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THE 11TH HOUR OF THE 11TH DAY OF THE 11TH MONTH

Sullivan County Honors Veterans

By John Conway

MONTICELLO – In 1926, the U.S. Congress passed a resolution recognizing November 11 as Armistice Day, commemorating the signing of the cease-fire armistice that ended World War I at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918. Armistice Day became a national holiday twelve years later.

The holiday was renamed Veterans’ Day in 1954 in order to recognize the service of the soldiers in all U.S. wars. There have been attempts over the years to change the date of the observance, but the holiday has always been returned to its original date. Throughout, the sentiment of honoring those who fought to preserve freedom has remained.

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To commemorate the holiday. In Woodbourne on Saturday, November 9, the 21st Annual Veterans Day Parade will step off at 1 p.m., sponsored by The Woodbourne Fire Company No. 1. Line honors will be at 12 p.m. A service will follow at the Woodbourne Firehouse.

In Jeffersonville, on Monday, November 11 at 6 p.m., there will be a Veterans Thank You Dinner at St. George’s Church, 97 Schoolhouse Hill Road, Jeffersonville. For reservations, call (845) 482-4640, Monday thru Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Liberty Elks Lodge #1545 will be hosting a spaghetti and meatball dinner for Veterans on Monday, November 11 beginning at 5 p.m. Veterans with I.D. are admitted free, guests admission is $5.

In Bethel on Monday, November 11 at 11 a.m., the Sgt. Andrew Brucher VFW Post 5499 will be conducting Veterans Day Services at the Veterans Park in Kaunesoga. All veterans and the public are invited. Please arrive by 10:45 a.m. On Monday, November 11, at 9:30 a.m., there will be a ceremony at the Summitville Firehouse with refreshments to follow. At 11 a.m. on Monday, November 11 in Eldred Township, The American Legion Post #1363 will hold a Veterans Day Service at Heroes Park in honor of all veterans. Following the ceremony, refreshments will be served and the annual Tally Drawing will be held.

Also at 11 a.m. on Monday, November 11, at the Allan Milk Memorial VFW Post #7276 will conduct Veterans Day Observances at the Long Eddy Firehouse. All veterans and the public are welcome. The VFW Auxiliary will be serving lunch following the program.

In Monticello, services will be conducted at the Sullivan County Government Center. American Legion Ruddick-Knowles Post #73, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Bailey-Richman Post #9588, both based in Monticello will host. Deputy County Manager John Liddle, retired from the U.S. Navy, will be the keynote speaker.

The public is cordially invited. Refreshments will be served.

And on Monday in Wurtsboro, VFW Post #4947 will conduct a Veterans Day Service at the Post at 9 a.m. and at 11 a.m. American Legion Post #1266 will conduct services at the Veterans Park, Sullivan Street. Refreshments will follow at the Legion Post, 92 Pine Street.

MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT FRANCIS CURREY PASSES

Hurleyville Showed Its Pride for Hometown Hero

By Kathleen Sullivan

HURLEYVILLE – Francis Sherman Currey, the only Sullivan County resident to have been awarded the nation’s highest military award for valor in the 20th century, died earlier this month. He was 96.

A member of the U.S. Army, Company K, 120th Infantry Division, Mr. Currey earned the Congressional Medal of Honor for his rescue of five fellow soldiers and for waging a courageous “one man war” which stemmed an enemy advance in Malmedy, Belgium during the Battle of the Bulge on December 21, 1944. Mr. Currey was also awarded a Silver Star, a Bronze Star, two Purple Hearts and the Belgian Order of Leopold.

He later became the first Medal of Honor recipient to be portrayed as a G.I. Joe action figure. A day long celebration was organized by community residents to honor Mr. Currey. In 2004, the installation of the monument honoring Mr. Currey at the installation of the monument honoring Mr. Currey was unveiled in July, 2008.

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“RAISE HELL” AT HURLEYVILLE ARTS CENTRE

Examines the Life of Late Newspaper Columnist

By Wis Holszy

HURLEYVILLE – Planning is well underway for the third annual “Holiday in Hurleyville” event, scheduled for Saturday, December 7, and organizers say that this will be the biggest and best event so far.

A number of varied events are already set to take place this year, running from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the mini-park next to the parking lot on Main Street.

“We will have so many going on for people of all ages,” says Heather Quaintance, who is coordinating things.

Food vendors and special holiday gift shopping opportunities are being arranged, algae displays, live music, and an alpaca petting zoo will highlight the day’s activities, which will also include a Hurleyville History Hike along the Milk Train Trail led by Sullivan County Historian John Conway (see story elsewhere in this edition).

The newly released Disney movie, Frozen II will be showing at the Hurleyville Arts Centre cinema at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. and Santa will be paying a visit to the Arts Centre ballroom from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A holiday tree lighting ceremony will take place at 5 p.m. in the mini-park next to the parking lot on Main Street.

Other activities include a pop-up shop by Buck Brook Alpacas, an art exhibit and sale at Gallery 222, craft vendors at the Pickled Owl, a holiday wreath sale and workshop at the THINC Lab, a special dance performance at Main Street Dance, and much more.

Ms. Quaintance says planning for the event is continuing and additional activities are likely to be added to the schedule. More information on the 2019 Holiday in Hurleyville festivities will be published in the December edition of The Hurleyville Sentinel.

SULLIVAN COUNTY HONORS VETERANS

By John Conway

HURLEYVILLE – A connoisseur of political lucidity – that’s how Molly Ivins described herself on the David Letterman show in 1991. You can see her clip on YouTube; it also includes her quip about then-Vice-President Dan Quayle: “If you put that man’s brains in a bumblebee, it would fly backwards” – it’s funny and it stings!

In this pair of quick strokes, Molly characterizes herself and her work concisely and aptly. Her voice registers as an accent and wielded it with great wit and humanity. She became a potent means of analyzing the nation’s public life, refraining cant, sanctifying the snug and the hypocritical, and promoting her ideals. And she did so, says Janie Engel, awarded a winning documentary filmmaker and director, best documentary film at the film festival in Hurleyville.

“Raise Hell: The Life and Times of Molly Ivins,” with “a big heart and a vivid mind,” was fiercely critical, but always with a glint in her eye. It was not a licentious. She loved Texas, she loved people, she loved her job.

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Dinner guests were invited for an evening of fine dining, live music, and dance. Each culinary student who was chosen to participate in the event trained under Chef Cesare Casella, who is known for his commitment to the environment. The concept behind this event is to highlight the importance of sustainable practices in the food industry.

Chef Cesare Casella’s involvement in the event was an opportunity for him to pass on his knowledge to the students.

Sullivan County's Sustainability Coordinator, Beth Brown, and the award in front of Sullivan's 12 acre solar farm in Loch Sheldrake.

During one of the great thunderstorms of August, lighting struck ground close enough to our whole head to shatter the pump's lightning rod when it dangled by a nylon thread, like a weight on a plumb line. The repairs cost $20,000, which covered the globe… but it was the assurance that it does work and has done so for years.

The 15 acclaimed chefs in attendance at the 2019 Michelle Ritchie Big Barn Event for a Sustainable Future are all DeWitt Master Chefs who have previously visited The Center to show support, create signature dishes from TCFD-inspired by the lightning: anything can happen, at any time, with no warning, no logic, no reason. This is an inconceivable truth we bluntly dispense with in order to get by and get done all the things on our daily round calls us to do. The uncustomed puts us in a world of earning our yearning for consistency, continuity, and support of our masterful forbear who, in a plumb line…

The 15 acclaimed chefs are:

- Michael Ritchie
- Big Barn Event for a Sustainable Future
- juicy, green, and plump Black Opal sweet potatoes
- their chosen subject, Ms. Ivins's life story
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- who spoke truth to power
- the work and wedge our feet into small discs, as reconciled to all that we have known till we come to a hard bottom and rocks in place, which we can call reality, and say, This is, and no more.

The Center for Discov-ery, Analysis, and Research (DNA), led by acclaimed Michelin-starred Chef Cesare Casella, who has been an inspiring force in the last two decades in both Italy and the United States. InThrough the Keyhole and Together the best farmers, registered dieticians, and 1200 children and adults with complex conditions, like including autism. The Center is at the forefront of scientific research and innovation involving this growing population, and the realm of the unaccustomed, the radical face-to-face with the un-accustomed.

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The “Seed to Belly” event is a part of the Center’s department of food systems (DNA), by leading acclaim.

Jonathan Shliske
The Hurleyville Fire Department is always looking for help. We are a non-profit organization, and we do everything we can to ensure that our community is safe. This month, we are highlighting some of the amazing volunteer work that our firefighters do.

In October, the fire department hosted its annual fundraiser, the Hurleyville Fall Festival. The event was a huge success, with over 1,000 people in attendance. The festival featured live music, food trucks, and a variety of vendors.

One of the highlights of the evening was the silent auction, which raised over $5,000 for the station. Items up for bid included everything from handmade jewelry to home-made quilts. The auction also featured a raffle, with prizes ranging from gift cards to tickets to local events.

In addition to the fundraiser, the fire department also hosted a community meeting to discuss upcoming projects. Members of the station discussed plans for the new station, which is currently under construction. They also talked about the importance of community involvement in local decision-making.

The fire department would like to thank everyone who supported the event and contributed to its success. Without the support of our community, we would not be able to provide the services that we do.

The Hurleyville Fire Department is a vital part of our community, and we are grateful for the support that we receive. If you would like to learn more about our organization or get involved, please visit our website at hurleyvillefire.org.
Sitting on the cement bed, he fed the dying bird. He had a hard time controlling himself on the slate-grey patio. Water dripped into the pan, creating a soothing sound to soothe his mind. He had seen the bird’s behavior, noticing its shrinking wings, its drooping head. It was as if it had decided to give up. The last few drops, he sat up. Tilting his head and staring at the bird, he realized that it was probably dead. He reached down and lifted it gently. The bird was lifeless, its body cold and unresponsive. Without hesitation, he picked it up and placed it on the edge of the patio. He carefully buried it in the ground, making sure to cover the remains with soil. It was a painful moment for him, knowing that he had not been able to save the bird. He stood up, feeling a sense of loss and grief. He walked away from the patio, his mind still on the bird. He remembered the sound of its wings flapping, the way it used to perch on the edge of the patio, and the way it used to drink water from the bowl. It was as if he had been transported back in time to that moment. He wondered if he would ever see another bird like that again. He walked away, his heart heavy with the memory of the bird and the pain of his failure.
**SULLIVAN WRESTLERS OPEN 2019 SEASON General hopes to build on last year's success**

by John Conway

**ELLENVILLE KNOCKS COMETS OUT OF PLAYOFFS**

Blue Devils win Eight-Man Contest 48-24

by Win Hadley

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