

Ulster Publishing's

Hudson Valley Living

Spring 2022

*Creative
spaces
of local
artists*





Finance Your Solar Project With US

**Now is the right time to apply
for a home equity loan.**

- No application fee
- No annual maintenance fee
- Investment properties allowed
- Interest may be tax-deductible*
- No prepayment penalty

You can also use the equity in your home to:

- Pay off credit cards
- Fund college
- Remodel your home
- Go on vacation

Contact us today
866.440.0391
UlsterSavings.com

Locations in Dutchess,
Ulster and Orange Counties

Ulster  Savings

NMLS# 619306 /  EQUAL HOUSING LENDER
Member **FDIC** / Certain conditions apply.

*Please contact your tax advisor to determine eligibility for a tax deduction.



Beautiful, Functional, Powerful Solar.

From traditional PV panels to the most innovative solar technology, SunCommon's custom installations are designed with your lifestyle in mind.



Contact SunCommon today!

suncommon.com/hvliving

(845) 516-7014



NYSDERDA
Quality Solar Installer
Gold Status - 2022



This was the winter of our demolition...

...or how I learned to embrace chaos

by Susan Barnett

THERE ARE A lot of constructive ways to deal with anxiety, but I have heard no one talk about construction as a coping tool.

Many articles discuss the sudden uptick in home renovations, but they attribute this to the fact that we've never been home so much before. It was only natural that we began to focus our attention on what we could do to improve where we live.

That is very reasonable. If it's true.

For me, home improvement has been a way to exert some control in a world where I have none. This old farmhouse we bought four years ago became a three story fidget spinner, focusing my attention on something I could do actually do something about.

In the 1960s, a family bought this 1910 cross-gable Victorian and, at great expense, covered every single interior wall with paneling. Good, solid, tongue-in-groove wide plank wood. And then they dropped every ceiling.

My dream of vintage wallpaper and high ceilings died here, because I love this house and I have come to hate moving. This is home. But I had plans to make it better, at least. Someday. Instead, most of it was done this past winter.

I found myself in the happy financial position of being able to pay for it, so long as I stayed humble in my aspirations. And suddenly, our house was a construction zone. It kept me very occupied while Delaware County stumbled along with one of the lowest vaccination rates in the state.

It began shortly after Thanksgiving. The living room, a big, dark, wood-paneled space we never use, was going to lose part of its ceiling so a tub could be installed above it in the upstairs dressing



room (that's two projects, right there). So while part of the ceiling was out, why not rip out the whole thing and sheetrock the walls, too?

Within days, the ceiling was down and the wreckage that had been our living room was a dusty mess. It turned out that a lot of plumbing was running along part of that ceiling, but we loved the look of the exposed upper floor and its joists. So we created a two-level ceiling. Part of it was sheet rocked and hid the plumbing. The rest was left open. And it looked good. It's actually a room I like now.

Because I was on a budget,

The author's living/dining area before (left) and after (below) renovation.



DON'T MISS THESE REBATES!

Central Hudson Incentives for Ductless Heating & Cooling

Now is the time to upgrade your heating system, get safe, reliable service, and lower your heating and air conditioning costs for your whole home.

* Rebate based on system capacity

UP TO \$8,300

in rebates for whole-house systems installed by Heckeroth, a Central Hudson Gold Trade Ally.

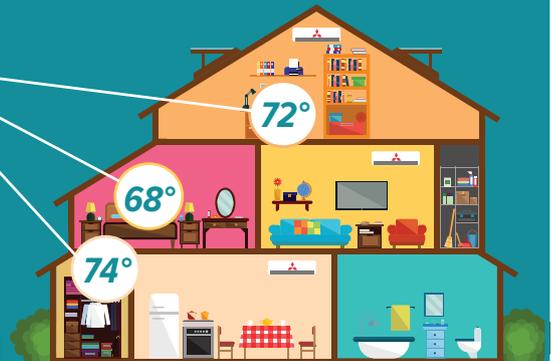
Learn more: heckerothplumbing.com/cash

Set Your Perfect Comfort Temperature In Each Room!

- ✓ Saves Money
- ✓ Improves Air Quality
- ✓ Very Affordable
- ✓ Quick Installation



MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC



AMERICA'S #1 ZONED COMFORT SOLUTION™

\$100 OFF
Water Treatment System
Heckeroth

Not valid on prior sales. Cannot be combined with other offers.

FREE
SERVICE CALL
With ANY Repair
Heckeroth

Only valid during regular business hours M-F 8m-4pm. Not valid on prior sales. Not valid on nights, weekends or holidays. Can not be combined with other offers.

\$500 OFF
First 25 Generator Installations
Heckeroth

Not valid on prior sales. Cannot be combined with other offers.

Heckeroth

10B Lumen Lane Highland NY 12528

845-834-8596

heckerothplumbing.com



Visit us on Facebook!



24/7 REPAIR

You need us, we're there!



PLUMBING



HEATING



GENERATORS

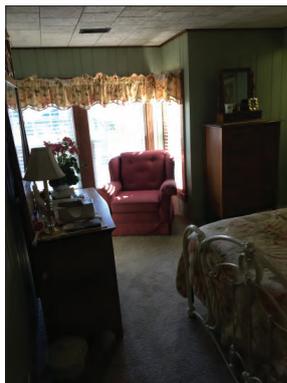
✓ Maintenance ✓ Repairs ✓ New Installations

I did the painting and staining. I painted the ceilings at night after the contractors left. The next night they left the new, wider trim on sawhorses in the garage and my assignment was to have it all stained for installation the next day. I was lucky that the nights weren't too cold, and I was able to work with the garage doors open.

If you've never had contractors work on your house, it's an experience I can only compare to having friends of your kids staying with you. They are friendly, they appreciate you, but they really wish you'd leave them alone. Each morning, the alarm went off at seven, the contractors arrived at eight, the plastic was taped up as though a serial killer was hard at work, and the hum of the compressor drowned out any possible conversation.

And then we got ready for the plumbers.

Our only upstairs bathroom was a textbook case of stupid design, courtesy those owners in the sixties. A small space was



Bedroom renovation included addition of a tub alcove.

divided into two, and the latest in avocado tubs was installed in the dark alcove. We'd already ripped it apart (that story has been told in these pages before), but we'd sacrificed a tub for a large shower.

I found a five foot clawfoot tub online, and it proved to be in excellent shape. It sat in our garage for months. Now the contractors moved to what had been the guest room to get ready for its installation.

The biggest bedroom in the house, the guest room had paneled walls painted dusty green and a ceiling that looked like mushrooms were growing on it. I hated

it. It did, however, have an alcove that was a perfect spot for a tub.

That required pulling up the threadbare wall to wall rug and the plywood underneath it, so the contractors could build a platform in the alcove on top of the original floors. The platform was reinforced to handle the extra weight, and the beams below were shored up as well.

But once that much floor was exposed, why not expose the rest? Why not, indeed? So they did. And they pulled down the mushroom ceiling, too. The plumbers arrived, and spent two days running pipe down the walls into the basement, and tying in to the existing drains.

The contractors were back downstairs, installing trim in the living room. There was now chaos both upstairs and downstairs. And I was busy painting every night.

I will pause here to mention we have pets. Boris, the cat, handled the upheaval by sleeping all day. Violet Wiggins, the dog, barked at everyone when they arrived each day, and looked worried the rest of the day. She was not enjoying herself. But the construction continued.

Two young fellows lugged the cast iron tub up the stairs and into place. The tub is positioned to give the bather (that's me!) a view of the fields behind the house. A few days later, our new dressing/guest/tub room was finished, the furniture put

Hudson Valley Living

EDITOR & PUBLISHER: Geddy Sveikauskas

ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER: Genia Wickwire

ADVERTISING: Lynn Coraza, Pam Courselle, Elizabeth Jackson, Angela Lattrell, Tobi Watson, Jenny Bella

PRODUCTION MANAGER: Joe Morgan

PRODUCTION: Diane Congello-Brandes, Josh Gilligan

CIRCULATION: Dominic Labate

www.hudsonvalleyone.com

Ulster Publishing (est. 1972) is a Hudson Valley media company with its office at 322 Wall Street in Kingston. For more info on upcoming special sections, including how to place an ad, call (845) 334-8200, fax (845) 334-8809 or e-mail info@hudsonvalleyone.com.

printing returning designing mailboxing
shredding notarizing packing binding
boxing helping fulfilling bannering
freighting direct-mailing living faxing
consulting scanning smiling supporting

Every ing for small business.
And, of course, shipping.



THE UPS STORE[®]
Print & Business Services

In the King's Mall (on Rt. 9W / Ulster Ave.) in Kingston

845-336-4UPS (4877)

store4541@theupsstore.com

www.theupsstore.com/4541

[f](#) [t](#) TheUPSStore4541

It's Time to DIY

We're Here to Help



Get **\$10 OFF** 1 Gallon of Arborcoat® Stain, Aura® or Regal® Interior Paint

Offer valid for \$10 off Herzog's suggested retail price per gallon of up to 5 gallons of Benjamin Moore® premium products. Must present coupon to redeem. Products may vary from store to store. Subject to availability. Retailer reserves the right to cancel this offer at any time without notice. Limit one per customer. Cannot be combined with any other offers. See store for details. Coupon expires 09/30/2022.

Herzog's
 **Benjamin Moore®**



Herzog's

151 Plaza Rd. Kingston, NY 12401
845-338-6300
Herzogs.com



The dark bedroom before the ceiling was removed (left) and stained glass previously hidden out of sight in the attic was revealed (right).

back in place, and then guests arrived.

We celebrated Christmas, my granddaughters got to use the new tub, then the tree came down, and the workers returned to rip apart our bedroom.

This is the scary part of the story, reader. Because here is where we entered unknown territory. The room we sleep in is a small one, with huge windows in two directions. It had a dropped ceiling and big, fake beams.

“What if,” my partner speculated on

night, “we pulled out the ceiling and went right up to the attic?”

I stared at the ceiling.

Above our heads, we knew, was a pair of windows surrounded by stained glass. And suddenly we were both determined to make those windows part of our bedroom. I honestly thought it was a maybe/someday kind of project, but it was a really alluring one.

Our contractor pronounced the idea “awesome,” “no big deal” to do, we moved

into the other guest room, and the demolition began. The dropped ceiling came down. They shoveled the attic insulation out of the way. And then the attic floor came out.

I was in the kitchen, hearing it happen, and turned on the oven. I did not know stress baking was a thing, but it clearly is, because I did it. I made maple cookies while I waited to hear if I’d just made a massive mistake. Lots of maple cookies.

When they called me up to see, the wreckage on the floor was up to my ankles. But above me, those stained glass windows winked in the sunlight, and the room suddenly felt huge.

Another thing about construction: it always takes longer than you hope. That



HOT TUBS & POOLS

SALES & SERVICE

Authorized Radiant Pool Dealer

CLEARWATER SPAS

STARLIGHT HOT TUBS

SCHEDULE YOUR POOL OPENING

- HOT TUBS • POOLS • LINERS
- COMPLETE SPA AND POOL CHEMICALS
- REPLACEMENT HOT TUB COVERS
- FREE WATER ANALYSIS
- POOL FILTERS & PUMPS
- CHLORINE/SALT GENERATOR
- POOL HEATERS
- SPA, POOL REPAIR AND SERVICE
- WINTER SAFETY COVERS

TRY OUR ALL NATURAL HOT TUB SANITIZER!

VALLEY SPAS

3068 ROUTE 9W • SAUGERTIES, NY

845-246-0666

BLUE SWAN

Painting and Design

Specializing in:

- Color Consultancy
- Excellent Plastering and Prep-work
- Painted Finishes and Mural Work
- Wallpapering

Fine Interior Painting
Serving The Catskills Area

blueswanpainters.com

718.532.6234

Has your home's value increased?

Ask How Refinancing Can Reduce Your Mortgage Payment.

Scan the QR code to contact our Local Lenders or call the number below to find out more.



300 Broadway Kingston, NY 12401
(845) 331-0073 • RondoutBank.com



Member
FDIC

NMLS #684320



RONDOUT
SAVINGS BANK

always working for you and our community

job was supposed to take no more than a week. It took almost three.

But when it was over, our bedroom was a sunny space with colored lights playing over the walls. And the old floors we exposed weren't too bad. We moved back in after the contractors painted the

ceiling (I was NOT going up there)and woke up to find the room is better than we'd even imagined. Totally worth it.

By the way, each demolition gave us a view of what this house had been before it was "renovated" in the sixties. Every single plaster ceiling was wallpapered.

Unfortunately, it was destroyed by the nailers put in to support the acoustic tiles. So I got my vintage wallpaper. I just didn't get to keep it.

I have heard people claiming that their old house ghosts got upset by construction. I think if we have ghosts, they're pretty happy. Most of what we did just got us back to the basic structure of the house. Except for our bedroom, of course. That one definitely messed with things, but I've heard no objections from the spirit world.

The final big project was the hall. The sixties renovation had added a hall closet and turned it into a dark tunnel. We removed the closet, exposed the old floors, and replaced the rickety attic ladder with something that felt a lot more solid. We added a bookshelf over the picture window, a last minute decision that turned out to be perfect. Our upstairs hall is now a wide open space that even has a sitting area.

It was nearly February, and the house was almost put back together. The final touch involved reopening the floor grates that had been shut and allowing the heat to circulate in the house. The local architectural salvage place had two iron grates that were exactly the right size, and when they popped into place I swear I heard this old house sigh with contentment.

The contractors waved their goodbyes, I closed my checkbook, and realized that somehow we'd just accomplished a good 80% of the changes we'd hoped to someday make here.

And here's where I realized this was about anxiety - we immediately began looking at the kitchen with speculative eye. That ceiling could come up. That counter could move. And that wall over there? French doors. To a greenhouse!

Perhaps therapy would be cheaper after all.



Now is the time to BUY!
12 month NO interest on Pools • Spas • Furniture

AQUAJET Pools, Spas & Patio Furniture

1606 Ulster Avenue, Lake Katrine (Next to Adams)
 Mon - Fri: 10 - 5pm; Sat: 10 - 5 pm; Closed Sunday
 (845) 336-8080 • www.aquajetpools.com
 Family owned and operated for over 30 years

Go Titan
for All Your Water Needs

DON'T PUT UP WITH DIRTY, SMELLY WATER!
 We will solve any /all of your water issues -
 from bacteria to clay and everything in between.

From well drilling to water testing, we meet every need.

TITAN
 Drilling Corp.

Contact us for dependable drilling contractors who ensure your water systems are operating as they should.

1-800-GO-TITAN
1-845-586-4000

264 Co. Hwy. 38, Arkville, NY 12406 | www.titanwelldrillingny.com

VISA MasterCard DISCOVER
Find us on Facebook AMERICAN EXPRESS

WOODSTOCK TRAILS

NYS DEC Licensed Hiking Guide #5072

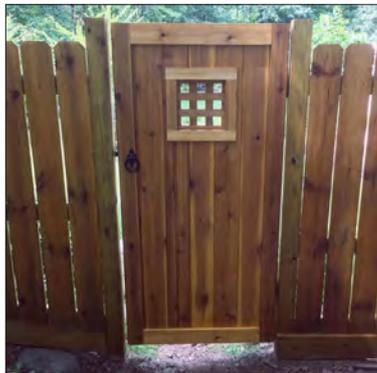
We build them, we walk them.

Dave Holden
845-594-4863

Guided Hikes
 Scenic Tours
 Custom Trails

Like Woodstock Trails on Facebook
 woodstocktrails@gmail.com • www.woodstocknytrails.com

JLC FENCE and GARDEN LLC



Custom fences and garden spaces



All types of fencing
 Privacy, deer/wildlife, pool, garden
 Instagram
 @jlc_fence_and_garden
 jlc_fence_and_garden@gmail.com
 (845) 853-9659



Sunflower MARKET

75 Mill St.
Woodstock, NY

24 Garden St.
Rhinebeck, NY

Since 1978 we've worked with local farms & businesses to provide our community with food you can share with the people you love.

Sunflowernatural.com



What's not new for '22

Look beyond the horticultural hype

by Lee Reich, PhD

WHEN THE LISTS of “New Vegetable Varieties for 2022” arrive each year on my computer screen and in my mailbox, I don’t get excited.

Last year I had the same affliction. The introduction of Siam Dwarf, Abigail, and a number of other new tomato varieties didn’t provoke a lust in me. Is something wrong with me?

Not that I’m immune to horticultural hype. Like the car enthusiast is lured by the sleek styling of new models, I am sometimes lured by horticultural promises of productivity, flavor, and pest resistance.

Years ago, the hype seduced me into growing a bevy of broccolis. The labels that I carefully poked into the ground next to each seedling became irrelevant as the season progressed. They didn’t differ dramatically from one another. Sure, slightly bigger heads unfolded atop some of them, more side shoots sprouted from others, and still others matured a few days earlier than the others. These nuances are important to a commercial grower, not to a farmer whose “back forty”



Sweet Italia peppers.

PHOTOS BY LEE REICH

C2G offers Custom Oil Tank Packages Available with up to 30 Year Warranties!

IS IT TIME TO REPLACE YOUR OIL TANK?

“50% of bare steel tanks will develop leaks within 15 years.”

-The American Petroleum Institute.

Pricing starts as low as \$3,295.00
*some restrictions may apply.

Call or Visit us online for a **FREE** Price Quote!
845-255-4900 | WWW.C2G.US

Come see all the fabulous furniture and sculpture
(Following all Covid safety protocols)

Steve Heller's
FABULOUS FURNITURE

3930 ROUTE 28 BOICEVILLE NY 12412
FABFURNITUREON28.COM
845.750.3035 | FABFURN1@GMAIL.COM



Open for Dine in, Pick up & Delivery

Gourmet Pizza • Appetizers • Italian Entrees • Burgers
Subs • Soups & Salads • Gluten Free & Vegan Options
Hot Fresh Slices • Wine & Craft Beer-To-Go • & More

Monday to Thursday: 11am to 9pm
Friday and Saturday: 11am to 10pm
Closed: Sunday
Delivery starting at 4:30pm

Call to Order 845-679-7969
Catskillmountainpizza.com
51 Mill Hill Rd • Woodstock
Love Pizza? Like us   

Yummy!!!
Peace, Love & Cupcakes



54F Tinker Street 845-247-3687 www.woodstockcupcakes.com
Saturday & Sunday 11:30am-5:30pm

 **Winner! Best Cake in the Country!**

 **We Have a Complete Line of Rental Equipment and Accessories for the Contractor and Home Owner**



Bobcat Mini



Lift



Backhoe



Excavator

Construction • Lawn & Garden • Floor Care
Ladders/Scaffold • Moving • Painting/Decorating

We also have everything you need for a great backyard party!
5752 Route 209, Kerhonkson, NY 12446 • (845) 626-4747

C & C Tool Rental

2296 Route 9W, Lake Katrine NY 12449

845-336-2600

NOW Renting Dumpsters!

Construction, Remodeling & Spring Cleaning!

SALES & SERVICE OPEN:
MON. - FRI. 8AM TO 5PM • SAT. 8AM TO NOON

Rent the Tools the PROS Use

- Lawn Aerator • Sod Cutter
- Lawn Dethatcher • Garden Tillers
- Stump Grinders

CALL to find out what we carry

Why Buy... When you can RENT?!



is forty square yards.

I'm not saying that real change never occurs. Years ago, a substantially different type of broccoli did come down the pike -- purple broccolis. I grew them. They were so tender and tasty that I never grew green broccoli again.

Even when real change occurs, improvements that make a new variety noteworthy in one garden may be superfluous in another. One year saw the introduction of Salad Bush cucumber, billed as having almost everything you'd want from a cucumber variety: early bearing, compact growth, and tolerance to five important cucumber diseases: powdery mildew, downy mildew, target leaf spot, cucumber mosaic virus, and scab. Unfortunately, it's a sixth disease, bacterial wilt, that spells the death knell to my cucumber plants each year.

So I continue to grow Soo Yow (also written Suyo) cucumbers because they're



Gardeners at Colonial Williamsburg.

less prone to wilt. And Soo Yow is no new kid on the block. It's said to have originated in China around 100 BCE. Shintokiwa is another variety that's

always done well, at least in my garden.

The frenzy over new varieties typically reaches its peak with the midwinter lineup of each year's All-America Selection winners. These are new varieties that have been judged superior to the best existing varieties in test gardens at more than 40 trial gardens across North America. In one form or another, AAS press releases reach millions of gardeners.

The folks of AAS are performing a valuable service, encouraging breeders and facilitating press coverage of what's new. At the same time, all this focus on a few varieties tends to overshadow,

WOODSTOCK

PLUMBING, HEATING, AIR CONDITIONING, LLC

(845) 663-2274 WOODSTOCKHVAC.COM



JEFF COLLINS STONE SUPPLY

YOUR #1 SUPPLIER FOR NATURAL STONE

For Walls, Walkways and Patios • Treads, Hearths and Veneers

Bluestone • Fieldstone • Waterfall • Belgum Block

Garden Soils • Mulches • Crushed Stone & More

ORGANIC GARDEN SOIL, COMPOST AND MULCHES

PICK UP OR DELIVERY AVAILABLE

Great Prices... Great Quality

20 YEARS AND STILL ROCKIN'

29 Riseley Rd, Mt Tremper, NY

845-688-7423

jeffcollinsstonesupply.com





CABINET DESIGNERS

THE KITCHEN + BATH DESIGN FIRM

We Improve Our Clients' Lives By Improving Their Living Spaces



KITCHENS | BATHS | CLOSETS | TILE

747 NY-28 Kingston, NY 12401

hello@cabinetdesigners.com | (845) 331-2200 | CabinetDesigners.com



There's something for everyone at Houst!

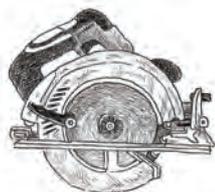
WE HAVE IT ALL!




Benjamin Moore
All the colors you can imagine
All the supplies you'll need!



**LAWN/GARDEN
FUN & GAMES
SPORTS
AUTO
HOUSEWARES**



**POWER TOOLS
PLUMBING
HEATING
HAND TOOLS
ELECTRICAL**



True Value
RENTAL



especially for beginning gardeners, the true diversity available.

One year, for instance, red, savoyed leaves made Red Sails lettuce an AAS winner. But if you wanted to eat red let-



Pea pods on the vine.

tuce, you also could grow bronze-tinged Pirat and Antina, red-tipped Lolla Rosa, deep-red Ruby, Red Romaine, and Four Seasons, or deepest-red Red Salad Bowl -- whatever intensity of red suited you. Because they're not new introductions, these lettuces will never be AAS winners. AAS contenders are limited to varieties that never have been sold previously.

Too many of noteworthy, albeit non-new varieties, will never be spotlighted solely because they are not new. Tomatoes like Belgian Giant, Carmello, Brandywine, Ponderosa or Cherokee Purple have been nestled for years in quiet greatness amongst other varieties in the pages and websites of some seed companies.

New pepper varieties with attractive names and attractive shades of purple,

brown, red, and yellow have been in the spotlight over the years, yet plain old Italian Sweet is, to my mind, a most productive, early ripening, and delicious variety. A new name with more pizzazz, such as Rubicand Italia, might bring more attention to this variety.

You never read about great peas like Lincoln and Green Arrow during the midwinter hype, so I take it upon myself to promote them. Back in 1979, Sugar Snap, another great pea and an AAS winner, entered the limelight as the first snap-type pea. This variety was followed by dwarf snap peas, including another AAS winner, Sugar Ann. Stick with the unwieldy Sugar Snap for flavor.

I fear that the annual midwinter bal-lyhoo of what's new in the plant kingdom

We're not just another Fuel Company! We treat you like family!

24 Hour Service Prompt Delivery

Home Heating Oil • Kerosene
On and Off Road Diesel

845.338.9800
Order Online: www.AFCOfuel.com



OPENING MARCH 31ST
The Gardener's Place To Be

- Cold-tolerant Pansies, Violas & more!
- Bulbs, Seeds & Seed-Starting Supplies
- Gifts & Supplies for Gardening
- Bulk Mulch, Compost & Top Soil

FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES • BAKERY
Easter Plants, Gifts & Decorations Too!

Open 7 days 9 - 6:30
Rte. 299 west, New Paltz
255-8050

FARM MARKET

MARIGOLD HOME

Kingston
Gift Shop @ The Loghome
Design Center/Hunter Douglas Gallery
@ The Dollhouse

Rhinebeck
Hunter Douglas Gallery

HunterDouglas

Kiehl's Bath & Body
SINCE 1851

Home Decor and Gifts

maria@marigold-home.com
845 338-0800

INTERIOR DESIGN & FURNISHINGS



BLOOM
 LANDSCAPE DESIGN
 AND FINE
 GARDENING SERVICE
 BLOOMFINEGARDENING.COM
 845-255-2734

**PARAMOUNT
 EARTHWORKS**
 845-401-6637
 EXCAVATION, DEMOLITION, SITE PREP
 SEPTIC SYSTEMS, DRAINAGE SYSTEMS
 PONDS, LAND CLEARING & GRADING
*Fully Insured with Over 20 Years
 of Excavating Experience*
 WWW.PARAMOUNTEARTHWORKS.COM

Fully Insured Free Estimates



(845) 532-2999 @CanopyTreeLLC
CANOPY TREE SERVICE
 Adam Watson Certified Arborist
 AdamWatson@CanopyTreeLLC.com
 CanopyTreeLLC.com



KAREN HARDING
 INSURANCE



Licensed Insurance Broker
 Medicare Advisor

Are you turning 65 or in a Medicare plan that you are not happy with? Did you sign up for a plan that just doesn't work for you, that your doctors don't participate with or that doesn't cover your medications? Do you want access to more benefits? You may still be able to make a change.

I can help you review your plan and see if there may be a better option for you.

*No charge to client
 for my services*

845-399-1526

MEDICAREKAREN.COM



LEE REICH, Ph.D.
 Garden & Orchard Consulting

- "Edible landscaping"
- Permaculturalesque design
- Organic growing of fruits & vegetables
- Organic soil improvement & management

www.leereich.com/consulting
 garden@leereich.com
 845-616-0710




Adult Career Education
 www.ulsterboces.org • 845.331.5050

Register for Spring Courses Today!

Check out the variety of affordable Spring offerings at the Ulster Adult Career Education Center!

<p>CAREER TRAINING PROGRAMS</p>	<p>COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASSES</p>
<p>Construction  Welding • Green Awareness • Electrical Apprentice Program</p>	<p>Chef Du Jour: Cooking Classes  Jerk from Jamaica • Cake Decorating Series • Fool the Brain, Get on the Healthy Food Train! • Pasta 101 • Icebox Classics</p>
<p>Cosmetology  NYS Cosmetology Licensing</p>	<p>Lifestyle & Leisure  Intro to Health & Wellness • Keep Talking: Intro to Professional Voice Overs • Beginner Striper Fishing • Medicare 101 • AED/CPR/First Aid • How to Publish Your Book • ServSafe Food Manager Certification & Recertification</p>
<p>Healthcare  Nursing Assistant • Surgical Technologist (Nationally Accredited Program) • Home Health Aide</p>	
<p>Automotive  Automotive Service Technician Basics</p>	
<p>LITERACY  Get your high school diploma or learn English. GED and ESL classes are FREE, students may enroll anytime. Classes are held in Ellenville, Kingston & New Paltz.</p>	<p>REGISTER TODAY!</p>  <p>or visit www.ulsterboces.org/adult-ed</p>

not only will narrow the list of tomato, lettuce, or pea varieties gardeners might try, but also diminish what little focus lesser-known vegetables, most of which are not worth a breeder's time, might have. Mache, for instance, is a relatively unknown salad green in America in spite of its many aliases (fetticus, lamb's lettuce, corn salad). You're not apt to find Dunkelgruner Vollherziger or Ronde Maraichere mache in any list of What's New for 2022." Nor any fennels, cardoons, scorzoneras, groundnuts, or ground cherries.



One view of the author's vegetable garden.

And what happened to the green thumb? Choosing a good variety is only part of a gardener's skill. I chuckle when I read about the flavor of lettuce varieties. Lettuces differ mostly in appearance and texture. Grow any of them well and they're all, to quote one seed purveyor, "tender, tasty, tangy, delicate, sweet, very

sweet, fine-flavored, delicious, mouth-watering, nutty-flavoured."

Imagine what might happen if the annual national hype of new flower and vegetable varieties were too successful. Just as the McDonald's stand in Albuquerque looks like and serves the same Big Macs as the one in Bangor, every backyard garden might have the same

broccoli and tomato varieties, yet no cardoons or tomatillos.

Remember, those AAS test gardens are scattered throughout the country to generally find varieties adapted nationwide. (A few AAS varieties are listed as adapted to one of the six major growing regions.) Yet there still are places where a particular type or variety of vegetable is favored for flavor and productivity.

We need more variety, and not just new varieties, in our gardens. What Liberty Hyde Bailey a century ago about apples applies equally well to-

day to vegetables: "Why do we need so manykinds...? Because there are so many folks. A person has the right to gratify his legitimate tastes ... [and] should be accorded that privilege."

As I peruse seed catalogs and websites, I try to look at, then beyond, the year's horticultural hype to find what is worth growing --irrespective of whether it is new or old, common or uncommon.

New Paltz writer Lee Reich, PhD is a garden consultant specializing in fruit, vegetable, and nut growing, including using these plants as ornamentals. He also does consulting and hosts workshops at his New Paltz farm and webinars, via Zoom. For more information, go to www.leereich.com.

Artistic Renovations
CHAIR CANING

Furniture repair and sales | Free estimates
hankmildew@gmail.com | 845-750-2298

Looking to improve your home, be eco-conscious, and save money overall?
UNLOCK your HOME'S EQUITY with our new Eco-LOC!

Our Eco-LOC is a Home Equity Line of Credit that can be used for select energy efficient and environmentally friendly appliances and products in order to improve the property, and the planet! With a **quick turnaround time** and **covered closing costs**, why wait.

YOU CAN USE THE ECO-LOC FOR:

- Energy Efficient Rated Appliances
- Basement Insulation Projects
- Insulated Doors
- Attic Insulation Projects
- Energy Efficient Windows
- Geothermal Heating
- Heat Pumps
- Solar Panels

1.99% APR*

INTRODUCTORY RATE FOR THE FIRST 24 MONTHS

SAWYER SAVINGS

Experience Worth Banking On
Since 1871

Unlock your home's equity and make environmental improvements with our Eco-LOC, today.
SawyerSavings.Bank/Eco or call 888.772.1871

OFFICES IN SAUGERTIES, MARLBORO, HIGHLAND & NEW PALTZ



*APR= Annual Percentage Rate. APR based on a loan amount of \$100,000.00. Rate caps are lifetime caps. Variable rates may be increased after consummation. Bank may pay up to \$0-\$1000 in closing costs. The introductory is fixed for 24 billing cycles. After 24 months is based on 10 year treasury note plus 2% the current rate as of 3/7/2022 is 4.79% and maximum APR of 19.99%. Fixed rate repayment for the final 15 years. Certain restrictions apply. Must meet qualification guidelines. Homeowner's insurance and flood insurance (if applicable) required. Payments do not include Real Estate Taxes and Insurance. The actual payment may be greater. Consult your tax advisor regarding interest deductibility. Rate, terms, & conditions are limited time offer that can change at any time and are effective as of 3/7/2022. Recapture Fee: If the account is paid off and closed within 36 months of the Note Date, the Bank will recapture the bona fide third party charges which generally range from \$0 to \$1000 that are paid by the lender in connection with the transaction. This is not a repayment penalty.

Home Equity Line of Credit				
Home Equity Line of Credit- Credit with Intro Rate	Intro Rate 1.99%	APR 2.131%	Payment per \$1,000 \$1.63 (2 year interest only)	Max Term 24 months (interest only)
Home Equity Line of Credit- Current Rate after intro period	Current Rate 5 Yr TBill + 3% (Currently 4.79% as of 3/7/2022)	4.942%	\$7.80	180 months (principal and interest)

Where it happens

Local artists in their studios

by Dion Ogust

WHEN YOU SEE art or read a book or listen to music, do you wonder where the painting, the words, or the song were created? What kind of space nurtured the artist's creativity? What kind of sanctuary do people need in order to do their work?

I am a photographer and artist with my own studio. I know the value of having a dedicated space where we can be vulnerable, sometimes tortured, and sometimes feel gloriously inspired when what we have been trying to create finally works.

I love seeing where my creative mates do their work. It has helped remind me that even in our artistic solitude we are not alone.

Frank Spinelli, photographer

MY STUDIO IS THE LABORATORY where I can satisfy my curiosity, an integral part of my being.



PHOTOS BY DION OGUST

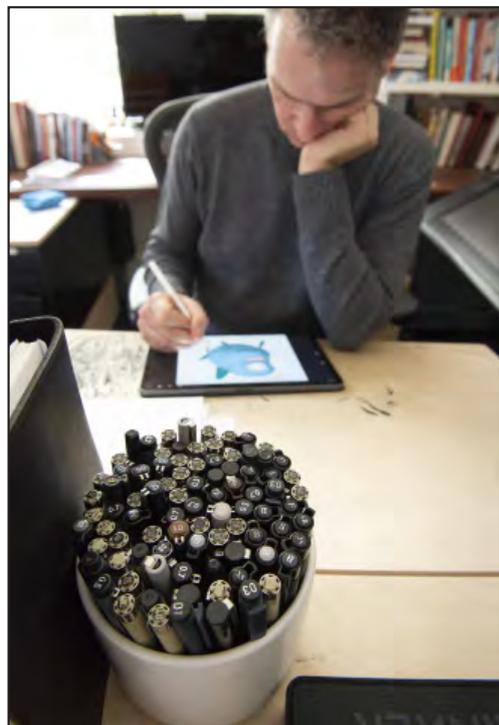




PHOTOS BY DION OGUST

David Gordon, artist and illustrator

MY STUDIO IS A PLACE WHERE EVERY SINGLE THING in it supports my life long commitment to my art practice, and I love it. I have been an artist all my life, professionally for the last 40 years, and I've had many studios. Living in Woodstock has enabled me to finally have a small but separate building for doing all the things I love: drawing, painting, both digitally and traditionally, printmaking and sculpture.

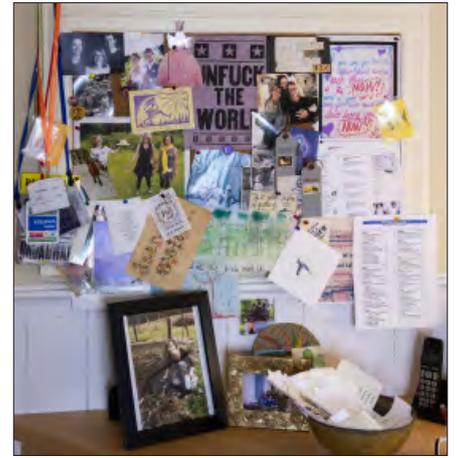




Susan Siegel, artist

MY STUDIO IS MY SANCTUARY. I love being surrounded by all my art supplies, books, inxpiration and projects. When I open the door, it feels like I am visiting an old friend.





Elizabeth Lesser, writer

I BEGAN DREAMING OF THE PERFECT WRITING ROOM AFTER I READ Virginia Woolf's *A Room of One's Own* in college. In that book she states in no uncertain terms that if you want to write, or paint, or do anything creative, you need your own space, and if possible one that envelops you, inspires you, protects you. When I sit in the saddle each morning with my coffee, I say a little prayer of gratitude to Virginia Woolf for planting the seed years ago.



845-372-5650

www.captainspotless.com



- Window Cleaning
- Power Washing
- Gutter Cleaning
- Soft Roof Wash
- Residential Cleaning Services

DEVINE INSURANCE

SINCE 1978

Auto, Home & Life

DevineInsurance.com

(845) 255-7806

58 N Chestnut St. New Paltz

FERRANTE DESIGNS

Catskill Mountain Painting

Specializing in

- Log cabin homes
- Wood staining cedar homes
- Power Washing
- Interior & Exterior Painting

Fully Insured & Licensed

(845) 217-5127 Matthew



BELLUCK & FOX LLP

877-NYLAW09 (695-2909)

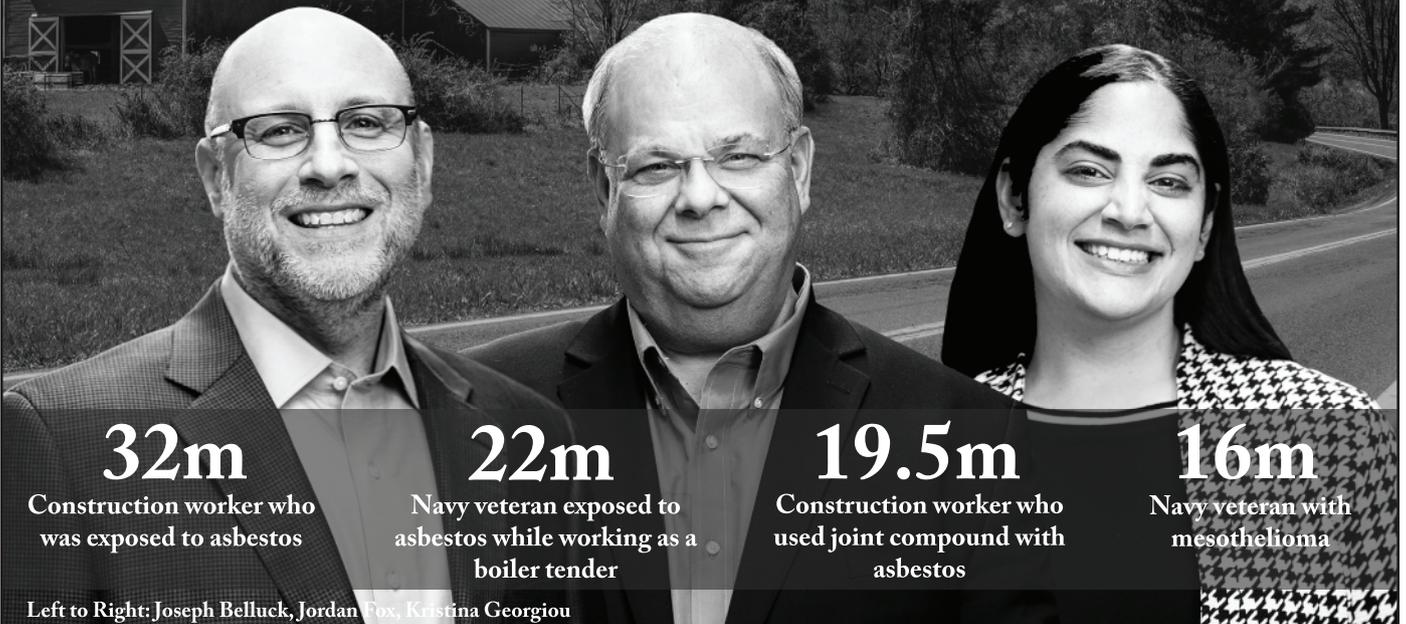
Albany | Manhattan | Rochester | Woodstock
hudsonvalleypersonalinjuryattorney.com

Clients First.

If you have been diagnosed with *mesothelioma* or *lung cancer*, contact the lawyers at Belluck & Fox, LLP. Our skilled attorneys have decades of experience in getting justice for hardworking people who were exposed to asbestos.

We will meet with you for free in your home or at our Woodstock office. You are guaranteed personalized representation from local lawyers with a national reputation.

Reach out for your free consultation today.



32m

Construction worker who was exposed to asbestos

22m

Navy veteran exposed to asbestos while working as a boiler tender

19.5m

Construction worker who used joint compound with asbestos

16m

Navy veteran with mesothelioma

Left to Right: Joseph Belluck, Jordan Fox, Kristina Georgiou

Power to the people

Anything can happen, and often does

by Jenny Bella

WE LIVE AT the foot of a mountain. Our basement often floods, and our sump pump must run at all times. We learned that the hard way when the power went out for the first time.

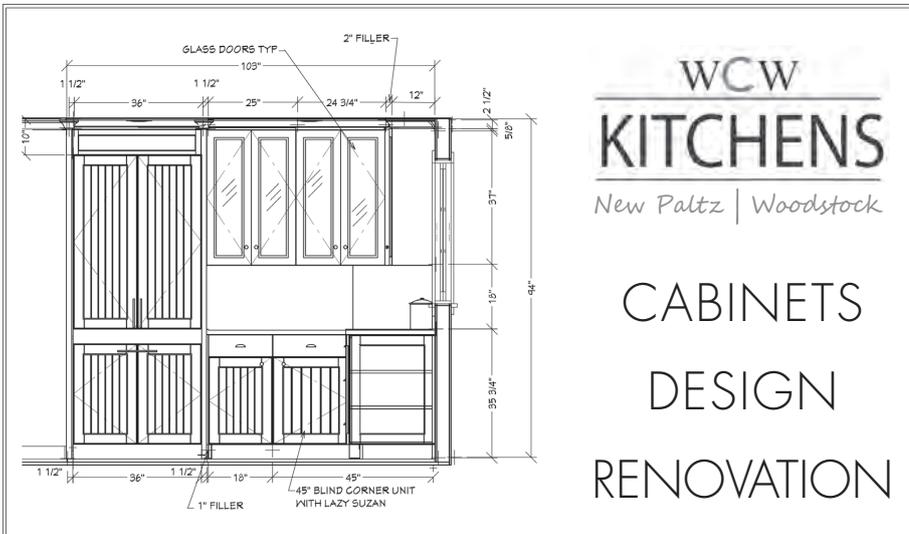
It seemed like it took forever for the water to recede. Not having heat and hot water for days was an ordeal. The mess, the stress, and the huge expense.

It was kind of scary, but we felt better when we got a small generator to work the pump. Weather is a powerful and unpredictable variable. Trouble often began in the middle of the night when it was quiet and we were sleeping.

Anything can happen. Though our advanced technology can predict and alert us when large-scale events are heading our way, it's far from perfect. Devastation can still come out of nowhere. Knowing that



Repair crews have their hands full after an ice storm.



WCW
KITCHENS
New Paltz | Woodstock

CABINETS
DESIGN
RENOVATION

New Paltz Showroom
3 Cherry Hill Rd., New Paltz, NY
845.255.2022

Woodstock Custom Woodworking
Woodstock Cabinet Shop
845.679.2002

WCWkitchens.com

High Falls Electric
INC.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING
LICENSED • INSURED

ROBERT HAMM
24 MOHONK ROAD
HIGH FALLS, NY 12440
845-687-7550



**FINE HOUSE
PAINTING**

— 20 Years experience —
Specializing in Interior Painting
Free estimates • Reasonable rates

PABLO SHINE
845-532-6587

pabloshine@gmail.com
www.PabloShine.com



Classic-Craft American Style

Create a timeless Arts and Crafts look. The American Style Collection is inspired by the simple design and handcrafted details of Craftsman and Prairie home styling. It reflects the prized beauty of real Douglas Fir wood grain with all the benefits of fiberglass, thanks to AccuGrain technology. And, with Classic-Craft, you get more. Every detail — from wider glass to heavier construction — creates a more premium entryway.

**CALL US FOR ALL
YOUR BUILDING
NEEDS!!!**

THERMA TRU
DOORS



918 Route 32, Rosendale, NY • 845-658-8331

Hours: Monday - Friday 7:00am - 4:30pm

www.bldrnewyork.com

Locally Family Owned & Operated

Britt & Graff

OIL - KERO - DIESEL - PROPANE - GASOLINE

SWITCH YOUR PROPANE AND SAVE!

- **No Credit Checks**
- **Free Change Over**
- **Locked in Rate for 1 Year**
- **No Rental Charges**
- **HEAP Approved**

**Call us to
schedule your
install today!**

(845)

331-1665

www.brittandgraff.com



it is headed your way is small consolation. It does not protect you.

It's around five a.m. The power is out again. There's a heavy freezing rain outside. The wind is going wild. Water is already rising in the basement.

The generator isn't starting, though it started the week before. We try some

parts and troubleshoot a few things. It won't budge.

It is now after seven. The roads are terrible, and only getting worse. My husband and daughter decide to go to Kingston to buy a new generator. I try to move things around the house and dry up the wet floor.

There is a big sigh of relief from all of us

when they get back home. We were able to secure one of only two generators left on the shelf. It cost much more money than we had anticipated.

There were another two trips back to Kingston, one for cords -- we have plenty, but they were connected to the back of our property underneath the snow and

100% organic BARK MULCH

Choose from all natural regular or reground bark mulch with no additives. Bulk quantities and delivery available.



Ghent
WOOD PRODUCTS

FOR YOUR NEXT STONE PROJECT...

Choose from our wide selection of Colonial stone, various sizes of Pennsylvania field stone, natural stone from Pennsylvania, and 1" thermal.

518.828.5684 • 1262 ROUTE 66, GHENT, NY • WWW.GHENTWOODPRODUCTS.COM



MENLA

Escape the city and experience a winter Shangri-la just two hours from New York City. Create Your Own Getaway.

HIKING • SNOWSHOEING • SKIING (20 MINS FROM HUNTER SKI RESORT)
MEDITATION • SOUND BATHS • PRIVATE YOGA • BONFIRE • SAUNAS
DEWA SPA TREATMENTS

WWW.MENLA.ORG | 845.688.6897

SPONSORED BY TIBET HOUSE US, THE DALAI LAMA'S TIBETAN CULTURAL CENTER IN AMERICA

ice -- and the other for the premium gas needed for the new generator.

My husband is able to lock into gear under pressure. He did all this heavy-duty work in the freezing rain. I was exhausted.

Is our situation sustainable?

Recently I've done some thinking. These occurrences have forced me to look at how sustainable our situation is, and what is really necessary. When you are a mother of a medication-dependent person as I am, you never really sleep. There is always something roiling your mind.

Do we have enough of one thing or the other just in case of an emergency? Some of that stuff requires refrigeration, which requires power. Do we have at least a week's worth of medication on hand?

It is frustrating to be at the mercy of the pharmaceutical industry. They control it all: what you need, how much you get, when, and how much you must pay.

Something unexpected can happen, and you need to have backup. It can be a struggle to get what is needed on a daily basis. Here, in this country, the majority of people need to fight for what they need to

survive. It doesn't seem right. It's not fair.

Goods and necessities vary depending on where you live as well as on the season. A major storm can have a completely different impact from one season to another.

Most of us are connected to the power grid, which controls so many different things. The importance of that connection is completely different in many ways for those of us who don't live in the cities than for those who do.

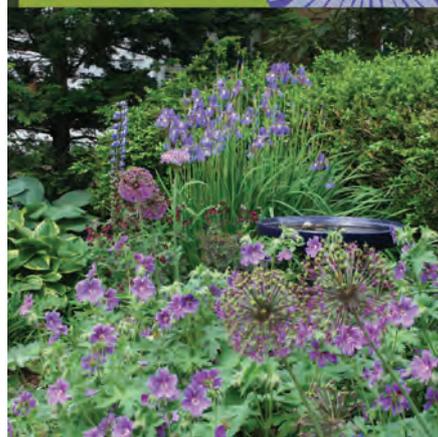
How much do you and your dwelling depend on electricity? How long can you go without it? Does it control your heat

Fostering suburban ecology through online landscape design.



Aster Plans

Sustainable landscapes that inspire.



asterplans.com
[@asterplans](https://www.instagram.com/asterplans)



PREMIUM BLEND DIESEL, GASOLINE, PROPANE, HEATING OIL, TANK RENTALS, SPECIALTY FUELS.

Managing your business's fuel and costs has never been easier!

We deliver our fuel to where you need it your business headquarters or a job site.

We offer regularly scheduled deliveries as well as on-demand deliveries.

Kimlin also offers:

- ◆ TEMPORARY HEAT
- ◆ BULK PROPANE
- ◆ PROPANE FORKLIFT CYLINDERS
- ◆ CONSTRUCTION SITE DELIVERY

Isn't it time you cozy up with Kimlin?

WE DELIVER



845-255-7324

www.kimlinenergy.com

HARMAN™

BUILT TO A STANDARD, NOT A PRICE
 Featuring Smart Operation Easy Touch Controls — with scheduling, cleaning prompts & gauges.
 Visit www.harmanstoves.com or Gem Woodstove Company for **CURRENT OFFERS!**

Pellet and charcoal grills, grill accessories, BBQ pellets, charcoal, wood and gas firepits

Accentra 52i Insert
 "The best selling insert just got hotter!"
 Heat up to 2600 SF, features automatic ignition & temperature control!



Absolute 43
 Heat up to 2400 SF
 Quiet, compact & powerful; dual fans



Absolute 63
 Industry leading heat & control, heat up to 3400 SF



P43
 Most compact, powerful P-Series pellet stove



P68
 One of the most efficient stoves on the market!



Allure 50
 Stylish, powerful & quiet
 92 lb. hopper!

FINANCING AVAILABLE
 TO QUALIFIED CUSTOMERS
 ASK FOR DETAILS



GEM STOVE AND FIREPLACE CO.

WOOD • PELLET & GAS STOVES • FIREPLACES • SUPPLIES & ACCESSORIES
 7987 Rt. 32 North • Cairo NY 518-622-3862
 Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 9-5 • other times by appointment
www.gemstoveandfireplace.com

Come see our new displays of stoves, inserts & fireplaces

ROBERT BLOOMER

FREE ESTIMATE/FULLY INSURED



- TAKE DOWNS
- CHIPPING
- TOPPING
- CLEARING
- SCENIC VIEWS
- CABLING
- STORM DAMAGES

TREE REMOVAL & STUMP GRINDING LLC

"WE WILL NOT BE UNDER BID"

We are also offering Asphalt Seal Coating for Driveways and Parking Lots.

845-679-7949

Serving the Hudson Valley

Cell: 914-388-0501

robert.bloomer@yahoo.com

source? Have you recently stocked your freezer? Do you have medication that requires refrigeration? Do you have medical equipment that needs juice to work?

Time for a reappraisal

Look at all the major components electricity feeds. We're not living in the wilderness any more. The majority of our devices will not work when the electrical power is out, because they are hooked up through the Internet.

It's time for a reappraisal of who's responsible for what. The present system was fine when people would light a few candles and patiently wait for the electric power to return. In this age of interconnection, though, the social costs of being deprived of power are magnified manyfold.

Most of my neighbors also have home generators now. Immediately after the power has been interrupted, you can hear the hum of their machines throughout our neighborhood.

If I were a member of the state Public Service Commission, I'd be interested in more than standardized generator interconnection regulations. I'd be interested in making the regulated industry share responsibility for the consequences of the service outages which plague their operations.

I don't mean we should punish the utilities for not dealing with forces beyond their control. I mean extending their control. Especially with our economy evolving the way it has, home generators – a radical form of distributed power -- have become for many an increasing necessity of rural and exurban life, our decentralized lifestyle.



Fast-Finish Mortgage

Refinance now with our **LOW FIXED RATE!**

2.69% RATE 2.89% APR*

*APR – Annual Percentage Rate. Promotional rate and offer are effective 3/1/22. Promotional rate on your loan is offered on the condition that you maintain a checking account so that the payment is deducted. Auto debit is required for promotional rate. No other discounts apply. No closing costs at account opening except mandatory NYS mortgage tax, appraisal fee and 3/4% origination fee. Minimum loan amount is \$50,000. Maximum loan to value of 80%. Rate applies to 1- and 2-family homes, owner occupied. Other rates and terms are available. The transaction must result in a first lien mortgage and cannot be a purchase money mortgage. Payments are \$9.51 per thousand for up to 120 monthly payments. Payments do not include taxes and insurance which will increase payment obligation. Subject to credit approval. Rates and terms are subject to change without notice. **\$250 in GreeneRewards points will be added to your enrolled Bank of Greene County Visa® Debit Card within 60 days of closing on your mortgage. No cash substitution. We reserve the right to substitute a gift of similar value. One gift awarded per closing. Minimum loan amount of \$50,000 in new money from the Bank of Greene County is required to obtain reward points offer. Employees of the Bank of Greene County and their immediate families are not eligible. This offer may be discontinued at any time without notice.

Pay off your home in 10 years or less and save!

FREE GIFT – \$250

In GreeneReward Points good for merchandise, travel and more!**

Apply at any nearby branch. Or call our Lending Center: 518.943.1424.

LIMITED TIME OFFER!



www.tbogc.com • 845.336.4797



Not for everyone. Some people need and want them. Others prefer not to have them. That's fine. People should have a choice.

The power companies, it seems to me, should shoulder the job of either make sure home generators work properly and reliably or hire others to make sure they work properly and reliably. The costs of the additional service should be borne by the ratepayer who chooses it and added to that ratepayer's utility bill.

Until that day comes, I will live by my lists.

Here's my list

I am a listmaker. I start writing things down on various pieces of paper or on the backs of envelopes. I have a mess of lists, recipes, and other things I don't want to forget. So I started keeping track in a notebook. That means different things to different people, but for me the basics are the most important things. I've started to realize that so many things pop into my head that I'd need a small warehouse to store it all. As I said, it's never a perfect storm.

Some of these things are necessities. Others just popped in my head in the midst of the chaos. I never would have thought of still others in the past, but more recently I've decided they may come in handy:

- Here's my current list:
- Water/buckets/manual water pump/backup sump pump/purification tabs
- Rx's, medical supplies and equipment
- Food, ice packs, coolers, perishables, Rx cooler pack
- Batteries, charging cords, charged power pack, perhaps solar
- Fuel and wood
- Candles, votives, tealights, matches
- Flashlights, headlamps
- Toilet paper and towels
- Band-aids, Neosporin, aspirin
- Peroxide, rubbing alcohol
- Aloe vera plant
- Essential oils, tea tree, peppermint, eucalyptus, bergamot, lavender, chamomile
- Blankets, other warmth, window coverage
- Waterproof shoes, plenty of socks
- Solar shower, solar fan
- Camping stove
- Grill, extra propane tank
- White and apple cider vinegar, spray bottle
- Baking soda, bleach, Lysol, Borax
- All kinds of canned goods and non-

TSU EARTHWORKS

We bury all kinds of problems!



- Lot Clearing
- Ponds
- Foundations
- Building Demo
- Septic System & Repairs
- Underground Utilities

518.369.6988

We're more local than you think!

• Serving New Paltz & surrounding areas •



NEW WINDSOR

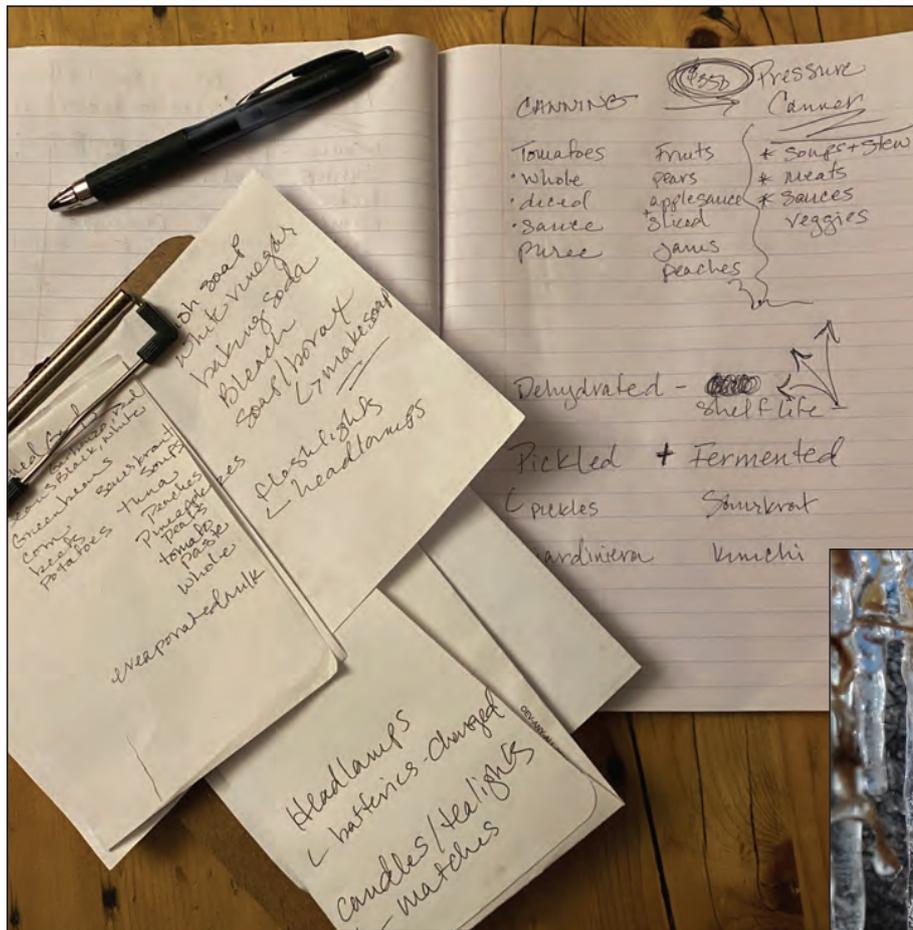
103 Executive Drive, 3rd Floor, Suite 500
 New Windsor, NY 12553
 (845) 562-0760

POUGHKEEPSIE

21 Reade Place, 3rd Floor, Suite 3200
 Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
 (845) 471-4086

**Book Online, Anytime! at entandallergy.com/booknow
 or Call us today. See us today!® 1-855-ENTA-DOC**

**Adult and Pediatric ENT ■ Allergy and Immunology ■ Hearing Services/Hearing Aids
 Head and Neck Surgery ■ Sleep Services ■ Voice and Swallowing
 Rhinology/Skull Base ■ Facial Plastics ■ Ear and Dizziness ■ Clinical Research**



Fruit trees
 Pastas: rice, oats, quinoa, barley, flour
 Sugar
 Jerky
 Nuts
 Vegetable seeds, soil, containers
 Other garden needs
 Windowsill scallions and herbs
 Dried herbs with healing properties for teas
 Animals and pets
 Chickens feed, seeds, water
 Important information, documents, papers, even passwords
 I consider us to be pretty well prepared.
 From the numerous events that have

Make supply and to-do lists to prepare for the next power outage.

perishables

Milk, evaporated and powdered
 Beans: black, red, cannellini, garbanzo,

black-eye peas

Potatoes, corn, green beans, sauerkraut, beets
 Whole peeled tomatoes, tomato paste
 Sundried mushrooms and tomatoes
 Broth, bouillion, other soups
 Tuna
 Fruits: peaches, pears, pineapple
 Dehydrated fruit, jams



Ofentimes severe winter weather can be beautiful, and make us forget the potential loss of life and property.

HABERWASH
PRESSURE WASHING
& EXTERIOR
PAINTING
& STAINING

Residential and Commercial
 Specializing in decks, fences, roofs, driveways, patios.

DISCOVER VISA

FREE ESTIMATES, FULLY INSURED
 ACCEPTING ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS

Contact Jason Habernig
845-331-4966, 845-249-8668
 visit my website: Haberwash.com

KD
Petwatch

house sitting | pet watching | dog walking
 email kdpetwatch@gmail.com

KIWANIS ICE ARENA

Open 7 days a week with various times for public skating

Public Open Skating Admissions
 \$6 for Adults, \$4 for Children 6-18, Children 5 & Under are Free.

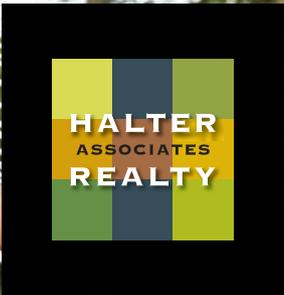
Public Drop In Hockey/Sticks & Pucks \$8 for Adults, \$6 for Children

Skate Rentals - \$3 a pair. Hockey and Figure Skates available.

Skate Sharpening - \$5 a pair

Visit our website for the skate times for every public session
BIRTHDAY PARTIES • PRO SHOP

845-247-2590 | kiwanisicearena.com | 6 Small World Ave, Saugerties



let us
move
you ➤

SPRING IS HERE... ARE YOU THINKING OF SELLING?

Halter Associates Realty makes the decision to sell so much easier. With concierge-level service from our dedicated team of top-producing agents, we've proven time and again that our innovative marketing approach and cutting-edge social media campaigns will put your home in front of more buyers. We're proud to be a member of Leading Real Estate Companies of the World and Luxury Portfolio International, giving us global reach while maintaining our independence. Let's connect so you can Experience the Halter Difference!



OLIVE \$3,500,000



commercial
STONE RIDGE \$2,350,000



MARBLETOWN \$2,250,000



new construction
GALLATIN \$875,000



multi-family
OLIVE \$875,000



ULSTER \$850,000



multi-family
NEW PALTZ \$799,999



WOODSTOCK \$649,000



KINGSTON \$585,000



CLINTON CORNERS \$549,000



WOODSTOCK \$549,000

QUALIFIED MEMBER

Leading
REAL ESTATE COMPANIES
OF THE WORLD



BUYING OR SELLING YOUR HOME?

Barbara Carter

Real Estate Associate Broker

C: 845.505.3160

O: 845.244.8228

barbaracarterrealestate@gmail.com

www.barbarcarterteam.com

CENTURY 21®
Century 21 Alliance Realty Group



taken place, we have already learned so many lessons when it comes to having our ducks in a row. The first time our basement flooded was a big eye-opener for us as new homeowners. It was now our responsibility to put things in order for us to avoid costly damage as much as possible.

The last ice storm didn't mean much to some, but it left others without power for days. It meant complete displacement for an unfortunate few.

We all have different circumstances. This craziness from the pandemic entering its third year has left us with delays in shipping, food shortages, inflation, price-gouging, the worry of what could happen next, the angst of getting back to some normalcy, and now a dangerous war. A domino effect is only compounding our problems.

Somehow I hope everyone can have the means to be as prepared as possible. And most optimistically of all, I hope that the signs that we have been getting from this planet can be heard by all.

I know I'm a dreamer.

Real estate



COLDWELL BANKER

TIMBERLAND PROPERTIES



819 Town Brook Road
Hobart, NY 13768

- 1830 Charming Farmhouse
- OPEN KITCHEN with Viking Appliances
- Kitchen GATHERING AREA
- FAMILY ROOM with Pellet Stove
- Borders 100 acres of NYC LAND
- 2-Level 6000 sq. ft. detached GARAGE
- Fiber Optics -- CELL SERVICE
- Currently active: AirBnB

MLS 133073 Offered at: **\$625,000**



Carol Spinelli
Licensed Real Estate Salesperson
845-664-4711 ext.
CSpinelli@TimberlandProperties.net



2883 Turnpike Road
Meredith, NY 13757

- Open Concept
- Fieldstone Fireplace
- Bonus Room above Garage
- High Speed Internet
- Attached 2 Car Log Garage
- Master Suite
- Radiant Heat

MLS 133226 Offered at: **\$789,000**



Melissa J. Wakin Mostert
Associate Real Estate Broker
607-434-7048 ext.
MJWakin@TimberlandProperties.net



635 Hall Road
Roxbury, NY 12474

- LARGE SPRING FED POND
- PRIVATE LOCATION on MAINTAINED ROAD
- BIG MOUNTAIN VIEWS & ROOM TO ROAM
- MINUTES TO SKI & VILLAGES
- NICE DETAILS & PLENTY OF ROOM
- FINISHED BASEMENT & TWO FIREPLACES
- ONLY 2.5 HRS FROM GWB

MLS 133880 Offered at: **\$1,300,000**



Christine C. O'Shaughnessy
Licensed Real Estate Salesperson
607-287-0424 ext.
Christine@TimberlandProperties.net

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL COLDWELL BANKER TIMBERLAND PROPERTIES AGENT TO VIEW ONE OF THESE DREAM HOMES!

MARGARETVILLE
(845) 586-3321

BOICEVILLE
(845) 657-4177

DELHI
(607) 746-7400

ONEONTA
(607) 435-3280

STAMFORD
(607) 652-2220

SIDNEY
(607) 604-4394

ROSCOE
(607) 290-4130

WWW.TIMBERLANDPROPERTIES.COM





GORDON HUNTER MOUNTAIN REALTY

518-589-9000

6528 Route 23A, Hunter, NY 12442

info@gordonrealty.com • www.gordonrealty.com



Stunning Home with Additional Building Lot

Welcome to Gaby Lane set atop Hunter Village. Sold move-in ready and includes the adjacent buildable lot! This one-of-a-kind Adirondack style home is exquisite featuring awe-inspiring panoramic views of Hunter Mountain and beyond. The sophisticated bright interior is filled with beautiful wooden accents, high ceilings, meticulous décor, and abundant natural light. With three bedrooms and three full baths this home is designed for beauty & function, perfect for entertaining & everyday living! The fully equipped kitchen features polished granite countertops and plenty of workspace. After a day of adventure, cozy up by the heating stove in the great room with cathedral ceilings. Enjoy your meals in the dining room by the fire; followed by a relaxing evening on the deck accompanied by a bright starry night sky. Downstairs, you'll find a large family room with a billiards table and ample seating for a fun night in. Great investment!

Located across the street from Hunter Mountain and 2 hours to NYC.

MLS #140956 | \$1,250,000



Contact: Bridget M. Leach
 Cell (518) 947-8022
 Office (518) 589-9000 x 226
 Email bridgetmleach@aol.com

Buy local, sell local

Antiques dealers are finding the future in the authentic past

by Erin Quinn

THE GILDED AGE of the antique business may be behind us, but there is a burgeoning new love for old local things. It has only blossomed in the mid-to-post-pandemic times.

“The 1980s, 1980s, 1990s, early ‘00s — that’s when an antique dealer could throw up a hundred-dollar bill and have it come down as a thousand-dollar bill,” said Dan Seldin of Saugerties. “There were antique stores, and dealers and flea markets popping up everywhere. There were 45 just in Saugerties. Then we had the stock market crash in 2007, and most of them fell by the wayside.”

Seldin’s shop in downtown Saugerties, the Saugerties Antique Center, stood tall along with one other neighboring dealer during what he calls the “cleansing of the soul” period for the antiques business, which is now in the midst of a renaissance.

For Jay Werbalowsky, owner of JMW Auction Gallery in Kingston, the antiques business has changed drastically in the



PROVIDED BY SANFORD OF JENKINSTOWN ANTIQUES

18th century Hudson Valley ball foot kas. A good example of early furniture made in the Hudson Valley.

Real estate

HELSMOORTELT REALTY

is happy to announce Thomasine Helsmoortel and Scott Helsmoortel have, **once again**, been awarded an:

**ULSTER COUNTY BOARD
of
REALTORS**

TOP PRODUCER AWARD FOR 2021!

“We would like to thank all of our Buyers & Sellers for making this designation possible and we are looking forward to another year of success.”



Thomasine Helsmoortel
ABR, GRI, SRES
Licensed
Real Estate Broker/
Owner



Scott Helsmoortel, ABR
Lic. Real Estate Broker
Associate
(Accredited Buyer
Representative)



845-246-9555

PO BOX #88, RT 9W

Barclay Heights, Saugerties

helsmoortelrealty.com

Joyce
Beymer
REAL ESTATE

Joyce Beymer, Principal Broker
Woodstock | Rhinebeck

914.388.9808
joyce@joycebeymer.com

joycebeymer.com

40 years he and his family have been running auctions. “We’re now 100 percent online,” he said. Like Seldin, he’s seen a huge influx of business in the past two years. “The pandemic has really helped our business because we’ve had so many Brooklynites move to the area who are looking to purchase antique furniture and fine art,” he said. “We have 200 registered bidders with Brooklyn addresses.”

He agreed with Seldin about when the business flourished. “In the early 2000s it started going soft, and then recently it has just skyrocketed,” reported Werbalowsky. “Younger people are getting back into it. They have houses that they want to furnish with authentic Hudson Valley furniture, décor, fixtures and fine arts.”

Those breathing new life into the antiques business are not just looking for anything old, they’re looking for Hudson Valley old.

“The new buyers are interested in items that have local attributes,” said Seldin. “They want Hudson Valley primitives — cupboards, stoneware, wood bowls, farm

“Younger people are getting into it...”

tables. Everyone wants a farm table!” he said. “But there is something that has people rediscovering the organicness of things that have been around a long time and passed down from generation to generation. They like that natural patina that comes with an old piece of furniture, and brown wood is making a big comeback.”

“Brown wood” is an industry term for the darker woods like mahogany and walnut. “The dark walnut furniture that your grandmother used to have is now being appreciated because it lasts, it’s sturdy, and it has history,” Seldin said.

During the pandemic, people were stuck in their homes, spending more time around their stuff. They wanted to focus on renovating or reimagining their living spaces. “Everyone is working from home now,” Seldin noted. “And many of them have left the city and have bought homes up here. Old farmhouses and Dutch stone houses and Victorian homes. And they

want to furnish and decorate them.” Iron Victorian patio furniture is as hot

as it’s ever been. “Victorian garden furniture is a timeless classic,” said Seldin,

New Paltz Gardens

21A Colonial Drive, New Paltz
1 AND 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS

~ No Security Deposit Option ~
 3 - 12 Month Leasing Terms • Pets Welcome! • Pool & Laundry on Site
Please Call: 845-255-6171



COLDWELL BANKER



Expertise & Exceptional Service



SOLD

1165 Roaring Brook Lane
Fleischmanns, NY 12430

Custom Built Catskills Contemporary
 4 Bd | 3 Ba | 2,352 SqFt | 5.4 Acrs
Ask: \$725,000



SOLD

3 Mountain Valley Road
Boiceville, NY 12412

Superb Catskills Country Home
 4 Bd | 2 Ba | 1,932 SqFt | 2.13 Acrs
Ask: \$459,000



FOR SALE

1270 Roaring Brook Ln
Fleischmanns, NY 12430

Secluded Catskills Retreat
 4 Bd | 3 Ba | 2,100 SqFt | 5.19 Acrs
Ask: \$630,000

My mission is to find you the right home from which to live comfortably as you enjoy this region or to market and sell your Catskills home to motivated buyers.

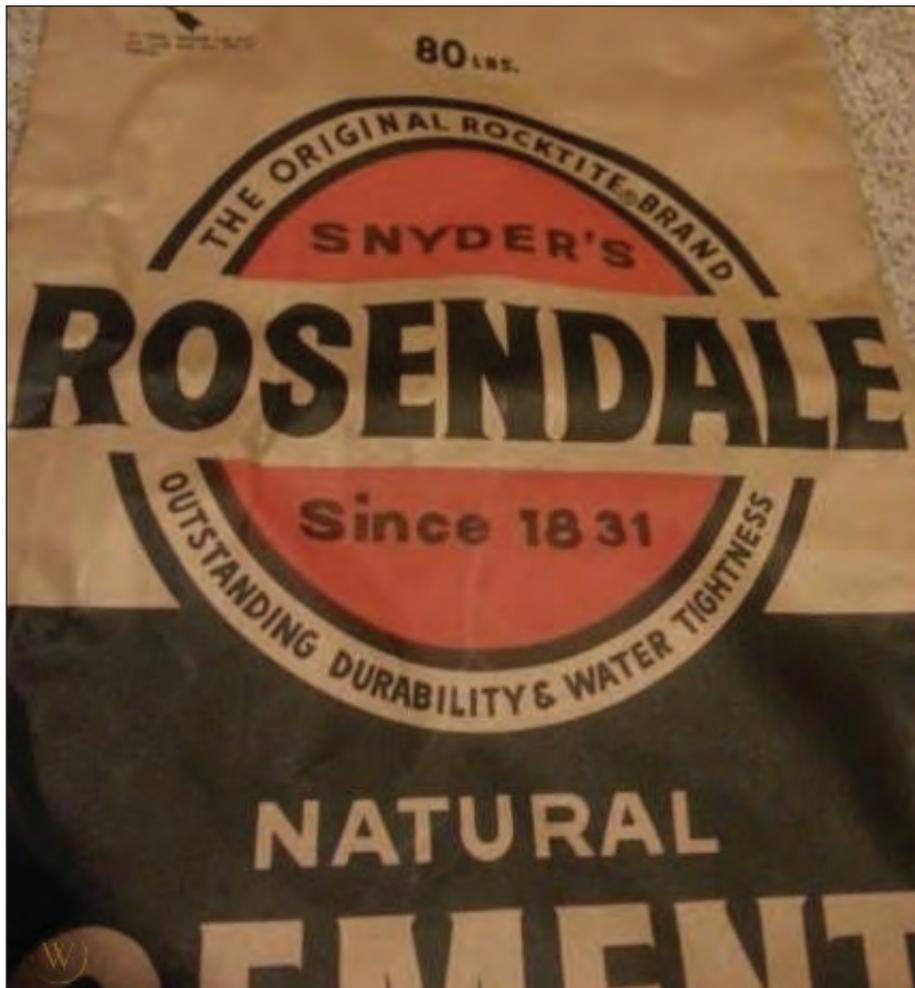
CALL ME FOR A FREE MARKET ANALYSIS FOR YOUR HOME!



Leighton Ashley
Licensed Real Estate Salesperson
917-796-3351 CELL
LgAshley@TimberlandProperties.net
 3998 State Route 28, P.O. Box 486, Boiceville, NY 12412

EACH OFFICE IS INDEPENDENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED

TIMBERLANDPROPERTIES.COM | CATSKILLSPREMIER.COM



Above, a bag from Rosendale Cement, which was in operation from 1871 to 1970; right, Crocodile Inn sign sold by JMW Auctions for \$247,500.

“but now people are spending more time outdoors, having a glass of wine on their deck or having a barbecue on their patio,

and they want this decorative but sturdy outdoor Victorian furniture.”

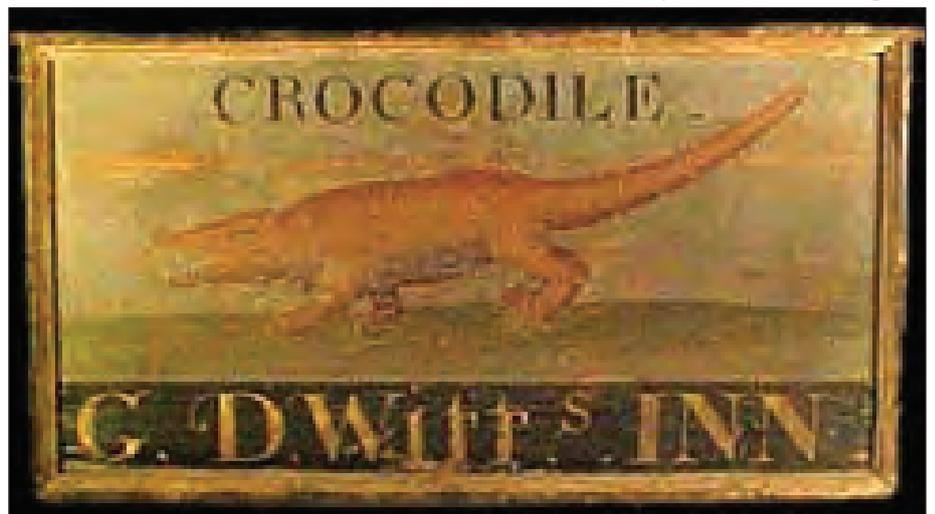
A nostalgic return to the home has people gardening, growing their own vegetables, and sometimes raising backyard chickens for eggs. It's the same drive that has them looking to buy historically relevant antiques Seldin thought.

“They want to furnish their homes with items that are true to the period. They might add a flourish of mid-century modern, but they also love any sort of local nostalgia like Washburn bricks from the Saugerties Brick Factory or old trade insignia like blacksmith shop signs.”

Buyers are looking for local apple crates, Rosendale Cement bags, road signs and remnants of long-gone inns, pubs and restaurants.

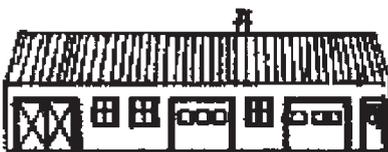
JMW Auction Gallery recently sold a tavern sign for a remarkable \$247,500. It was an old sign painted with a crocodile against a blue background that had written, in gold lettering, “G. D. Witt’s Inn.” A man from Kingston was fascinated with the history of the sign, as well as its aesthetic appeal.

According to the story told by Werbalowsky, the Crocodile Inn sign was purchased by Jack Whistance, who traced the inn’s history to 1800. The original



Antiques & auctions

Hoffman’s Barn



Antiques ~ Collectibles
1000s of Items



Hours: Fri. & Sat: 9 - 5:30, Sun. 10 - 5
or call for an appointment

www.hoffmansbarn.com
email: hoffmansbarnsale@yahoo.com

Buy & Sell (845) 758-5668
19 Old Farm Road, Red Hook, NY 12571

JMW AUCTION GALLERY

JAY M. WERBALOWSKY - AUCTIONEER

Visit our website for more information

www.jmwauction.com | (845) 389-1933

Dutch house, built circa 1776 by a colonel in the Revolutionary Army, had a stone in the basement that was said to look like a crocodile tail. Hence the name of the inn.

Sanford Levy, owner of Jenkinstown Antiques in the historic stone Hallock House circa 1792 in New Paltz, confirmed that relics, postcards or signs with local history are in high demand. "Rosendale Cement bags are collectible as are anything related to our railroad

.....
"...They also love any sort of local nostalgia"

and agricultural history," Levy said. "Besides collecting things, when people move here they often become interested in the history of the region and want to research different aspects of it."

Reading materials, artwork, postcards, signs, letters and other items become valuable. Handcrafted Hudson Valley stoneware, pottery and furniture from the region are always sought after.

Levy opened his shop in New Paltz in 1974. For many years, he operated out of his 18th-century stone house and a small outbuilding. The shop is now located in a 1792 building relocated to the property from Orange County in the 1980s.

Though there appears to be no ceiling to demand, there is a limited supply, a phenomenon that will support higher prices for the best antiques.

Antiques & auctions



Antique Fair and Flea Market

April 30 & May 1st, 2022
August 6th & 7th, 2022

at the **Washington County Fairgrounds • Rte. 29, Greenwich, NY**
 (12 mi. East of Saratoga Springs, NY)

\$5 admission,
 (65+ \$4, under-16 - FREE)
 Old-Fashioned Antique Show featuring 200+ dealers, free parking, great food, and real bathrooms.
 (\$10 - Early Buyers - Fridays before show)

\$90 - Dealer Spaces Still Available:
FAIRGROUND SHOWS NY
 PO Box 528, Delmar, NY 12054
 www.fairgroundshows.com
 fairgroundshows@aol.com
Ph. 518-331-5004



COUNTRY & FORMAL
JENKINSTOWN ANTIQUES
 FURNITURE
 PAINTINGS
 ACCESSORIES

845-255-4876 SHOP
 845-389-5379 CELL

JenkinstownAntiques.com
 info@JenkinstownAntiques.com

520 Route 32 South, New Paltz, NY 12561
 4 miles south of New Paltz on Route 32, just past Locust Lawn Museum

Pabla's Flowers & Landscaping
 Garden Designs • Masonry
 Home Remodeling
 Electric • Plumber
 Interior and exterior paint
 No job is too big for us
 Excellent references from the Neighborhood • Insured
 womenherorines@gmail.com
 845-663-4207



Round Lake Antiques Festival

Sat, June 25, 2022 - 8am-6pm
Sun, June 26, 2022 - 9am-5pm
 on the **Village Greens & Parks of Round Lake, NY**
 (½ mile east of the Adirondack Northway, exit 11)

The area's longest running, old-fashioned Antique Show featuring over 150 dealers selling antiques, toys, furniture, glassware, architectural, jewelry, coins, guns, and much more.

For Dealer Info or Early Buyer Info:
FAIRGROUND SHOWS NY
 PO Box 528, Delmar, NY 12054
 www.fairgroundshows.com
 fairgroundshows@aol.com
518-331-5004

Making friends with trees

Our stately neighbors offer wonder, taste, sensation

by Violet Snow

ONE OF THE Hudson Valley's most abundant resources is trees. But how much attention do we pay to them, aside from their cooling shade, their autumn colors, and the leaves they litter on the ground? Spring is a good time to get to know the trees personally, as they wake up and stretch from their long winter's rest.

If you have kids, they may enjoy the following tree activities, from brewing tea to twisting string to learning how to tell a birch from a beech. Even if you don't have kids, you may find yourself intrigued by these ways to interact with nature.

Buds: It used to drive me crazy that I'd wake up one morning at the end of April, look out the window, and see baby leaves on the trees. *How did that happen? The last I noticed, the twigs were bare.* Then one year I started the habit of examining the tree buds in late March and throughout April. Every few days, I'd go back to the same trees in my yard, and I'd see how the buds were expanding and lengthening.

Buds are actually formed in the summer, when the tree is growing, and they stay on the twigs all winter. The covering of one or more waxy scales serves to protect the embryonic leaves and flowers within. As the weather warms, and the daylight increases, the tissues inside the bud begin to grow. At the bases of the bud scales, which are usually brown or gray, you'll see the green of new growth. The shape of the bud will change, and at some point the tips of the leaves will peek out. Soon they will begin to unfurl.

Each species has its specific bud style. Oak twigs have clusters of buds at the end of each twig. Basswood buds are dark red, with a bulge on one side, and they turn gooey if you chew on them. Elm buds open early, in late March, and



PHOTOS BY VIOLET SNOW

Clockwise from top left: Willow leaves emerge early, covered in silky hairs to protect against the cold; as beech leaves unfurl, the pointed bud scales fan out; young sugar maple leaves; Sweet birch bark.

before leafing, they produce little floppy pink and greenish flowers that don't look like flowers. Here is one of many online resources to help you identify tree buds: <http://www.trees-id.com/buds-1.htm>.

String: Once you have identified basswood or elm, you can harvest a few twigs and learn how to make string, also known as cordage. In spring, when the sap is rising, it's easy to peel the bark from the twigs. You want the green, moist inner bark, which has to be separated from the dry, grayish outer bark. Handrolled cordage is beautiful to look at, pleasant to handle, and surprisingly easy to make, once you get the hang of reverse wrapping. Here are details: <https://www.wildwoodsurvival.com/survival/cordage>

Sap: Speaking of sap, by the time you

read this, it may be too late to tap a maple tree, but you can prepare for next year. In the Hudson Valley, maple sap tends to run in March, as long as it's freezing at night and above 40 degrees in the day. Boiling down syrup is an arduous task, so I have generally stuck to drinking the sap, which tastes very faintly sweet and thrillingly alive. Native Americans are said to have used sap as a nutritious spring cleansing drink. Tapping a single tree is a simple process, requiring a drill, a spout (available in local hardware stores), and a plastic bottle to fit over the spout. For tapping instructions, see <https://tapmytrees.com>

Pine needle tea: Evergreen conifers have needles high in rot-resistant Vitamin C. You can easily harvest



Norway maple bud scales reveal flowers about to blossom.

it soothing and strengthening to lean against a being that weighs thousands of pounds yet manages to stand upright, as we do.

Here is a visualization that will help you bond with the tree and bring a taste of nature into your bones:

Imagine your torso is the trunk of a tree. Picture your legs and toes extending into the ground, sending out roots that anchor you while absorbing water and minerals from the soil. Feel the nutrients rising up through your body and flowing through your

arms and head, out through your fingers and hair, which are like leaves drinking in the mineral-rich water. Let the sunlight soak into your leaves and manufacture glucose, which then pours down through your trunk to the roots, enabling them to grow. Envision the steady repetition of this cycle, and then let it interact with the rest of the natural world: the birds nesting in your branches, the soil fungi helping your roots communicate with other trees, the wind pruning away dead branches, the humans coming to sit reverently at your feet.

them to make a fragrant and tasty tea. White pine has a mild flavor, and it's easy to identify, with its long, slender needles, arranged in bundles of five along the twigs. Pick a big handful of needles, place them in a cup or jar, fill with boiling water, cover, and steep for ten minutes to half an hour. Adding chunks of twig will produce a stronger, somewhat resinous taste.

Sweet birch twigs: Both the sweet (or black) birch and the silver (or yellow) birch have inner bark that tastes like wintergreen. Sweet birch can be identified by its smooth, largely unfurrowed, dark gray bark with raised horizontal lines. Silver birch has shiny silvery-yellow bark that curls off the trunk in narrow shreds. If you can reach a twig, scratch a section down to the green inner bark, and sniff. The minty scent is unmistakable. Chew on the twig for a burst of flavor.

Identification: It's a long-term project, but learning to identify trees is an absorbing endeavor that engages the mind and the senses, providing a sense of intimacy with nature. You can, of course, get the app that identifies plants when you aim your camera at them, but getting to know the bark, buds, leaves, and growth patterns of trees will bring you closer to these splendid creatures.

For identification, I recommend buying a physical book rather than relying on the Internet. Audubon's field guide to trees is good for beginners, with a mix of photos and detailed descriptions.

Meditation: If you have a spiritual practice, you might enjoy meditating with your back against a tree. There's something about the upswing of the trunk supporting you that adds depth to the experience. If you don't have a meditative practice, you may still find



Now is the time to upgrade your propane supplier

Offering Capped Price Protection & Free Propane Tank Swap

- Prepay/Budget Plans
- Guaranteed Supply
- Reliable Delivery

- Expert Service
- Open 24/7/365
- No Hidden Fees



Trusted Since 1930 100% Employee-Owned & Locally Operated
MainCareEnergy.com 1-800-590-5864

Main-Care Energy is embracing BioHeat!
Low-Carbon + Renewable + Sustainable

At **NO EXTRA COST** this cleaner-burning, home heating fuel reduces greenhouse gas emissions and is fully compatible with any existing heating oil system.


+

=


MainCareEnergy.com
1-800-590-5864




For more information, additional resources can be found at:
MainCareEnergy.com/BioHeat/

PLUMBING  HEATING  HVAC  SHOWROOMS



N&S
B·A·T·H
CLASSICS

CREATE YOUR DREAM BATH



N&S Supply is your one stop source for all your plumbing, heating and HVAC needs. We offer the finest selection of quality products at affordable prices.

N&S Supply Kingston is now located at 120 Wood Rd., Kingston, NY off of Sawkill Rd. in the Deforest building.

New Hours: Monday - Friday 7am - 5pm • Saturday 8am- 12pm

KINGSTON*
845.331.6700

CATSKILL*
518.943.2150

FISHKILL*
845.896.6291

BREWSTER*
845.279.8075

HUDSON
518.822.1771

nssupply.com

DANBURY
203.791.9300

    *Showrooms