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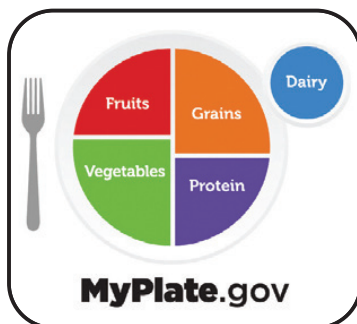
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The Hunting Tavern Museum dressed for July Fourth.

The Hunting Tavern Museum, home to the Andes Society for History and Cultural (ASHC), reopened in 2022 with a fresh new look. ASHC's all-volunteer board worked industriously, sprucing up rooms housing the hamlet's historical collections and raising funds for improvements. The museum has a new roof and its wheelchair ramp has been completed.

"Our town has a great story to tell," observes Joanne Warner, ASHC Board president. The Hunting Tavern Museum is where that story unfolds. For over 200 years, it has played a key role in the life of the Andes community," she adds. It has worn many hats - as a tavern, a hotel, a stagecoach stop, a home, a hardware store, an apartment house and now, a museum. It was time to add a new chapter to the story."

The Hunting Tavern, as we know it today - a spacious two-level gray clapboard structure built in the 1820s - had nothing to do with hunting - a popular misconception. The tavern was named after the Hunting family who purchased

it in 1838, operating it as both a tavern and hotel. The Delaware-Esopus Turnpike, now Andes' Main Street, provided the tavern with steady business. The stagecoach stopped three times a week, carrying weary travelers in need of respite and mail that villagers picked up at the tavern. More than a century and a half later, The Gladstone family - Walter, his wife Patricia and Edna Gladstone Benedict - gifted the tavern to the ASHC. A dedication ceremony, held in 1999, marked the official opening of the Hunting Tavern as a museum and as a venue for cultural events.

Over the July Fourth weekend in 2022, 50 visitors walked through rooms where affluent patrons dined and entertained guests over two centuries ago. They took in a display cabinet containing 17th century artifacts from the museum's earliest predecessor - a one-room log tavern structure, built on the same plot where the museum is today. Visitors climbed the stairs to the large second-floor room used for dances and sleeping quarters in the 1800s. The original





The farmers had to pay a yearly rent and give part of their harvest and produce to the landlord. If farmers couldn't meet rent payments, local law enforcement was called in to oversee the forced sale of their land. Discontent erupted among the farmers. Anti-Rent societies were formed to try to prevent officials from carrying out their duties. They adopted Indian costumes in the spirit of the 1776 Boston tea party rebels, and wore leather masks. Two original 1845 masks and a Calico Indian costume from the 1976 Anti-Rent reenactment are on display in the taproom. A tin horn, used to warn protesters that the sheriff was coming, is a recent museum acquisition.

A visitor reads the museum's signage in the tap room.

swinging doors that dropped down from the ceiling at night to separate the room into male and female sleeping areas, are still there.

This room is also where Delaware County Undersheriff Osborn Steele hid from anti-rent protesters dressed as Calico Indians in the spring of 1845. A portrait of Steele that hung in the Delaware County Courthouse is on view in the museum's taproom. It was here that Steele had his last drink before riding off to oversee the sale of livestock at the Moses Earle farm, saying, "Lead cannot penetrate Steele." He was fatally shot and his body brought back to the tavern.

The taproom, now devoted to the Anti-Rent War, houses a framed contract signed in 1824 by Janet Montgomery, wife of General Robert Montgomery, who died in the Revolutionary War. Large tracts of land in the Catskills, such as the 20,000 acres that Mrs. Montgomery inherited from her father, were granted to wealthy land barons by King George of England. The barons rented the parcels to settlers who farmed them - often barely eking out a living.



An original Calico Indian costume worn by anti-rent protesters in the mid-1800s.





The Hunting Tavern's tap room 'bar.' In the 1800s, customers gathered here to read newspapers and pick up mail delivered by the stagecoach traveling along what is now Main Street. Mr. Hunting provided clay pipes and tobacco, alcoholic drinks including beer, cider and rum.

"It is fascinating how all of the different pieces from different historical periods have come together to tell the Andes story," notes Warner, who served as curator of the Wallcoverings Collection at the Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum in New York City before moving to Andes.

It was there that she first met ASHC board member Linda Dunne, who served as deputy director before relocating to Andes as well. Working collaboratively with other volunteers, Warner and Dunne began to update the Hunting Tavern Museum's content - reappointing furnishings and refreshing gallery spaces.

Rooms were organized with exhibits pertaining to each period in Andes history - from its earliest tavern days to the building of the Pepacton Reservoir in the 1950s. The reservoir would bring much-needed water to the growing population of New York City at great expense to the villages that were demolished and its residents relocated. Vintage photographs of these "lost villages," are now located upstairs in the museum, as are dairy and tool exhibits that speak to Andes' farming past.

In 1953, the post office interior was removed intact from the corner building it occupied and donated by the U.S. Postal Service to ASHC. It, too, can be visited in its permanent home on the second floor.

New signage by Warner, with input from Andes resident and long term ASHC board member Jim Andrews, guides visitors through the museum, giving a better insight into the events that shaped the hamlet. Each room now has signs that tell a story as to how the room was used long ago. Indi-



This mural located in the Delhi Post Office, depicts Calico Indians during the Anti-Rent War.





The parlor where prominent Andes families dined and entertained guests in the 1800. The rug was found at the Pleasant Valley Meeting House and is one of the first machine-made reversible rugs, circa 1800s.

In 1953, the post office interior was removed, intact, from the corner building, where it had been located for years. Today, it is a favorite exhibit on the museum's second floor.

vidual labels next to exhibits make the viewing of paintings, maps, exhibits, furnishings and décor more meaningful.

Magnifying glasses have been installed next to vintage maps to help visitors view and study them more closely. "People are enjoying the new signs," observed volunteer Sarah Lewis, who contributed one of the earliest maps of Andes (circa 1856) on display in the entrance hallway. "They stay longer than before, reading the signs and taking in their historical content."

One of the first rooms to enjoy a makeover was the front parlor. Shards of glass from tumblers and pieces of flow blue chinaware dating to the 1800s were among the artifacts uncovered in the 1999 archaeological survey undertaken by students of SUNY Binghamton.

"Dug up from underneath this room, they support the fact that the parlor was used for dining during this period," says Dunne. One can picture Duncan Ballantine and Henry Dowie, leading Andes citizens in the 1800s, enjoying a meal with their families and friends, served on this fine china. The Italianate mansion that Ballantine built still sits off Main Street."

A trip made by volunteers to the Pleasant Valley Meeting House, also owned by the Andes Society for History & Culture, yielded an 1800s rug below the present carpet. It fit in



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"Snag Proof Boots" sign from the 1935 corner store, J.W. Dickson store, now home to WillBee's.

perfectly with the rooms' 19th century furnishings and décor. Upon further research, the rug turned out to be an example of the first machine-made reversible rugs from that period. Volunteers took up paint brushes to give the parlor a fresh coat of yellow paint that bathes the room in a warm glow.

Additional acquisitions from donors are located in the museum's main room and are part of its expanded collections on view. They include a gift of a charming, hand-tinted lithographic print called *Home & Family* (circa 1845), donated by Andes residents Vera and Donald Liddle.

A focal point in the main room is another new acquisition - an Empire style chest of drawers, made locally by Howe & Jarvis cabinetmakers of Delhi (1834-1838), and restored by ASHC.

The Geiger family contributed the "Snag Proof Boots" advertisement from the J.W. Dickson

store, circa 1935. The poster had been purchased by the late Ann Geiger, an ASHC founder, for her Andes home. This store, known as the Big Store on the corner of Main Street and Delaware Avenue, is now home to WillBees. William Elwood, born and raised in Shavertown, donated a 1963 aerial photo revealing the remains of this village, lying underneath the Pepacton Reservoir. A wool "Tumbling Blocks" quilt from the 19th century, and a cotton summer coverlet from the same period are among recent acquisitions.

The Museum is open Saturdays from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. through the October Columbus Day weekend.

A local resident visiting with out-of-town guests summed up the new look this way: "It's like visiting a whole new museum. It's very impressive."



A guest studies the 1879 Map of Andes for location of her home.



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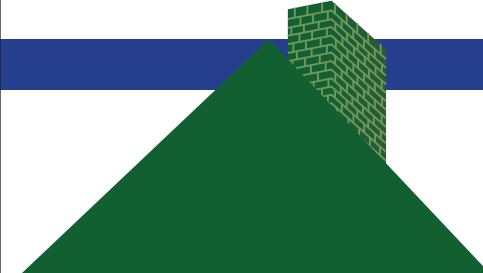
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#### FRIDAY, JUNE 2

**Two Solo Exhibitions, June 2 - July 2:** Gerda van Leeuwen & Robert Axelrod at the Longyear Gallery, Plus Members' Group Show, 785 Main St, Margaretville.

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#### SUNDAY, JUNE 4

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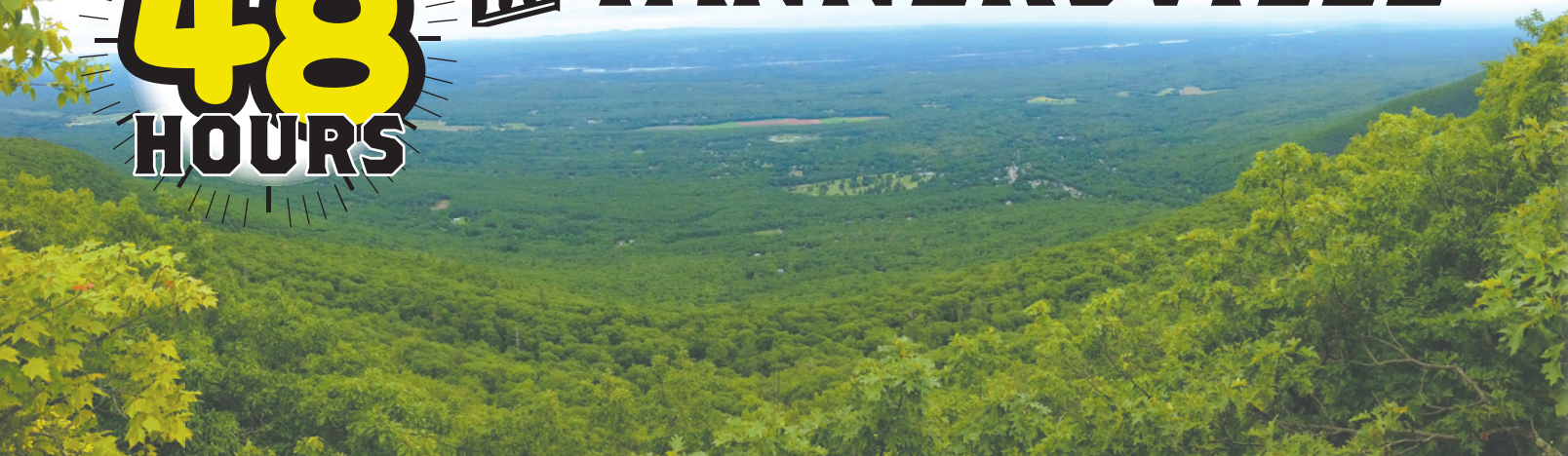
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# IN TANNERSVILLE



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View from the top of North-South Lake State Park.

Tannersville is a charming mountain town in the Catskills that offers visitors a perfect blend of outdoor adventure, local culture, and culinary delights. With its stunning natural beauty, rich history, and friendly community, Tannersville is the perfect destination for a weekend getaway.



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Kaaterskill Falls.

Here's how to spend 48 hours in Tannersville:

## DAY 1

- 9 a.m.** Start your day with a hearty breakfast at **Maggie's Krooked Cafe**, a local favorite that serves up delicious breakfast sandwiches, pancakes, and coffee.
- 10 a.m.** Head over to **North-South Lake State Park**, where you can hike to the top of the nearby mountains and enjoy stunning views of the Hudson Valley.
- 1 p.m.** After your hike, grab lunch at the **Last Chance Cheese and Antiques Cafe**, a quirky restaurant that offers a selection of delicious sandwiches, soups, and salads.
- 2 p.m.** Explore the village of Tannersville, which is filled with unique shops, antique stores, and art galleries. Be sure to check out the **Orpheum Film and Performing Arts Center**, a historic theater that hosts a variety of events throughout the year.



photo from CatskillMtn.org

Orpheum Film and Performing Arts Center.

- 4 p.m.** Take a scenic drive to **Kaaterskill Falls**, one of the most iconic waterfalls in the Catskills. The hike to the falls is relatively easy and offers beautiful views of the surrounding forest.
- 7 p.m.** Enjoy a cozy dinner at the **Deer Mountain Inn**, a historic inn and restaurant that serves up delicious farm-to-table cuisine in a picturesque setting.





## DAY 2

**9 a.m.** Start your day with a cup of coffee and a pastry at **Twin Peaks Coffee and Donuts**, a local cafe that offers a variety of breakfast treats.

**10 a.m.** Take a guided tour of the **Mountain Top Historical Society Museum**, which showcases the history and culture of the Catskills region.



photo from Mama's Boy Burgers facebook

**Noon** Grab lunch at the **Mama's Boy Burgers**, a burger joint that serves up delicious burgers and milkshakes.

**1 p.m.** Visit the **Catskill Mountain Foundation Piano Performance Museum**, which houses an extensive collection of rare and historic pianos.



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Twin Peaks Coffee  
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One of the pianos on display at the Catskill Mountain Foundation Piano Performance Museum.



photos from Hunter Mountain  
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**3 p.m.** Take a scenic drive to the **Hunter Mountain Ski Resort**, where you can take a scenic chairlift ride to the summit and enjoy breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains.

**6 p.m.** End your day with dinner at the **American Glory BBQ**, a local restaurant that serves up delicious BBQ ribs, brisket, and pulled pork.

Tannersville is a wonderful destination for a weekend getaway. With its stunning natural beauty, rich history, and vibrant community, visitors can immerse themselves in the beauty of the Catskills while enjoying delicious food, local culture, and outdoor adventures. Whether you are looking for a relaxing retreat or an active weekend, Tannersville has something for everyone.





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**10th Living History Cemetery Tour-Margaretville:** 10th Living History Cemetery Tour at the Margaretville cemetery, Cemetery Road, Margaretville, NY, 12455. Meet six people from Middletown's past on a one-hour guided walk through Margaretville Cemetery. Walking tours offered in six time slots from 4-6 p.m. Reservations required. If you would like to be an at-large, silent vignette player, call Diane Galusha at 845-586-4973. Early bird performance 2 p.m. on stage at the Open Eye Theater to accommodate those whose mobility issues may prevent their enjoyment of the on-site event.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 13

**Trout Fishing Presentation by Tom Trelease:** 6-7 PM at the Cannon Free Library, 40 Elm St, Delhi, NY 13753. Tom is a past president of the Dave Brandt Chapter of Trout Unlimited and a well-known fisherman and guide. He has fished numerous streams and rivers from Labrador to Montana. Tom is also the local coordinator of the Trout in the Classroom programs supported by Trout Unlimited.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 17

**Arm-of-the-Sea Theater presents A Riparian Rhapsody:** How the Forest Sings to the Stream. This puppet extravaganza dives into Catskill ecology to reveal the intricate interactions between Forest and Stream and lyrically makes the case for protecting streamside buffer zones. Featuring stunning visuals, live music, (and a singing Bear!). Arm-of-the-Sea is an award-winning ensemble that fuses visual storytelling with live music in original works of mask and puppet theater. Founded in 1982, the company's lively productions illuminate relations between humans and the life-support networks of this blue-ocean planet. This performance is FREE. 2 pm at the West Kortright Centre, 49 West Kortright Church Road, East Meredith, NY 13757.

## SUNDAY, JUNE 18

**2023 Landscape and Garden Tour:** The 32nd annual tour to benefit the West Kortright Centre will be a journey along beautiful country roads. Get a rare insider look at how local garden enthusiasts have enhanced the natural beauty of their outdoor environments. On view will be a myriad of design sensibilities incorporating flowers, shrubs and trees, stonework,

water elements, artwork, vegetable beds, and more. Rain or shine. No dogs, please. Contact [info@westkc.org](mailto:info@westkc.org) or 607-278-5454 with any questions. West Kortright Centre, 49 West Kortright Church Road, East Meredith, NY 13757.

**Andreas Klein, piano concert:** 3 pm at First Presbyterian Church, 96 Main Street, Stamford, NY. Reservations recommended as church seating is limited. E-mail: [FOMAdmin@friendsmusic.org](mailto:FOMAdmin@friendsmusic.org); 518-918-8003.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 24

**Fish of the Delaware River:** Have you ever wondered what fish our eagles along the Delaware River are eating; what fish you may catch if you cast your line out in the water, or even the importance of the river for the life cycle of the freshwater eel? Join the Delaware Highlands Conservancy as we discuss and identify many species of fish that live in the Delaware River. Space is limited and prior registration is required. [rachel@delawarehighlands.org](mailto:rachel@delawarehighlands.org). Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake, PA 18405.

**Macrame Demonstration & Workshop:** by Susan Frisbee at 12-3pm at the Delhi Historical Society, 47 Main St, Delhi, NY 13753. Materials provided. Preregister by calling the Cannon Free Library at 607-746-2662. Macrame, the art of decorative knotting, is an ancient practice. Prehistoric peoples tied knots in long grasses and animal fibers to make baskets and embellishments. Renaissance Italians tied fine thread into lace. During the Victorian era, macrame fringes and borders edged mantelpieces, shelves, and four-poster beds. Macrame is a relatively simple practice, and the required materials are inexpensive. Join us to create an attractive wall hanging that you can take home and enjoy. Sign up by June 15. Limit of 12 people, age 12 and up.

## SATURDAY, JULY 1

**Finding the Rainbow:** Have you ever observed how many colors are in the natural world around you? Do you think you can find all the colors of the rainbow in the woods? For this fun family event, join the Delaware Highlands Conservancy at the Van Scott Nature Reserve and take a walk on the trails to see if you have the eye to spy all the colors! Space is limited and prior registration is required. [rachel@delawarehighlands.org](mailto:rachel@delawarehighlands.org). Van Scott

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**KIDSTOCK!** 11am-4pm at the West Kortright Center, 49 West Kortright Church Road, East Meredith. Pay what you wish - suggested donation \$20/family. Join us for a fun afternoon with live music and activities for kids including face painting, crafts, an obstacle course and more! Additional details to be announced soon. The fair will be held rain or shine!

## FRIDAY, JULY 7

**50th Annual Delhi Fair on the Square:** Fridays in July, 5:00 to 9:00pm. Each evening there will be games, art and craft vendors along with a variety of food vendors and lots of other fun things to do!!! Courthouse Square, Main Street Delhi, NY.

**Two Solo Exhibitions, July 7 - Aug. 6:** Helene Levine-Keating & Gary Mayer at the Longyear Gallery, Plus Members' Group Show, 785 Main Street, Margaretville NY 12455.

## SATURDAY, JULY 8

**Two Solo Exhibitions, Opening Reception 3 to 6pm:** Helene Levine-Keating & Gary Mayer at the Longyear Gallery, Plus Members' Group Show, at the Longyear Gallery, 785 Main Street, Margaretville NY 12455.

## TUESDAY, JULY 11

**Aquatic Invasive Species Presentation:** 6:00-7:00 pm at Cannon Free Library, 40 Elm St, Delhi, NY 13753. Presentation by Mary Keefe from the Catskill Regional Invasive Species Partnership. This will be a fun and informative session on different invasives, how they spread, and how to prevent them from invading. There will be lots of pictures, some funny and uplifting success stories, quick facts, and some free goody bags.

## FRIDAY, JULY 14

**47th Deposit Lumberjack Festival Craft & Vendor Fair, July 14-16:** A 3 day festival, The Deposit Lumberjack Festival is July 14th - 16th with the Craft & Vendor Fair being on Saturday July 15th. The craft fair will be in the Deposit Community Park.

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## SATURDAY, JULY 15

**Ice Cream Social:** Ice Cream Social with Local History Trivia Contest, presentation on Delhi Maps by Matt Weaver and book signing by Mary Lou Oliver at the backyard of the Delhi Historical Society, 47 Main St, Delhi, NY 13753 from 1:00-3:00 PM. Rain date 7/16/23. Stewart's Shops is donating Ice Cream & Sundae Kits for 150 people. Bring the family for a FREE Ice Cream Social! Please bring your own blanket or lawn chair as seating is limited. **TRIVIA CONTEST** - test your knowledge of local history as we divide into teams for a friendly competition! Map lovers - enjoy the collection of local historical maps with a Q & A on the evolution of Delhi. Book signing/sales by local author, Mary Lou Oliver.

**Honest Brook Music Festival:** 34th season of concerts in "The Barn" this summer with a line-up of exciting, young musicians. Pianist Chaeyoung Park. HBMF.org for reservations. For more information 607-746-3770, or email HBMF@aol.com. Reservations are \$25 or \$85 for the season. Children K-12 are admitted free. Honest Brook Music Festival, Honest Brook Road, Delhi, NY 13753.

## SATURDAY, JULY 22

**Honest Brook Music Festival:** 34th season of concerts in "The Barn" this summer with a line-up of exciting, young musicians. Baritone John Moore with pianist Adam Golka at 7:30 pm. SHBMF.org for reservations. For more information 607-746-3770, or email HBMF@aol.com. Reservations are \$25 or \$85 for the season. Children K-12 are admitted free. Honest Brook Music Festival, Honest Brook Road, Delhi, NY 13753.

**Meredith Monk and John Hollenbeck - Duet Behavior 2023:** 7pm at the West Kortright Center, 49 West Kortright Church Road, East Meredith. Duet Behavior 2023 is an intimate evening of Meredith Monk's music as it has never been experienced. Through a conversational approach, long-time friends and colleagues Monk and Hollenbeck expand and improvise on pieces from across Monk's 50+ year catalogue, combining her pioneering vocal magic with his inventive and masterful percussion to generate new arrangements of Monk's iconic compositions.

## SATURDAY, JULY 29

**Cyanotype Art:** Looking for a new fun way to turn nature into art? Join the Delaware Highlands Conservancy to learn about Cyanotype fabric and how to use it! Enjoy some outdoor exploration and create your own nature imprints to take home with you. Space is limited and prior registration is required. rachel@delawarehighlands.org. Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake, PA 18405.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

**Billy's Make-n-Mend Presentation on Sewing Machines:** Presentation on Sewing Machines by Bill Hancock, 12:00-3:00 pm at the Delhi Historical Society, 47 Main St, Delhi, NY 13753. Bill Hancock collects sewing machines, and he owns hundreds of them. The owner of Billy's Make & Mend in Delancey, he repairs machines and educates sewists on machine history, maintenance and sewing. Visit the Cannon House on to view some of his vintage machines and to hear about Billy's business, the history of Singer machines and other models, and how a bug for tinkering and an appreciation for vintage craftsmanship turned into a business.

**"Little Acorn" and Craft:** Join the Delaware Highlands Conservancy's Education and Volunteer Coordinator Rachel Morrow as she reads the story "Little Acorn" by Melanie Joyce, which illustrates the life cycle of a tree. Following the reading will be a fun craft for everyone to create! Space is limited and prior registration is required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. rachel@delawarehighlands.org. Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake. PA 18405.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

**Honest Brook Music Festival:** 34th season of concerts in "The Barn" this summer with a line-up of exciting, young musicians. The The Balourdet Quartet - Angela Bae and Justin DeFilippis, violins; Benjamin Zannoni, viola; and Russell Houston, cello HBMF.org for reservations. For more information 607-746-3770, or email HBMF@aol.com. Reservations are \$25 or \$85 for the season. Children K-12 are admitted free. Honest Brook Music Festival, Honest Brook Road, Delhi, NY 13753.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

**Two Solo Exhibitions, August 11 - September 10:** Deborah Ruggerio & "The Crones" (Bonnie Mitchell, Elaine Grandy and Linda Lariar) at the Longyear Gallery, plus Members' Group Show. Longyear Gallery, 785 Main Street, Margaretville, NY 12455.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

**Two Solo Exhibitions, Opening Reception 3-6pm:** Deborah Ruggerio & "The Crones" (Bonnie Mitchell, Elaine Grandy and Linda Lariar), plus Members' Group Show. Longyear Gallery, 785 Main Street, Margaretville, NY 12455.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

**Honest Brook Music Festival:** 34th season of concerts in "The Barn" this summer with a line-up of exciting, young musicians. The The Neave Trio cello HBMF.org for reservations. For more information 607-746-3770, or email HBMF@aol.com. Reservations are \$25 or \$85 for the season. Children K-12 are admitted free. Honest Brook Music Festival, Honest Brook Road, Delhi NY 13753.

## MONDAY, AUGUST 14

**Delaware County Fair, August 14-19:** Animal exhibits, midway rides, truck and tractor pulls, food and other vendors. Demo derby Monday and Friday nights, hero's parade Tuesday. Children's Day Tuesday. We know agriculture, and we know fun! The area's biggest agricultural fair returns to Walton. Our volunteer board of directors features local residents who are familiar with the agricultural industry and dedicated to providing you and your family the best experience at the Delaware County Fair. No alcohol, no dogs. Delaware County Fairgrounds, Fair Street, Walton. delawarecountyfair.org

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

**Noura Mint Seymali at the West Kortright Center:** 7pm at the West Kortright Center, 49 West Kortright Church Road, East Meredith. Noura Mint Seymali is Mauritania's defining artist on the international stage. Drawing on the timeless repertoire of the Moorish griot, a hereditary class of musical poets / historians, her band conjures "a full blown

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sandstorm of hypnotic grooves, melding traditional Mauritanian instruments within an electrified psychedelic rock band." Expanding a sound born of Arab and Sub-Saharan roots, Noura Mint Seymali bends the arc of Moorish musical tradition to fit our contemporary moment, as described by NPR, "the arrival of Mauritanian vocalist Noura Mint Seymali in front of Western audiences feels like the start of a new era. Recognized by the African Union at the first-ever AFRIMA awards, Noura Mint Seymali was named "Best Female Artist from North Africa."

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

**Animal Rehab Presentation by Kelli Grogan Brown:** from 6:00-7:00 pm at the Cannon Free Library, 40 Elm St, Delhi, NY 13753. Kelli Grogan Brown resides in Hamden and has been a Licensed Wildlife Rehabilitator for over 30 years. With both the NYS Wildlife Rehabilitation license and the US Fish and Wildlife Service Migratory Bird Rehabilitation permit, Kelli is able to take in small mammals and birds of all kinds for the purpose of rehabilitating and releasing back to the wild. During her program, she will discuss the process of becoming a Wildlife Rehabilitator, what a day in the life of a rehabber might look like, and some of her more interesting adventures with wildlife.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

**Van Scott Nature Reserve Scavenger Hunt:** Join the Delaware Highlands Conservancy for a Scavenger Hunt at the Van Scott Nature Reserve! Drop in anytime between 11am and 3pm to pick up the scavenger hunt booklet from the office. If you can answer all of the questions in the booklet while you explore the Reserve, you will receive a small prize! All ages are welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult to attend. [rachel@delawarehighlands.org](mailto:rachel@delawarehighlands.org). Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake, PA 18405.

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

**Bovina Farm Day:** 10:00am - 5:00pm Crescent Valley Road, Crescent Valley Rd, Bovina, NY 13740. Admission \$5 per person. Children Under 12 Free. Bovina Farm Day is an opportunity for visitors to meet the farmers, find local food and discover

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### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

**Two Solo Exhibitions, September 15 - October 15:** Alethea Maguire & Douglas James Maguire at the Longyear Gallery, plus Members' Group Show. Longyear Gallery, 785 Main Street, Margaretville, NY 12455.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

**Two Solo Exhibitions Opening Reception 3-6pm:** Alethea Maguire & Douglas James Maguire at the Longyear Gallery, plus Members' Group Show. Longyear Gallery, 785 Main Street, Margaretville, NY 12455.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

**Delaware County Town and Country Quilters - Quilt Show:** 12:00-3:00 pm at the Delhi Historical Society, 47 Main St, Delhi, NY 13753 during the Harvest Festival. Delaware County Town and Country Quilters will show some of their quilts. They recently came into possession of a quilt started by Clara Stewart, a founding member of the Delhi Historical Society. The quilt was never finished but the members are currently working to finish the quilt. When they are finished the quilt will be donated to DHS to be displayed at the Cannon House.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

**The Story of Sportsfield Specialties, presented by David Moxley:** from 6:00-7:00 pm at Cannon Free Library, 40 Elm St, Delhi, NY 13753. Sportsfield Specialties is a national leader in the manufacture and sales of sports construction equipment for all levels of play from high school to college to professional. His presentation will include history, products, clients and a few major projects of Sportsfield Specialties.

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# FROM VISITOR TO LOCAL: TURN YOUR TRAVEL INTO HOME

Ralph Schoonebeek/Catskill Country

Delaware County is a special place of exceptional beauty and a culture that has its priorities in order. We work hard to preserve our wild spaces, protect our natural resources, create an innovative infrastructure, and we cherish the big sense of community that comes from living in small towns.

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The past few years have led to a robust homebuyer's market as houses are moving quickly. Because of that, rentals and new home construction are also on the rise. Housing options are varied, from stately Federal-style homes to elegant Victorians to contemporary ranches to maintenance-free townhouses. Our real estate agencies and financial institutions can help you navigate the current Delaware County housing market.

Our food and craft beverage culture is outstanding, whether you're dining

out or picking up local produce and a bottle for a home-cooked meal. Visit a local cidery, brewery, or distillery and taste the passion of the maker in each bottle. Stop by a local farm market and explore the variety of fresh local produce. Our secret ingredient is the person who created or grew what you are eating or drinking.

Outdoor enthusiasts can hike, ski, bike, fish, paddle and much more - just minutes from their front doors. Our rivers and streams are legendary for outdoor fun and their restorative qualities. Challenging or easy hikes can bring you to towering views of our working landscapes. We are a perfect place to discover your adventurous self.

We are proud of our history and culture and several museums, galleries, performance centers, and theaters are dedicated to exploring our many traditions, unique characteristics, and heritage.

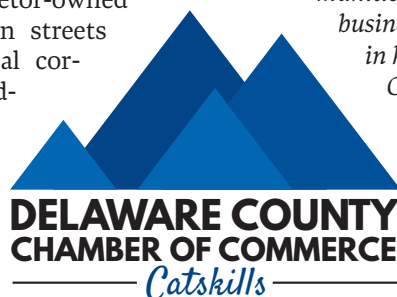
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**THURSDAY,  
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**Mali Obomsawin at the West Kortright Center:** 7pm at the West Kortright Center, 49 West Kortright Church Road, East Meredith. Mali Obomsawin is an award-winning bassist/composer from Odanak First Nation. Her debut album *Sweet Tooth* (Out of Your Head Records 2022) has garnered international acclaim and quickly established her as a rising jazz star and an innovative folk music visionary. Seamlessly melding chorale-like spirituals, folk melodies, and post-Albert Ayler free jazz, Obomsawin's compositions occupy a universe completely their own. *Sweet Tooth* has topped year end lists from NPR, The Guardian, Jazz Critics Poll, and more, delivering a suite of "gripping, dynamic, and thunderous music." --Jazz Times.

**GREENE COUNTY**

**THURSDAY, MAY 25**

**East of Berlin, A BRIDGE STREET THEATRE PRODUCTION, May 25 - June 4:** Thurs, Fri, And Sat @ 7:30, Sun @ 2:00, Bridge Street Theatre, 44 West Bridge Street, Catskill, NY 12414. When the son of an escaped Nazi war criminal (still alive and living in Paraguay) and the American daughter of an Auschwitz survivor meet and fall in love in Berlin, what they chose to reveal and conceal from one another brings the past crashing down on them. Love, guilt, and recriminations mix in this theatrical gut-punch from the author of *Sexual Misconduct Of The Middle Classes*.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 2**

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**SATURDAY, JUNE 3**

**New Baltimore Antique Machinery & Agricultural Festival, June 3 & 4:** at the Van Etten Farm, 1314 Saw Mill Rd, Ravena, NY 12143. For more information call 518-756-3517. [Facebook@Town of New Baltimore Agricultural Festival](https://facebook.com/TownofNewBaltimoreAgriculturalFestival).

**FRIDAY, JUNE 16**

**Over Yonder Festival, June 16-18:** 3 day phone-free weekend of camping and live music in the Catskills. 5143 Route 81, Greenville, NY 12083.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 24**

**ROUND TOP BAVARIAN SUMMER-FEST, June 24 & 25:** Riedlbauer's Resort, 57 Ravine Drive, Round Top, NY 12472. Oktoberfest type of Festival with plenty of food, drink, music and festivities. Saturday 12:00pm - 9:00pm, Sunday 12:00pm - 6:00pm. Free Parking and Admission.

**Concert in the Catskills:** at the Historic Catskill Point, 1 Main St, Catskill, NY 12414. Country music is coming back to Greene County in a big way with a live concert on the Hudson River featuring three Nashville recording artists and headlined by platinum selling artist Michael Ray. Doors open at 6 p.m. with the concert scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$35 for general admission and VIP are \$75. Tickets can be purchased at [www.concertinthecatskills.com](http://www.concertinthecatskills.com). Co-hosted by The Great Northern Catskills of Greene County.

**SATURDAY, JULY 1**

**Eagles Tribute Band & Fireworks:** 6 to 10 pm. Eagles Tribute Band & Fireworks, Riedlbauer's Resort, 57 Ravine Drive, Round Top, NY.

**FRIDAY, JULY 7**

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**TUESDAY, JULY 11**

**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2023, Greenville, NY:** at the gazebo in Veterans' Park on the corner of Routes 32 & 81, Greenville, NY 12083 (Rain location - Prevost Hall next to Greenville Public Library.) Live Music on Tuesdays July 11th through August 22nd, 6:00 - 7:30pm, FREE TO THE PUBLIC Just bring a lawn chair and enjoy! Weekly 50 / 50, Church Street Catering Truck featuring Taco

Tuesdays & More! (weather permitting), Tuesday evenings are magical and musical in July and August! Bring a picnic and join your friends at the Gazebo in Veterans' Park on the corner of Routes 32 & 81 (Rain location - Prevost Hall next to Greenville Public Library). Follow us on social media for updates. [cpog.org](http://cpog.org).

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 12**

**Grey Fox Bluegrass Festival, July 12-16:** at the Walsh Farm, 1 Poultnery Rd, Oak Hill NY. [www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/grey-fox-bluegrass-festival](http://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/grey-fox-bluegrass-festival) Grey . An annual 4-day 'Who's Who' of bluegrass, newgrass, and roots music on six stages with workshops, family fun, camping, dancing, jamming, foods, crafts, and thousands of fans from around the globe. 2023 LINEUP: Headliners include The Infamous Stringdusters, Del McCoury, Sam Bush, Sierra Hull, Keller Williams, and more, with artist-in-residence, Jerry Douglas! Grey Fox is an experience like no other. Join music lovers from around the country and around the globe who have Grey Fox on their summer calendar.

**SUNDAY, JULY 16**

**Taste of the Catskills Irish Arts Week, July 16-22:** Featuring world-class traditional Irish artists! Participate in workshops, lectures, ceilidhes, and sessions. Evening concerts and finale festival on Saturday, July 16th called the "East Durham Traditional Fest." The Irish Catskills "East Durham" becomes a living Irish village with non-stop traditional music, dance, art, and more being heard or seen. 2267 NY-145, East Durham, NY.

**THURSDAY, JULY 27**

**The Greene County Youth Fair, July 27-30:** Held each year in July, the Greene County Youth Fair is one of very few fairs around the country that offers free admission and entertainment for all ages. The fair is a celebration of the talents of Greene County's youth, enabling them to strive for higher goals and receive encouragement for their efforts. The fair is family oriented and offers kids of all ages exciting music, displays and entertainment, along with hands-on agricultural education! Green County Fair Grounds, Mountain Ave, Cairo, NY 12413. [thegreencountyouthfair.com](http://thegreencountyouthfair.com)

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## FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

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## THURSDAY, AUGUST 10

**Catskill Mountain Jubilee, Aug. 10-13:** at Blackthorne Resort, 348 Sunside Road, East Durham, NY, 12423., features a wide range of genres from Grateful Dead style rock-n-roll and hip-hop to livetronica, reggae, and house music. With plenty of campsites and fully functional RV spots, this is a camping weekend you won't want to miss. <https://catskill-mountainjubilee.com>

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

**16th Annual "Tour of the Catskills" Pro-Am Bicycle Road Race:** This Pro-Am bicycle road race draws over 250 racers from throughout the world! The Tour of the Catskills is one of America's premier cycling events held in the heart of the Catskill Mountains in scenic Upstate New York. The event captures the essence of the history, culture, and scenery of the Catskill Mountains. The addition of the famed 'Devil's Kitchen Climb' in 2012 established the event as one of America's toughest cycling events for amateurs and professionals alike. Please visit the website for event and registration information [www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/tour-catskills-pro-am-bicycle-road-race](http://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/tour-catskills-pro-am-bicycle-road-race). Main Street Tannersville NY 12485.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

**Rat's Nest Run-In 2023 "The Northeast's Kooliest Car Show", August 18-20:** starts at 2pm on Friday, ends at 3pm on Sunday at Blackthorne Resort, 348 Sunside Road, East Durham, NY 12423. "The Northeast's Kooliest Car Show" returns to Blackthorne Resort. A weekend full of pre'65 rat rods, custom creations, vendors, entertainers, burlesque, etc. Stay for the weekend with us so you don't miss a second of fun! For more information regarding the show, check out their facebook page [facebook.com/ratsnestrunin/](https://facebook.com/ratsnestrunin/)

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

**I Am Barbie, A BRIDGE STREET THEATRE PRODUCTION, Aug. 1 - Sept. 10:** by Walton Beacham (Regional Premiere), THURS, FRI, AND SAT @ 7:30, SUN @ 2:00. It's Barbie's 60th Birthday (she still looks FABULOUS), and she spends it reminiscing about her countless careers, her relationship with Ken and with other characters from her life including GI Joe, She-Ra, and her creators, Ruth Handler and Jack Ryan. A hilarious and surprisingly touching look at what it's like being a Barbie Girl in a not-so-Barbie world. Box Office: 1-518-943-3818. 44 West Bridge Street, Catskill, NY 12414.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

**Nussy's Bier Garten Oktoberfest with die Schlauberger:** Reidlbauers Resort, 57 Ravine Drive, Round Top, NY 12472. [www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/nussys-bier-garten-oktoberfest-die-schlauberger](http://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/nussys-bier-garten-oktoberfest-die-schlauberger) Celebrate Oktoberfest at Nussy's Bier Garten. The party gets started at 3pm with Classic Rock and Blues by John. Then it continues at 6pm with die Schlauberger! Sure to be a party not to miss....Oktoberfest Time!!!!

## WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13 - SUNDAY, SEPT. 17

**Catskill Mountain Thunder 2023 Motorcycle Festival:** 348 Sunside Road, East Durham, NY 12423. [www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/catskill-mountain-thunder-2023](http://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/catskill-mountain-thunder-2023) We may be biased, but this is the best motorcycle festival in the northeast. Come for yourself and see just how much fun this event can be. scenic motorcycle rides, motorcycle games.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

**Greenville Day, Sept. 23 & 24:** 9/23: 4pm - 7pm, 9/24: 9am - Dark (Fireworks!) George V. Vanderbilt Town Park, Town Park Drive, Greenville, NY 12083 A FUN and FREE two-day event in Greenville's beautiful Vanderbilt Park with a very important purpose - celebrating the community! All are welcome for family friendly activities including live music, dancing, carnival rides for children, carnival games, scrumptious food vendors, local arts & crafts vendors, local art, and more.

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## FRIDAY, JUNE 2

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Boonville Lumberjacks:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY. [www.oneontaoutlaws.com](http://www.oneontaoutlaws.com).

## SATURDAY, JUNE 3

**Mindfulness & Clay with Ben Suga:** 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM at Azure Arts, 1149 Allen Lake Road, Richfield Springs, NY 13439. [azureartisans.com](http://azureartisans.com) Through demonstrations, discussion and active participation, Ben Suga will emphasize the use of traditional, Pacific rim techniques of throwing off the hump and trimming from a chuck. He will highlight some of the philosophies underlying these old methods and emphasize focusing attention on the practice, staying present and connected in order to find pure enjoyment through the process. Learn more about Ben at [sugapottery.com](http://sugapottery.com) or follow @sugapottery on Instagram.

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# Exploring Ulster County:

a guide to

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## top tourist destinations

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Freer-Louw House on historic Huguenot Street.

Ulster County, located in New York's Hudson Valley, is a unique and popular tourist destination. The county is home to breathtaking natural landscapes, historic sites, art galleries, museums and charming towns that attract visitors from all over the world.

Here are some of the best tourist destinations in Ulster County.

1. **Mohonk Preserve** - Mohonk Preserve is a paradise for hikers, rock climbers, and nature enthusiasts. With over 8,000 acres of scenic trails, it is the largest non-profit nature preserve in New York. Visitors can hike to the top of the Shawangunk Ridge, explore the forest, and admire stunning views of the Hudson Valley. [www.mohonkpreserve.org](http://www.mohonkpreserve.org)

2. **Historic Huguenot Street** - Historic Huguenot Street in New Paltz is a National Historic Landmark District that preserves the 17th and 18th-century homes of the Huguenot settlers. Visitors can take a guided tour and learn about the history of the French Protestant refugees who settled in the area. [savingplaces.org/distinctive-destinations/historic-huguenot-street](http://savingplaces.org/distinctive-destinations/historic-huguenot-street)

3. **Woodstock** - Peace, love, understanding, art, and music still reign in this quaint town nestled in the Catskill Mountains. Here is a guide to spending a fun-filled weekend in a

town known for its hippie culture and artistic community. Visitors can explore the town's art galleries, craft shops and music venues. The **Woodstock Farm Sanctuary** is also a popular attraction, where visitors can meet rescued farm animals. There is no shortage of art along Tinker Street, where the **Woodstock Artists Association and Museum** is located along with the **Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild**. [www.woodstockchamber.com](http://www.woodstockchamber.com)



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Huguenot Street's Esopus Munsee Wigwam.





4. **Kingston** - The city of Kingston is the county seat of Ulster County and has a rich history dating back to the 17th century. Visitors can explore the historic district, visit the **Kingston Farmer's Market**, and take a scenic walk along the **Rondout Creek**.

5. **Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park** - The Walkway Over the Hudson is a pedestrian bridge that spans the Hudson River, connecting Ulster County to Dutchess County. Visitors can take a leisurely stroll or bike ride across the bridge and enjoy stunning views of the Hudson River Valley.

6. **Opus 40** - Opus 40 is an outdoor sculpture park in Saugerties that features the work of Harvey Fite. Visitors can explore the sculpture park, climb on the stone sculptures, and enjoy the beautiful landscape.

7. **Catskill Animal Sanctuary** - The Catskill Animal Sanctuary in Saugerties is a non-profit animal rescue and rehabilitation center. Visitors can meet and interact with rescued farm animals, learn about the importance of animal welfare, and enjoy a delicious vegan meal at the on-site café.

Ulster County is a destination worth exploring for anyone looking for a mix of natural beauty, culture and history. With an abundance of attractions, visitors can immerse themselves in the stunning landscape, connect with nature, and explore the area's rich history and culture. Whether you are looking for outdoor adventures, artistic experiences, or educational opportunities, Ulster County has something for everyone.

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**Race The Lake Marathon, Half Marathon, 10K and 5k:** Race The Lake will continue for the 9th year! NEW this year: we have added a 10K option. 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Cooperstown, NY. We are very excited to welcome back all our racers and hope to meet new ones. All the details can be found on [www.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=1781](http://www.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=1781)

**Sacral Energy of Women Intensive:** 11:00am to 3:00am at the Mountain Magic Healing Studio, 164 Ed Herman Road, Schenectady, NY 12155. Sacral energy is one of the most powerful and misunderstood energies a woman possesses. Through this intensive class my intention is for you to connect with your sacral energy and with other women as we explore this powerful energy source. Sacral energy allows us to discover the power of choice and to create intimate connections with ourselves and others. Motivated by pleasure, sacral energy promotes emotional well-being. It plays a lead role in our sexuality and the expression of our needs, desires, and creative passions on all levels. Through connection, honesty, and guided meditation and exercises, we will explore the sacral energy of women - what it is, how it is used, and how we can go about healing and strengthening it so that we can freely embrace our sacral and primal energy.

## MONDAY, JUNE 5

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Amsterdam Hawks:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## THURSDAY, JUNE 8

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Glens Falls Dragons:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## SATURDAY, JUNE 10

**Friendship Craft Festival:** 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, the festival is being held at Spring Park, 27 E Main St, Richfield Springs, NY 13439. Come enjoy looking at work done by many of the area's finest crafters at our 42nd annual Friendship Craft Festival.

**Hyde Hall & Glimmerglass State Park Block Party:** 10am - 3pm. The event marks the start of our area's summer season and offers opportunities for the whole family. Over twenty local organizations and growing will participate with

activities, animals, crafts, free programs, nature walks, and music around Hyde Hall's campus and around Glimmerglass State Park. Glimmerglass State Park, in partnership with Friends of Recreation, Conservation and Environmental Stewardship (FORCES), will offer programs, leave no trace, fishing, camp safety, and provide guided hikes throughout the day. Hyde Hall, 267 Glimmerglass State Park, Cooperstown NY 13326.

**The Mopar Cams & Motley Chew:** 6-9 PM. Join us for a great night of music and food with the Mopar Cams and Motley Chew @ HoneyPot Farms Meadery. This event is rain or shine under the big tent. Family friendly. A three-man wrecking machine that is hellbent on delivering only the finest in rockabilly and psychobilly! Motley Chew will be serving up delicious grub ranging from barbecue to tasty wraps and more. See you there! HoneyPot Farms Meadery, 5789 State Hwy 5, Burlington Flats, NY 13315.

## MONDAY, JUNE 12

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Mohawk Valley Diamond Dawgs:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Watertown Rapids:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## SATURDAY, JUNE 17

**Fenimore Chamber Orchestra presents:** Souvenir de Florence. 3 - 4:30pm at Christ Church, 46 River Street, Cooperstown, NY 13326. A summer journey to Europe in vivid musical pictures by Wirén, Respighi and Tchaikovsky performed by Fenimore Chamber Orchestra. In the season finale Fenimore Chamber Orchestra will take you on a musical journey to Europe, performing works inspired by natural and urban summer landscapes. Let yourself be enchanted by musical masterpieces bringing back memories of the eternally captivating Florence, royal splendor of the French palaces, pastoral Sicily and sunny Spain.

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Glens Falls Dragons:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

**Sanctity of the Vessel:** 11 AM to 12PM, at the Institute for Spiritual Development, 124 County Hwy 58, Oneonta, NY.

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## TUESDAY, JUNE 20

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Glens Falls Dragons:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Saugerties:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## SATURDAY, JUNE 24

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Glens Falls Dragons:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

**STEAL YOUR FACE:** at 7:00 pm at The Lake House Restaurant and Lodge, 2521 CR-22, Richfield Springs, NY. Steal Your Face has spent more than a decade on their own "long, strange trip," paying tribute to The Grateful Dead with fire and passion. Born from the adventurous spirit of Jerry Garcia and The Grateful Dead, Steal Your Face is a high energy band known for mind-blowing jams, innovative lead guitar and emotional vocals.

## SUNDAY, JUNE 25

**Stand Up Comedy at Foothills!:** 6 - 9pm EDT, Doors at 6pm / Show at 7pm, Foothills Performing Arts Center, 24 Market Street, Oneonta, NY 13820. Emcee Don Wyckoff hosts, touring comedian Jimmy McCartney guests, and JP Lambiase of the wildly popular youtube channel, Hellthy Junkfood, headlines!

## MONDAY, JUNE 26

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Saugerties Stallions:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

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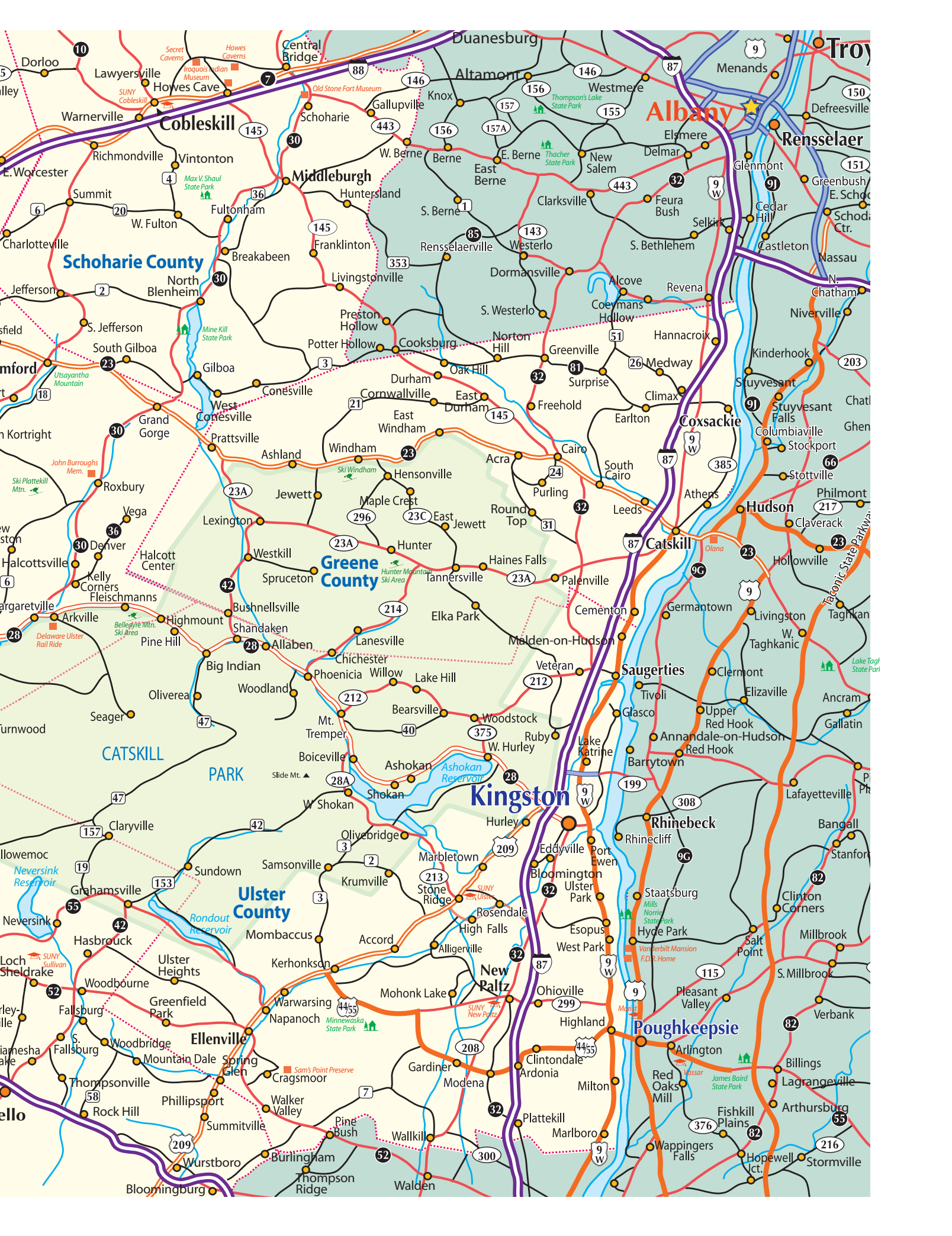
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# Discover Franklin:



## A hidden gem in the Catskills



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Franklin Railroad and Community Museum.

Nestled in the western foothills of the scenic Catskill Mountains, Franklin is a charming town that offers experiences for every visitor and local to enjoy. From picturesque countryside to rich history, Franklin has something for everyone.

This quaint town has a small population but welcoming spirit with a farmers' market, old-time Main Street, rolling countryside and stunning views.



Benjamin Patton/Catskill Country

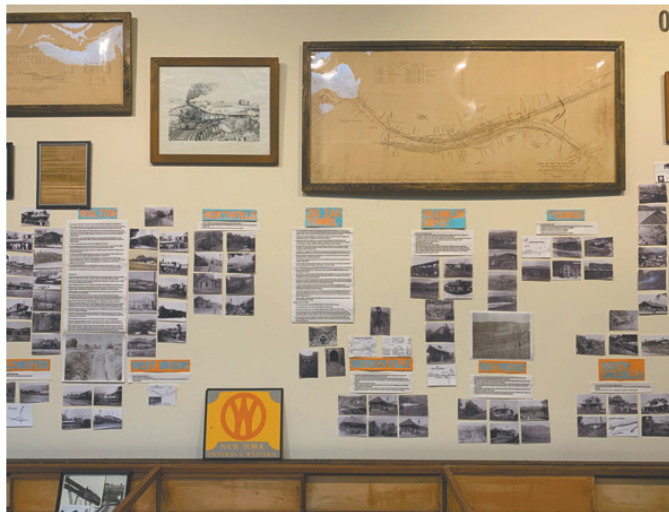
2022 'Ole Franklin Days festival, on Institute Street in front of The Franklin Stage Company's Chapel Hall theatre.

### Must-see, do, taste, experiences

Visit the **Franklin Railroad and Community Museum**: Located in the historic Franklin Depot, the museum offers a glimpse into the town's railway history and its community. It houses a collection of artifacts, photographs and documents that depict life in the town from the mid-19th century to the present day. There is a rail car on display inside the museum, as well as

blueprints, photos, lamps and other collections from different railroads in the area. For more information visit [www.franklinrrcommuseum.com](http://www.franklinrrcommuseum.com)

Check out the **Franklin Stage Company**: This local theater group produces a variety of plays and musicals in the warmer months. It's a great way to experience the local arts scene and enjoy a night out. The theater is located in historic Chapel Hall built in 1855, one of two remaining buildings of Delaware Literary Institute (DLI),



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Franklin Railroad and Community Museum military collection (left) includes military uniforms, supplies and a Civil War display. Railroad collection (right) has blueprints, photos, lamps and more from area railroads.





Benjamin Patton/Catskill Country

A colorful sunset fills the sky on Douglas Hall Road in Franklin after a downpour in 2022.

which offered classical educations for children. The other building is Stone Hall, built in 1836, a three-story stone structure adjacent to Chapel Hall. These remarkable buildings are a testament to the high value the early residents of Franklin placed on education. For more information visit [franklinstagecompany.org](http://franklinstagecompany.org)

Explore the **Franklin Farmers**

**Market:** Held on Sundays during the summer months, this farmers market offers a variety of local produce, baked goods and crafts. It's a great place to stock up on fresh fruits and vegetables, as well as handmade gifts and souvenirs. The summer season starts Sunday, May 28. The market hours are every Sunday from Memorial Day weekend to Columbus Day weekend from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. [franklinlocal.org/farmers-market](http://franklinlocal.org/farmers-market)

**Good Taste Epicurian Food Market:** Located in the heart of Franklin at 438 Main Street, offering curated cheeses, salami, crackers, jams, pickles, jarred sauce, dry pasta, oils, vinegars, coffee and a combination of local and imported specialty items. 607-230-4045.

**Ouleout Creek Golf Course:** 13501 state Route 357, is an 18-hole public golf course with a putting green, pro shop and restaurant. Enjoy the rural peace and beauty of this scenic course that scales Catskill Mountain slopes and offers stunning views of the valley. A fun and relaxed experience for golfers of all skill levels Open daily from 6:30

a.m. to 6:30 p.m. [ouleoutgolf.com](http://ouleoutgolf.com)

### **East Sidney Lake Recreation**

**Area:** 4659 state Highway 357, on the border of Franklin and Sidney. This site offers camping, boating, a picnic area and beach. Fun for the whole family. Plenty of activities: large pavilion, campsites by the season or the day, accessible boat launch, weekend family activities, waterfront picnic area with grills, bald eagles, and other wildlife, sandy beach and volleyball court, fishing, kayaking or canoeing, picturesque sunsets over the dam. [townofsidney.com/east-sidney-lake](http://townofsidney.com/east-sidney-lake)

Visit **Mercantile on Main** at 375 Main Street to shop for handpicked furniture and decor; hand poured candles and other locally made items. [www.facebook.com/shopmercantileonmain](http://www.facebook.com/shopmercantileonmain)

Franklin is a charming town that offers a variety of experiences for visitors to enjoy. Whether you're interested in history, outdoor activities, or simply relaxing in a scenic setting, Franklin has something for everyone. Pack your bags and head to this quaint Catskill town for an unforgettable vacation.



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Scenic view from hole 11 on Ouleout Creek Golf Course.



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## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Boonville Lumberjacks:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## SATURDAY, JULY 1

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Saugerties Stallions:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

**Flea Market:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the Otsego County Fairgrounds, 48 Lake Street, Morris, NY, 13808. Come and enjoy antiques, food, crafts, and live music. \$5 per person. If you are interested in being a vendor, message the Facebook page for more details.

## TUESDAY, JULY 4

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Albany Dutchman:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

**4th of July Evening Concert and Fireworks - 2023:** After the 4th of July Parade and Celebration in Springfield Center, head to the beach at Glimmerglass State Park, 1527 County Highway 31, Cooperstown, NY 13326 for a free evening concert featuring the COUNCIL ROCK BAND starting at 7:30pm, followed by a display of fireworks at dusk! The perfect finale for the 4th of July festivities. Bring your dancing shoes - or dance barefoot on the beach! Springfield ... the place to be on the 4th of July!

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Boonville Lumberjacks:** 7 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## FRIDAY, JULY 7

**Get Lit! July 7 & 8:** 7:00 PM at Hyde Hall, 267 Glimmerglass State Park, Cooperstown, NY 13326. Sample delicious historic cocktails on a guided tour that explores the history of various lighting technologies and history. Sometimes we take for granted the ability to control light at the flick of a switch. An hour and a half guided tour that explores the evolution of people manipulating and controlling light through history. And what better way to explore such interesting feats than a pairing of a historic cocktail of the time?

**Glimmerglass Festival Performance, La bohème, July 7 - Aug. 19:** Glimmerglass State Park, 1527 County Highway 21, Cooperstown, NY 13326. Christmas Eve, Paris, an attic garret...that first touch of cold hands in the dark as the music swells. Against the backdrop of 19th century Paris, the hopes and dreams of a group of young bohemians collide with the realities of poverty and disease. Whether it is your first or your hundredth experience, La bohème never fails to cast its spell. Packed with some of opera's most cherished moments, this tale of tragic young love became the basis for the popular musicals Moulin Rouge and Rent. With a ravishing score that brought Puccini international fame, this is the perfect opera for first-timers and aficionados alike. See full schedule at glimmerglass.org.

## SATURDAY, JULY 8

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Glens Falls Dragons:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## TUESDAY, JULY 11

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Watertown Rapids:** 7 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## THURSDAY, JULY 13

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Amsterdam Hawks:** 7 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## SUNDAY, JULY 15

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Albany Dutchman:** 7 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

**Plein Air Painting at Brookwood Gardens, July 15 & 16:** 6000 State Highway 80, Cooperstown, NY 13326. 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Come try your hand at painting, guided by a professional artist OR just come watch painters and stroll the gardens! More details coming soon!

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Utica Blue Sox:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## FRIDAY, JULY 21

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Saugerties Stallions:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## MONDAY, JULY 24

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Utica Blue Sox:** 7:00 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## FRIDAY, JULY 28

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Boonville Lumberjacks:** 7 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## SATURDAY, JULY 29

**Oneonta Outlaws vs. Watertown Rapids:** 7 PM at Damaschke Field Oneonta NY

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

**Otsego County Fair, August 1-6:** 48 Lake Street, Morris, NY. The 2023 Otsego County Fair will take place August 1st through 6th, with the first day being an ag (agriculture) day with no midway, limited vendors, and free admission. By Wednesday the 2nd, the fair will be in full swing, with midway, fair food, and more attractions and entertainment than ever before. Our fairgrounds will be filled with the sights and sounds of carnival rides, live music, and delicious food. The exhibits will showcase the best of our local agriculture and arts communities, including competitions for livestock, baking, and crafts.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 3

**NYCM Cruise-In & Ice Cream Social:** 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM at Pathfinder Village, 3 Chenango Road Edmeston, New York 13335. Muscle cars, restored classics, street rods and a live performance from Elvis will be featured during this year's Cruise-In at Pathfinder Village. Organized by employees of NYCM's Casualty Department. Volunteers will serve up free ice cream with all the toppings to Cruise-In guests. Co-Chairs Kim Mack and Pete Smith of NYCM invite all area vintage car owners to share their vehicles with fans at the Pathfinder Pavilion; no advance registration is required for owners to participate.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

**Richfield Springs Lions Club 42nd Annual Car Show:** at 10:00 am at the Spring Park, Richfield Springs, NY.

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# TRAILS & THRILLS:

## BIKING AND HIKING THE CATSKILLS FOR AN ADVENTURE-PACKED GETAWAY

With so many outdoor recreation opportunities available throughout the Catskills, here are a handful of cycling and hiking options to explore. GPS coordinates of access points are included.

### Delaware County

**Cycling the Pepacton Reservoir (Eastern Section)** This 20-mile, moderate road cycling loop is a favorite because it's relatively flat by Catskill standards. You can begin at the historic schoolhouse west of Margaretville on Route 28/30 (42.1221, -74.6748) or at the Shavertown Parking Area (42.0895, -74.8185). Shavertown is one of the communities that was sacrificed to make way for the Pepacton Reservoir. The cycling route incorporates

Board of Water Supply Roads 8, 9 and 10 on the south side of the reservoir and Route 30 and Routes 28/30 on the north side.

**Shavertown Trail** Beginning just north of the Shavertown Parking Area (42.0895, -74.8185), this easy-moderate trail was built by the Catskill Mountain Club in cooperation with NYC Department of Environmental Protection.

At just under three miles, it offers a pond loop and a reservoir overlook, and it's a favorite family hike.

**Cycling the Catskill Scenic Trail** Following the route of the former Ulster and Delaware Railroad, this gravel-surfaced trail runs 26 miles from Roxbury (42.3027, -74.5542) to Bloomville (42.3320, -74.8033). Passing through the villages of Stamford and Hobart, the trail has mileage signs at road crossings and offers several places to stop and enjoy the scenery or get food and drink. Hybrid or mountain bikes are recommended. Although most of the trail is relatively smooth, the 1.6-mile section between State Routes 30 and 23A near Grand Gorge is unfinished yet passable.

### Greene County

#### Huntersfield Creek Falls Trail & Pratt Rock

Located in the hamlet of Prattsville, the Huntersfield Creek Falls Trail (42.3119, -74.4278) makes for an ideal accompaniment to Pratt Rock (42.3096, -74.4222), located on the edge of the hamlet. Each hike is approximately 1.5 miles and is considered easy-to-moderate. The Huntersfield Trail crosses old farmland, connects with a series of cascades along the creek, and offers views of Bearpen Mountain (3600'). The Pratt Rock Trail climbs to the famous stone carvings commissioned by Zadock Pratt, a site some have dubbed "Mount Rushmore of the East." Though unmarked, obvious trails continue to the top of the rocks and eventually arrive at a spectacular viewpoint overlooking the upper Schoharie Valley.





**Hunter Rail Trail** This is a multi-staged project that will connect Kaaterskill Falls with Dolan's Lake in the village of Hunter. As of Earth Day 2023 a new bridge over the Schoharie Creek will extend the western section. There are three short, separate sections of trail, making for easy walks or bike rides. The western section from Dolan's Lake (42.2069, -74.2075) to Clove Road is 1.4 miles; the Huckleberry Multi-Use Trail, centered on Rip Van Winkle Lake Park (42.1914, -74.1337) is 2 miles; and the Kaaterskill Rail Trail (foot travel only) is 1.7 miles, beginning at the Mountain Top Historical Society (42.1959, -74.0919) and ending at the parking area for Kaaterskill Falls. From this parking area, hikers can access the viewing platform atop the falls or continue into the greater trail system around Kaaterskill Clove and North-South Lake.

**Becker Hollow** For a more aggressive outing, seasoned hikers can enjoy the climb to the Hunter Mountain Fire Tower from the Becker Hollow Trailhead (42.1818, -74.1968). With over 2000' of elevation gain this 10.8-mile round-trip hike is one of the routes that brings you to the Catskills' second highest mountain.

## Sullivan County

**Red Hill Fire Tower** Although this hike is actually in Ulster County, it is often accessed from nearby Sullivan County. There are two trailheads: one along the Denning Road, east of Claryville (41.9350, -74.5291) and one at the end of the Old Dinch Road (41.9301, -74.5070) – both moderate hikes. The Dinch Road Trailhead is limited in winter, and the out-and-back distance to the fire tower from this trailhead is 3.6 miles. The Denning Road Trailhead is new, and the hike to the tower and back is four miles. Red Hill is one of six fire towers required to complete the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation's 2023 Fire Tower Challenge ([www.dec.ny.gov/lands/76620.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/76620.html)).

**Willowemoc Wild Forest** This Wild Forest surrounds the Mongaup Pond State Campground and consists of 14,000+ acres, 40 miles of trails, and access to six ponds. A series of loop trails west of the campground is accessed from the parking area on Mongaup Road (41.9469, -74.7051). This trail system provides for a varied mix of hike lengths and visits to Frick Pond, Hodge Pond and Quick Lake. The convenience of the campground with 155 campsites also enhances extended-stay options and longer hikes. According to DEC, Mongaup Pond, at 120 acres, is the largest body of water in the Catskill Park, outside of the New York City reservoirs.

## Ulster County

**Ashokan Rail Trail.** Eleven miles in length and almost level in gradient, this finely surfaced trail is very popular for walking, running and cycling.

Traversing the wooded edge of the Ashokan Reservoir, it offers some expansive views of water and mountains. The trail can be accessed from points in West Hurley (41.9942, -74.0931), Ashokan (41.9750, -74.1975) and Boiceville (42.0023, -74.2706), with bike rentals available at the Ashokan location. The trail, like the Catskill Scenic Trail in Delaware County, follows a portion of the former Ulster & Delaware Railroad. However, the original route was relocated when the reservoir was constructed.

**Tanbark Trail** Located in the hamlet of Phoenicia (in the Phoenicia Park) (42.0851, -74.3117), this moderate-difficult, 2.2-mile loop trail climbs sharply from the outset. There are numerous rock formations along the way to two vista points. Parking is found elsewhere in the hamlet, which offers restaurants, shops, fishing, and camping.

**Rochester Hollow** West of Big Indian on Route 28, this trailhead is marked by brown-and-white wayfinding signs, which lead you up Matyas Road to the small parking area (soon to be expanded). Much of the appeal of this easy-moderate hike is due to its gentle gradient along an old road with a nearby stream. Historical features include remnants of the estate of Colonel William Rochester (who served in the War of 1812) and a monument to the naturalist and author John Burroughs. Round trip mileages are 4.2 to the Burroughs monument and 5.6 to the lean-to. Two spur trails total 2 miles.

**Catskills Visitors Center** For comprehensive information on the region, the Catskills Visitor Center near Mount Tremper (42.0279, -74.2699) is open 9:30 – 4, April – November. The site offers short walks and includes the Esopus Fire Tower – one of the six towers in the Catskills Fire Tower Challenge.

About the Catskill Mountain Club - the CMC seeks to unite a diverse group of outdoor recreation enthusiasts, finding common ground in the effort to advance our goals. Whether you are a hiker, a hunter, an angler, a cyclist, a boater, a skier or enjoy another non-motorized outdoor recreational activity here in the Catskills, we believe that we can all work together to achieve worthy goals that serve us all. Visit our website [www.catskillmountainclub.org](http://www.catskillmountainclub.org) to learn about events, membership, and projects.





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## SCHOHARIE COUNTY

### SATURDAY, JUNE 10

**Schoharie Turnpike - Kaaterskill Clove Road Rally:** 10 Main Street, Catskill, NY 12414. A love of maps and history led to this rally up the 1802 Schoharie Turnpike to the Old Stone Fort Museum in Schoharie, with a continuing route up the Schoharie Creek and a descent of the Kaaterskill Clove. Along quiet country roads we travel through rural hamlets and villages, and stop at museums in Gilboa and Prattsville. The Old Stone Fort Museum has an unrestored 1903 Rambler automobile in its collection, just like Ramblers that took part in the 1903 Auto Endurance Run which inspired the Catskill Conquest Rallies. We start at Dutchman's Landing Park on the Hudson River in Catskill with a breakfast at 10am on Saturday June 10th. This is a noncompetitive tour open to all cars from vintage to modern. It is for the pure enjoyment of driving our beautiful roads. The route is about 135 miles long and the fee is \$100 per car. [www.greatnorthern-catskills.com/events/schoharie-turnpike-kaaterskill-clove-road-rally](http://www.greatnorthern-catskills.com/events/schoharie-turnpike-kaaterskill-clove-road-rally).

### FRIDAY, JUNE 23

**Line Dancing Weekend with Aaron's 'A' Team, June 23-25:** at the Little Lake Campground, 146 Porter Road, Jefferson, NY. [www.facebook.com/events/728153528975480](http://www.facebook.com/events/728153528975480) Line dancing weekend is back again! Join us for dancing, lessons, and a great time. Aaron's 'A' Team of Line Dancers will be giving lessons, schedule to follow. All levels welcome! \$5.00 cover charge to non-campers for a day pass to the campground. Campers dance for free!!

### SATURDAY, JUNE 24

**Hike to the Waterfalls at the Landis Arboretum:** from 2-3 PM to explore the Arboretum's revamped Waterfalls Trail and surrounding woodlands via the waterfall trailhead parking area. The Landis Arboretum, 174 Lape Rd, Esperance, NY 12066. Instructor: George Steele, nature educator. Location: Waterfall Trailhead Parking Area. [landisarboretum.org/events/hike-to-the-waterfalls](http://landisarboretum.org/events/hike-to-the-waterfalls)

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

**SCHOHARIE COUNTY SUNSHINE FAIR, Aug. 8-13:** A FAIR TO REMEMBER. Cobleskill Fairgrounds, 113 Sunshine Drive, Cobleskill, NY 12043.

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

**Sunken City Music Festival, August 11-13:** Rockland Cider Works - Upstate, 193 Stryker Rd, Gilboa, NY, 12076. If you haven't heard, this is our 3-day music festival located at our farm cidery in Gilboa, nestled on the banks of the Schoharie Creek and surrounded by beautiful mountain views. The festival pays homage to the Village of Old Gilboa which lies underwater near the cidery. A weekend full of our favorite local, regional, and traveling bands, whose genres include Jam, bluegrass, Delta blues, Americana, classic rock & funk. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for exciting updates, early bird tickets, and our 2023 lineup!

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

**3rd Annual Sunflower Festival:** 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Join us for our third annual Sunflower Festival! Local vendors, music, food trucks, petting zoo, pony rides, and of course sunflowers! Come experience our 6 acre U-Pick sunflower field, have a photo session with a professional photographer, or just come enjoy the day! \$10 per vehicle, no charge to come in. Empty Pockets Ranch, 5172 RT-145, Cobleskill, NY 12043.

## SULLIVAN COUNTY

### SUNDAY, JUNE 4

**Holistic and Wellness Fair:** 12 PM - 4 PM at the Arrowhead Ranch & Retreat, 461 Cooley Road, Parksville, NY. Join us for our monthly Country Fair! June's theme is "Holistic and Wellness" Vendors, with music by Woodstock's Misty Mountain Ramblers! As usual we will offer Pony Rides, Farm Tours, Kids Krafts, Food and Beverages! Free Admission. Call 888-867-2798 or [rose@arrowheadranch.org](mailto:rose@arrowheadranch.org).

**The 2nd Annual Sullivan County Music Festival:** 12-8 PM at the Hurleyville Performing Arts Centre, 219 Main Street, Hurleyville, NY 12747. HPAC is excited to announce the 2nd Annual Sullivan County Music Fest, and we want you to be a part of it! The festival is fun for the whole family, centered around our region's diverse music scene and everything our amazing county has to offer, from our thriving small businesses and artisans to our numerous non-profit organizations.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 10

**17th Annual - "Once Upon a Trout":** Livingston Manor Trout Parade, Main Street, Livingston Manor. Join us for the 17th Annual Livingston Manor Trout Parade! Festivities, Music, Food Specials and more on Main Street start at 11am. Parade line-up is at 12 noon at the LMCS back Parking lot and kick-off is at 1pm!

**Mini-Macros:** Join the Delaware Highlands Conservancy as we explore the life of the insects known as macroinvertebrates! 2-4 pm at the Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake, PA. These insects play a huge role in the aquatic ecosystem. We will be discussing the importance of these insects and how their variation can be an indicator of water quality, and taking a short walk down to a pond and stream to take a closer look at these aquatic macros! Please wear proper footwear and clothing that you are willing to get wet. Closed toed shoes are required for this event as you may be walking in water and mud. Space is limited and prior registration is required. Children must be accompanied by an adult to attend the program. [rachel@delawarehighlands.org](mailto:rachel@delawarehighlands.org).

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# EXPLORE *Callicoon!*

Stroll the streets of Callicoon, a small town steeped in history and abundant sightseeing opportunities. The town, located on the banks of the Delaware River, was settled by the Dutch in the 1600s.

Callicoon was known for timber rafting in the 1760s, where delimbed trees were floated downstream to sawmills before the Erie Railroad connected the Great Lakes with the eastern seaboard.

A widespread fire wiped out almost every structure on Main Street in 1888 and residents rebuilt the business district, which is bisected by train tracks and retains its 1800s vibe.

Today, Callicoon is known for its scenic beauty and charming small-town atmosphere. It's located in western Sullivan County, and is surrounded by forests, mountains and rolling hills.

Callicoon offers plenty of outdoor activities like hiking, fishing, canoeing, and kayaking. The nearby Catskill Mountains and the Delaware River are popular destinations for outdoor enthusiasts.

## *Farming Community*

Callicoon has a strong farming community, with several farms offering fresh produce, eggs and other farm products. The **Callicoon Farmers' Market** is held every Sunday from May to November and is a great place to find locally grown food. At the Callicoon Farmers' Market, food producers and artisans offer wine, hard cider, pasta, condiments, prepared foods, baked goods, ice cream, jam, honey, maple syrup, herbal tea blends, skin care products, pottery, woodwork and much more. The market is a 'producer only

market.' All vendors either grow or produce their own goods and operate within 75 miles ensuring patrons are only purchasing the freshest, highest quality, locally produced goods. [callicoonfarmersmarket.org/](http://callicoonfarmersmarket.org/)

## *Community Spirit(s)*

### **Good Taste Beverage Trail**

There are over a dozen craft breweries, cideries, distilleries and wineries on the expanding Beverage Trail in and around Callicoon in the Sullivan Catskills, where there are specialty brews for every palate. Try a Callicoon Brown Cow Porter at the **Callicoon Brewery** or Devil's Path IPA from **Catskill Brewery**. How about a flight from **Roscoe Beer Company**?

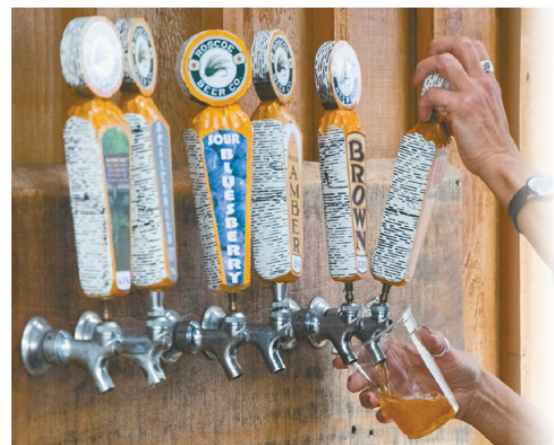


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Sip on a 3 Dog East Coast IPA at the **Shrewd Fox Brewery**. Or settle in with the Russian Mule Stout, a rich chocolate-y brew from **Russian Mule Brewery**. **Upward Brewing** crafts a bright juicy Breadwinner, IPA. If you prefer a crisp, fresh cider, try the cider made from a distinctive blend of heirloom apples and pears at **Seminary Hill**. Or grab a signature cider from

**Stickett Inn**. Prefer a gin & tonic? The **Catskill Distilling Company** in Bethel features Curious Gin. At **Do Good Spirits** in Roscoe you'll find Bootlegger 21 New York gin, vodka & whiskey. **Catskill Provisions'** Honey Whisky features hints of toffee, burnt orange peel, and golden raisin. And **Rock Valley Spirits** infuses its vodka with wild, hand picked berries.

[sullivancatskills.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/SCVA\\_CraftSpirits2022NEW.pdf](https://sullivancatskills.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/SCVA_CraftSpirits2022NEW.pdf)

### Stay and Play

The **Western Hotel**, an 1852 Victorian mansion now listed on the National Register of Historic Places is located in the picturesque Callicoon-on-the-Delaware. The Western is the crown jewel of Callicoon, with a beautiful two story covered terrace overlooking historic Main Street with views of the mountains in the distance. It showcases a perfect blend of old-world charm with a modern-day flare. While there, take a stroll along Main Street to discover antique and clothing shops, the local distillery, brewery and even the county's only movie theatre. [www.westerncallicoon.com](http://www.westerncallicoon.com)

Don't miss a visit to **Rafter's Tavern**, 28 Upper Main Street. Rafter's Tavern is a music venue, art gallery and a restaurant. [rafterstavern.com](http://rafterstavern.com)

Remember, the Delaware River is perfect for activities such as kayaking, canoeing, tubing, and fishing.



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## SATURDAY, JUNE 24

### **Fish of the Delaware River at the Van Scott Nature Reserve:**

2-3:00 pm at the Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake, PA 18405. Have you ever wondered what fish our eagles along the Delaware River are eating; what fish you may catch if you cast your line out in the water, or even the importance of the river for the life cycle of the freshwater eel? Join us as we discuss and identify many species of fish that live in the Delaware River. Space is limited and prior registration is required. Event fee is \$5 for Conservancy members or \$10 for non-members. Children must be accompanied by an adult to attend the program. [delawarehighlands.org/events/fish-of-the-delaware-river](http://delawarehighlands.org/events/fish-of-the-delaware-river)

## SATURDAY, JULY 1

### **Finding the Rainbow:**

2-4 pm, Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake, PA 18405. [delawarehighlands.org/events/finding-the-rainbow](http://delawarehighlands.org/events/finding-the-rainbow) Have you ever observed how many colors are in the natural world around you? Do you think you can find all the colors of the rainbow in the woods? For this fun family event, join us at the Van Scott Nature Reserve and take a walk on the trails to see if you have the eye to spy all the colors! Space is limited and prior registration is required. Event fee is \$5 for Conservancy members or \$10 for non-members. Children must be accompanied by an adult to attend the program.

## SUNDAY, JULY 2

### **Motorcycle and Car Show / Country Fair:**

12-4 PM at Arrowhead Ranch & Retreat, 461 Cooley Road, Parksville. The theme for our July Country Fair is a Motorcycle and Car Show! Come out for a Sunday afternoon family friendly event with live music by Jacketown Road. Contest and prize for best custom ride. Vendors, food, drink, and PONY RIDES! While you're here, take a tour of our Horse Rescue and catch a demonstration. Free Admission for attendees and free to display a vehicle or motorcycle! Vendors wanted! 888-867-2798, [rose@arrowheadranch.org](mailto:rose@arrowheadranch.org), [arrowheadranch.org](http://arrowheadranch.org).

## SATURDAY, JULY 29

**Cyanotype Art:** 2-3 pm at the Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake, PA 18405. Looking for a new fun way to turn nature into art? Join us to learn about Cyanotype fabric and how to use it! Enjoy some outdoor exploration and create your own nature imprints to take home with you. Space is limited and prior registration is required. Event fee is \$10 for Conservancy members or \$15 for non-members. Children must be accompanied by an adult to attend the program.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

**"Little Acorn" and Craft:** Join the Delaware Highlands Conservancy's Education and Volunteer Coordinator Rachel Morrow as she reads the story "Little Acorn" by Melanie Joyce, which illustrates the life cycle of a tree. Following the reading will be a fun craft for everyone to create! Space is limited and prior registration is required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. [rachel@delawarehighlands.org](mailto:rachel@delawarehighlands.org). Van Scott Nature Reserve, 571 Perkins Pond Rd, Beach Lake, PA 18405.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

### **Summer Harvest Festival & Country Fair:**

12-4 PM at the Arrowhead Ranch & Retreat, 461 Cooley Road, Parksville, NY. The theme for our August Country Fair is Farmers Market to celebrate the harvest season! Come out for a Sunday afternoon family friendly event with live music by Glassy Honk. Vendors, food, drink, and PONY RIDES! While you're here, take a tour of our Horse Rescue and catch a

demonstration. Free Admission. [rose@arrowheadranch.org](mailto:rose@arrowheadranch.org).

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

**The Bagel Festival:** 9am - 4pm, 475 Broadway, Monticello, NY 12701.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

### **Van Scott Nature Reserve Scavenger Hunt:**

Join the Delaware Highlands Conservancy for a Scavenger Hunt at the Van Scott Nature Reserve! Drop in anytime between 11am and 3pm to pick up the scavenger hunt booklet from the office. If you can answer all of the questions in the booklet while you explore the Reserve, you will receive a small prize! All ages are welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult to attend. [rachel@delawarehighlands.org](mailto:rachel@delawarehighlands.org)

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### **Farmers and Makers Market at Tuthilltown Distillery:**

10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Weekly market featuring wares from area farmers, growers, bakers, makers and crafters host onsite at Tuthilltown Distillery, 14 Grist Mill Ln, Gardiner, NY 12525.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 3

### **Annual Saugerties Library Street Fair:**

10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Saugerties Public Library, 91 Washington Ave, Saugerties, NY. Plant, book and baked goods sales, along with a petting zoo, face painting, a magic show, music, arts and crafts, vendors and much more. All ages.

### **Springfest:**

11:00 am - 8:00 pm at Highland Vineyard and Main Streets, Highland, NY There will be activities, shopping, entertainment, local vendors, delicious food and drinks.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 10

### **City of Kingston, Arts, Culture, and Heritage Festival:**

12:00 pm at TR Gallo Park, 30 Rondout Landing, Kingston, NY. Featuring concert by Alessandra Trio. Live Performance Art: Nancy Ostrovsky. Concert: Pablo Shine Trio. Movie: "Selena." Rain date: June 11.

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# Food for Thought

## Cooking Classes: The Ultimate Recipe for Foodie Fun

DELHI - Whether you're a seasoned home cook or a novice in the kitchen, there's always something new to learn in the world of culinary arts. That's why cooking classes have become a popular pastime for foodies of all skill levels. Not only do the classes offer a chance to improve your cooking skills, but they also provide a fun and engaging way to meet new people and try new cuisines.

There are many different types of cooking classes available - from traditional techniques to international cuisine, there's a class for every taste and interest; from baking and pastry making to grilling and smoking, and everything in between.

Not only do cooking classes improve cooking skills, they can provide a means to meet new people who share a love of food.

Cooking classes at Strickland



Cutting rigatoni as it's pressed from an extruder

Hollow Tasting Room & Bottle Shop on Main Street, Delhi, offered by Gerald "Gerry" Pellegrino, a veteran cuisinier, will take you on a global culinary journey.

Pellegrino has owned and operated multiple restaurants including Corks,

Rigatoni, gnocchi, and cavatelli pasta dishes.



Gerald "Gerry" Pellegrino, owner of Strickland Hollow Tasting Room & Bottle Shop in Delhi gives pasta-making classes.

an award-winning restaurant in Baltimore, Md. He also co-founded Schola in 2015, a kitchen in Baltimore, where his vision of creating a space where people could learn to cook in a comfortable, fun environment - came to life.

His instruction is less like taking a class, and more like learning to cook from a family member.

A class with Pellegrino is a unique opportunity to learn from a professional chef, who can offer valuable insights and tips to help you take your cooking to the next level.

Some of Pellegrino's offerings include: The Art of Making Pasta; The Mediterranean Inspired Cuisine of Greece; Canning & Preserving; The Art of Making Ramen; Wine 101 - Tasting The Basics, and many others.

The classes take an in-depth look at all the processes, equipment, and ingredients chefs use to make great meals. The hands-on approach will have you making pasta like a pro, sharpening your knife correctly, or making the perfect sauce.

For more information visit [stricklandhollowfarm.com](http://stricklandhollowfarm.com)



## FRIDAY, JUNE 16

**Farm to Fork Bicycle Ride, June 16-18:** at the Ulster County Fairgrounds, 249 Libertyville Road, New Paltz, NY 12561. This Weekend Getaway is packed with exclusive goodies and experiences. Farm to Fork Fondo is an organized bicycle ride where you get to choose the distance best for you and stop for freshly prepared bites at farms along the way.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 17

**Second Annual Follow The Arrow Festival:** 1:00 pm at Arrowood Farms, 236 Lower Whitfield Road, Accord, NY 12404. All ages. Presented by Marco Benevento featuring Rubblebucket, The Barr Brothers and Scott Metzger with additional artists and special guests to be announced. Doors open at noon.

**Second Annual Mushroom Festival:** 10:00 am, Rosendale Theatre, 408 Main Street, Rosendale, NY 12472. The day's events start with guided walks, community science, and mushroom education and they continue with discussions, short films, a culinary workshop, a panel on psychedelics, a music/poetry show, mushroom-related vendors, learning resources and more.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 20

**Bloomington Fire Dept Food Truck Fiesta:** 5-9 pm at the Bloomington Fire Department, 14 Taylor Street, Bloomington, NY 12411. Food Trucks, live music, 50/50 Raffle, Beer, Wine and Water Available. Rain date the following week.

## CALENDAR

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## SUNDAY, JUNE 25

**38th Annual Big Indian Car Show:** 10:00 am - 4:00 pm at the Big Indian Valley Park, 8280 Route 28, Big Indian, NY 12410.

## SATURDAY, JULY 1

**Soulshine Festival:** 2:30 pm at Arrowood Farms, 236 Lower Whitfield Road, Accord, NY 12404. The first-ever Soulshine Festival is a collaboration between Radio Woodstock 100.1 WDST and Impact Concerts, featuring artists Michael Franti & Spearhead, along with special guests Tank & The Bangas, Son Little and The Big Takeover. The festival will also feature yoga and wellness, local, sustainable food, craft vendors and family-friendly activities. All ages. Doors open at 1 p.m.

## SUNDAY, JULY 9

**Climb It For Climate:** 12:00 pm at Belknap Mountain, 181 Galli Curci Rd., Highmount, NY 12441. A three part mountain running series that will challenge runners' skills over the course of three events. This series will take place at three different scenic locations over technical, rugged trail networks, each offering a unique mountain running experience. At every event, The Running Kind will raise money and awareness for a climate forward organization.

## SATURDAY, JULY 15

**Rosendale Street Festival, July 15 & 16:** Explore Rosendale's unique Main Street. Expect over 70 bands across six stages, each with a distinct musical theme. Vendors from all over the Hudson Valley will be there to sell delicious food and drinks, as well as wares. Rain or shine.

## FRIDAY, JULY 21

**Fourth Edition-Upstate Art Weekend (UPAW), July 21-24:** UPSTATE ART WEEKEND (UPAW) is a connective annual event, for locals and tourists alike, celebrating the cultural vibrancy of Upstate New York. UPAW launched in 2020 with 23 participants, expanding to over 145 in 2022. The participants are art organizations, galleries, museums, residencies and studios. UPAW compiles a

program of events and a comprehensive google map, which in 2022 garnered more than 224,000 views. [www.upstateart-weekend.org/about](http://www.upstateart-weekend.org/about)

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

**Hike for the Catskills, Aug. 1-31:** Hike for the Catskills starting August 1. This month-long event is meant for everyone! From complete beginners to expert-level hikers, all are welcome to register. Choose your own hiking goal based on your experience and availability, and your own fundraising goal for the Catskill Center. [catskillcenter.org/events/2023/8/1/hike-for-the-catskills?mc\\_cid=8bdd8976a78mc\\_eid=edfd75c980...](http://catskillcenter.org/events/2023/8/1/hike-for-the-catskills?mc_cid=8bdd8976a78mc_eid=edfd75c980...)

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

**Caribbean Carnivale:** 11:00 am - 5:00 pm at Cantene Field, Saugerties, NY 12477. The Caribbean Carnival is a huge celebration with authentic Caribbean food, music and cultural events! Just as in the West Indies, carnival celebration signals the "Crop Over" time when the harvest is completed. [visitulstercountyny.com/event/caribbean-carnivale](http://visitulstercountyny.com/event/caribbean-carnivale)

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

**Art Walk Kingston, Sept. 16 & 17:** 12-5 pm. Art Walk Kingston is a celebration of the arts and the local community. Over the course of two days, visitors and local residents are invited to explore three distinct areas of the city of Kingston and immerse themselves in a range of art and events. Paintings, photographs and sculptures are just some of the mediums that will be on display at home studios and galleries.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

**Hudson Valley Garlic Festival, Sept. 30 & Oct. 1:** September 30 @ 10:00 am - October 1 @ 5:00 pm at Cantine Veterans Memorial Complex, Washington Avenue Ext, Saugerties, NY 12477. A two day celebration of all things garlic: Farmers, food, demos and entertainment. [visitulstercountyny.com/event/hudson-valley-garlic-festival-2](http://visitulstercountyny.com/event/hudson-valley-garlic-festival-2)



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Livingston Manor and Roscoe, located in the Catskills in Sullivan County, are well-known destinations for fly fishing enthusiasts. The area's rich history of fly fishing dates back to the mid-19th century.

In the mid-1800s, fly fishing began to gain popularity in the United States, and anglers began to explore the streams and rivers of the Catskills. The region's abundant trout population and beautiful scenery made it an ideal destination for fishing enthusiasts.

One of the most famous figures in Catskills fly fishing history is Theodore Gordon. Gordon is credited with developing many of the fly fishing techniques that are still used today. He lived in Roscoe and fished the Beaver Kill extensively. In the late 1800s, Gordon began to develop his own flies and fly tying techniques, which were more effective than the traditional English patterns that were popular at the time.

Gordon is widely considered to be the father of American dry fly fishing, and he is credited with creating several famous fly patterns that are still in use. One of his most famous creations is the Quill Gordon. The Quill Gordon is a classic dry fly pattern that imitates



Todd Spire, program coordinator, and Ali Abate, executive director, in the Wulff Gallery at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum, below the replica Piper Super Cub plane, owned by famed fly fisher Lee Wulff.



the early season mayfly hatch, and it is a favored choice among fly fishers today.

Another famed fly tyer and angler, Lee Wulff, created several patterns in the 1930s including the Royal Wulff, the White Wulff, the Grey Wulff, and the Adams Wulff, among others.

The flies are known for their bushy, highly visible wings, which make them easy for anglers to see on the water.

They are typically tied with hair from a white-tailed deer or moose, and their bodies are made from a variety of materials, including peacock herl, dubbing, or synthetic materials.

Wulff flies are highly effective at imitating a wide range of mayflies and other insects, and are popular choices for fly

fishing for trout, grayling, and other freshwater species. The Wulff series of flies have become classic patterns and are widely used by fly fishermen around the world.

Both anglers and fly tyers are memorialized for their contributions to the sport and the art of fly fishing as well as their conservation efforts at the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum in Livingston Manor where exhibits are dedicated to them.

They believed fly fishing has a history and heritage worth preserving. Many of the techniques and traditions of fly fishing have been passed down through generations, and preserving the heritage can help maintain a connection to the past.

Fly fishing is a significant economic driver and helps support local economies and businesses.

Today, the Beaver Kill and Willowemoc in Livingston Manor and Roscoe, along with the east and west branches and the main stem of the Del-



A section of the Wulff Gallery is dedicated to the history of fly tying.





aware River in Delaware County, and the Little Delaware River and Trout Creek in the town of Trout Creek, remain popular destinations for fly fishing enthusiasts.

There are five types of trout in New York waterways, including brook trout, also known as speckled trout, and are the only native species in the state. They prefer cold, clean water and are typically found in small streams and high elevation lakes.

Brown trout are an introduced species now found widely throughout the state. They are known for their aggressive behavior and can grow to be quite large.

Rainbow trout are also an introduced species and are popular among anglers due to their acrobatic fighting style. They are often stocked in streams and lakes and can be found in some wild populations.

Lake trout are typically found in larger, deeper lakes. They are known for their size and can grow to over 30 pounds.

Steelhead trout are migratory rainbow trout and are found in Lake Ontario and its tributaries. They are known for their strong runs.



The fly tying desk owned by Dave Brandt, a legendary conservationist and fly tyer. Brandt died in 2020.

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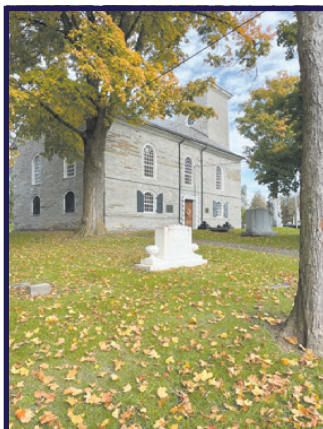


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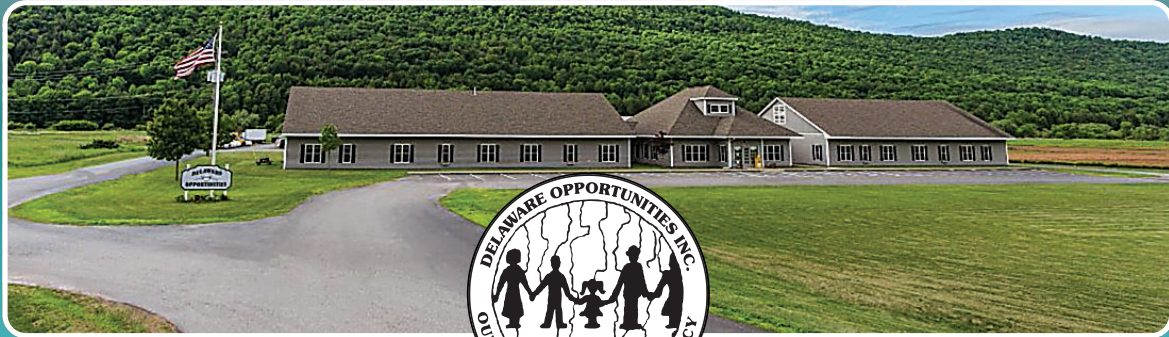
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