 5-9 years old. Overall, children, males, and individuals with increased access to water are most at risk of drowning. In America alone, drowning is the second leading cause of unintentional injury death in children aged 1 to 14 years.

Of course, there are several ways one might succumb to a water tragedy. For instance, we experienced severe flood disasters in Sullivan and Delaware counties over the last several years, tourists canoeing in the Delaware River along Route 97 have had their share of tragedy, and, of course, infants and young children left unsupervised or alone with another child around water are at risk.

Let us now talk about what actions we can take to prevent drowning. Firstly, for those of us that have the luxury of owning an inground or above ground pool, town ordinances now require fencing around swimming pools and locked gates. So lock 'em' up!!! Kids are soooo mischievous and can be very mischievous. It only takes a second for a tragedy to happen. Think about it!

Secondly, teaching water safety and safe rescue skills to school-age children. These efforts must be undertaken with an emphasis on safety. And last, but not least, we must have effective disaster preparedness planning and early

warning systems in our communities.

The last thing I want to discuss is a term known as "Mammalian Diving Reflex". This is the body's physiological response to submersion in cold water and includes selectively shutting down parts of the body in order to conserve energy for survival.

In plain English, this is what I mean: Humans and other mammals have reflexes that are activated when our face is cooled - - like when you dive into water or if we hold our breath. This enables our body to manage and tolerate a lower level of oxygen.

Three main changes occur in the body. First, our heart enters into what is known as bradycardia - - slowing of the heart rate by anywhere from 10 to 30 per cent. Secondly, peripheral vasoconstriction occurs. This is a narrowing of our blood vessels which reduces blood flow to the limbs ensuring that our brain and heart receive oxygen to the max. Thirdly, a blood shift occurs allowing blood plasma and water to pass through our organs and to the chest cavity to protect the organs from the increase in pressure. The combination of these three reflexes can preserve a human body submerged in water for possibly up to one hour or more. This means . . . the colder the water, the younger the person, and the least amount of time submerged, that life can be saved with little to no brain or organ deficit!!! There are many, many cases where people have survived drowning for up to an hour-and-a-half when these conditions are met.

There is a saying in our field of Paramedicine, "You're not dead till you're warm and dead." Aggressive treatment by Paramedics such as intubation, cardiac care, pharmacological intervention, and body core warming have proven successful in the saving of human lives from drowning incidents.

Have a happy, healthy, and safe summer season, Hurleyville!!!

SPOTLIGHT ON A HURLEYVILLE TREASURE

by Kathleen Sullivan

"FLORENCE JACOBSON"

Florence Frumovich Jacobson was born on July 8, 1915, in New York City, two years before the legalization of women's suffrage in New York in 1917.

Along with her parents, Lena and Morris Frumovich, and her sisters, Elsie Freier (Freier's Luncheonette in Hurleyville) and Ruth Gally, Florence moved to Hurleyville at a young age. The girls soon adapted to their new home and were enrolled in the one-room schoolhouse on Mitteer Road.



Florence Jacobson in 1999.

Her parents bought and managed the Clinton House on Meyerhoff Road in Hurleyville. Florence and her sisters helped staff the boarding house.

Louis B. "Perk" Jacobson's store, Perk's Market, was across the street from Bockman's Pharmacy, a popular gathering place for young people in Hurleyville. That was where Florence caught Perk's eye. They married in 1940 and had two daughters, Myrna Jacobson Coffey and Bette Jacobson Godfrey. The family lived in the apartment above the store.

Florence clerked in the market and helped with the book-keeping. She prided herself on earning her own money, and

valued the assistance of family and friends in caring for her home and her daughters. Her daughters remember her mantra, "to be as independent as she could be in a large and strong Jacobson clan."

A participant in a variety of women's community organizations, Florence loved classical music and was known to have a beautiful singing voice, although she was too shy to perform in public. She had a

lifelong interest in music, and attended as many performances as possible. She also loved reading and Perk's puns.

Florence imparted to her daughters the value of making their own choices and following their individual paths. She provided them with loving guidance...not pressure, not judgment. Florence and Perk made sure that decisions in their family were made together, democratically, carefully and respectfully. They taught Myrna and Bette the importance of education and the advantages of working hard to have choices in life.

Her daughter Bette, remembers fondly "her sweet nature, and her courage in overcoming episodes of physical challenges throughout her life."

Her daughter Myrna, adds, "My mom was precious. My parents were a great team and special people."

Diagnosed with severe dementia, Florence passed away on June 5, 2010, at Myrna's home in Lawrenceville, Georgia where she spent her last years.

Florence is one of Hurleyville's many extraordinary treasures. Visit www.hurleyville-leny.com to find more treasures in Hurleyville.



Florence and "Perk" Jacobson in 1997.



Florence Jacobson and her daughter Myrna circa 1945

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HURLEYVILLE AREA'S DIAMONDS CONTINUE WINNING ON THE ROAD

by Tialisa Yaskanich-Whipple (Guest Contributor)

MONGAUP VALLEY – The Center for Discovery's Diamonds softball team pulled off a 19 to 11 win against Charlie's Angels at Edward M. Collins Memorial Park on the evening of Tuesday, June 13. As the Diamonds took the field at the top of the first, Charlie's Angels came out swinging, chalking up two runs and putting them on the scoreboard. The Center for Discovery retaliated with an impressive five-run inning, with Anji Bakos leading off the hits. The second inning saw Emily Moree of Charlie's Angels bringing in a run, bridging the gap to 3 to 5 Diamonds.

The bottom of the second had fans on their feet as Diamonds' Teri Lewis and Bari Allor both cleared the bases with inside-the-park homeruns, allowing TCFD to pull ahead 10 to 3. Charlie's Angels' bats came alive in the third, scoring an impressive four runs, bringing

the score to 10 to 7 Diamonds by the bottom of the inning. The Center for Discovery came back in the fourth with two runs and to extend their lead to 12-7.

The Angels' leadoff hitter, Analee Stratton, took the plate with two outs in the top of the fifth inning and started a rally that saw her and two other Angels cross the plate, bringing the score to an uncomfortably close 12-10 for the Diamonds as they stepped up to bat in the bottom of the fifth. Diamonds' Angelee Santillo led off the inning with a base hit that was followed by a bevy of other hits, allowing seven runs to be added to the board and giving the Diamonds some breathing room going into the sixth with a score of 19-10.

Emily Moree of Charlie's Angels scored the only run in the sixth as Charlie's Angels held TCFD at bay, the game ending with score of 19 to 11.

The win marked the sixth of the season for the Discovery Diamonds.



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Anji Bakos, who plays second base for the Diamonds, started a five run first inning with a base hit.

DEFENDING EMPIRE LEAGUE CHAMPION EXPLORERS OPEN HOME SEASON

by Win Hadley

LOCH SHELDRAKE – The defending Empire Professional Baseball League Champion Sullivan Explorers opened their home schedule at Generals Park this week after a season opening road trip that started with a 1-0 win over the Plattsburgh (NY) RedBirds, followed by five straight losses and then three consecutive wins.

More devastating than the rocky start to the season was losing the services of field manager Jim Hayes, who suffered a heart attack before the June 29 game against the Old Orchard Beach (ME) Surge. The game was postponed, but the Explorers lost the following night 3-2 to the Surge.

The Explorers broke the losing streak on Saturday, July 1, erupting for 10 runs in a 10-1 win over Old Orchard Beach, with righthander Billy Felo striking out eight in recording the victory. Explorers' center-fielder Cole Easley set an Empire League record by stealing

five bases in the game.

The momentum continued on Sunday, as Sullivan swept a doubleheader with 6-3 and 11-7 victories over the Surge.

Returning home to Loch Sheldrake is certainly expected to help keep the victories coming.

The Explorers open an eleven game homestand with six straight games against the Puerto Rico Islanders beginning July 4 (after the Sentinel went to press), with a double header on Saturday, July 8. Then the RedBirds come to town for five games July 10 through 14. After another extended road trip, the Explorers will return home for 13 games beginning August 12.

For a complete schedule and ticket information, visit the Explorers' website at explorersbaseballteam.com.

The Empire Professional Baseball League is an independent league that began play in 2016 after the demise of the North Country Baseball League. It is a Rookie to Class A level of minor league.



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Explorers righthander Billy Felo struck out eight Surge batters to help break a five game slide.

There are currently four teams in the league, the Plattsburgh (NY) RedBirds, the Old Orchard Beach (ME) Surge, the Puerto Rico Islanders, and the

Sullivan Explorers. Each team plays 70 regular season games. The post season league championship series is the best two out of three.

Explorer's manager suffers heart attack in dugout

LOCH SHELDRAKE – Sullivan Explorers manager Jim Hayes suffered a heart attack in the dugout minutes before the scheduled start of the team's game against the Old Orchard Beach Surge in Maine on June 29. Assistant coach John Kazarian administered CPR until emergency personnel arrived, and it is believed that saved Mr. Hayes' life.

At last report, Mr. Hayes was still in critical condition at Maine Medical Center in Portland.

Empire League Vice President of Baseball Operations Jerry Gonzalez issued the following statement:

"Jim Hayes suffered a cardiac arrest in the dugout prior to the start of the game. He

was given immediate CPR by assistant coach John Kazarian, which doctors believe is the reason he was kept alive. He is under the care of one of the best hospitals in the United States that specializes in cardiac arrest in Maine Medical in Portland. He is currently sedated and has undergone several procedures. He had 2 stents put in to unblock an artery that was 100% blocked. He is very sick but alive and the Empire League, players, coaches and family members have been praying throughout all of this and ask that fans would also keep Jim in their prayers."

John Kazarian has taken over as manager of the Explorers for the time being.



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The defending league champion Explorers have returned home to Generals Park in Loch Sheldrake for an 11 game homestand

HOOP DREAMS LIVE AT SUNY SULLIVAN BASKETBALL CAMP

by Win Hadley

LOCH SHELDRAKE – Boys and girls alike can advance their dreams of basketball success this summer by rubbing elbows with top notch local players and coaches at the SUNY Sullivan Summer Basketball Camp.

The camp, which has hosted thousands of youngsters over the past 20 years, is in its fourth year under current Generals' head men's basketball coach Brent Wilson. During Mr. Wilson's tenure, enrollment has grown each year from 35 boys and girls his first year to an expected 150 this year.

"We've seen a major increase in the number of children attending, so we've

added a second week," Mr. Wilson says.

The camp is open to boys and girls of any skill level, ages seven to 17. This year's sessions will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday to Friday, July 17 to 21 and July 24 to July 28.

"We try to offer something for everyone," Mr. Wilson said. "We have competitive segments, segments that are fun, and we have different times when the entire camp is together, as well as separated by age. It is a great chance for kids to have fun and work on their game."

Mr. Wilson says that several camp alumni have gone on to "very successful" high school and college careers, but it is the staff's goal to help camp-



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SUNY Sullivan head basketball coach Brent Wilson directs the summer camp for the fourth consecutive year.

ers develop their own basic skills. The fundamentals of passing, dribbling, and shooting are covered, as are more advanced concepts such as individual and team offensive and defensive strategies.

"We hope that every kid has a great time and gets out

of it what they are looking to get out of camp," Mr. Wilson said. "Most of our kids return year after year and I believe that speaks volumes about how the camp is run and what they learn."

The fee for the camp is \$150 per camper per session, or \$270 per camper for both sessions. There are some limited discounts available for SUNY Sullivan employees, families with multiple children attending, and groups.

"The money we raise goes to our basketball program, and helps with all the extras it takes to run a successful program," Mr. Wilson says.

Further information is available by calling the college at 845-434-5750 Ext. 4293.

THE RUNNING MAN



You may recognize him from the Hurleyville Market or you may have seen him running every morning. Brian Dennis, 37, who works part time at the Market, has completed four road races this year, most recently the Allyson Whitney 5K in Kauneonga Lake in May, and the Rhulen Rock Hill Run & Ramble in June, with plans to compete in the Delaware Youth Center River Run in Callicoon on July 23. Mr. Dennis, who is also an avid skier, has been running competitively for just over a year.

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Brian Dennis and his running companion Alyce Sherwood at the Rhulen Rock Hill Run & Ramble in June.



TEAMS wraps up at H.A.C.

HURLEYVILLE – Sullivan County BOCES' TEAMS Challenge program wrapped up with a final event at the Hurleyville Arts Centre on Saturday, June 3.

The six teams from across the county each identified a problem in their school and developed a creative solution using design thinking and the integration of technology, engineering, the arts, mathematics and science concepts.

-Eldred: Students developed a working robotic "Book Bot" to carry materials and follow students who are on crutches.

-Monticello High School: The team designed a hydroponic window farm using water bottles recycled from the cafeteria to serve as containers for plants

-Monticello Middle School: The team designed and outfitted a relaxation station for stressed students, us-

ing Raspberry Pi technology. -Sullivan West: Students planned a pergola, solar panels and shaded seating to complement the school's greenhouse.

-Fallsburg: Students programmed a recycled television screen to stream school announcements, so that students would not miss them.

-Liberty: After their first project fell through, students were able to design, produce and install a gear to replace a missing part in a laminator.

The student TEAMS showcased their accomplishments in the Hurleyville Arts Centre's ballroom in front of more than 75 guests. The TEAMS Initiative is a collaborative effort between Sullivan County BOCES, Sullivan school districts and the Hurleyville Maker's Lab.

The Maker's Lab provided technical support and work-

shops to the groups. The schools extended their thanks to the entire HML staff, including HML Director Mark McNamara and HML Community Liaison Denise Sullivan. Dr. Mike Uretsky

from NYU and Dr. Cynthia Marcello from SUNY Sullivan were also present at the final event and shared their expertise with the groups.

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