

TREASURE NOT YET LIFTED

Main Street Thrift Stores Have What You Seek

by Denise Sullivan

HURLEYVILLE-- I have been a fan of thrift store shopping since I was in college in the early 1980s, when money was scarce and “professional” clothes were not required. I still have an authentic Hawaiian shirt from the Eagle Eye Thrift Shop in downtown Plattsburgh, NY that I love. It’s a beachy ‘60s throwback that never wrinkles and is so light that breezes blow right through it.

Years later, as a young teacher, Canal Street Jean Company was a mandatory stop whenever I was in NYC. There, I found a men’s wool tuxedo jacket with satin lapels for FIVE dollars that I wore until it fell apart. It was warm

enough to wear as a stylish coat with room for layers underneath. I even made it a part of a Halloween costume in the ‘90s, when I dressed as a stylish zombie.

I liked thrift store shopping because there were always surprise treasures to be found for little money, not because I was concerned about textile waste or the effect of the clothing industry on the environment. Nowadays, those are genuine reasons to shop thrift, and the treasures are still thrilling to find.

Here in the liveliest little hamlet in the Mountains, we are lucky enough to have two different thrift shops to peruse for treasures, both right on Main Street. All That Glitters is Gold is an edgy mash-



up of vintage and modern items that caters towards rock and roll rebellion and the era of flower children at the same time. With lots of denim and popular rock tee shirts and cute, quirky dé-

cor items, it’s a fun place to look around while listening to ‘70s vinyl albums playing on a turntable. Samara, the owner, is friendly and helpful.

A few steps down the



sidewalk is the Thrift Shop at Gallery 222. Like most traditional thrift stores, the proceeds from sales benefit an organization, and in this case, the benefactor is the fabulous Hurleyville Arts



Centre. With a wide variety of items for sale, you must look inside to see beyond the stunning sequined dresses and capes that hang in the front windows. There are well-made clothes in a

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generous range of sizes and styles, plus shoes, jewelry and a collection of beautiful clutches and evening bags. Books and quirky home décor items line the back walls. It’s a well-arranged upscale collection that spreads into the gallery until the next art show is displayed. If you’re invited to a wedding, or just need clothes, you’ll be able to find a great outfit for a price that is beyond reasonable.

If you need even more reasons to check out these unique stores, the benefits of thrift shopping are many. You can build a unique wardrobe and not look like everyone else, finding well-made classic pieces that never go out of style. Kids grow fast, and many

thrift shops are great places to clothe them, as well as teach them good spending habits. (While neither Main Street store has a children’s clothing section at present, that is something that will likely be coming in the future.) Designer items are often found at low prices. It’s like treasure hunting: You don’t know exactly what you might find.

All That Glitters is Old is at 234 Main Street. The store is open Tuesday thru Friday from 12 – 6, Saturdays, 11-6, and Sundays, 11-3. The Thrift Shop at Gallery 222 is at 222 Main Street. It is open Fridays from 1-7 p.m., Saturdays, 12 to 7, and Sundays, 11-4.

Have fun thrifting in the happening hamlet of Hurleyville!

Celebrate Black History Month

And Learn How a Hit Motown Song Was Created in Sullivan County

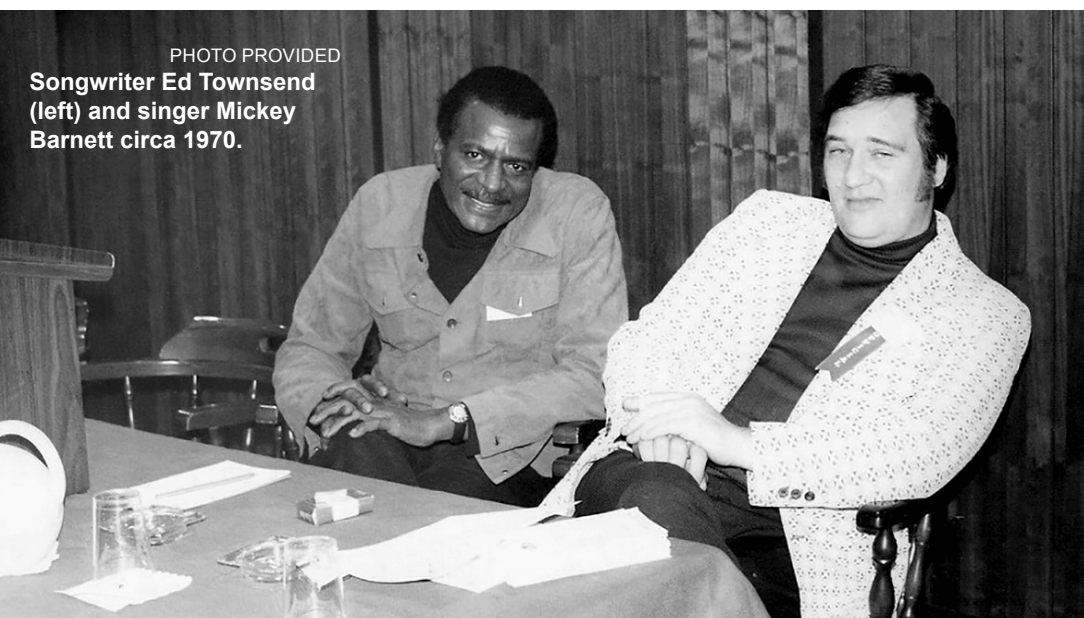


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Songwriter Ed Townsend (left) and singer Mickey Barnett circa 1970.

HURLEYVILLE -- Several years ago, local singer Mickey Barnett told an incredible story to folks from the Sullivan County Museum & Cultural Center about how one of America’s most famous and iconic soul songs came to be written in Sullivan County.

That song, recorded in 1970 by Marvin Gaye, was “Let’s Get it On.” It became the biggest Motown hit of the time, selling over two million copies within the first six weeks of its release.

The story will be part of a February 11 concert by Mickey Barnett, performing classic renditions of the music of Roy Orbison, Jerry Lee Lewis, Johnny Cash, Elvis Presley, Carl Perkins and others. Following his performance, Mr. Barnett will share how songwriter Ed Townsend wrote “Let’s Get it On” at Mickey’s “Little Giant” recording studio in Bethel.

Along with the 2 p.m. concert that day, and in celebration of Black History Month, the Frederick Cook Society will present an exhibition highlighting the accomplishments of two of the greatest black explorers in America’s history: Matthew Henson and Barbara Hillary.

Mr. Henson (1866-1955) was the descendant of African American slaves. He traveled with Admiral Robert Peary as a member of an expedition to the North Pole in 1909. Mr. Henson’s dog-handling skills, fluent Inuit and all-round resourcefulness were key to the expedition’s success.

The following quotes, from his diary offer insight into his extraordinary journey: “I have a steady job carpentering, also interpreting, barbering, tailoring, dog-training.” Of the Inuits, he wrote: “I have come to love these people ... They are my friends and regard me as theirs.”

Mr. Henson grew up in Washington, DC and Baltimore, MD, then was orphaned and left school at 12 to become a cabin boy. When he was 22, a chance encounter with naval engineer Robert Peary resulted in a lifelong working relationship, including 18 years of Arctic exploration.

Barbara Hillary (1931-2019) was an American nurse, publisher, adventurer, Arctic explorer, and inspirational speaker. Born in New York City, she attended the New School University, from which she earned bachelor’s and master’s de-

grees in gerontology.

In 2007, at the age of 75, Ms. Hillary became the first known black woman to reach the North Pole. She trekked to the South Pole in January 2011 at the age of 79, thus becoming the first African American woman on record to reach both the Arctic poles. She was also a friend of the Frederick Cook Society, and in 2009 came to Hurleyville and presented a talk about her Arctic adventures.

This memorable afternoon will conclude with a 3 p.m. performance by Little Sparrow, featuring special guests Cecil Allan and Van Manakas.

The Sullivan County Museum is located at 265 Main Street, Hurleyville. For information, please call 845-434-8044, or visit www.facebook.com/littlesparrowny.

HPAC HOSTS STUDENTS

MLK Honored at Day of Service Youth Summit

by John Conway

HURLEYVILLE—Seven of Sullivan County’s eight public school districts plus the Collaborative College High School and the Youth Economic Group were represented at the second annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service Youth Summit at the Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre on January 13.

More than 80 students, mostly high school juniors and seniors, took part in the summit, which was sponsored by Sullivan 180.

Noted resilience trainer Duncan Kirkwood, Director of the Resilience Center at Villa Maria College in Buffalo and the author of “Rerouting: Resilience Tools and Tactics” was the keynote speaker.

Mr. Kirkwood, who spent five years in the Alabama National Guard as a Master Resilience Trainer tasked with training soldiers to be-

come more mentally tough, spoke to the students about the importance of saying yes to opportunities in life, even when—perhaps especially when—doing so takes them outside their comfort zone.

He also urged the students to never accept defeat in any situation, and to never quit.

Amanda Langseder, the Managing Director of Sullivan 180, and Adrienne Jensen, Executive Director of the Sullivan County Human Rights Commission, also spoke at the summit.

Students got to see a screening of Dr. King’s 1967, “What’s Your Life’s Blueprint” speech, which he delivered to junior high school students in Philadelphia in October of 1967. In those remarks, Dr. King advised students that “If you can’t fly, run. If you can’t run, walk. If you can’t walk, crawl, but by all means, keep moving!”



PHOTO PROVIDED
Keynote speaker Duncan Kirkwood (center) with students at the Youth Summit.

ABOUT OUR HEADLINE

The headline for our February edition is taken from a famous piece of writing by the American author, Robert Louis Stevenson. In her story about Main Street’s two thrift shops, Denise Sullivan likens shopping in them to hunting for treasure, so Stevenson’s “Treasure Island” seemed a logical place to look for an appropriate passage. He wrote: “[T]hese gentlemen having asked me to write down the whole particulars about Treasure Island, from the beginning to the end, keeping nothing back but the bearings of the island, and that only because there is still treasure not yet lifted, I take up my pen...”

If you have shopped in All That Glitters is Old and/or The Thrift Shop at Gallery 222, you know that there are many treasures in each store that have “yet to be lifted.” If you haven’t shopped there yet, you should make it a point to do so. As Denise wrote, “you don’t know exactly what you might find!”

Infrastructure Upgrades Underway in Fallsburg

SOUTH FALLSBURG – The town Of Fallsburg has announced significant infrastructure upgrades for 2023. According to Supervisor Kathy Rappaport, “these upgrades are needed for the town and are long overdue. We definitely have much more to accomplish. These are great places to start.”

The town is currently soliciting bids for a water drainage project to address the flooding issues next to the famous Rivoli Theater on Laurel Avenue. The Town Board approved a plan to install a new drainage system that will run under the sidewalks. The new drainage system will replace the old system, which is estimated to be over 30



SENTINEL FILE PHOTO
Fallsburg Supervisor Kathy Rappaport

years old.

County Legislator Joe Perrello, who represents part of Fallsburg, says, “Improvements like this help businesses in the South Fallsburg area, which is what Kathy and the Town Board is all about.”

Additionally, the town has approved and awarded bids for the replacement and up-

grade of two water towers. The upgrade will increase the two towers water capacity by a combined 60%.

The town is also using the newly amended property maintenance law and are grading the roadway to drain into the collection system. The ungraded roadway has been an issue for years, and has saturated homeowners in that area with water.

Finally, Verizon has activated a new cell phone tower in the Woodridge area. The tower should help alleviate and improve cell phone coverage issues in the Woodridge, Glen Wild, and part of the Davos communities.

END OF WATCH FOR K-9 MAUS

Fallsburg P.D. Mourns Passing of Veteran Police Dog

by John Conway

SOUTH FALLSBURG – The Fallsburg Police Department has announced the sudden and unexpected passing of longtime K-9 officer Maus.

“It is with a heavy heart we must announce the sudden loss of K-9 Maus,” the town of Fallsburg announced in a Facebook post on January 28. “End of Watch 01/27/2023. This is a major loss for the community, and especially Officer Rosa, his handler. We ask that you please take a moment to lift him and the Fallsburg Police Department during this time.”

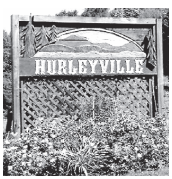
Officer Christopher Rosa and Maus were partners for more than seven years. In 2016, the pair earned a national narcotics certification with the North American Police Working Dog Association.



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Veteran Fallsburg Police K-9 Officer Maus passed away on January 27.

Hamlet Happenings

by Kathleen Sullivan



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Hurleyville-Sullivan First added new signs to the book barns at the Little Free Library in Firemen's Park.

HURLEYVILLE SULLIVAN-FIRST (HSF)

Congratulations to the winners in the 26th annual “DECK THE DOORS” holiday decorating contest sponsored by Hurleyville-Sullivan First:

Bari Allor and Angelee Santillo
The Besimer Family
Kaitlin and Romar Carabello
Janet Carrus
The Castillo Family
The Hurtado Family
Pam and Rory James
Holly and Bill Miller
Amy and Frank Nardi
The Payne Family

The Arati Store, Catskill Amusements, Fiber on Main, izzy's aunt, Jampond, La Salumina, the Pickled Owl, QQL Enterprises, LLC and LouAnn Rexford provided the prizes.

Diane and Tony Harvey along with Jakuin and Ken Saunders were added to the “DECK THE DOORS” Hall of Fame. Other “Hall of Famers” include:

The Ditchik Family
The Dromazos Family
Ruth and Dick Forest
Ryan Forest
Dawn and Shawn McCarthy
Terry McGrath
Cathy and Bob Orlowsky
The Rose Family
Leisha and E Snihura
Annette and Ernest Wood

The volunteers in HSF are starting to get ready for the spring and will apply for a 2023 Sullivan Renaissance/Sullivan 180 Beautification Grant.

Please visit www.hurleyville.com for more information about Hurleyville-Sullivan First. You can also visit Hurleyville-Sullivan First on Facebook.

HURLEYVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Bread of Life Food Pantry at the church will be open on Thursday, February 16th and on Thursday, February 23 from 3 until 5 p.m. The volunteers at the food pantry serve at least 40 families. They also provide free clothing and household items for families in need.

Sunday services are held at the church at 9 a.m. Children of all ages can attend Sunday school at the church during services.

Pastor Jorge delivers sermons on the church's page on Facebook at 11 a.m. on Sundays.

The Bible study group

meets in the sanctuary at the church every Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Everyone is invited to pray with others over the phone on the church's prayer line on Sundays from 7 – 8 p.m. The prayer line phone number is 605-472-5491 and the access code is 251678.

Youngsters are invited to take part in fun activities at “Messy Church” on the second Saturday of each month from 5 - 6:30 p.m. The next date is February 11. Adults must accompany all children taking part in the fun.

Socks, gloves, hats, pul-lups and diapers are being collected at the church for children in foster care. Paper goods are being collected for Preventive Services. The county program provides support to parents to help them prevent their children from being placed in foster care. Please contact Cookie at 845-428-5871 or Goldie at 845-467-1641 for more information.

Please call Katrina at 845-436-7942 for more information on services and activities at the church. You can also get updates at the church's page on Facebook.

THE SULLIVAN COUNTY MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The next event in the Second Saturdays music and history program at the museum will take place on Saturday, February 11. A celebration of National Black History month, the event will feature a presentation on the accomplishments of two of the greatest black explorers in America's history, Matthew Henson and Barbara Hillary. Musical performances following the presentation will showcase some extraordinary local musicians including Mickey Barnett, Little Sparrow, Cecil Allan and Van Manakas.

Mickey will share the story of how songwriter Ed Townsend wrote “Let's Get it On” at Mickey's “Little Giant” recording studio in Bethel, New York. The song was recorded in 1970 by Marvin Gaye and became the biggest Motown hit of the time.

Volunteers are available to help visitors explore the historical and genealogical resources at the Sullivan County Historical Society's archives at the museum. The archives are open on Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment.

Guided tours of the museum are available at no charge. Please call 845-434-

8044 to make a reservation.

Anyone interested in genealogy and the history of life in Sullivan County can send an email to info@scnyhistory.org for information on volunteering at the museum.

History books and Sullivan County memorabilia are always available at the museum gift shop.

Donations are always welcome to meet the growing cost of operating the museum.

The museum, located at 265 Main Street in Hurleyville, is open from Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The museum will be closed on Sundays until April.

Go to www.scnyhistory.org for more information on the Sullivan County Historical Society and the Sullivan County Museum. You can also visit the Sullivan County Historical Society and Museum on Facebook.

COLUMBIA HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE (CHNA)

Town of Fallsburg Supervisor Katherine Rappaport joined the members of CHNA at their meeting in January. It was an opportunity for the group to share its significant concerns with unsustainable development with her. Particular attention was paid to the proposed Gan Eden Estates project on Columbia Hill. The project will have a detrimental effect on our community. Some causes of concern are the depletion of our water supply, the threat to our streams, wetlands and wildlife, and the peril to our rural environment. Supervisor Rappaport assured the group that she will share information gathered at the meeting with other Town of Fallsburg officials.

Visit CHNA at www.columbiacolumbiahill.org and on Facebook to learn how you can help to protect your environment and your community by demanding responsible and sustainable development.

County Office for the Aging Now By Appointment Only

Office Is Expanding Into New Quarters at Government Center

MONTICELLO – The Sullivan County Office for the Aging will temporarily transition to appointments-only for the next few months, starting February 6, due to an expansion of their quarters in the Government Center.

“We'll continue to handle phone calls and emails like we always have, but we won't be able to accept walk-ins without an appointment,” explained Office for the Aging Director Lise-Anne Deoul. “I ask for the public's patience as we transform our cramped offices into an expansive, welcoming, ADA-accessible space in the months to come. It will be worth the wait!”

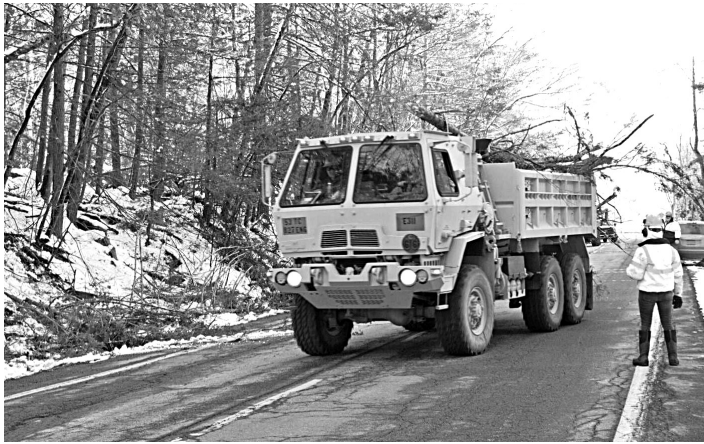
Phones (845-807-0241) are answered by a County employee between 8 a.m. and

FROM THE WEATHER CENTER

by John Simon



Bomb Cyclone or Bombogenesis



SENTINEL FILE PHOTO

Winter storm Riley devastated Sullivan County after it underwent bombogenesis in March of 2018. The National Guard had to be called out to help with the clean up.

A bomb cyclone is a storm that undergoes rapid strengthening. The storm can be either tropical or nontropical in nature. In this area, we have experienced winter and summer storms that fit this description, including winter storm Riley, which struck Hurleyville and Sullivan County in March of 2018.

Whether a storm qualifies as Bombogenesis is not defined by the strength of the storm, but rather by how quickly the pressure within the storm drops.

For example, the superstorm of March 12-13, 1993, underwent bombogenesis. The at-

mospheric pressure dropped from 29.41 inHg (996 mb) to 28.45 inHg (963 mb) or nearly 1.00 inHG (33 mb) in 24 hours. Much of that strengthening occurred over land.

Storms that undergo bombogenesis are violent weather systems that affect a broad area. The winds of the bomb cyclone at high speed can cause property damage, trees may fall, and power might be interrupted.

The western part of the North Atlantic is a favored area for storms to undergo bombogenesis. The Warm waters of the gulf stream may provide a boost in a festering storm.



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You can say you hate the snow or rain
Or that traveling is a hateful chore
You can say you hate the summer heat
But that's what fans and AC are for

You can say that you hate mustard
On a bun with ham and cheese
Because this is how you'd order it
Add some extra mayo, please

You can say that you hate reading
Turning pages of a book
You prefer to read by Kindle
Once you find a cozy nook

Let's remove the HATE word from our mouths
Unless used as shown above
Try lessening the use of this four-lettered word
Let's express ourselves with more LOVE

It's really unkind to hate people
For their color, their race or their creed
Remember the words of the Golden Rule
To treat others as you'd like to be treated
The world would be better indeed!

- Mimi
February, 2023



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5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, and voicemails can be left at other times. Emails are welcome anytime, including to the general mailbox of sullivanofa@sullivanny.us. They will be answered as quickly as possible.

“We'll continue to be responsive to the people we serve,” said Division of Community Resources Commis-

sioner Laura Quigley. “In fact, that's exactly why we're undertaking this renovation and expansion. With a more professional, accommodating and confidential space, we'll better meet the needs of everyone who walks through our doors. Till then, though, please call ahead for an appointment!”

The Scene

Music and Entertainment in and around Hurleyville



by Jane Harrison

I had forgotten how much fun the Open Studio at FIBER ON MAIN is!! RACHEL CORRIGAN (I apologize for not knowing her official title) has settled enough into her new location at 250 Main Street to reopen the Wednesday night OPEN STUDIO from 4-7pm. This is open to any kind of crafter, knitting, crocheting, embroidery and many others, beginners and experienced, all are welcome. Not only did I reconnect with friends RACHEL (of course), MARIE SPODEK and OLGA R. PRICE, but met a whole host of new (to me) crafters. There were with ‘mending’ which can be elevated to a craft within itself. One was working on what can only be described as reweaving to repair the holes in a purchased sweater with a fine gauge. Another was working on a top with an ivory and black zig zag pattern. This was no ‘pinch and stitch’ mending! The principle behind them doing this was two fold. One, it doesn't end up in a landfill and two, they really LIKED the garment with the first being more important for the greater good of the Earth. These two had been part of a class offered at FIBER ON MAIN on mending. I hope this is offered again as well. After seeing the meticulous detail with which they worked and a hint at what the finished mend would look like, yes, I would like to learn this too.

The picture is of our group Wednesday evening, January 18th and yes, masks are required. (right to left) Alyce Barr (mending), Polly Giragosian (knitting socks), Rachel Corrigan (organizing some unique yarn she had found), Marie Spodek (knitter and free form crochet artist), Brian Zumbo (he had knit a scarf and was finishing it), Lisa Kutschera Zumbo (finishing her first ever sweater), Olga



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R. Price (knitting ‘half finger’ gloves), Jenny Foster (mending) and that empty space with that ‘thing’ on the table...that's me.

We talk, we laugh, we exchange ideas...and we learn things from each other.

FIBER ON MAIN should also be your first stop for hand spun hand dyed local yarn, many sizes of knitting needles, crochet hooks and all manner of other accessories.

The other big news is THE SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMUNITY CHORUS was asked to come back to sing at CARNEGIE HALL in New York City on April 3. This is the second time they have been asked to perform there and the members of the chorus and conductor KEVIN J GIROUX are to be commended.

The piece they will be performing is JUBILATE DEO by DAN FORREST complete with the Hall's orchestra. This particular piece is interesting for many reasons just some of which are that the compos-

er is only in his mid 40s, was born in Breesport, New York, that the piece was written in 2016 and that in this classical piece he wrote not only the choral but the orchestration as well. I did listen to this and I have to say it is absolutely awe inspiring. The piece enjoins seven different languages within, expressing the traditional Psalm 100 “O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands”. I have heard our chorus and I have no doubt they will do it justice!

I wish I could tell you all about my fantastic vacation over the holidays but the truth is I had a miserable head cold over Christmas, tested positive New Years Eve Day for CoVid, then an upper respiratory infection that finally just went away. I am grateful to have come through it all and now it time to shore up my immunity.

Stay safe, stay well and for heaven's sake keep a mask and hand sanitizer handy!

Until next time.....

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MEET PORKY

by Lily Barrish

Fire Fighter, Mason, Super Volunteer

HURLEYVILLE-- Roy "Porky" Worden was born in the hamlet of White Sulphur Springs the week between Christmas and New Year's Eve of 1940. He recently shared a memory long told to him about his mom playing the organ at church on Christmas Eve singing "What Child Is This?"

He was born a few days later and his great aunt was the one to nickname him Porky as an infant.

He grew up across from a farm in White Sulphur Springs on a street named Worden Lane after his family. He graduated from Youngsville High School in the class of 1958 as one of 13 students. He has an older brother; their father was director of education at Woodburne prison and their mother was a homemaker.

Eventually, Mr. Worden settled in Hurleyville and has proudly called it home now for more than 49 years. His career started at Phil Miller, the cement company, where he did everything from driving a truck to bulldozing, to operating heavy equipment.

"I was in and out of that job for ten to 15 years," he said.

After that, he worked for Intercounty Co-Operative for a couple of years, driving a tractor-trailer from farm to farm, picking up eggs. Then he joined the U.S. Postal Service for one year. Mr. Worden said it was one of the jobs he enjoyed the most.

"I drove 839 miles from NY to Rochester, there and back, delivering mail." When asked why he left that position, he said,



1971 was the first time Porky drove the little, "red lollipop" car with a three-horse motor in a parade.

"Well, it seems they ran out of money."

Next he was employed by McBride Milk for seven-and-a-half years. He drove throughout Sullivan County, picking up milk from farmers. Following that, he went to Frank Por-

ter where he learned to repair oil burners. Once that business sold, he struck out on his own and still repairs oil burners to this day. He's listed in the telephone book for people to contact him directly for repairs, however, he is trying to retire

soon.

He met his late wife, Jennie, at a restaurant in Liberty and they dated for three to four months before he proposed to her on Christmas Day. They wed in 1964. They have one daughter, named Jaime, who lives locally and works for the town of Fallsburg in the billing department. Mr. Worden is also the proud grandfather of three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

On January 6, 1959, he was voted in as a volunteer for the White Sulphur Springs Fire Department. He spent five years there and then relocated to the Hurleyville Fire Department—he held the position of Hurleyville fire chief from 1990-1991.

"I live right here on Whitaker Road, so I was usual-



PHOTO COURTESY ROY "PORKY" WORDEN

Porky's fire apparatus in front of the Hurleyville Firehouse.

ly the one driving the truck to every fire—no matter what time of day or night it occurred," he said.

He's a charter member of the Fallsburg Auxiliary Police. His duties there include directing traffic.

"I've been a part of this organization for decades—maybe three or four," he said.

He's also a member of Free and Accepted Masons, where he does child identification as a volunteer, as well as a dues-paying member of Shriners Hospitals.

Every March and April,

he stays in St. Petersburg, Florida. His four-year old dog, Abbie, a cross between a dachshund and a Rottweiler, accompanies him down South. In New York Abbie has to be on a leash; in Florida, she can run free in his fenced in backyard.

Four or five years ago, he acquired an antique fire apparatus that he keeps in a garage and lends the community for parades and such. It was displayed in Denise and Rob Lombardi's driveway during the Hurleyville Scarecrow Festival. Pedestrians stopped

by to learn about the history and pose for pictures with Mr. Worden.

He likes that Hurleyville is a quiet community. Most mornings he stops by the Hurleyville General Store for a cup of tea and to chat with the locals.

"I go there for the meeting of the minds," he says. He also enjoys hunting and making pens out of scraps of wood.

Mr. Worden is one of Hurleyville's most civic-minded residents.

EMT COURSES AT SUNY SULLIVAN

LOCH SHELDRAKE

— This spring semester, SUNY Sullivan is offering the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Basic Original Course, March 1–June 11, and the EMT Refresher Course, beginning February 26. Emergency Medical Technicians are in high demand with substantial projected job growth for the future, so begin your Emergency Medical Services Career with SUNY Sullivan today.

Both courses will meet in person at the Sullivan County Emergency Services Training Center, 615 Old White Lake Turnpike, Swan Lake, NY, Sundays, from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m., and Mondays and Wednesdays, from 7 – 10 p.m. For applications and more information, contact Brid-

get Schiffer via email at Bschiiffer@sunysullivan.edu, or call 845-434-5750, ext. 4242.

SUNY Sullivan's EMT Basic and EMT Refresher Courses provide a hands-on, interactive, and engaging learning experience through classroom work, skill practice in simulated scenarios, and field experience. Learn to assess and care for patients at the scene of an incident and while transporting patients by ambulance to the hospital. Students learn to manage respiratory, cardiac, and trauma emergencies. Course instructors are committed to each student's success, preparing them for the NYS Practical and NYS Written Certification Exams.

SUNY Sullivan Dean of Student Success and Work-



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force Development, Dr. Jennifer Wraga said the college relaunched the EMT courses in spring 2021 to meet a significant need for EMS training as the county emerged from the pandemic. Dr. Wraga said she has worked closely with Sullivan County EMS Coordinator Alex Rau, Fire

Training Coordinator John Hauschild, and SUNY Sullivan EMT Instructor David Weinstein to ensure the college's EMT training program meets the needs of the county and creates career pathways for residents. Offering this spring's EMT courses at the Sullivan County Emergency

Services Training Center in Swan Lake will provide additional access to these life-saving training courses.

"In a rural area, it is vital to develop a strong EMS workforce," said Dr. Wraga. "Our collaborative working relationship with county officials allows us to work together to develop additional workforce training opportunities for our residents."

The college offers the EMT Basic and Refresher class three times a year, fall and spring, and a condensed class offered over the summer. EMT-Basic tuition is \$700. EMT-Refresher tuition is \$335. If a student is sponsored, following NYS Certification, the qualified sponsor may submit DOH Form 3312 for tuition reimbursement. All course text materials and NYS Exam fees are the student's responsibility.

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— The Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop is excited to announce auditions for its

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and finds acceptance among a group of petty thieves and pickpockets led by the elderly Fagin. When Oliver is captured for a theft that he did not commit, the benevolent victim, Mr. Brownlow, takes him in. Fearing the safety of his hideout, Fagin employs the sinister Bill Sikes and the sympathetic Nancy to kidnap Oliver

back, threatening his chances of discovering the true love of a family.

Many twists and turns abound as the lively music and dance add excitement to some real drama!

Audition dates & time - February 18 and 19, 1 – 5 p.m.

Callbacks - February 23, 6 – 9 p.m.

Location - St. John's Church, St. John St, Monticello

Please be prepared to cold read and sing a song from Oliver. Looking for males & females ages 10-60+.

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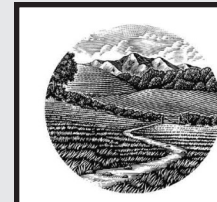
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Out Divine Corners Way

by Jonathan Shimkin



"Where can we live but days?"

Philip Larkin

By the third or fourth day of January, one starts to gain a purchase on the new year, after the glow of the holidays has dimmed and the work of dailiness, in all its familiar mundanity, resumes, with a day like any other, a day full of the repetitive chores and importuning business that make up the prospect for all the days that lie ahead. From our back window, that first week of January, the earth's colors are almost monochromatic: brown earth and tawny-colored switchgrass, a few pockets of white snow – a workaday-looking world, a spirit of dogged continuity about it. There's a long way to go to winter's end, the landscape says, three months till spring equinox; time to bundle up and trundle on.

Trundling on means taking up the daily things we do, again and again – tea to steep, dishes to wash, floors to swiffer – the things that stitch the days together and lend a semblance of wholeness and coherence to our hours. There's a book with the sly title "After the Ecstasy, the Laundry." But why wait? Perhaps the ecstasy is in the laundry as well, and if we don't find it there, we're missing out. Dailiness is the medium we move through, and meet, in a variety of moods – embracing or resigned, enthused or grimly determined – depending on the

disposition of our spirit and circumstances. "It's amazing," wrote Robert Lowell, in a poem called "The Day," "the day is still here... swimming in variation, / fresh as when man first broke / like the crocus all over the earth."

The poet Mark Jarman wrote a book called "Dailiness," which offers a scriptural take on the matter. He considers dailiness in the light of the sacramental: "Daily life is the native country where we feel at home, wherever it may be, however it may manifest itself... The work of creation is daily." Some days are like that, for sure; other days are more like scorched earth than playing fields. Any take on dailiness that fails to take account of boredom, haplessness, the itch of the intolerable, doesn't do full justice to the word. As we move through our days, a spirit of obduracy is a necessary adjunct to piety. If there's no inherent redemptive virtue in our daily tasks, there's nothing deficient either; we make our meanings as we go along, and perhaps it's this multiplicity, this field of choice, this freedom to shift perspectives, that's the most reliably solid ground beneath our feet.

One theme Mark Jarman comes back to, again and again, is the value of sitting down to your chosen task daily and giving it your best attention. This he considers a form of devotional practice or ritual. Chores can become rituals just as readily as

rituals can become chores. No activity has exclusive claim to the devotional. Our devotion can be to the day itself, our life in time, and encompass whatever engages us: balancing a ledger, say, or managing a project, or conducting a meeting, whatever it is we do to augment the quality of our hours. Just think of such activity as "The Dance of Debits and Credits," or, if you're in the kitchen (where so much of dailiness unfolds), "The Steeping of the Tea," and confer upon it all the sanctity of daily life.

It's too easy to either denigrate the work of dailiness as an obstacle to getting to *more important* things (and what might those be?), or to sentimentalize it as secular ritual, invoked sanctimoniously. We simply undertake to do the needful, day in, day out, and at times we are buoyed up and, at other times, we grit our teeth and trundle on. Mark Jarman lauds showing up each day, and getting to work, and that's a hopeful spirit with which to approach the daily rounds of 2023. The satisfactions are intrinsic to the act, not sanctioned from outside; there is no outside; there's simply a succession of hours, swimming in variation, day by day through the new year, as we do our bit and our best.

Jonathan Shimkin, writer and editor, may be contacted at jonathan-shimkin@gmail.com, or via his website: jonathan-shimkin.weebly.com.

Our Cinema And Live Events Return This Spring.

Until then, please join us for classes & events at The Yoga Space, Main Street Dance, Osorio Dancesport, New Vitality Physical Therapy, Hurleyville Wellness, The Black Library, and our restaurant, Tango Café.

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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 the gear and provide all the training needed, for free. Stop by any Monday night and find out how you can help.

For the first time in a number of years, we had no members answer their last alarm. We were also very happy to have gained three new members in 2022. Ron Besimer, and Denise and Rob Lombardi. Ron is already a driver and Denise and Rob have jumped in with both feet. Once again, welcome aboard.

For 2022, the Hurleyville Fire Department answered 158 calls, this is up from 2021, when we had 136, and way up from 2020, when we answered 96 calls. Next month, I should have a breakdown of the different types of calls.

Nationwide, there were 83 LODD (Line of Duty Deaths). That is down from 2021, with 141 LODD. In 2020, there were 96 LODD.

In the 2022 count, Assistant Chief of the Forestburgh Fire Department, William (Billy) Steinberg was one of the LODD. The person who started the fire that killed Billy pleaded guilty to arson and was sent to jail. Bail reform had let the arsonist out from two previous arson incidents to allow him to set the fatal fire that killed Billy.

Have you ever had to call in an emergency? If you need to call 911, stay on the line if you can until the dispatcher tells you to hang up. You will want to give the complete address of the emergency (building number, apartment number), not where you are. With many people using cell phones, the location of your call may not be the location of the emergency. What is wrong? A fire, medical emergency, assault, intruder etc. The more information you give the dispatcher, the more the dispatcher can help you. Give the dispatcher your name and call back number. Do you have your 911 address number posted? Most town codes require a three-

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inch reflective number that can be seen from both sides out in front of your house. It should be on the same side of the road as your house, even if your mailbox may be across the street from your house.

You can help by telling the dispatcher that you are turning on the porch light, flashers in a car in the driveway, or that someone is outside to flag down the help. Including what color the house is, how many stories, long or short driveway, etc., is also helpful.

This has been some crazy winter weather this winter. The cold snap at Christmas gave us some good ice for ice fishing, and it has been downhill since. We are hopeful that we can hold our annual contest.

The Hurleyville Fire Department, in cooperation with the Town of Fallsburg Youth Commission, will be holding their 35th Annual Ice Fishing Contest, Saturday, February 11. The contest will take place on Morningside Lake, 614 Brickman Road in Hurleyville from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. Registration will take place the day of the contest at the lake. Registration is \$5.00 for adults and free for those 15 and under.

Refreshments and bait will be available. We will also drill holes for you if needed.

There will be an adult and youth division with trophies for first, second and third in the following categories: PERCH, PAN FISH, BULLHEAD, AND PICKEREL. All fish must be legally caught and of legal size.

There is also a special Firemen's Contest. The RICH FARQUHAR MEMORIAL CHIEF'S CUP goes to the top firemen's fishing team. A team can be one, ten or as many that show up. All team members MUST belong to the same fire department. There is a first, second and third place team trophy in the fireman's contest. Last year's winner, the Tappan Fire Department will be out in full force to defend the cup that they won. I'm sure past champions Smallwood Mongaup Valley, Monticello, Neversink and the Loch Sheldrake Fire Departments will be there in full force to try and fish it away from them.

This contest has produced some real big fish in the past years. As in the past, a good time is had by all. For more information please contact:

J.W. Halchak (845) 436-5418 or George Price (845) 434-3475 or on Facebook J.W. Halchak

Visit us at www.hurleyvil-leny.com to see pictures of previous contests.

PAPER CLIPS...

by Elaine Corrington



Everybody Loves Valentines Day—Or Do They?

Is Valentine's Day really – as we are led to believe by millions of dollars in promotional messages each year--the most loving and romantic day on earth?

Is buying the new cards every year when they come out in early January a guarantee you will get the most romantic or wonderful cards before everyone else, or was it just left over from a pile on the messy storeroom shelving and plopped onto the empty shelving left over from Christmas and New Year's because the workers don't want to take them away?

Do you have a romantic partner to honor? Is there a chance that this Valentine partner is not who you will want any more by February...even when looking for a new partner in February? Will you drop them and end up with nobody –AGAIN???

This special card might just have to fake romance while the recipient rolls his or her eyes... just as you looked away and rolled your eyes! And then, you walk away from them forever.

Would it be smarter to just find very funny cards, or would that be insulting to everyone and insure that the recipient is not there for you ever again?

Wait! Who invented this allegedly romantic holiday anyway?

It has been around the world for years...and named after a saint for Pete's Sake!

Was a holiday of romance never really meant to be about one lasting love?

It is so easy to feel helpless and non-romantic, no matter what your age. Or, to pretend you understand this one person. You might never have wanted or trusted a Valentine's partner for your whole life.

You might have been considered a hopeless or injured romantic partner, well into your seventies... or a person with no love in their body or mind! And then you just forgot about it (or you might discover that you are just crazy). Hmm... All that money that could have been saved for the candy of a sweet old age....and NOT shared with ANYBODY!

What to do, what to do?

“Neversink Chronicles” At Time and the Valleys Museum

Virtual Presentation by Author

GRAHAMSVILLE – A virtual author talk on the fiction book, “Neversink Chronicles,” will be held on Sunday, February 5, 2 p.m. sponsored by the Time and the Valleys Museum on St. Rt. 55 (332 Main Street) Gramhamsville.

John Dwaine McKenna, author, reviewer and writer of the “Mysterious Book Report,” will give a talk about writing his first book, “The Neversink Chronicles.” The book links together seventeen fictional stories (set from 1937 to 2003) tied together by real life events of residents in the Rondout and Neversink Valleys who were displaced by NYC for the building of the Delaware water system, needed to bring fresh drinking water from the Catskills to NYC.

Building on the Rondout and Neversink Reservoirs, the tunnels that connect them and the Catskill Aqueduct (which transports the water to NYC) began in the 1930s and finished in the 1950s. The five communities of Montela, Eureka, Lackawack, Neversink and Bittersweet were removed to create the reservoirs, permanently altering the lives of over 1,500 people.

Mr. McKenna will answer questions about writing, as well discuss his newest work entitled The Skin Ripper. Bring your curiosity and an open-mind! The Book Neversink Chronicles is available for sale on the Museum's website: www.timeandthe-valleysmuseum.org/shop. Admission to this VIRTUAL ONLY program is FREE for Museum Members and \$5 for non-members. To join the program, please register by email at info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org and

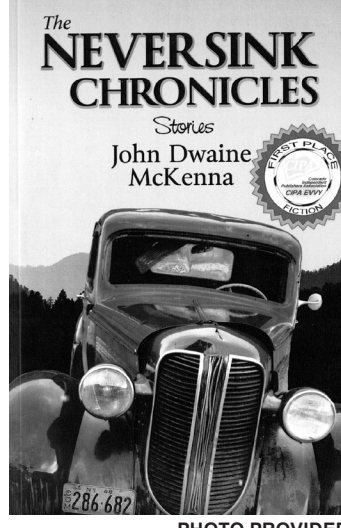


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put Neversink Chronicles in the subject line, or call 845 985-7700. A link will be sent to you. Non-members will be asked to please first make a donation on the Museum's website: www.timeandthevalleysmuseum.org. For more information on the program go to timeandthevalleysmuseum.org or email info@timeandthevalleysmuseum.org

About the Time and the Valleys Museum: Connecting Water People and the Catskills, the Museum is currently open by appointment only. Located at 332 Main Street in Gramhamsville (St. Rt. 55), Sullivan County, admission for adults is a suggested donation of \$5, children under 16 \$2, and children under six are free.

Museum exhibitions are interactive and both fun and educational for all ages.

FROM THE FILES OF...

THE HURLEYVILLE SENTINEL.

The Only Newspaper Published in the Town of Fallsburgh

COMPILED BY **Sullivan County Historian John Conway**

February 19, 1937 Work To Begin On N.Y. Water Shafts

Boring of the first of three excavation shafts for the New York City water supply project will begin within the next two weeks. Contractors assembled plans and machinery this week at the three sites and checked details preliminary to actual excavation. The three shafts will range in depth from approximately 750 feet to approximately 1500 feet. They will provide the bores through which excavation of the huge sixty-mile water supply conduit will be made.

The contracting company, Dravo, Inc., had not yet begun hiring workers, it was reported, but was expected to select what local labor it requires shortly. Key jobs on the three shafts such as rock drillers and others requiring experience necessarily would be filled outside the region, it was believed. The contractors will have their headquarters at Kerhonkson.

G.O.P. Speakers Ask Fight On Court Change

All the speakers at the Lincoln Dinner last Friday night at the Lenape Hotel made a plea to fight President Roosevelt's proposal to enlarge the United States Supreme Court. As a source of inspiration for patriotic Americans of today, speakers proclaimed Lincoln's faith in the power of righteousness and his confidence in the innate soundness of the American people.

Speakers were Senator Thomas C. Desmond, Frank L. Wiswold, former Senator from Albany County, and Assemblyman Chauncey B. Hammond of Elmira.

Desmond, in referring to his resolution to memorialize Congress, requested that “under no consideration should it accede to the President's demand to change the present Supreme Court setup.”

Young Doctor To Open Offices Here

Dr. Victor Drucker, of the Bronx, New York City, will open offices in Hurleyville for the general practice of medicine on April 15th next.

In accordance with a



SENTINEL FILE PHOTO

NYS Senator Thomas C. Desmond

lease which he entered into with Mrs. Rachel Penski, she is required to remodel her house so as to make two apartments, one on the first or ground floor, which will be occupied by the doctor, and one on the second floor for her own family.

Dr. Drucker, who will be married next month to Viola Abramowitz, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin Abramowitz of Monticello, has an extensive practice in the Bronx, but because his intended wife would rather live near her parents and in the country, where she spent the greater part of her life, he has decided to build up a practice here.

Dr. Drucker has received his Bachelor of Science degree at the City College of New York, and his Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Maryland.

Defer Braddock Bouts

Heavyweight Champion James J. Braddock's two charity exhibition bouts scheduled Monday night have been postponed until late in March because of lack of public interest, it was announced.

February 26, 1937 Renew Search For Luckman

Bulletins have been issued by the New York City police offering a reward of \$1,000 for the arrest of Ike Luckman, brother of Meyer Luckman, one of three men convicted and sentenced for the murder of Sam Drukman of Brooklyn, found dead in the Luckman garage.

Luckman has several times been the object of a search in Sullivan County, the last time in December when he was reported living at a Fallsburgh hotel. Two New York detectives, accompanied by Sergeant Thomas J. Man-

gan, checked the report, but without success.

Week-end Business Good, Hotel Managers Report

Hotels and boarding-houses throughout the County reported unusually good patronage for the Washington's Birthday week-end. In spite of bad weather, hundreds came to the County by rail, bus, and private car. Sunday's heavy rains ruined skating and kept a majority of visitors indoors during their entire stay. Hotelmen reported there had not been a comparable mid-winter week-end crowd during the recovery period.

February 2018 TCFD Contributes \$1 Billion

As the largest employer in Sullivan County, The Center for Discovery is a major driver of the local and regional economy, generating more than \$1 billion in economic impact from 2010 to 2017.

A recent economic impact study undertaken by TEconomy Partners found that in 2016 alone, The Center for Discovery generated \$193.1 million of economic activity for the State of New York. In that same year, The Center supported a total of 2,119 jobs with \$111.9 million in compensation, and accounted for \$9.9 million in state and local tax revenue.

Meanwhile, for the first time ever in this country there are more people employed in healthcare than in any other sector of the economy. In this case, Sullivan County is considerably ahead of the curve, as that milestone occurred here in 2012. And healthcare became the number one employer in New York State five years before that.

BELOVED NUN SISTER KEVIN JOHN PASSES

AMITYVILLE, NY – Sister Kevin John Shields, OP, was born into eternal life on January 28, 2023 following a fall in Liberty a few days before that resulted in a head injury. Sister Kevin John was a founder of the Sullivan County CARES Coalition in 1983, and was

active in many other programs over a 50-year career of ministry in the county.

Born in Brooklyn and raised on Long Island, Sister is survived by the Sisters of St. Dominic and her loving family. Funeral Mass and Burial will take place on January 31, 2023, at the

Motherhouse. There will be a Memorial Mass in the near future for Sister Kevin John in Sullivan County.

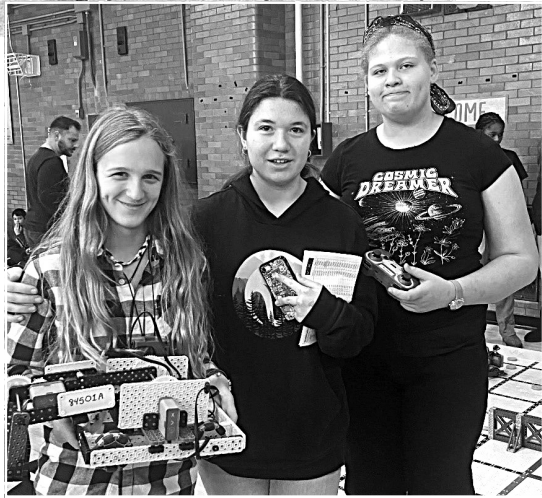
In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville, 555 Albany Avenue, Amityville, NY 11701.

An Update on FCSD Robotics Teams

FALLSBURG – Faculty Advisor Donald Thomas reports that the Fallsburg Comets Robotics teams returned to regular season competitions at the Mount Academy on December 10, 2022. At this competition, team 99561B (Photo below: Saladin Basic and Bella Muscia) took second place, and qualified for the Southern NYS Championship

On January 7, Fallsburg hosted 24 teams from around the area. This was an all-school event, with Principal Kyle Roddey, Living Environment teacher Jennifer Deitz, and Social Studies teacher Jeff O'Neill performing judging duties, and the class of 2024 providing snacks at refreshments. The competition was in the High School Gymnasium.

On January 14, Fallsburg's youngest team 84501A (Photo below: Autumn-Rain Atkinson, Kiara Sauer, and Kileen Milligan) traveled to Little Neck, NY to compete in their first ever competition. The team placed 11th out of 24 teams. Mr. Thomas thanks Technology teacher Megan Kappes for assisting him once again to working with the teams.



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A NEW YEAR'S EVE ADVENTURE PART II

An original short story
by Jack Robbin

Fallsburg Constable Bronco Kelly is in the midst of another adventure taken from actual historical events, this one involving the discovery of a local man with his head caved in along Pleasant Valley Road on New Year's Eve, 1936. As we pick up the story, Bronco and Sullivan County Deputy Sheriff Jay Lass, with the help of pharmacist Dave Bockman, believe they have identified the deceased as local farmhand John Dombrosky...

Longtime County Coroner Ralph Breakey looked at me sternly, his face making it clear in no uncertain terms that he did not like being questioned.

"Kelly, there may come a time when some doctor somewhere might be able to tell you absolutely how this man's head was crushed, and perhaps there's even some doctor somewhere now who could, but I'm telling you with the technology available to me at this point in time, I can't say if he was bludgeoned or if his head was mangled some other way. I just don't know. What I do know, is that he died from severe head trauma resulting in

a fatal brain injury."

"Sorry, Doc, I didn't mean to question your..."

"And that's another thing, Kelly. I'm not sure I like you calling me 'Doc.' When you say it, it sounds like you are addressing a drinking man. I'd prefer you show me a little respect."

"I'm sorry, I..."

"Ass, stop saying you're sorry. Jay, please get this overgrown galoot out of here."

Breakey had just performed an autopsy on the man we now believed to be John Dombrosky, a local farm laborer who had most recently been employed by Morris Golden, whose farm was located about a mile down the road from where we had found the body. I had been pressing the doctor to be more specific about the way Dombrosky had died. His head injury was obvious. How it was inflicted, apparently, was not.

Jay Lass gave me a look, and a slight smile, and swiped at my chest with the back of his hand.

"Come on, Bronco, let's get a cup of coffee."

We hadn't taken more than two steps down the hallway

when Breakey's booming voice could be heard once again, first in the room we had just left and then in the hallway itself.

"Hang on just a minute, Jay," he said in what seemed like a roar. "Walt's on the phone for you."

Jay hurried back to the examining room and picked up the receiver. I followed behind, anticipating some kind of update from Undersheriff Walter Flynn, to whom we had passed along the information about our tentative identification of the victim with the expectation that he would follow up on it.

Jay didn't say much that I could understand, and then hung up the phone.

"Look's like this is Dombrosky, all right," he said to me. "Walt just got a visit from Morris Golden, who was reporting that his wagon and a team of horses had showed up at his farm over night without a driver. Seems John Dombrosky had taken the rig into town yesterday afternoon, and has not returned."

"Can we get Golden over here to identify the body?" I asked. "He might recognize the clothing, the boots, some-

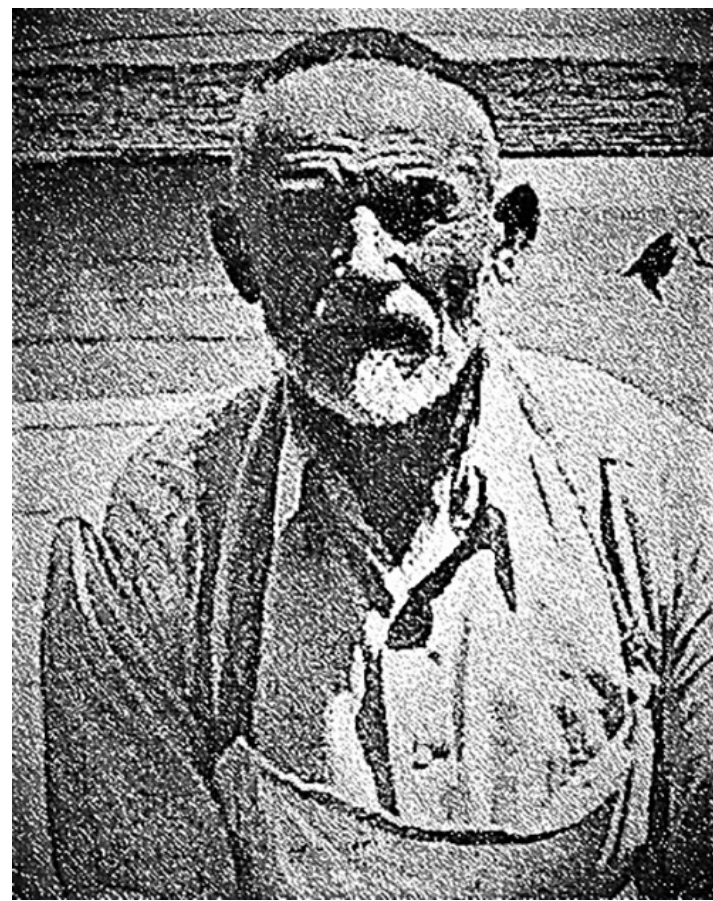


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He was a small, elderly man, with whitish hair and beard, but solidly built and rugged looking, with the slight stoop and gnarled hands so typical of an aging farmer.

thing, because right now we are not even certain who this guy is."

"Walt said he's on his way. After we meet with him, we should go over to the farm and take a close look at the wagon and team. Maybe they

can tell us something."

"My thoughts, exactly."

Jay and I were able to scrounge up two cups of coffee from the nurse's station down the hall and had just about finished drinking them when Morris Golden, looking

more than a little bewildered, was brought to us by one of the nurses.

He was a small, elderly man, with whitish hair and beard, but solidly built and rugged looking, with the slight stoop and gnarled hands so typical of an aging farmer. He was dressed in a well-worn white shirt and wore a yarmulke on his balding head.

"Mr. Golden?" Jay greeted him. "I am Deputy Sheriff Jay Lass, and this is Constable Kelly. Thank you for coming and helping us out."

Dr. Breakey must have heard us talking in the hall, because he stuck his head out and gruffly suggested that we bring Golden to see the body as quickly as possible.

"I told Harry I'd wait for the i.d., but I don't have all day," he added, referring to Sheriff Harry Borden.

We walked inside with Morris Golden and he almost immediately identified the body as that of John Dombrosky.

"How can you be so sure?"

Jay Lass asked him. "His face is almost completely destroyed."

"There is no question,"

Golden assured Jay. "I worked next to him in the fields every day for several years, I recognize his hands, his wrists, his arms, and his hair. And then, I look over there, and I see that shirt in the pile of clothes and that is the shirt he wore every Sunday since I have known him. That is John, of this I am certain."

"All right, that's fine, Mr. Golden," Breakey said. "Thank you for coming. We appreciate it."

"He was a fine man, you know," Golden said to no one in particular. "A hard worker, kind, and honest. A fine man."

"I'm sure he was," Jay said. "Do you know if he had any family?"

"He did not," Golden answered. "He often remarked that he was all alone in the world. So, what happens now? What happens to his body?"

"Well, we are hoping to get a positive identification from his fingerprints, which

we will probably know one way or the other tomorrow," Jay answered. "And then, if no one claims the body we'll bury him in Liberty."

"I would like to bury him properly," Golden said. "Not in potter's field, but in a proper grave. Can you arrange it?"

"I'll try," Jay said.

"Please do that for me," Golden said. "And one other thing you can do... find out who did this terrible thing to such a man...such a fine man."

This fictional story is based on a real-life incident that took place in Hurleyville in December of 1936. It will continue in next month's edition. Bronco Kelly is a fictional character, and while Walter Flynn, Jay Lass, Dr. Breakey, Morris Golden, Harry Borden, and John Dombrosky are actual people, no representation is made as to the accuracy of their portrayal in this story.

FCSD Seeks Fallsburg Hall of Fame Nominations

FALLBURG — Are you a Fallsburg resident? Did you attend Fallsburg schools? Was there a teacher or member of the Fallsburg School Community that made a difference in your life and the lives of fellow students? Perhaps, you know of alumni from Fallsburg High School that went on to make a significant contribution for the betterment of society in some special way through their education, career or voluntary efforts?

Fallsburg Central School District established a Hall of Fame several years ago to honor such noteworthy people. Former teachers, alumni, and staff are enshrined in the Hall of Fame Display in the main lobby of the High School.

Superintendent of Fallsburg Central School District Dr. Ivan Katz is reminding the community that nominations for the FCSD Hall of Fame are due in his office by February 13. A copy of the Hall of Fame application is online at https://www.fallsburgcsd.net/district/hall_of_fame. Contact the Superintendent's office if you have any questions at (845) 434-6800, ext. 1215.

Please take a moment and consider nominating an individual who has made extraordinary contributions to the Fallsburg school community. The FCSD Hall of Fame honors the contributions and accomplishments of individuals who are worthy of district-wide recognition.

TREES AND SHRUBS AVAILABLE

MONTICELLO — The Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District is pleased to announce their annual spring Tree & Shrub Program.

Landowners can choose from a wide variety of deciduous and conifer trees and shrubs and specialized packets such as Nut Tree, Flowering Tree & Shrub, Wildflower, Butterfly, and perennials. Seedling varieties allow for the purchaser to select what's right for their needs. The program offers a range of quantities at reduced costs to promote conservation plantings.

Other items available through the program are fruit trees and wildlife habitat housing.

Trees and shrubs offered through the District program can be planted for a number of purposes, such as wildlife habitat, windbreaks, hedges, screens and streambank and road bank stabilization.

To order, please contact the District Office at (845) 292-6552 and request the brochure and order form, or go online at sullivan-swcd.org.

The order deadline is April 10, 2023.

Fallsburg Business Among Catholic Charities Honorees

Award recipients exemplifying agency's mission

GOSHEN — Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster is pleased to mark the start of the New Year with the announcement of its 2023 Caritas Award honorees, which include Anderman Oil, a long established family business from Mountaintale.

The awards will be presented at the 17th annual Catholic Charities Celebration of Charity dinner on Thursday, March 23.

Receiving the 2023 Caritas Awards will be:

- Anderman Oil
- Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan
- Mount Saint Mary College
- Dr. Walter Woodley, *Institute for Family Health*

The Caritas Awards are presented by Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster each year to organizations and individuals who exemplify the agency's mission to provide help and create hope.

"We are grateful for strong community partners, like this year's honorees, who embrace our mission, embody the spirit of Caritas, and share in our com-



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Anderman Oil, a 65 year old family operated business from Mountaintale, is among the 2023 Catholic Charities Caritas Honorees.

mitment to creating brighter futures for our neighbors in need," said Shannon Kelly, CEO, Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan, and Ulster.

Catholic Charities touches the lives of those in need of care, hope, and help. Programs include prevention, treatment, and recovery support for those struggling from the disease of addiction. Assistance with food, shelter, and other social safety-net supports helps individuals and families with basic necessities of life. Christmas Giving Programs make the holiday happier for hundreds of children. Counseling

and bereavement support groups help those who have lost loved ones. Each year, Catholic Charities assists thousands of individuals and families, regardless of religion or ability to pay. Detailed program information is available at www.cccsos.org.

"We are blessed by the spirit of collaboration and generosity displayed by this year's Caritas honorees," said Ms. Kelly. "We are thrilled to be hosting the Celebration at an exciting new venue and invite friends, colleagues, and supporters of both Catholic

Charities and our honorees to join us in congratulating our award recipients in person at the Kartrite Resort this spring."

The 17th annual Celebration of Charity and Caritas Awards Dinner will be held Thursday, March 23, at the new Kartrite Resort in Monticello (located at 555 Resorts World Drive). The event starts at 5:30 pm with a social hour and silent auction, followed by a sit-down dinner and awards ceremony. Tickets are \$150 per person, or \$1,400 for a table of 10.

A variety of sponsorship and journal ad opportunities are available to recognize the 2023 Caritas Award honorees and support Catholic Charities. The funds raised from this event stay local to support Catholic Charities programs in the community. For more information, join the event as a sponsor or advertiser, or to purchase tickets, contact Kristin Jensen, at 845.294-5124 x1005 or kristin.jensen@cccsos.org.



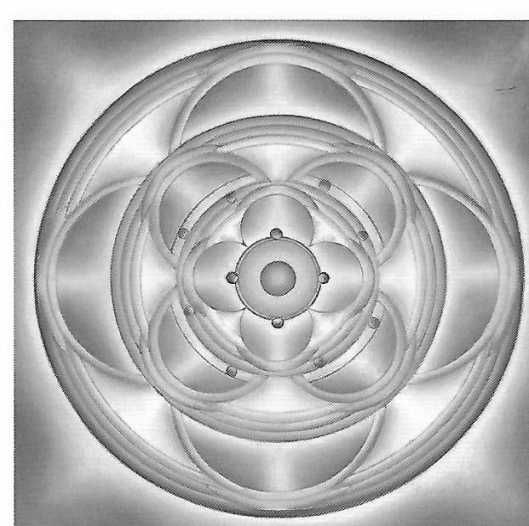
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REMEMBERING DARIUS

GENERALS SWEEP INAUGURAL DARIUS LEE MEMORIAL CLASSIC

by John Conway

LOCH SHELDRAKE—January was an up and down month for the SUNY Sullivan men's basketball team, as the Generals dropped three games, but it certainly had its high notes.

The highest was no doubt capturing both games in the inaugural Darius Lee Memorial Classic at Paul Gerry Fieldhouse on January 27 and 28. And the two wins meant much more than just the fact that Sullivan's record improved to 16-5

because of them. The contests carried extra meaning because they were honoring the memory of a fallen General.

Darius Lee, the namesake of the tournament, was a former Sullivan basketball standout and Region XV Player-of-the Year. He was the victim of a stray bullet in a New York City shooting on June 20, and died at the age of 21.

Lee was among nine people shot at a late-night gathering near East 139th Street and Fifth Avenue in Harlem. The 6-foot-6 230 pounder from St. Raymond's High School in the Bronx had



SENTINEL FILE PHOTO
The late Darius Lee

starred at Sullivan in the 2019 – 2020 season, which was capped off by his selection as the National Junior College Athletic Association Region XV Player-of-the-Year. He had gone on to play for Houston Baptist University in Texas, averaging more than 18 points per game there.

The Darius Lee Memorial Classic is expected to become an annual event in Loch Sheldrake.

The Generals' two wins came against CCBC-Dundalk (Maryland) by 82-55 and City College

of Morris (New Jersey) by 88-70.

The Generals 16-5 record had them ranked number 13 in the last NJCAA Division II poll prior to the Sentinel going to press. Sullivan had reached number one in the nation earlier in the season, but had lost two of its last four games prior to the classic, and four of their last nine.

Sophomore guard Jay Alvarez continues to lead the Generals in scoring on the year with a 22.8 ppg average, and in rebounding, with eight rpg. Jair Currie, another sophomore guard, is the only other General

scoring in double figures, averaging 11.1 points per game.

Sullivan travelled to Stone Ridge to take on SUNY Ulster on Tuesday, January 31, just as the Sentinel was going to press, and then is home to Westchester County Community College on Tuesday, February 7. On Thursday, February 9, the Generals are in Middletown to take on archrival Orange County, which knocked Sullivan out of its number one ranking with an upset 85-80 victory in Loch Sheldrake on December 6. Orange is currently ranked fourth in the nation.



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Brianna Maple

Lady Generals Fall to 11-9

Brianna Maple Gains Honor

by Win Hadley

LOCH SHELDRAKE—On January 19, SUNY Sullivan Lady General Brianna Maple was named the Mid-Hudson Conference Athlete of the Week. Maple, a graduate of Brooklyn's Law and Tech High School, hit 13 three-point shots on the way to averaging 17 points per game during a four-game stretch for Sullivan.

Other than that individual honor, however, the month was not kind to the Lady Generals.

The month started with a 13-point loss to the Niagara County Community College Thunder Wolves at the Philly Classic in Herkimer, NY. Then, following a victory over the homestanding Herkimer County Community College Generals in the second game of the classic on January 8, the Sullivan women lost five of their next seven games, to stand at 11-9 on the year as the Sentinel went to press.

The Lady Generals did record a comfortable 54-39 win over Erie County Com-

munity College to open the MLK Classic in New Rochelle on January 14, and cruised to an impressive 63-47 victory over Raritan Valley Community College in New Jersey on January 19, but other than that, it has been a rough stretch, culminating with a heartbreaking 60-57 home loss to the Howard Community College Dragons on January 21.

Sophomore center Deivon Harris leads the team in scoring on the season at 16.1 points per game, while the freshman guard Maple is second at 15.5. Harris is also averaging 13.3 rebounds per game.

The Lady Generals had a home game scheduled against Fulton-Montgomery Community College on January 31, and then open the month of February by hosting Westchester County Community College at Paul Gerry Fieldhouse on Tuesday, February 7 and welcoming the Community College of Rhode Island to Loch Sheldrake on Saturday, February 11.

FIFTY YEARS AGO... Fallsburg, Monticello Dominate Section 9 Skiing

by John Conway

MONTICELLO—There was a time when Monticello, Fallsburg and Liberty dominated high school skiing in Section 9. And, in February, 1973—50 years ago this month—the three schools proved once again to be the cream of the crop in both boys and girls sectional competition.

In fact, Fallsburg captured the boys Sectional crown, while Monticello finished second and Liberty fourth. In the girls' races, Monticello was Section champ, with Fallsburg finishing fifth.

Neither school had an individual boys or girls champion, and in fact, no Sullivan County skier finished better than third in either competition.

Suffern's Kevin Ward won the boys race, while Kathy Murray of Ellenville was the girls individual champ.

The Sectional races in 1973 took place at the Great Gorge ski area in McAfee, New Jersey under icy conditions that proved the undoing of the heavy boys favorite, Gary Pavlick of Monticello. Pavlick ended up finishing sixth on the day.

Fallsburg's Ira Steingart

was the top Sullivan County skier overall, finishing fifth. With Pavlick in sixth, Sullivan County skiers took the next five places, with Fallsburg's Peter Stangle finishing seventh, Monticello's Rob Van Etten, a freshman, eighth, Fallsburg's Chris Dill ninth, and Liberty's Steve Schiff, tenth.

Fallsburg's boys team total over the slalom and giant slalom courses was 327.17, while Monticello ended up at 330.42. Next came Suffern, and then Liberty, with Monroe-Woodbury rounding out the top five.

In girls' competition,

Monticello's team total of 380.20 was far better than runner-up Rondout Valley's 456.65. Fallsburg's Sheila Klein was the top Sullivan County finisher, ending the day in third place. Monticello's Toni Laufersweiler and Debbie Stratton were fourth and fifth, while Panther freshman Jodi Shames was ninth.

It was the third consecutive Section 9 championship for the Monticello girls. The top ten finishers in both boys and girls racing advanced to the New York State Public High School Championships.

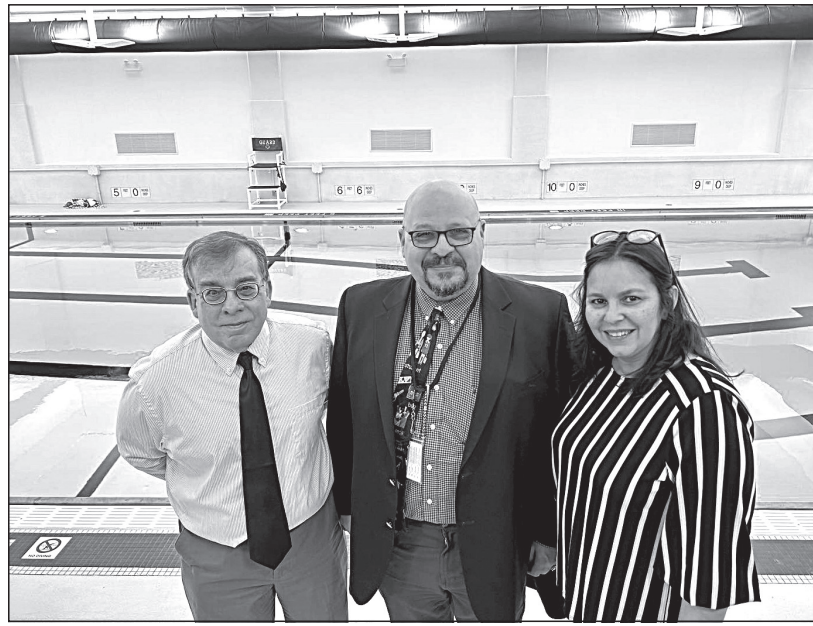
FCSD RE-OPENS POOL 65-Year Old Amenity Refurbished

FALLSBURG- The Fallsburg Central School District was long unique among Sullivan County schools for having its own swimming pool and a swimming and diving team. Amid rising operating and maintenance costs, the pool was closed down in 2010.

Now it is open again.

On January 24, school officials were joined by town of Fallsburg representatives to cut the ribbon on the completely refurbished pool, which will be jointly used by the school and the public.

The pool was originally built in 1958, and as of 2010, was costing the district about \$20,000 a year to operate, but Fallsburg Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz told the Times Her-



ald-Record that year that there concerns beyond the yearly costs.

"The pool has never been renovated," he said at the time. "And it would cost

about \$1 million to renovate if anything should happen."

That year, voters in the district voted 243- 171 against a proposed bond for school renovations even after school

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FCSD School Board president Mike Weiner, Superintendent Dr. Ivan Katz, and Town of Fallsburg Supervisor Kathy Rappaport (L to R) in front of the refurbished pool.

officials removed the \$1 million for pool renovations from the proposal.

But superintendent Katz, school board president Mike Weiner, and town supervisor Kathy Rappaport were among a small crowd that cut the ribbon last month to usher in a new era of collaboration between the school district and town government.

FCSD RECEIVES SPORTSMANSHIP CERTIFICATE



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FALLSBURG – At the FCSD Board of Education meeting on January 4, Board president Mike Weiner received a SportsmanSHIP Promotion Banner and Plaque from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) for "developing proactive

approaches in keeping sportsmanSHIP in the forefront with their students, coaches, spectators, and communities." In the attached photo are BOE President Mike Weiner and Interim Director of Athletics and Physical Education Ms. Amanda Stevens.

Three Fallsburg Teams Honored as Scholar Athletes

FALLSBURG – At the FCSD Board of Education meeting on January 18, 2023, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, and Girls Volleyball teams received Scholar Athlete Awards from New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA).

The following athletes were recognized Boys Cross Country Justice Laurel* and Adam Mednick* ; Girls Cross Country Meredith Anderman, Cassandra Damms, Bintou Darboe*, Ariana Gonzalez*, Stephanie

Granados, Gisella King, Angelina Levner*, Amanda Murtagh*, Cecilia Norris-Yanes*, Joslyn Odell Schreier*, Cyriah Russell*, Jaily Sebastian*, and Nataly Zempoaltecatl. Girls Volleyball Maya Ballard*, Mikalah Ballard*, Amanda Gutierrez Padilla, Ashely Ingrassia, Hannah Johnson*, Sierra Kaplan, Nadiushka Rosa Gonzalez, Rugiatu Sestey*, Dianaliz Vargas, and Jordyn Wall-Carty*.

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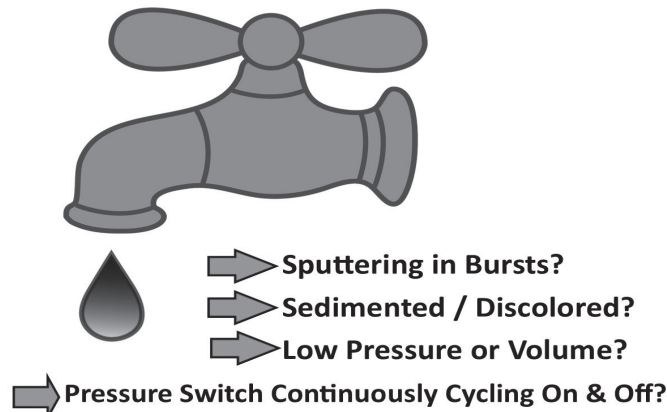
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BALLGAME BAFFLERS

BY BRIAN

Here are five ballgame bafflers for your consideration. The first person to email the most correct answers to hurleysent@hotmail.com will win a prize. Have fun!

February Questions:

1. Who scored the first touchdown in Super Bowl history?
2. In what year was the Super Bowl first played in February?
3. What city has hosted the most Super Bowl games?
4. Which two teams have lost the most Super Bowls?
5. Only two teams who have played in more than one Super Bowl have a perfect Super Bowl won-loss record. Who are they?

January Answers:

1. In what city was the very first National Basketball Association game played? (**Toronto**)
2. For that game, fans were admitted free if they met a certain criteria. What was it? (**If they were taller than 6'8" Toronto Huskies center George Nostrand.**)
3. Who scored the first three-point basket in NBA history? (**Chris Ford of the Boston Celtics is credited with making the first three-point shot in NBA history on October 12, 1979.**)
4. Who was the shortest player in NBA history? (**Muggsy Bogues**)
5. Who is the only coach to win both an NCAA national championship and an NBA title? (**Larry Brown**)

There was no winner last month.