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John Hathorn, Warwick's Forgotten Patriot

By Richard W. Hull Professor of History New York University

Major General John Hathorn was an individual of many extraordinary talents. He served eight terms in the New York State Assembly including that of Speaker, two terms in the United States Congress, and was Supervisor of the Town of Warwick. He was a military officer, first in colonial service and then in the Revolutionary forces. He was an educator, opening his private library to members of the community, and an entrepreneur, operating a multi-functional plantation in the Village of Warwick. As a surveyor, he gave geographical definition to Warwick and to the boundary between New York and New Jersey; and as an investor in iron manufacturing concerns, he provided tools essential to the early agricultural and industrial development of our region.

Hathorn, a Quaker by religious conviction, was also a devoted family man. He married Elizabeth Welling, from one of Warwick's first and most prominent families, and together they had eleven children. Hathorn counted among his friends the Marquis de Lafayette, George and Martha Washington, and George Clinton. He was an architect of government at all levels, from town, to state, and national. But perhaps John Hathorn should be best known as an unwavering patriot for the cause of independence.

How sad that one of our town's most eminent citizens is almost unknown today! When we think of 'Hathorn" we conjure up in our minds a currently-famous Warwick gourmet restaurant, not a great fighter for our freedom. And when we think of a landmark, "Chateau Hathorn" comes to mind, not the venerable and richly-historic Hathorn homestead which is in an advanced state of decay some few hundred yards away.

There are no monuments to honor this great patriot, no portraits in the town hall or at the state capitol in Albany. Yet in the early post-Revolutionary days Colonel John Hathorn must have been held in very high esteem by his compatriots or he would not have been popularly elected to so many public offices and for so many years. Think for a moment, how many community leaders any-



Picture provided by Bill Raynor

Hathorn's house around 1910 is located on Hathorn Rd., a short turnoff lane from Rte. 94 at Rte. 1.

where and at any time in history have remained in leadership positions both before and after Revolutionary upheavals? Most have gone the way of Robespierre and Patrice Lumumba. John Hathorn survived the transformation and eased us into the post-Revolutionary era.

The Near Forgotten Hero

Today, however, Major General John Hathorn is the near forgotten hero of our town, our state, and our nation. Yet his commitment to the cause of independence was unquestioned. Without the John Hathorns of grassroots America we would never have liberated ourselves from the bonds of colonial domination. During the critical middle years of the Revolution, many local farmers laid down their arms and returned to the fields

in despair and ennui. Many Warwickians had rallied to the revolutionary cause in 1775 as the struggle began to unfold and the numbers in the militia swelled after the stunning victory at Saratoga in October of 1777. But then came the brutal winter at Valley Forge in 1777-78. By then, Americans were not only at war with the English but were in the midst of a bloody civil war, between the Patriots and the Loyalists. Warwick families were deeply divided, father against son, neighbor against neighbor. The Revolutionary committees on Public Safety had begun to confiscate the lands of local Tory farmers and burned their homes. All this only contributed to bitter divisions within the community itself.

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Walking Path Completed in Pine Island Park



The Warwick Valley Dispatch / Colleen McAvey

This elegant new sign notes one easy rule "CURB YOUR DOG." Town Councilman James Gerstner (from left), Pine Island Recreation Committee member Beth Leadbetter, Town Supervisor Michael Sweeton, and Councilman Leonard DeBuck cut a ribbon for the new walking path in Pine Island.

Do you know what doctors recommend most for a healthier you? For many it's a daily walk. Now in the Pine Island Park there is safe place to do just that complete with pleasant views and without the worry of nearby vehicle traffic.

The Town of Warwick Department of Public Works, in cooperation with local volunteers, has recently put the finishing touches on a 1/3-mile walking path that follows the circumference of the park. The path has unobstructed views of the kiddie play area, the baseball diamond and the tennis courts. Other views include the black dirt fields and the Pochuck Mountain in the distance in addition to the American Flag, which is prominently displayed at the highest elevation within the park.

"This walking path will allow people to have a great place to either take a leisurely walk with a friend or their dog or provide the opportunity for a more intense workout by those that prefer to jog or run," said Pine Island resident and Town Councilman Leonard DeBuck. "The uphill and downhill portions of the path are extremely gentle as well as being wide enough and smooth enough for wheelchair accessibility."

The construction of the path took time because preliminary work needed to be completed such as clearing the brush, removing the existing topsoil along the route of the path, and allowing the base material of the path to settle and compact. After consulting with Warwick Valley High School Track Coach, Tim St. Lawrence, the Town fol-

lowed his recommendation to use a natural crushed stone for the surface of the path instead of asphalt, making it easier on muscles and joints. At six-feet wide, the path allows the ability to walk side-by-side with a friend and allows others to comfortably pass those who choose a

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Rabbitt Responds to Allegations of Fraud as 'Shameless'

In a statement released recently, Annie Rabbitt, the Republican and Conservative candidate for the 97th Assembly District decried the attempts of the Kraham campaign and the Orange County Democratic Committee to remove her from the ballot as a "shameless attempt to circumvent the democratic process and deprive the people of the 97th district of a choice in the upcoming election."

Promising a vigorous defense to these "spurlous, baseless and unfounded allegations," Rabbitt said, "The people of this district deserve a choice and the heavy handed tactics of intimidation and harassment being employed by candidate Kraham are indications of a desperate campaign." Rabbitt went on to state, "I look forward to debating the real issues of budget reform, preserving agriculture, unfunded mandates, Medicaid

reform, open space and sensible economic development for the people of our region."

Rabbitt, hailed the decision of the New York State Board of Elections validating her filing of Conservative designating petitions as a victory for the forces of choice and good government.

Man Crushed to Death in Truck Accident

Ronald John Lake Jr., 41, of Warwick was crushed to death after the hydraulic lift holding his pickup truck which he was working on gave way. According to police, Mr. Lake was working alone on his truck when the incident occurred.

Police rushed to the scene at Lake's home on Taylor Rd. on Tues., July 20 at approximately 4:30 p.m. and were assisted by the Florida Fire Department, the Florida Ambulance and Regional Paramedics.

After attempts from paramedics to revive Mr. Lake, he was pronounced dead at the scene by Orange County Coroner Thomas Murray. Mr. Lake was a machinist and designer with Equibal Co. in Unionville, N.Y.

Mr. Lake leaves behind his wife, the former Normajean Fusco and three children: Ronald Arthur, Kelly, and Kevin.

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Annie Rabbitt Opens Headquarters

By Colleen McAvey

Town of Warwick Councilwoman Annie Rabbitt, who is running for the State Assembly, has opened her campaign headquarters at the corner of Greenwich and New Street in Goshen. Rabbitt is a remarkable woman of leadership and accomplishment in the Greenwood Lake Community having served as Trustee and Deputy Mayor of Greenwood Lake.

Annie Rabbitt was essential in the clean-up of Greenwood Lake, ensuring ecological viability. Her additional community commitments include serving as President of the Greenwood Lake Chamber of Commerce from 1997-1999 and as Chairperson of the Greenwood Lake Concerned Homeowners Association.

As a Town Councilwoman Rabbitt works with

Village of Greenwood Lake Mayor Bill Morris and is involved in such matters of the Department of Public Works. She negotiates contracts for the Sanitation Department and serves as liaison to the Water Shed Management District.

On hand to show their support at Rabbitt's new headquarters was Village of Greenwood Lake Mayor Bill Morris, Jan Jansen, the Chairman of the Warwick Republican Committee, Orange County Legislator Ben Winstanley and his wife, Gen Winstanley, Nancy Calhoun, Jerry Nappe, Barbara Moore, Judge Byrne, John Roman, Virgil Pasquale, Bob Itzla, and Rich Mayfield.

Annie Rabbitt's supporters believe that she will be a strong and motivated ally to have in Albany for the Hudson Valley.



Annie Rabbitt is being interviewed by a reporter from Channel 6.

SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

By Michael P. Sweeton Warwick Town Supervisor

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The Town of Warwick Dial-A-Bus/Fixed Route System starts its expanded service this week. This is in response to the discontinuation of Operation Wheels. An aide will ride the bus Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to assist passengers with the transition. Schedules of our service are available by calling 986-2877 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday-Friday.

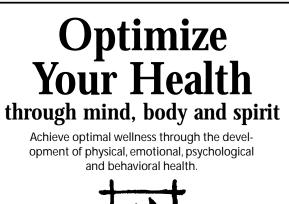
Congresswoman Sue Kelly's office is accepting applications for those seeking a nomination to any of our service academies for the Class of 2005. Any student who wishes to be considered for the class should contact the Congresswoman's office as soon as possible. Please call Bill Gardner at (845) 897-5200.

A public hearing will be held to amend Chapter 155 of the Town Code entitled "Vehicle, All-Terrain." The hearing will be held on Thurs., Aug. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Warwick Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway.

The next regular meeting of the Town Board will be held on Thurs., Aug. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Warwick Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway.









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The Ladies Night Out - Tim Mullally puts a crown on Sue Loughren who wears a cape to publicize Ladies Night Out to be held on Thurs., Aug. 19. A deserving lady will be crowned Queen for the Day. Downtown merchants will show their appreciation to this special person by donating a basket of gifts that in the past has been valued over a thousand dollars. Applications for the selection of the Queen are available at participating stores.



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Meetings

The Village of Warwick Planning Board will hold a Work Session for Liberty Greens on Thurs., Aug. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 77 Main Street.

The Village of Warwick Architectural and Historic Review Board Meeting will be held on Aug. 9 at 7 p.m. at Village Hall.

The Village of Warwick Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting will be held Mon., Aug. 16 at 7 p.m. upstairs in the Village Hall.

The Village of Warwick Planning Board Meeting will be held on Thurs., Aug. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in Village Hall.

The Warwick Valley Middle School will hold an orientation for all Middle School students that are new to the District on Thurs., August 26, at 10 a.m. This is both for students that enrolled at the Warwick Middle School during the summer and for those students who did not attend the orientation given earlier in the school year.

A presentation will be given at this time of the programs at the Warwick Middle School. There will also be a tour of the school building. This presentation is for the students and will be about one hour long. If parents would like to attend they are very welcome to do so.

Warwick Police Blotter

July 12

A 20-year-old male from Warwick, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Criminal Trespass 2nd, Harassment 2nd, and Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle following an incident on Old Forge Rd. He was released to reappear in Town Court.

John M. Treanor, 49, of Chester, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 3rd following an incident on Four Corners Rd. He was released to reappear in Town Court.

July 15

Lillie C. Kitchell, 53, of Warwick, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Assault 3rd following an incident on Barbara Dr. She was released to reappear in Village Court.

A 17-year-old male from Warwick, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Unlawful Possession of Marijuana following an incident on State Hwy 17A. He was released to reappear in Town Court.

July 16

Michael Leonard, 39, of Waldwick, N.J. was arrested on a Warrant charging Driving While Ability Impaired by Alcohol and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 3rd following an incident on State Hwy 17A. He was arraigned by Hon. Coleman and released on \$500 bail.

July 17

Gerald F. O'Brien, 21, of Goshen, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Driving While Intoxicated, Driving over .08% and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 3rd following an incident on County Hwy 1. He was released to reappear in Town Court.

John I. Gorshack, 42, of Warwick, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 3rd following an incident on State Hwy 94. He was released to reappear in Town Court.

A 19-year-old male from Warwick, N.Y. and two 18-

year-old males from Pine Island, N.Y. were arrested and charged with Attempted Criminal Mischief 4th following an incident on Kay Rd. They were released to reappear in Town Court.

Ben Karpowicz, 25 of Highland, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Endangering the Welfare of a Child, Nicholas Loiola, 24, also of Highland, N.Y. and Thomas DiPalermo, 37, of Warwick, N.Y. were arrested and charged with Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4th, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd, and Endangering the Welfare of a Child following an incident on Upper Wisner Rd. Karpowicz was released to reappear in Town Court, Nicholas Loiola and Thomas DiPalermo were arraigned by Hon. Barlet and remanded to the Orange County Jail in lieu of \$1,500 bail.

July 18

George C. Graham, 55, of Warwick, NY was arrested and charged with Harassment 2nd and Attempted Assault 3rd following an incident on Hathorn Rd. He was released to reappear in Town Court.

July 21

Walter S. Woodstead, 39, of Warwick, N.Y was arrested and charged with Driving While Intoxicated following an incident on State Hwy 17A. He was released on \$500 bail to reappear in Village Court.

July 22

A 20-year-old male from Yonkers, N.Y. was arrested and charged Trespass following an incident Evan Rd. He was released to reappear in Town Court.

July 24

Emanuel Tarazi, 53, of Warwick, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Falsify Business Records 2nd following an incident on Public Works Drive. He was released to reappear in Town Court.

July 26

Christina Badigan, 22, of Pearl River, N.Y. was arrested and charged with Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 3rd following an incident on State Hwy 17A. She was released to reappear in Town Court.

From The Mayor's Office

By Mayor Michael Newhard Village of Warwick





Sat., August 7, will be a special concert featuring Dick Wells and his 17 piece Big Band Swing Machine at the Railroad Green. Railroad Avenue will be closed for the evening concert. D.J. Joanne Church will be playing music of the swing era at 6 p.m. prior to the concert.

Congratulations to Stephan Katz and Stephen Mariconti who were inducted as Eagle Scouts this past Sat., July 31. Considering the rigors of attaining this level of scouting, I am impressed by the number of accomplished Eagle Scouts from our community.

The Village is looking for Village residents to be part of the Zoning Committee – to examine the Zoning Ordinance. Planning background would be helpful.

A work session on the Red Swan Inn will be held at Village Hall on Wed., August 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Insect repellent is available at the Village Hall during normal office hours for all Village residents. Please bring proof of residency. This is a County sponsored program.

Citizens interested in being part of the Mayor's Citizens Advisory Board are requested to send a letter to my office at P.O. Box 369, Warwick, NY.

Walkers and hikers may enjoy a visit to our newest park and local treasure, Lewis Woodlands, at the end of Robin Brae off Maple Avenue. This is now open to the public.



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Successful Blood Drive - Marsha Talbot is donating her blood at the Blood Drive sponsored by the Goodwill Hook & Ladder Ladies Auxiliary on Sat., July 24.

Summer Sale

20-30% off selected Baskets 20-50% off selected Bath & Body Products

20% off Garden Books & Cookbooks 20-50% off selected Candles, Sconces, & Candleholders

20-40% off selected Ceramics 30% off Silk Flowers

20-40% off selected Gourmet Foods 30-50% off selected Frames

30-50% off selected Frames 20-30% off selected Housewares

20-40% off selected Table Lamps & Chandeliers

20-40% off selected Table Linens, Summer Pillows, Mats, Shower Curtains & Rugs

20-40% off selected Plastic & Melamine Picnic Ware and Picnic Baskets 20-30% off Garden Pots, Urns, Trellises,

Paper & Cloth Lanterns. 20-50% off Decorative Gifts, Treasure Boxes, Vases, Mirrors

and more...

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Letters may also be edited for length. Send letters to the Warwick Valley Dispatch, P.O. Box 594, Warwick, N.Y. 10990, or fax to 987-1180 or e-mail: editor@wvdispatch.com.

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Do you know of a good news story or need coverage of an event? To make a request call 986-2216, e-mail news@wvdispatch.com or fax your request to 987-1180.

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Letters to the Editor

Guidelines For Effective Letters

Everyone has a right to express an honest opinion, but we would like to remind readers of a few simple rules for writing effective letters.

Less is more! The shorter your letter the more likely it is to be read. Civility is more persuasive than invectiveness. That is, honey catches more flies than vinegar.

When you read a letter that angers you or that you disagree with, we warmly encourage you to write a response following the guidelines suggested above. Our pages are always open to lively debate, but play fair.

Needless to say, misinformation and gratuitous insult will not survive the editor's pen.

All letters should be approximately 400 words or less due to space limitations. Letters must be signed with full name and contain a telephone number for verification purposes. Anonymous or unsigned letters will not be published.

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editor@wvdispatch.com

Sanford's Have Significant Impact on County Parks

Editor,

Congratulations upon your comprehensive obituary on the glorious life of John W. Sanford, Jr.

John and Deeps commitment to the betterment of the Warwick Community is unparalleled in time and wealth of contributions.

Your readers should also be aware of John and Deeps significant impact on the County Park system.

In the early 1970's, John was a strong advocate for the purchase of Warwick Park by urging local attorney John Beattie to offer these former P.J. Sandfort farmlands to the County at below appraised value.

These sloping fields could readily have been sold for several hundred homes to blot the landscape.

Sanford served the Parks, Recreation and Conservation Board for ten years and offered experienced leadership in planning the preservation and development of open space. He was chair for two terms. Deeps and John were also in the forefront as members of the Friends of the Orange County Arboretum since 1993. Their active efforts led to numerous generous donations, including the funds from the Warwick Savings Bank to kick-start the development of magnificent raised gardens.

They remained active for 11 years before declining health prevented their attendance at meetings. John and Deeps remained with their hearts on the pulse of activities through the winter of 2004.

Their leadership has been instrumental in the outstanding gardens and September 11 Memorial tribute for all Orange County residents that is considered by many as our major cultural and educational resource.

John will be missed by all, but his legacy will remain forever.

GRAHAM M. SKEA

Gratitude to Nurses at St. Anthony Community Hospital

Editor

Tuesday, July 20, started off badly. A swarm of yellow jackets managed to bore a hole in the ceiling and entered our bedroom. Although I was able to block the hole and kill those in the room, I was stung on the left hand. At first it was no concern, since I've been stung on numerous other occasions, but this time was different. Within a few minutes, my feet started to itch and my other hand began to swell. I remembered all that I had read about anaphylactic shock and the term "life-threatening" was foremost in the description. We immediately headed for the car and my wife drove me to the St. Anthony Hospital Emergency Room.

I walked into the Emergency Room and announced that I needed immediate attention – and that is exactly what I received. Within minutes, I was on a table with an IV in place and my heart and blood pressure was being monitored. Nurses Mary Ellen and Roberta were wonderful. They treated my symptoms and just as importantly, were constantly reassuring and soothing my obvious anxiety.

Thank you St. Anthony Hospital and my total gratitude to Mary Ellen and Roberta for that very special combination of competence and caring. You are truly a credit to your profession.

BARRY J. SILBERMAN

Rabbitt is Driving Force in GWL Community

Editor,

I have known Annie Rabbitt for many years, and the current investigation by the Democrats can only turn up positive. Annie has been a driving force in this community. She was Chamber President, Village Trustee, Deputy Mayor, Town Councilwoman, an active citizen and a good friend.

She has made tremendous strides in cleaning up our beautiful lake.

Annie is a person with strong conviction.

She once taught me a very valuable lesson which I practice every day: "Accentuate the positive and eliminate the negative."

I hope Annie eliminates the negative on Nov. 2 – Vote Annie Rabbitt for Assembly!

BRENDA PENDER

Supports Rabbitt for State Assembly

Editor,

I am writing this letter in support of Annie Rabbitt for State Assembly. I have known Annie for the past ten years. Throughout this time Annie has diligently committed herself to the community and the quality of life and Greenwood Lake. I have witnessed her actions, whether it be with local charities or as President of the Greenwood Lake Chamber of Commerce.

As Chamber President, Annie helped to revitalize the business community. With her knowledge and enthusiasm she brought in nearly 100 members to make a very strong and active Chamber. Throughout this time she encouraged the

members to attend Village Board meetings, where the Chamber reported their events and projects of downtown revitalization. She organized fund-raisers for local charities as well as helped many people in need, behind the scenes.

I consider Annie Rabbitt a very strong individual who stands for her convictions and is able to withstand political pressure.

This is why I feel that Annie Rabbitt is right for the job.

JOYCE MONTI

OPINION

When Conventions Went Beyond Eleven P.M.

By Scott Webber

Sitting in front of the TV set, the American voter, this month, is watching a very carefully choreographed political pageant designed to attract the viewer. Speeches are all limited to 15 minutes, programmed to comply with TV time limits; at the programmed signal, the delegates cast their ballots for the party's nominees for president and vice president.

But it wasn't always this way. Three conventions come to mind. One was the Democratic Party 1932 convention and then again in 1948. A third one was the Republican Convention of 1952.

Those conventions did not end at 11 p.m. when the listeners were all heading for bed, often they went into the wee hours of the morning as newspapers held as long as they could before having to start the presses to accommodate circulation necessities.

In 1932 there were four contenders for the nomination. Former N.Y. Governor Alfred Smith, a devout Catholic; Newton D. Baker, former War Secretary in the Woodrow Wilson Cabinet; House Speaker John Nance Garner of Texas and New York Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt. After three exhausting ballots, there was no nominee with the required 945 delegate votes. There was no air-conditioning in the Chicago hall that July.

Two men held the nomination in their hands: Garner, with his Texas delegation pledged to him, and William

Randolph Hearst who controlled California's 44 votes. Hearst was a strong isolationist; he backed Garner and was violently opposed to both Smith and Baker.

The previous winter, to his wife, Eleanor's, great disgust, Roosevelt had repudiated his long time support for the League of Nations dating back to 1920 when he had run for vice president. This would mollify Hearst enough to give him California's vote as the opposition supporters of the others rioted.

To make Hearst happy, Roosevelt also agreed to have Garner as his running mate. Texas swung in their votes and Roosevelt won in the wee hours on the fourth ballot.

The 1948 Democratic Convention was memorable for several reasons. One, the party didn't want Harry Truman, even though he was the incumbent, as their candidate. They believed he could not be elected. Finally after several others turned down the party's offer of the nomination, Truman got it by default, no one wanted it. His acceptance came at 3 a.m., on Friday when most of the country had turned off their radios and gone to bed. Harry delivered one of his "Give-em hell" speeches, he was going to win. On Saturday the party named Alben Barkley to run with him after Barkley was talked into it.

Nineteen forty-eight was also important because it marked the split of the racially controlled South out from the party as South Carolina Governor Strom Thurmond (later U.S. Senator) led his supporters out of the convention, winning 39 electoral votes in November.

This marks the time when the South joined the Civil Rights-weak Republican Party, weakening the Democrat's traditional southern power block. With all these handicaps, Harry still won in November.

The New York Daily News ran a page one headline the day after Truman's inaugural in 1949 showing him taking the oath, "The Miracle Man's Big Moment." He had pulled off a political miracle.

When Dwight Eisenhower won the Republican nomination in 1952, he ended the long-time isolationism that had controlled the party since 1919 when they voted down Woodrow Wilson's League of Nations. Ike brought in with him a whole new team of young Republican internationalists.

These were moderate Republicans like Nelson Rockefeller who would reign until 1980 when The Reagan people swept into office, vowing to end Roosevelt's New Deal and moving the political spectrum to the far right. One of their big powers in the U.S. Senate was Strom Thurmont, Republican of South Carolina.

The suspense isn't there anymore but they manage to put on a good show. No long speeches, with 11 p.m. ending time in an air-conditioned hall. Who could ask for more?

The longest convention was the 1924 Democratic, which ran two weeks and 103 ballots, each time Alabama casting its 24 votes for Oscar Underwood, their "favorite son." This was held in New York City's "old" Madison Square Garden off 23rd Street.

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Hathorn, himself a member of the committee, must have agonized over its excesses.

Military discipline was always a problem and the sons of many prominent Warwick citizens were court-martialed in 1778 for refusing to follow orders. Morale was low, ammunition was short, pay was poor, and many weapons were defective. We often forget that surprisingly few Americans were steadfast in their support of the revolution. Many wavered, sat on the fence, or remained in the Tory camp. Still others had crops to plant and harvest and families to feed and could only devote small portions of time to the cause of independence. Our local farmers were not trained for war, and certainly not in the use of the deadly bayonet which inflicted agonizingly painful wounds on its victims.

Brutal Tory Guerillas & Indian Raids

By July 1779 local people in our region had been terrorized for several years by Indian raids and were angry and frustrated. Just a year earlier, 227 white settlers in the neighboring Wyoming valley in Pennsylvania were massacred. Many of the refugees fled into communities in Orange County, bringing with them frightful stories of the atrocity. The Indians were seen as brutal, bloodthirsty savages. Likewise, in the Highlands area of central and western Orange and Ulster counties Tories were raiding farms. The colonists' fury came to a head just seven months before the Battle of Minisink in January 1779, when one of the top Tory guerillas, Claudius Smith, was hanged in Goshen before a huge crowd of vengeful onlookers.

Local militiamen were also angry that General Washington had withdrawn Count Pulaski and his troops who were guarding our western frontier. Washington himself had little respect for militiamen whom he felt were unreliable and undisciplined and besides, his attention was focused on the Hudson River. Thus, nearly everyone felt terribly vulnerable and fearful. They were ready to take matters into their own hands to protect their homes and families. People were feeling terribly insecure, spies were seemingly everywhere. Sometimes family and friends spied on each other!

Militiamen vs. Indians & Tories

It was in this context that our militiamen rushed into battle against the Indians and Tories who had in early July raided several communities in western Orange County near present-day Port Jervis. Hathorn cau-



Major General John Hathorn

tioned against a pre-emptive attack arguing that the militiamen were ill-prepared. But the hotheads won out and a battle ensued on July 22, 1779 just 225 years ago almost to this day. The battle at Minisink along the Delaware River raged for nearly a full day and in the end our militiamen were defeated and they lost 43 men, some of them from prominent Warwick families.

The Tories were led by a brilliant Mohawk Indian, Colonel Joseph Brant, educated by Eleazer Wheelock who founded Dartmouth College. Brant, a Christian who translated much of the Bible into Mohawk, had earlier traveled to England where he was feted by royalty. At Minisink, Brant's forces consisted of Indians, recently-liberated black Americans, and colonists who had remained loyal to the Crown. The Indians felt they had real grievances having lost so much of their ancestral lands to the ever-advancing white settlers. Brant, throughout most of his long life, struggled to protect the Indians and to educate them to become modern, selfreliant Christian farmers. Intuitively, Brant knew that if the Revolution succeeded it would spell the end of Indian rule in North America. Thus, this war was to his people, of the Iroquois confederation, a struggle for their very survival as a nation and as a civilization. How

strange, two brilliant leaders seen as patriots to their own people yet as enemies to each other.

Hathorn Perseveres Through Dark Days

In these dark days of the Revolution, after the disastrous and humiliating defeat at the Battle of Minisink in the hot summer of 1779, when many Warwickians had given up hope for independence and abandoned the militia, General Hathorn persevered. Faced with the agonizing death of as many as 43 men from the regiment he commanded at Minisink, he returned to Warwick, repulsed an assassination attempt on his life from a band of Indians and Tories, and built a blockhouse to defend his community from future attacks. Over the next 18 months, he turned his energies to recruiting fresh troops for the war effort. He faithfully adhered to the mandate of Orange County's militias "to repel invasions and to suppress insurrections." Through the winter months four hours each week the Warwick militia drilled in the toasty-warm attic of Francis Baird's Tavern. In its day, it was probably the largest enclosed space in the community. The room today is exactly as it was 225 years ago and its atmosphere is heavy with the very spirits of our forefathers. The heel marks of the militiamen's boots may still be seen in the wooden floor

Under Hathorn's command the Warwick regiment was instrumental in preventing a British invasion of the lower Hudson Valley via the Ramapo Pass. For a time, Warwick patriots seemed everywhere...from the turkey fields of Paramus New Jersey to the fortress at Montgomery high above the strategically vital Hudson River near West Point. Eventually, the tide turned and the region was secured. Our beleaguered forefathers began to pick of the fragments of their broken lives. In 1781, sensing the war was ending, and only six months before the decisive Battle of Yorktown, Colonel Hathorn apparently resigned and returned to his farm in Warwick to care for his family and businesses. He had commanded the regiment for nearly six years...a remarkably long wartime commitment for any individual. After the war he was elevated to the rank of Major General.

John Hathorn was more a statesman than a businessman. His greatest achievements were in public service to his new nation. It is remarkable that this colonial Warwick tax assessor emerged from the Revolution with even greater stature than before, considering that the history books had always told us that taxation was a major cause of the revolt against Britain. If this were indeed the case, why would the local tax assessor survive

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Rowdy Teen Behavior Concerns Cedarcrest Residents

By Colleen McAvey

A large group of residents from Cedarcrest asked for assistance from the Village of Florida at the Board's July monthly meeting pertaining to teenagers hanging out and engaging in "unsavory behavior." Residents have also complained to police about underage drinking, marijuana smoking and drunk driving in their neighborhood.

Additional concerns were of teens urinating in public, breaking bottles and intimidating residents. Parents who do not live in Cedarcrest are dropping their children off there to "hang out," said the group of residents. Concerns were also expressed that parents should be informed that these children are involved in unsafe and unsupervised activity.

Although Cedarcrest is private property, the Village is working to assist residents in addressing these issues. Individuals who do not live in Cedarcrest will be arrested for trespassing or engaging in any other illegal activity. The Cedarcrest Homeowners Association will work with the Village to increase patrols from the police.

Residents will identify those residents of Cedarcrest who are permitting children to purchase or sell drugs openly from their home. Parents that are not supervising their children and are aware of the unsafe activities could face charges of neglect.

Cedarcrest residents offered to work with the Florida Recreational Department to offer alternative activities and to identify children in need of supervision. The current behavior is pulling in younger children who otherwise would not be as exposed to the dangers that are so close to their home and available to them.

Public Hearings, Motions & AmendmentsUnder Public Hearings - A: V & T Regulations:

Increased fines for Parking Violations. B. Zone Change - Section 102, Block 3, and Lot 3 – this was tabled for more information.

A motion was approved to authorize a loan from the General Fund to the Capital Fund in the amount of \$99.50 for improvements at the parkland and in the amount of \$807.50 for engineering fees associated with the 2005 HUD grant application.

Ed Shuback requested a renewal of his vendor's license to sell ice cream. Marie Pillmeier President of the Florida Public Library, requests a meeting with the Board to discuss their lease and possible expansion. Engineer Gerald MacDonald recommends the release of the Maintenance bond on Phase I, Village Park Estates in the amount of \$92,555.00. This recommendation was approved by the Board.

Reports from Trustee Thomas Chevrier from the Youth Recreation reported that the evening recreation program was a big success and the swimming program was sold out in two hours.

An amendment to adopt the Local Law amending the Chapter 119 of the Code of the Village of Florida entitled "Zoning," as it pertains to Planned Adult Communities was approved.

A amendment to Chapter 95, Sewer; Local Law amending Chapter 95 of the Code of the Village of Florida to provide for Capital Reserve fees in the amount of \$5000/unit for all properties not currently within the boundaries of the Village of Florida, was approved.

A motion was made to adopt a Local Law amending Chapter 116 of the Code of the Village of Florida entitled "Water" to provide for Capital Reserve fees in the amount of \$4000.00/unit for all properties not currently within the boundaries of the Village of Florida.

The Board approved to authorize Mayor Pawliczek

rest stop along the six foot wide path. This great new addition to the park continues to show Pine Island's commitment to the community. The daytime youth recreation program is up and running and is directed by Dan Gallardo. The program has an average of 130 chil-

The Pine Island Park is located on the corner of Kay Street and Treasure Lane just one block off County Route 1 in Pine Island.

dren attending each day.

to enter into an agreement with Verizon Wireless to provide cellular telephone service in the Village.

A motion was approved to reduce the unit charge on Section 104, Block 1, Lot 21 from two units to one unit and to refund Mrs. Mabee \$90.93.

Village of Florida



By Mayor Jim Pawliczek

This article is my way of communicating with you, the residents of the Village of Florida. Any opinions expressed are strictly my own.

After the Village sewer plant was built 30 years ago, the Village was rezoned to conform to the density the plant was capable of serving. The majority of the vacant land was zoned one house per acre. Based on that premise, the 450,000 gallons per day treatment plant was capable of serving the entire village. What it did not take into account was a higher density usage such as apartments or senior housing, high volume uses by businesses, new schools or annexations. What it also did not take into account was a commitment to serve the Orange County Jail with 125,000 gallons per day, of which they now use 60,000 gallons per day.

Presently, the daily flow rate at the plant is 300,000 gallons to 360,000 gallons. There are 130 homes awaiting approval at the Planning Board. Each home uses 300 gallons per day. Refusal to acknowledge a problem will not make it go away.

To expand the plant 150,000 gallons per day the estimate of cost is 2-1/2 million dollars. For 450,000 gallons per day, the estimate is 3-1/2 million dollars. It will take six years for engineering approval and completion. In order for this NOT to become an expense to the current taxpayers, the Village must consider requests from additional users now.

I look forward to seeing you this Sunday at the Funfest.

Pine Island Path

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slower pace.

Two Eagle Scout projects from Troop 122 of Pine Island contributed to the completion of the walking path. Scout Corey Anderson made the strong and beautiful covered benches and Scout Hal Leadbetter built four perimeter benches for walkers to have an easy

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Hathorn

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the Revolution? We have all come to realize that taxes in themselves are not bad...it is the manner in which they are assessed and levied that causes the most acrimony. Clearly, Mr. Hathorn must have been extremely fair-minded in this endeavor or he would have been among the first in town to be tarred and feathered. Hathorn was a humanist too and this was revealed when he dug up the remains of the chief of the Minisink Indians and gave them a more permanent resting place in a prominent location on his farm. The farm was only a few minutes walk from the Mistucky Indian village which had been completely abandoned after the great Indian exodus from our community in the 1740s.

Hathorn must surely have been disturbed by the excesses of our treatment of the Indians during the Revolutionary War. After Minisink, Washington dispatched Generals John Sullivan and James Clinton to lead a huge military expedition against the Iroquois nation. They swept into western New York, destroying dozens of communities, killing innocent people, and confiscating cattle and crops just at harvest time. The Indians were defeated and after the war their lands were confiscated and given to thousands of war veterans in lieu of pensions and back pay. The black Americans fled to Canada to avoid being re-enslaved in a new nation that would maintain the legality of slavery for another two generations.

Hathorn must have seen the injustice, for many years later he met Colonel Brant in Albany and the two former warriors spent a cordial afternoon in reminiscence. It is said the two elderly statesmen departed with a handshake. So much for the power of forgiveness!

Hathorn's Farm Operates After the War

After the Revolutionary War, John Hathorn's farm operated in his beloved along Warwick, the sparkling Wawayanda and the old Kings Highway, took second place in his priorities. When this great Warwick patriot retired from his political life, like Thomas Jefferson and others, his finances were practically exhausted and the new nation that he

had helped to create had little funds for pensions and back pay. Obviously, there was no social security in those days. Proudly, Hathorn still owned the farm and continued to live in the stone house that he and his wife had built in the early 1770s before the war. But postwar times were difficult and the old General declined an invitation in 1824 to dine with Lafayette on his visit to Newburgh because his clothes were too tattered and he was too proud to borrow someone else's vestments.

John Hathorn's last public act was in 1822, just three years before his death. At a large gathering in Goshen, he participated in the dedication of a monument in memory of the patriots who died in the Battle of Minisink. Remarkably, in the 43 years that had elapsed the remains of the fallen militiamen had never been recovered from the battlefield. Finally, they were collected and interred in Goshen, Orange County's capital, and a monument was erected. The ceremony was a moment of joy and sorrow, of painful reflection and of long overdue healing. At its dedication, John Hathorn, the 73 year old patriot intoned:

...monuments to the brave are mementos to their descendants: the honors they record are stars to the patriot in the path of glory.

He concluded:

May this monument endure with the liberties of our country: when they perish, this land will be no longer worthy to hold within its bosom the consecrated bones of its heroes.

Let this be a warning to all of us. We must forever be indebted to our fellow citizens who, over the centuries since the founding of our republic, have given us of their life in the cause of liberty. I hope that John Hathorn and his followers will not be erased from our memories and let us also hope that some day his homestead will be a living monument to those brave Americans who gave us the "stars" that have guided future generations along the path of glory. Should we forget the John Hathorns of America we will surely risk losing all the freedoms that we so fervently cherish and have worked so hard to achieve.

New Look at Forever Jewelers

By Lon Tytell

The interior of Forever Jewelers on Main Street, Warwick, is stunning. You will be amazed at the aesthetic aura of the newly renovated business. In celebration of their 10th Anniversary, Moshe Schwartzberg and his daughter, Sara, designed a glowing look aligned perfectly with newly customized cases, spirited lighting, and fresh carpeting.

Maggie McVey is one member of

the staff who exudes an enthusiasm when catering to customers needs. The rest of the friendly, personal staff also makes shopping at Forever Jewelers a pure delight. Jay Priest, husband of Sara, offers technical support. He initiated a new system used in many other businesses called "point of sale," where merchandise is inventoried and tracked electronically.

A view of the merchandise found at Forever Jewelers can be seen at foreverjewelers.com



Personal, Friendly Staff - Moshe Schwartzberg, Maggie McVey, Sara and Jay Priest provide excellent service at Forever Jewelers.

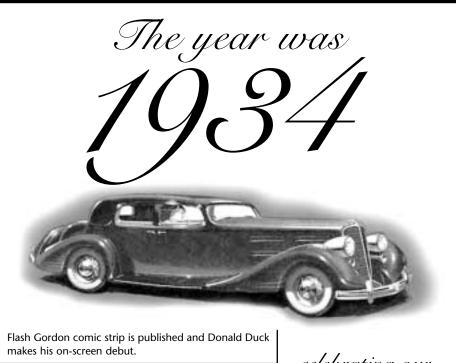
Bus Trip to Trump Taj Mahal

The Hudson Valley Polonaise Society of Orange County is sponsoring a bus trip to the Trump Taj Mahal Casino in Atlantic City, N.J., on Sun., Sept. 12.

There will also be a Polish Festival featuring Jimmy Sturr and his Orchestra. Other bands include: Ray Jay

and the Carousels, Mike Niemiec Variety Band, The Golden Tones, Frankie Lizka & TBC and the Polka Naturals.

There will be three bus pickups: Pine Island, Florida and Goshen. These bus trips fill up quickly so don't wait. For information/reservations call Stella 291-8706.



Surgeon R.K. Wilson allegedly takes the now-famous photograph of the Loch Ness Monster. The Dionne quintuplets are born, becoming the first

quintuplets to survive infancy. A 2-day dust storm removes massive amounts of Great

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Unique Items at Historical Society's Aug. 28 Auction

Lewis Park on Main Street is the site of the annual Historical Society fundraiser, the Under the Tent Pride and Preservation Party, scheduled for Aug. 28 from 6-9 p.m. Featured this year is a silent auction and a live lively auction conducted by Bill Jenack showcasing an amazing collection of treasures with more to come.

Auction items include Broadway theater tickets,





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Food tables will display a bountiful array of selections donated by over 25 restaurants plus a large number of special items prepared by Society members. While guests dine The Touch of Brass will supply a melodic background. All of this plus your favorite beverages are included in the modest ticket price of \$25 per person.

All proceeds will support the preservation of the Society's Historic Building Museums. Included among others are The 1810 House, Baird's Tavern, The Old School Baptist Meeting House and The Shingle House, which are open to the public at no charge in July, August and several times during the year. The Society hosts over 400 fourth grade students studying American History each year providing a hands-on look of local history.

Everyone is encouraged to come and enjoy the evening under the tent in Lewis Park, and leave knowing they helped support the unique historic backdrop that is part of the community. Tickets are available at Newhard's and Port Of Call on Main Street, Pecks Wine and Spirits on Bank Street or by calling 845-988-9353.



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Dinner Cruise on Greenwood Lake

The extremely popular Greenwood Lake Chamber of Commerce sponsored Cruising on the Lake event will be held again on Sat., Aug. 21 (rain date Aug. 28). Due to the popularity of the event early reservations are recommended. Cruising on the Lake combines an early afternoon or evening cruise on beautiful Greenwood Lake with a dinner at one of the lake's wonderful participating restaurants.

Cruise boats will leave hourly between 3 - 7 p.m. from DeFeo's Marina, 672 Jersey Ave. Parking is free. Cruising on the Lake participants can choose to have dinner at one of four local restaurants: Breezy Point Inn, 620 Jersey Ave.; P & J Steak House, 40 Jersey Ave.; Rainbow Inn, 4 Court Ave., and Emerald Point

Restaurant & Marina, 40 Sterling Rd., all located in Greenwood Lake.

Lake cruises, on patio boats, will last approximately 35-45 minutes. Participants will be dropped off at the restaurant of their choice (those dining at P & J Steakhouse must drive to the restaurant after their cruise). Diners will be returned by boat to DeFeo's after their meal. Dress is casual neat. Ticket holders should be ready to board their boats 15 minutes before departure time.

Tickets, at \$50 a person, are available at Greenwood Lake and West Milford News, 61 Windermere Ave., or call (845) 477-2575. Tax and gratuities are included in the ticket price. All four participating restaurants are planning special Cruising on the Lake menus.

Book Fair at SACH Set for Aug. 20 wick Healthcare Campus will be sponsoring an that kids (and adults) love to read. These books would

Warwick Healthcare Campus will be sponsoring an Usborne book fair event on Fri., August 20 from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the main lobby of St. Anthony's Hospital. A portion of the proceeds goes to Warwick Healthcare Campus. This isn't just any book fair. These books are unique, lavishly illustrated educational books

be perfect gifts for children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews and are a wonderful addition to any home library. Usborne Books goal is to promote literacy through fundraisers, book fairs, selling to schools and libraries and families.



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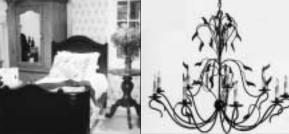






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Orange County Day Art Contest Winners

Twenty schools participated in the Orange County Day Art contest. Seventy-six ribbons were awarded to art contest winners in ceremonies on Sun., June 27 - Orange County Day - in the courtroom of the Historic 1841 Courthouse, Goshen. Certificates from Orange County Executive Ed Diana were also awarded to the winners.

St. Stephen-St. Edward, Pine Island Elementary and Park Avenue Elementary were the schools that participated from the Town of Warwick. Emily Yorks, a student at Park Avenue Elementary, won first place for *The Barn in the Afternoon* (in back of the Shingle House) in

the medium of crayons. In that same medium, Allie Delo from Pine Island Elementary received Honorable Mention for *Warwick Town Hall*.

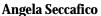
Alec Irace from Park Avenue Elementary was awarded second place for *The Church at Sunset - Old School Baptist Church* in the medium of colored pencils. Another Park Avenue Elementary student, Brooke Lafko, received the Special Award for her *Park Avenue School at Night*, also in the medium of colored pencils.

Adrian Rudiak from the St Stephen-St Edward School came in second place with *Warwick Train Station*

in medium of mixed media. In the medium of markers, Angela Seccafico from St. Stephen-St Edward School placed second for her *Village Hall, Warwick* and Eileen Rudinski, a Pine Island student, received the Special Award for *Old Baptist Church*.

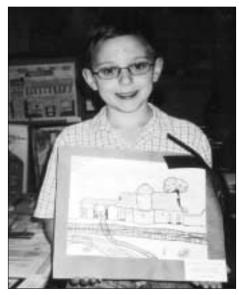
All 250 artworks will be displayed in the courtroom of the Historic 1841 Courthouse now through Aug. 9. The 1841 Courthouse is open Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information or directions call the Office of the Orange County Historian at the 1841 Courthouse is 291-2388.







Emily Yorks



Adrian Rudiak



Allie Delo

Railroad Avenue to Close for Concert & Song Contest

Railroad Avenue in the Village of Warwick will be closed to traffic after 5 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Sat., Aug. 7, according to Mayor Michael Newhard at a meeting with the concert committee last week. This will allow the audience to the free event to place chairs and seats facing the band stand on the paved plaza. In the event of rain the concert will be moved to the Reformed Church on Maple Avenue.

The entertainment gets underway at 6 p.m. with performer Joanne Church hosting a karaoke program featuring a contest for enterprising singers. Winners of the contest will receive four tickets to a Broadway show from WTBQ Radio; travel by Windsor Limousine; a bottle of champagne from Peck's Liquors and dinner for four at the Landmark Inn.

Dick Wells and the Big Band start swinging at 7:30. The concert, has been financed by "Friends of Dick Wells," with Leo Kaytes and Ed Klein, co-chairmen and infrastructure assistance from the Village of Warwick.



The Big Band

Wells and the band directed by sax player Harry Glogower, have performed throughout the tri-state area and also appear regularly at the famed Birdland Ballroom in New York City.

Among Dick's songs in the first half of the program, will be "Night & Day," "Please Be Kind," "All or Nothing at All," "For Once in My Life," "Luck Be a Lady," and the famed "New York, N.Y."

After a short intermission, Wells will sing "The Coffee Song," "I've Got You Under My Skin," "You & Me," "That Old Black Magic," "Let Me Try Again," and his special finale of "Here's to the Band."

Among the band medleys are: "Strike Up The Band," "I Can't Stop Lovin You," "In A Mellow Tone," "Honeysuckle Rose," "Sweet Georgia Brown," "Ja-Da," "Yesterdays," and "I Ain't Got Nobody."

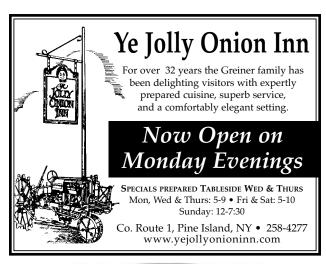
The cost of the show, not included in the Village Concert Series, has been underwritten by Akin's Pharmacy, Ann Vogel Insurance, Country Chevrolet-Olds, Dawson Motors, Leo Kaytes, Ed Klein, Mystic Valley Real Estate, Peck's Wines & Spirits, Provident Bank, Ten Railroad Avenue, The General's Garden, The Landmark Inn, Wadeson's Home Center and Windsor Limo. Admission is free and attendees are urged to bring a chair, or possibly make reservations at one of several fine Railroad Avenue restaurants with outdoor tables.



At left: AppleFest T-Shirt Designer Winner Patrick Gannon is congratulated by Betty Garrison, coordinator of this year's AppleFest.

At right: Gannon's design is a collage of cut and torn handmade paper from around the world.
Gannon's art has appeared in magazines and children's books.









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Looking Back will return shortly. Please enjoy the following article on one of Warwick's oldest residing families...

Quackenbush Family Reunion

By Colleen McAvey

It was a beautiful Saturday in the Pine Island Park, when the heirs of Arthur and Louise Quackenbush celebrated their history and family with an all-out Family Reunion. A life-long resident of Bellvale, Arthur Quackenbush owned the Bellvale Deli and was Post Master of the Bellvale Post Office. He bought the store from his father in 1919 after his father retired at the age of 75.

Arthur and Louise had ten children; five boys and five girls. Six of the siblings that are still living are Marian Marrinan, Bernice Wright, Jean Batz, Phyllis Banker, David Quackenbush, and Rich Quackenbush. They are predeceased by Thelma Turnbull, Arthur, Jr., Bob Quackenbush, and Dudley Quackenbush.

The family has continued to grow and thrive and at their last count there are 33 grandchildren, 52 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren. As the family laughed and exchanged stories, they talked of the many family members who served in the Armed Forces and boasted about Marian Marrinan, who was a Nurse and Lieutenant in World War II.

The Quackenbush family is also proud of Senator Jim Wright (son of Bernice Quackenbush Wright) from the 48th District. They are equally proud of several family members who volunteer their time and service to the Raymond Hose Company in Warwick.

Family members traveled from California, Arizona, Florida, Rochester, N.Y., Massachusetts and Connecticut to celebrate their pride, history and love for each other.



The Quackenbush Family

Schervier Pavilion Grant to Increase Residents Safety

It has always been the policy of Schervier Pavilion, a skilled nursing care facility on the Warwick Campus of Bon Secours Charity Healthcare System, to provide the safest possible environment for its residents. The Wander-Guard System was installed to assist in the prevention of resident elopement. Many of the residents, who may have decreased cognitive abilities, are still able to enjoy the freedom of moving about the facility at will. This not only promotes mobility but enhances quality of life as well. The Wander-Guard System protects this special population by alerting staff of their exact location.

"Due the expansion of Schervier Pavilion's services to include short-stays with intensive rehabilitation," explained Administrator Adele Coates. "We find that we have residents who are more physically active yet may occasionally be confused about time and place. We are now expanding our current Wander-Guard system. This added security will not only protect our patients from the risks

associated with elopement from the confines of the facility, but will give both staff and families added reassurance that our residents are within a safe and secured environment."

On Wed., July 14, Frances C. Melder, president of Orange County United Way, presented her organization's grant for \$2,000, payable to Schervier Pavilion, to Leah Cerkvenik, RN, executive vice president/administrator of St. Anthony Community Hospital, Schervier Pavilion Health Care Facility and Mt. Alverno Center. This grant and other contributions will be used to extend the Wander-Guard system.

Some of the additional funding required for this equipment will come from the Warwick Health Care Campus Foundation, corporate sponsors and community residents. Schervier Pavilion appreciates and welcomes all contributions that can be specifically earmarked for special programs or equipment such as the Wander-Guard System.



Orange County United Way President,
Frances Melder (center wearing hat) presents \$2000 check to Schervier Pavilion,
Warwick based health care facility.
(Pictured left to right) Jodi Collins, RN,
SP Director of Nursing; Ron Sztyndor, SP
Director of Facilities; Barbara Trocano,
OCUW Allocations Manager; Frances
Melder, OCUW President; Adele Coates,
SP Administrator; Richard Lay, OCUW
Allocations Committee Member and Leah
Cerkvenik, Executive Vice President,
Warwick Health Care Campus.



District Governor Lion Ed Budd recently installed the 2004-2005 officers of The Warwick Lions Club. Doug Stage, President; George McManus, 3rd Vice President; Craig Thompson, 1st Vice President; Lon Tytell, Lion Tamer; Cori Williams Rice, Secretary; Sara Werling, Treasurer; Janne Summer, Director and Leon Pianka, Director are shown in the photo. Missing from photo are Stuart Durland, 2nd Vice President; Linda Lisi, Tail Twister; Dawn Murtagh, Director and Carolyn Durland, Director.

Spanish Gala at Pacem In Terris

This concert by the Columbian classical guitar virtuoso Francisco Roldan and the brilliant Mezzo-Soprano Anna Tonna would be very hard to equal. Guitarist Francisco Roldan is on the faculty of the Mannes College of Music Extension and Preparatory Divisions. His ultraauthentic Latin American virtuosity and poetry has fascinated audiences. He has accompanied acclaimed flamenco dancer Pilar Rioja at the Repertorio Espanol theatre in New York City for the past eight seasons. His first CD of solo music entitled "Latin Guitar" was released last year. In Noticias del Mundo he is honored as "interpreting the music with a magical tone."

Mezzo sopano Anna Tonna has performed with irresistible charm and energy in operas like "The Barber of Seville," "Madam Butterfly," "Le Nozze di Figaro" as well as a selection of characteristically Spanish songs.

The compositions in this extraordinary program on Sun., Aug. 8 at 5 p.m. are by some of the great Spanish composers like Juan del Vado, Jose Marin, Vazques (1554) and arias from Spanish Zarzuelas.

Once again Pacem offers a unique and very exciting experience.

Pacem in Terris is a not-for-profit organization under the Education Laws of the State of New York, located at 96 Covered Bridge Road, Warwick. No reservations. Tickets on sale at 4 p.m. Suggested donation: \$8, children \$4.

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By Lon Tytell

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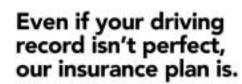


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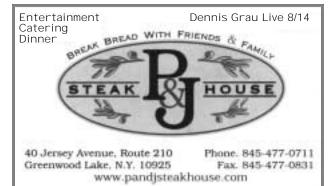
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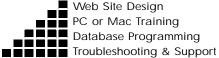
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WILHELMINA CHITWOOD

Wilhelmina Chitwood of Warwick, died July 26, 2004 at Schervier Pavilion, Warwick. She was 79.

Born on Oct. 25, 1917 in Warwick, she was the daughter of William Piggery and Caroline Teabout Piggery.

Mrs. Chitwood was a House Mother with the New York State Training School in Warwick. She was a member of Christ Episcopal Church, Warwick, where she was a member of the Altar Guild. She was a member of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

She is survived by her sister, Isabell Graham of Warwick; one brother, Bradford Piggery of Warwick; many nieces and nephews; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

Visitation was Thurs. July 29 at Lazear-Smith & Vander Plaat Memorial Home, Warwick.

A Funeral Service was held Fri., July 30 at Christ Episcopal Church, Warwick.

Burial was in Warwick Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Church Altar Guild.

RUTH DECKER

Ruth Decker of Warwick entered into rest on Wed., July 28, 2004 at St. Teresa's Nursing Home, Middletown,

The daughter of the late Maude and Fredrick Horton, she was born Aug. 8, 1910 in Warwick.

She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church,

Ruth is survived by her daughter, Beatrice, and her husband, Robert Carr of Warwick; one daughter-in-law Gerda Weed of Warwick; her beloved grandchildren, Richard, Cathy, Karl, Tammy and Robert Jr.; great-grandchildren, Jessica, Jeremy, Brad, Stephen, David, Heather and Robert; great-great-grandchildren, Kayla, Ian and Alyssia.

She was predeceased by her son, Robert Weed. Burial was private and at the convenience of the family.

JOHN F. DOUGHERTY, JR.

John F. Dougherty, Jr., a 38-year resident of Bellvale, entered into rest on July 29, 2004 after a long illness. He was 70.

The son of John F. Dougherty, Sr. and Amelia Lenhardt Dougherty, he was born Dec. 21, 1933 in Teaneck, N.J.

John was retired from Ford Motor Company in Mahwah, N.J. He was a Sergeant 1st Class in N.J. National Guard and a member of St. Stephen R.C. Church in Warwick. He was an avid bowler for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine Dougherty, at home; daughters Anne Dougherty and her husband David Dobrikin of California and Maureen Lotus and her husband Philip of Greenville and Patty Dougherty of New York City; her son-in-law Juan Coira of Middletown; one sister, Joan Seaton and her husband, George, of Florida; one brother, Neil Dougherty of Pennsylvania; six grandchildren, Catherine and Christine Coira of Middletown, John, Heather and Christopher Lotus of Greenville, Chantell Dougherty of California; three step-grandchildren, Juan, Humberto and Liz of Newburgh; several greatgrandchildren; cousins; nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his daughter, Sharon Coira. A family statement read, "He was a beloved Husband, Father and Grandfather. He will be greatly missed."

Visitation was Sun., Aug. 1 at Lazear-Smith & Vander Plaat Memorial Home, Warwick.

A Funeral Mass was held Mon., Aug. 2 at St. Stephen R.C. Church, Warwick. Cremation was private.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society or St. Stephen R.C. Church.

CATHERINE EHALT

Catherine Ehalt of Warwick died on July 24, 2004 at the Schervier Pavilion, Warwick. She was 91.

Born on Aug. 6, 1912 in Brooklyn, N.Y., she was the daughter of Joseph and Frances Avizonis. She was the widow of Frederick Ehalt.

Catherine was a member of St. Stephen Church,

Survivors include her niece Dorothy Noroski of Warwick and several great-nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Tues., July 27 at Lazear-Smith & Vander Plaat Memorial Home, Warwick.

A Mass of Christian Burial was Wed., July 28 at St.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Schervier Pavilion, VanDuzer Place, Warwick.

KAREN DEMPSEY KARPACZ

Karen Dempsey Karpacz of Hopkinton, N.Y. died Sun., July 11, 2004. She was 40.

She was the wife of Peter Karpacz.

Born in Queens, N.Y. on Aug. 31, 1963, she was the daughter of Timothy and Patricia Dempsey of Warwick.

A graduate of Warwick Valley High School and Syracuse University, she was a pediatric intensive care nurse, formerly working at New England Medical Center.

Survivors include her husband and parents; two daughters, Alyssa and Amanda; and two sisters, Mary Thompson of Rochester, N.Y. and Patricia Hansen of Summerville, S.C.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on July 15 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Hopkinton.

RONALD JOHN LAKE, JR.

Ronald John Lake, Jr. of Warwick, died on July 20, 2004 at his home. He was 41.

Born on May 19, 1963 in Middletown, he was the son of Ronald Lake, Sr. and Sharon Rich Lake.

Mr. Lake was a machinist and designer with Equibal Co. in Unionville.

A family statement reads: "A designer and builder, he could fix anything. He loved nature and the wilderness. He helped everyone he came in contact with whether it be a friend or an animal in need."

He is survived by his loving wife, Normajean Fusco Lake; three children, Ronald Arthur Lake, Kelly Lake and Kevin Lake; his mother, Sharon and father, Ronald; his stepmother, Carol Ann; brother, Michael Lake; sisters, Sherry Lee and Kiamesha Lake; his paternal grandfather, Henry Grusz Sr.; stepbrother, James Schink; and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by a sister, Christine Lake.

Visitation and funeral services were held Fri., July 23 at Lazear-Smith & Vander Plaat Funeral Home, Warwick.

Cremation was private.

Memorial contributions may be made to either the Florida Rescue Squad, 19 N. main St., Florida, N.Y. 10921 or the Town of Warwick Police, Kings Hwy., Warwick, N.Y.

HELEN W. ROWE

Helen W. Rowe of Warwick, died on July 26, 2004 at Horton Hospital, Middletown, N.Y.

Born on Jan. 20, 1917, she was the daughter of Arthur and Margaret Wagner Priest. She was the widow of Charles

Helen was a member of the Warwick United Methodist Church, Warwick and the COGs group of the church. She was a retired bank teller for over 20 years with the former County National Bank of Warwick. She was a member of the Salem Chapter Eastern Star and the Warwick Senior Citizens.

A family statement reads, "She was a loving Mother, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother and a loyal and caring friend who enjoyed spending time with her family."

She is survived by her daughter Karen Foote and her husband, Lewis, of Warwick; her son Charles Richard Rowe and Larisa, of Goshen; grandchildren Shasta, Kelly, Linda, Xann, Helen Bethany, Karena Marie and Lewis Christian and Frederick; great-grandchildren Kayleigh Allison, Nicholas and Joshua Daniel; her sister Charlotte Funnell of Maryland and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thurs., July 29 at Lazear-Smith & Vander Plaat Memorial Home, Warwick.

Burial was in Warwick Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Tucker Cancer Center, Horton Hospital Campus, 90 Prospect Ave., Middletown, N.Y. 10940.

HAROLD THOMAS WALKER

Harold Thomas Walker of Warwick, formerly of Sarasota, Fla., died on July 17, 2004. He was 85.

Born August 29, 1918 in Dunmore, Pa., he was the son of Patrick Joseph Walker and Nellie Gibbs Walker.

He was married to the late Marcella Kays Walker.

A graduate of Dunmore High School, Dunmore, Pa., he graduated from Scranton Business College in 1938. He served with the US Army during World War II. He was the Director of Industrial Relations of American Cyanamid, Wayne, N.J.

A family statement read "Beloved Father, Grandfather and Great-Grandfather and great friend - we will miss his kind heart, warm smile and deep affection and devotion

He is survived by five sons: Patrick of Hammond, LA, Timothy of New Orleans, LA, Robert M. of Warwick, John of Ramsey, N.J. and Thomas of Ft. Montgomery, N.Y.; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Mass was held Sat., July 24 at St. Paul's R.C. Church, Ramsey, N.J. Interment of cremains in St. Catherine's Cemetery, Moscow, Pa.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Orange & Sullivan Counties, 800 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, N.Y. 12550.

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COLLECTOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has received the Tax Roll and Warrant for the collection of the 2004-2005 school taxes levied on the taxable properties in the FLORIDA UNION FREE SCĤOOL DISTRICT in the Town of Goshen. I will be prepared to receive the same daily beginning Wednesday, September 1, 2004 at the S.S. Seward Memorial Building, 51 North Main Street, Florida, NY between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. In September and October except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Taxes paid September 2 through September 30 will be received without penalty; for taxes paid October 1 through October 31, a 2 per cent penalty will be charged on Town of Goshen taxes. Taxes remaining unpaid after October 31, 2004 will be returnd to the COMMIS-SIONER OF FINANCE, GOSHEN, N.Y.; taxes can be paid to THE COMMISSIONER from November 1 through November 15 (MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 15, 2004) WITH THE OCTOBER PENALTY ADDED (CERTIFIED FUNDS ONLY). TAXES UNAID AFTER NOVEM-BER 15 WILL BE RELEVIED ONTO THE 2005 TOWN AND COUNTY TAX ROLL WITH ADDI-TIONAL PENALTIES.

> JANINE P. SHANLEY Receiver of Taxes and Assessments 8-4-t2

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIA-BILITY COMPANY. NAME: TPMurray, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/14/04. Office location: Orange County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the L.L.C. upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Warren B. Kahn, Esq., 150 River Road, Building 0-2B, Montville, New Jersey 07045. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATIONOF LIMITED LIA-BILITY COMPANY. NAME: ROMA EMPIRE MUSIC, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 7/27/04. Office location: Orange County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Todd M.

Schiernoma, One Phoenix Hill Road, Highland Mills, New York 10930. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: THE PEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY ASSO-CIATE OF THE GREATER HUDSON VALLEY. PLLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/29/04. Office location: Orange County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the PLLC, c/o Dr. Eric D. Fethke, 21 Sutherland Drive, Highland Mills, New York 10930. Purpose: For the practice of the profession of Medicine.

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TOWN OF WARWICK **NOTICE OF HEARING** INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that there has been introduced before the Town Board of the Town of Warwick, New York, on Thursday, July 15, 2004, a local law entitled "Amendment to the Code of the Town of Warwick," which local law would amend Chapter 155 of the Code of the Town of Warwick entitled "Vehicles, All-Terrain."

A complete copy of the Introductory Local Law is available for inspection at the Clerk's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Town Board of the Town of Warwick, New York, will hold a public hearing on the aforesaid Local Law at the . Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Warwick, New York, on Thursday, August 19, 2004, at 7:30 p.m., at which time all persons interested therein shall be

The Town of Warwick will make every effort to assure that the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

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Kole & Devine to Walk for Breast Cancer

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"Our eye now is on our – and your – daughters," stated Mindy Kole. "Almost weekly we read in the newspapers of another break through in breast cancer treatment and cures. Our hope and prayers are that by the time our daughters are grown, there will be a way to prevent breast cancer from happening, not just cure it."

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Mindy is a breast cancer survivor. Their goal is to raise \$4,000 for the Susan G. Koman Foundation. To date they have raised over \$2,000. Donations can be made online: http://www.the3day.org. Under "donate," click on "Sponsor a Participant."

Input DEVINE (under last name), then SUSAN-NAH (under first name). Donations can also be made by check, made out to the Susan G. Koman Foundation. Please mail checks to: Susannah Devine, Devine Design, 3 Rocky Rd., Chester, N.Y. 10918.

Florida Presbyterian Church Bag Sale

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Encouraging Children to Read

By Senator Thomas Morahan

This summer many of us will take the opportunity to witness the magic and excitement of the Summer Olympics, cheering on our athletes from the United States as they compete in Athens, Greece against athletes from all over the world. I would also encourage you to promote summertime reading with your children through a program that I sponsor called the Summertime Reading Olympics, so your child can experience the magic and excitement of books, which can take them all over the world, into outer space or into fantasy worlds such Harry Potter's Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.

Our nation's top athletes have practiced and worked hard to improve their skills to compete in the Olympics. Similar to the dedication of our great athletes to their sport, a child who dedicates his or her time and practices reading can greatly improve their reading skills. This will allow your child to hone a skill, which is the key building block to his or her education, allowing them to compete scholastically and achieve academic success.

The program requirements are easily attainable: children should read at least three age-appropriate books during the summer, other than those required for

school. Children who sign up for the program will be given a "Summer Reading Olympics Record Book" to keep track of the books they read and describe their Reading Olympics experience. Upon completing the three books they will also rank them in order of their preference, giving the books a gold, silver and a bronze medal. At the end of the summer, children who have finished the program should send me their completed Record Book with a parent's signature.

Those who reach the finish line by reading three books and sending me their Record Book will be awarded a special certificate and book mark for their efforts. However, their real reward will be better reading skills and, hopefully, a greater appreciation of the enjoyment that books can provide.

If your child in not already signed up for the program, you can visit my web site at www.senatormora-han.com, print out the registration from and send it to Senator Thomas P. Morahan, Room 848, Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12247. You could also contact my district office at 845-425-1818, and I would be more than happy to mail you a registration form. After I receive your response, I will mail a Summer Reading Olympics Record Book so your child can get started and achieve the goal of reading three books this summer.

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Warwick & Nearby

TUESDAYS

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TUESDAYS & SATURDAYS

Warwick Historical Society Museums will be open each Tuesday and Saturday in August. Hours 2-4:30 p.m. Baird Tavern, 1810 House, Meeting House and Shingle House. Free Admission. Donations appreciated.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Chess Club - The Tuscan Café, 5 South St., Warwick each Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. All levels welcome.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

MARTA, The Mid-Hudson Area Retired Teachers Association, 12 noon luncheon, own menu price, The Barnsider, Kings Highway, Sugar Loaf, Wed., Aug. 4. For information call 496-6117.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5

Reading the Warwick Landscape sponsored by the Albert Wisner Public Library at the Mt. Peter Hawk Watch Thurs., Aug. 5, 7 p.m. Speakers will present three topics: geology, ecology and history. After the talks the group will adjourn for an ice cream treat at the Bellvale Creamery. Call 986-1047 to register.

VFW Bus to Resorts at Atlantic City, Thurs., Aug. 5. Cost: \$22. For reservations call 986-4157.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

Open Mike at Warwick Reformed Church, Maple Ave., Warwick, Fri., Aug. 6. From traditional to contemporary, hymns to hip-hop, all styles of music are welcome. Sign up for musicians is 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and performances begin at 8. Two songs or ten minutes for each performer. Admission is free. Coffee and dessert served. For information call 234-5915.

Nachtigal & Starks musical duo return to Tuscan Café, 5 South St., Warwick, Fri., Aug. 6, 7:30 p.m.

Rebel Red will be onstage at Breakneck Bar at Hidden Valley, 44 Breakneck Rd., Vernon, N.J., Fri., Aug. 6, 9 p.m. For information call 201-764-4200.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

Auction sponsored by the Bellvale United Methodist Church, Bellvale Lakes Road, on Sat., Aug. 7. Viewing 9 a.m. with auctioning at 10 a.m. Rain date: Sat., Aug. 14. Chairs and refreshments available. Items include: furniture, dishes, tools, knick-knacks, household items and antiques. Bargains for everyone.

O.C. Peace & Justice Coalition Summer

Fundraising Party, Sat., Aug. 7, 2-7 p.m., Camp Winnestaska off Mountain Rd., Otisville on the Shawangunk Ridge. Proceeds to benefit billboard fund. "Take Back Our County. Register and Vote; A True Patriot Act." Afternoon fun for the whole family. For information call Patricia DeBruhl at 258-4645.

Warwick Valley Unplugged: Albert Wisner Public Library Young Adult Program. Do you play music, have a band, write poetry, or just need to express yourself? Sign up to perform at this Music/Poetry Festival on Sat., Aug. 7, 2:30-4:30 p.m. Bring band but it is an acoustic only event, so no electric instruments. Call 986-1047.

Rebel Red will be onstage at Freddie's Pub, 22 Spring St., Warwick, Sat., Aug. 7, 9:30 p.m. For information call 987-1042.

Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Sat., Aug. 7, 10 a.m.-12 noon, Warwick Ambulance Bay, 146 South St. Ext., Warwick.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

Florida Lions Club Bed Race, Sun., August 8 at Florida Fun Fest. For information call Sue 651-9141.

It's a Peach Party! Sun., Aug. 8, Warwick Valley Farmers' Market, South St. Vendors will be on-hand with peach recipes and samples. Balloons for children. Everyone can taste results of the "Peach Pie Plus" contest. Judging and sampling approx. 12:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

Art Collage: Albert Wisner Public Library Young Adult Program Wed., Aug. 11, 6 p.m. Help create a collage for the library with Graphic Artist/Sculpture Chris Georgalas. This program will meet Aug. 12 and 13 also to complete the collage. To sign up call 986-1047.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

"The Rage in Placid Lake" – Film at the Albert Wisner Public Library – Adult Program Fri., Aug. 13, 7:30 p.m. Seating is limited. Call 986-1047 to register.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

Jim Lord, singer/songwriter, Sat., Aug. 14, 7:30 p.m. followed by Sireen of Swamprock Rebel Red at 9 p.m., Tuscan Café, 5 South St., Warwick. For information call 987-2050.

Orange County Peace & Justice Coalition regular meeting Sat., Aug. 14, First Presbyterian Church, Middletown, 10 a.m. Enter from Robert St. entrance. All are welcome to attend. Bring canned goods for food pantry. For information call 986-5474.

MONDAY, AUGUST 16 – FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

Vacation Bible School – Lava Lava Island at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 95 Kings Highway, Warwick, Aug. 16-20, 9:30 a.m.-12 noon. Ages: Children who turned four by June 1 and children who had completed K-sixth grade. Suggested donation \$10. Register by calling the Church office 986-3040. Snacks and refreshments are provided.

Vacation Bible School – Bellvale United Methodist Church, Aug. 16-20, 9:30 a.m.-12 noon. Children ages 3-12 are invited to participate, in the "Hero Quest – Powered by Faith" program. For information call Mary Mayer at 986-2521.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

Mothers of Multiples Dinner, August 17, 7 p.m. at a local restaurant. Club also has infant/toddler/preschool playgroups. Call Tara Skinner at 845-496-5996.

Amnesty International meeting Tues., Aug. 17, 7:30 p.m., Tuscan Café, 5 South St., Warwick.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

Picnic by the Pond, Mid-Hudson Area Retired Teachers Assocation, Thomas Bull Memorial Park Boat House, Rte. 416 at Grove St., Montgomery, Wed., Aug. 18, 3:30-7:30 p.m. For information call 845-783-9330.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20 & SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

Rummage Sale sponsored by Court St. Anne #909, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Fri., Aug. 20 and Sat., Aug. 21, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., St. Edward's Hall in Florida. For information call 986-4367 or 986-3045.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

Five-hour pre-licensing course required for NYS Driver license applicants, Sat., Aug. 21, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Warwick Town Hall (front entrance), Kings Highway, Warwick. Cost \$30. Enrollees must hold a NYS Learners Permit before registering. To register call George Arnott 469-9482.

Defensive Driving Class Sat., Aug. 21, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Warwick Town Hall, Kings Highway (front door). Cost: \$39. To register call George Arnott 469-9482.

Adam, acoustic guitar covers of indie and punk, Sat., Aug. 21, 7:30 p.m., Tuscan Café, 5 South St., Warwick.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21 & SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

Country Corn & Peach Festival at Pennings Farm Market. A classic car show, food sampling, hayrides, pony rides, live music, sack races, recipe contest, corn eating contest, corn shucking, corn box digging, corn doll activity, barnyard buddies feeding korral, and much more. Treat yourself to a delicious array of food including: corn chowder, corn bread, corn muffins, roasted corn, farm fresh, juicy, ripe peaches, homemade peach cobbler and more. For information call 986-1059.

Defensive Driving Class Sat., Aug. 26, 5-10 p.m., American Legion Hall (side entrance), Forester Ave., Warwick. Cost: \$39. To register call George Arnott 469-9482.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

A 55 alive defense drivers course is being offered by AARP Chapter 377, Fri., Aug. 27, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Town Hall Senior Room, 132 Kings Highway, Warwick. Bring your lunch and beverage. First come first served. Call 341-1581 to get your name on the list. Make out check for \$10 to the AARP and send to Joe Kovak, 75 Commonwealth Ave., Middletown, NY 10940. He is conducting the course.

Justin Kipp, Fri., Aug. 27, 7:30 p.m., Tuscan Café, 5 South St., Warwick.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Warwick Lions 13th Annual Labor Day 5K Race Fitness Walk & Children's Fun Run, Mon., Sept. 6, 9 a.m. Warwick Middle School, Warwick. Prize money, trophies and medals. Music on the course, food and door prizes. Proceeds to Lions Quest Program for positive youth development in Warwick Schools K-12. \$15 before Aug. 22, \$17 race day. On line registration www.active.com. For more information mcmanus@warwick.net or 986-3054.





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Warwick Lions Race in Support of Community

All are invited to join in some healthy family fun at the Warwick Lions 13th Annual Labor Day 5K Race, Fitness Walk and Kids Fun Run on Labor Day, Mon., Sept. 6, at the Warwick Middle School, West St. Ext. in Warwick. The proceeds of this race will benefit the Lions Quest Program, an international education program that stresses the development of life skills such as critical thinking, multicultural understanding, teamwork, personal accountability, integrity, conflict resolution, and resistance to substance abuse.

Educators from all six schools in the Warwick Valley Central School District received training and are now certified to teach the program. Over the years, the Warwick Lions have contributed more than \$75,000 through grants and proceeds from the 5K Race. Each year funds are needed to continue training incoming teachers, and for the purchase of new workbooks and

other related materials. For more information on this program visit www.lionsquest.org.

The events of race day will begin with registration at 8 a.m., the race and walk starting at 9 a.m., followed by the Kids Fun Run. The moderately difficult course with rolling hills is in a beautiful country setting that is closed to traffic and is certified by the Orange Runners Club. There will be music in three places to keep the runners motivated. A pre-race warm up at 8:30 a.m. will get everyone off to a great start. Runners Ryan Kirkpatrick from Cornwall (14:31) and Barbara Sessa from Slate Hill (17:56) currently hold the course records. The walkers' course records are held by Brett Bobrzynski, Warwick (22:56) and Erika Reed, Goshen (27:11).

Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded to the first place male and female overall runners. Medals will be awarded three deep in all age groups with five-year splits in age groups 30 – 70 years. Cash prizes will be awarded to the first male and female overall walker. Medals will be awarded to the top three males and females only. Commemorative ribbons will be given to all Kids Fun Run participants, and there will be balloons for the children. All participants will be treated to a delicious array of post-race treats. Be sure to stay for the wonderful door prizes donated by Warwick's finest merchants.

Please come for a morning of family fun in beautiful Warwick. Pre-registration is \$15 early registration before Aug. 22, \$17 on race day and \$3 per child for the Fun Run. Newly designed custom T-shirts are guaranteed to pre-registered 5K participants. Online registration is now available at www.active.com. For an application or more information call Carol or George McManus 986-3054 or, e-mail mcmanus@warwick.net or visit the website at www.warwicklionsclub.org.

