



CommunityNotes

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Lenten study series

The Reformed Church of Saugerties at 173 Main St. will continue their Lenten study series on consecutive Thursdays, March 23 and 30 and April 6, at 7 p.m. Using religious traditions as a springboard to discussion, the focus is on how to interpret various ancient and long-standing rules of conduct in terms of the modern world. Everyone (of all religious backgrounds) is welcome. More information is available by calling (845) 246-2867.

Fire Co. Fish Fry

The Glasco Fire Company will offer a (take-out only) Lenten Friday Fish Fry on Friday, March 24 from 4-6:30 p.m. and every Friday through April 14. The menu includes a fried haddock or fried shrimp dinner with French fries, coleslaw and dinner rolls for \$9.95. New England clam chowder is also available, at \$4.95 a pint or \$8.95 per quart. Call ahead to place orders at (845) 246-9600.

Bare-root seedling sale

The Ulster County Soil and Water Conservation District is conducting its annual bare-root seedling sale. The deadline for ordering is Friday, March 24. A variety of inexpensive conservation trees, shrubs, wildflower seeds, ground covers and wildlife nesting boxes are available along with fertilizer tablets and rain gauges. Seedlings range in size from six to 50 inches, sold in quantities of ten for \$10-\$12, 25 for \$22-\$26, 50 for \$36-\$48 and 100 for \$70-\$85. Price depends on the species. Many are ideal for erosion control and many are attractive uses for wildlife food and cover, wind-screens, shade, and privacy.

Plants ordered may be picked up during the third week of April at the Ulster County Fairgrounds, 249 Libertyville Road in New Paltz on Wednesday and Thursday, April 19-20 and at the Ulster County Highway Garage, 317 Shamrock Lane (off Hurley Avenue) in Kingston on Friday and Saturday, April 21-22. Any excess stock available can be purchased on the pick-up days on a "first come-first served" basis. Order forms are available by calling (845) 883-7162 ext. 102 or stop by the office at 5 Park Lane in Highland weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Forms are also at ucswcde.org.

Tree identification walk

The Esopus Creek Conservancy is sponsoring a tree identification walk at Esopus Bend Nature Preserve in Saugerties on Saturday, March 25. The group will be led by Vern Rist at a leisurely pace through a variety of woodland habitats. Meet at 9 a.m. in the Saugerties Village Beach parking lot on Rte. 9W, just north of the Esopus Creek bridge. Bring binoculars and tree guides if desired and be prepared for early spring conditions that may include cold air temperatures, snow, ice or muddy trails. The walk is free and open to the public. Pre-registration is not required, but is recommended in the event of unforeseen changes or cancellation. More information is available by contacting Steve Chorvas at schorvas@gmail.com or visit esopuscreekconservancy.org.

Dedication ceremony for Senior Center's new solar panels

The Town of Saugerties and Solarize Saugerties will co-host a dedication ceremony at the Senior Center on Saturday, March 25 at 3 p.m. for the new, 20-panel solar PV system recently installed at the multi-purpose building. There was no cost to the town for the system or the installation, and maintenance and service costs for the next 25 years will be also be provided by Solarize Saugerties. All residents are welcome to attend the dedication. Homeowners will be offered a \$2,000 discount on new solar contracts signed during the promotion with the Community Foundation of Saugerties to receive a \$250 donation from Direct Energy Solar for each contract signed. Proceeds will help rebuild Small World Playground. The promotion will continue through May 15. Light refreshments will be available.

Lenten services

The Saugerties Area Council of Churches schedule of Lenten services is as follows: Sunday, March 26 at

Saugerties United Methodist with Rev. Anthony Mecca. Sunday, April 2 at St. Mary's and St. Joseph's. All services begin at 3 p.m. Offerings from these services benefit Vacation Bible School. A coffee hour will follow each service. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, call Margaret at 845-532-5687.

Senior support group

The Saugerties chapter of Settled and Serving in Place (SSIP) meets every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at Village Diner. The next meeting is Tuesday, March 28. SSIP is a network for seniors who need or want to offer social support and other services to group members. More info is available by emailing ssipsaugerties@gmail.com or call (845) 514-4365.

Chamber of Commerce meeting

The March meeting and mixer of the Saugerties Chamber of Commerce will be Wednesday, March 29 at 6:30 p.m. at the Barn on the Pond, 1203 Glasco Turnpike in Saugerties. Visit the beautiful property and talk with other members of the Chamber of Commerce.

Fruit tree seedlings sale

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County is offering bare-root seedlings of peach trees, blueberries, blackberries, raspberries, strawberries, asparagus, rhubarb and horseradish plants as well as an evergreen bundle consisting of five different evergreen trees. Also available is a flowering native shrub bundle with black chokeberry, elderberry, American cranberry, Juneberry and buffaloberry. No orders will be accepted after Wednesday, March 30. Pick-up dates are April 27-29 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at CCEUC, 232 Plaza Rd. in the Hannaford Plaza in Kingston. CCEUC is not responsible for seedlings after these pick-up dates or after they're removed from the designated pick-up site. More details are at tinyurl.com/2017-seedling-sale or order forms may be picked up at the above address. More info is available by calling Dona at (845) 340-3990, ext. 335 or email dm282@cornell.edu.

Surplus fire equipment sale

The Glasco Fire District is selling surplus equipment consisting of a Makita Generator G6100 R, serial #1022117, Serial # 1151452. Reserved bid must be made. Contact Mike Tiano at (845) 246-5366 for more information. Bids will be opened at April 10 meeting.

Indoor yard and bake sale

Katsbaan Reformed Church at 1800 Old Kings Highway in Saugerties will hold an indoor yard sale and bake sale on Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

History talk on notable women of HV

The Friends of Historic Saugerties will hold their monthly meeting on Saturday, April 1 at 2 p.m. in the community room of the Saugerties Public Library. The guest speaker will be local author Vernon Benjamin, speaking on "Notable Women in Hudson Valley History." Benjamin has taught Hudson Valley history and art history and writing at Marist and Bard colleges. He was a journalist for 15 years and an aide to Assemblyman Maurice Hinchey in the New York State Legislature

from 1982-92. His recent books include "The History of the Hudson River Valley: From Wilderness to the Civil War" (Overlook Press, 2014) and "The History of the Hudson River Valley: From the Civil War to Modern Times." (Overlook Press, 2016). All Friends of Historic Saugerties events are free and open to anyone interested in history. The talk will be cancelled if the Library is closed due to inclement weather. Updates will be posted on the library's webpage or visit Friends of Historic Saugerties on Facebook.

Penny Social

The Reformed Church of Saugerties, Main St. will host a penny social on Saturday, April 1. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with calling at 1 p.m. There will be a "special table" and a 50/50 raffle. Lots of "finds and treasures." More info is available by calling Nina at (845) 901-7241.

Easter celebration for kids

Saugerties United Methodist Church, 67 Washington Ave., is hosting a free Easter celebration for kids age 3-11 on Saturday, April 1 from 1-3 p.m. Easter egg hunt, games, snacks, crafts and prizes. Learn about the first Easter Sunday. All children must be accompanied by an adult. More information is available by calling the church at 246-7802 or visit saugertiesunitedmeth@hvc.rr.com.

Nominate a vet for recognition

Senator George Amedore is inviting residents of the 46th Senate District to submit nominations for the New York State Senate's Veterans' Hall of Fame. The deadline is Friday, April 7. The annual award recognizes outstanding veterans from throughout the state who have distinguished themselves in their service and civilian life. One veteran from the 46th Senate District will be honored at an induction ceremony at the State Capitol on Tuesday, May 16 at 11 a.m. along with inductees from throughout the state. Nomination forms are available at amedore.nysenate.gov, which must be submitted online or received by mail at the senator's office in Room 802, Legislative Office Bldg., Albany NY 12247.

Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt

The Saugerties Lions Club will host the 19th annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Glasco Firehouse in Glasco on Saturday, April 8. (Rain date: Saturday, April 15). Admission is free. Children ages one through five will start at 10:30 a.m. Ages six through 12 start the hunt at 11 a.m. Prizes given out for returned eggs. More information is available by calling 336-4190, 399-6915, 246-6238 or 246-4855.

Sports Hall of Fame banquet

Tickets are on sale now for the annual Saugerties Sports Hall of Fame Club banquet on Saturday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Diamond Mills. Doors open at 5 p.m. for cocktails followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. The 2017 inductees are Rick Andreassen, Randy Dodig, Steve Freer, Ed Short and Derek Whittaker. Tickets are available by contacting Mike Hasenbalg at (914) 388-2348 or mikehasenbalg@yahoo.com. Reserve early. More info is on the Facebook page for Saugerties Sports Hall of Fame.

Under the Magnolia Social Justice Award

The Magnolia Tree Social Club will award one (1) Saugerties high school graduating senior an award of \$1,000 for demonstrated action for social justice. Applications can be obtained at the Counselor's office at the High School or by emailing - magnoliatreesocialclub@gmail.com) Deadline is April 28, 2017 and must be dropped at the High School.

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