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Town of Montgomery Town Board 2017 Meetings 7:00 pm

The Town Board meets the 1st and 2nd Thursday of the month.

Town of Montgomery Planning Board Notice of 2017 Meetings 7:30 pm

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Town of Montgomery Zoning Board of Appeals Notice of 2017 Meetings 7:00 pm

The Zoning Board meets every 3rd Monday of the month.

All meetings are held at the Town Government Center

110 Bracken Road, Montgomery, NY - Second Floor

Town Hall Regular Hours: Mon - Thurs: 8:15 - 5pm, Fri 8:15 - 12:15pm

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL - 2nd Wednesday of each month, 7 pm. Any resident with special knowledge of special habitat or species is invited to share their information with the council.

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FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOARD - Call for date and time.

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Village of Maybrook

2017 EVENTS AND PROGRAM CALENDAR

Village of Maybrook Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 9th noon (Rain date Sunday, April 23rd) at the David Weiss Memorial Park

Memorial Day Parade and Service

Monday, May 29th Parade starts at 9 am. Service immediately following

Maybrook Wind Ensemble "Spring Concert"

*To Be Announced

Village of Maybrook Annual Community Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, June 17th 8 am to 3 pm

Village of Maybrook Co-ed Beach Volleyball Recreation Program

*To Be Announced

Maybrook "Summer Concert"

*To Be Announced

Village of Maybrook Family Movie Night

Friday, June 23rd dusk on the Little League Field in the Frederick Myers Memorial Park

Village of Maybrook Annual 4th of July Kick Off Celebration

Friday, June 30th 7 to 10 pm at Frederick Myers Veterans Memorial Park. Live Music by "Hot Rod" and the Maybrook Boy Scout Troop 236 Marching Band *FIREWORKS* (Rain Date is July 3rd.)

Village of Maybrook Women's (over 25) Recreation Softball

Begins Tuesday, July 11th and ends Tuesday, August 15th

Village of Maybrook Family Movie Night

Friday, July 28th dusk on the Little League Field in the Frederick Myers Memorial Park

Village of Maybrook Women's (over 25) "FALL" Recreation Softball

Begins Tuesday, August 22nd - September 26th

Village of Maybrook Co-ed Adult (over 25) Chicago Softball

Begins Friday, September 8th and ends Friday, October 13th

Village of Maybrook Celebration

August 23rd - 26th - Carnival.
August 26th - Fireworks!

Village of Maybrook Annual 5k Race/Walk

*To Be Announced

Village of Maybrook Halloween Party

Sunday, October 29th noon at the Maybrook Senior Center

Maybrook Christmas Tree Lighting

Sunday, November 26th at 6 pm

Maybrook Wind Ensemble "Holiday Concert"

*To Be Announced

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☆ The Orange Blossoms in the Civil War ☆



A later reunion of the 124th New York Regiment after the Civil War. Of the original 950 in the 124th Regiment, only 130 would return on their feet in uniform.

Heroism and hesitance, selflessness and capitalism, all emerge in accounts of the 124th New York Regiment in the Civil War. Their nickname, “Orange Blossoms,” was spontaneously bestowed by Colonel Augustus Van Horn Ellis, and stems from their Orange County origins.

Rallying them for the Battle of Chancellorsville, Ellis called, “Hi, hi, my Orange Blossoms!” according to Charles LaRocca, of Montgomery, author of *The 124th New York State Volunteers in the Civil War: A History and Roster*.

Ellis took the expression “Hi, hi!” from his life as a San Francisco firefighter, where it was used as a rallying call in battling fires, said LaRocca.

Ellis, from New York, had gone to California for the Gold Rush, but came back East and moved to Orange County after marrying a woman there. He helped form the 124th Regiment in response to a call for enlistments

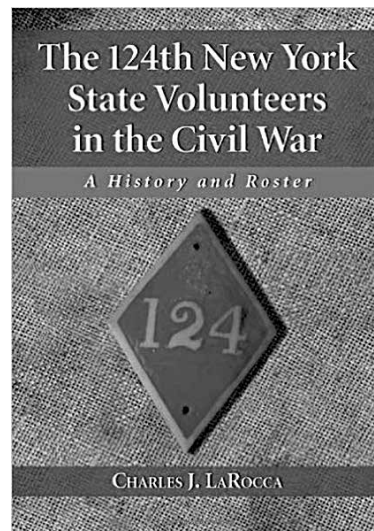
on July 1, 1862, as the Confederates pressed north toward Washington, reveling in their success, according to Charles Weygant, a soldier in the regiment who wrote an account of the war. He was a successful realtor and developer from Newburgh, said LaRocca.

Weygant described the challenge of getting anyone to enlist when Captain Ellis was assigned to put together a regiment. Aided by 30 men he appointed to recruit soldiers in every Orange County town, Weygant described how Ellis approached the project with grandiosity:

“I want, for subordinate officers, men who will not only be able in pushing forward the organization, but render efficient services at the front. For those who follow me will never, if I can prevent it, complain of being kept in the rear. A regiment of men is one thing. A regiment of fighting men is another. The country needs, and I want, the latter.”

Weygant recalled how Ellis energetically recruited him on the street. But despite Lincoln’s call, on July 1, for

300,000 recruits, by August 1, Ellis had gathered only eight men for the 124th Regiment in Orange County.



“No sooner did a man make known his determination to enlist than he was approached in some direct or indirect way by an enemy of his country in the person of his nearest neighbor and personal friend,” writes Weygant.

At that point, thousands had died fighting the Confederate Army, with little to show for it. So recruits were warned by friends and relatives that they would be leaving their families with minimal support, as the military paid only thirteen dollars a month, and even that irregularly. And they would likely come back crippled, if at all.

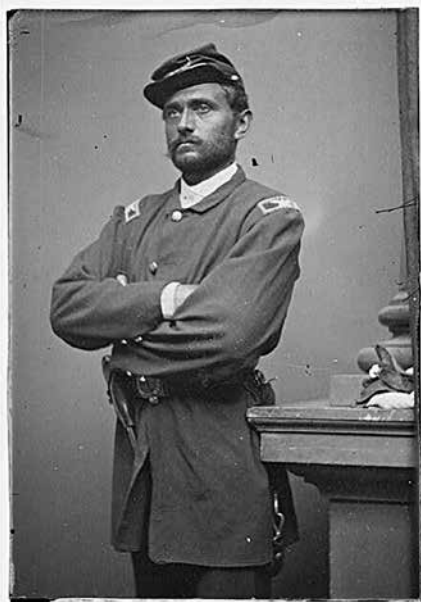
These were convincing arguments, abetted by peace Democrats, whom Republicans called “copperheads.” They had strongholds in Middletown and Crawford, as well as New York City, LaRocca says. In New York, they held war protests and rioted.

But Lincoln took liberties with the right to free speech and declared such dissuasions treasonous, as they occurred all over the North. Newspapers were shut down, and arrests were made, including two in Cornwall, LaRocca said.

However, the summer harvest in August was also an obstacle to enlistment in Orange County, said LaRocca. As that passed, and General George



David Crist, of Montgomery, was part of the 124th Regiment.



Colonel Augustus Van Horn Ellis.



Wounded civil war soldiers at Carver General Hospital Washington, D.C.

McClellan won some victories in the South, recruits increased.

For many, the war only “coincidentally ended slavery,” with which the Orange Blossoms had little contact, LaRocca said. “Saving the Union was the reason the vast majority joined up. But when they came into contact with slaves in Virginia below Richmond, they saw how bad slavery was. Slaves rushed to get into Union lines, but they were welcome only in the navy, because it was so brutal.”

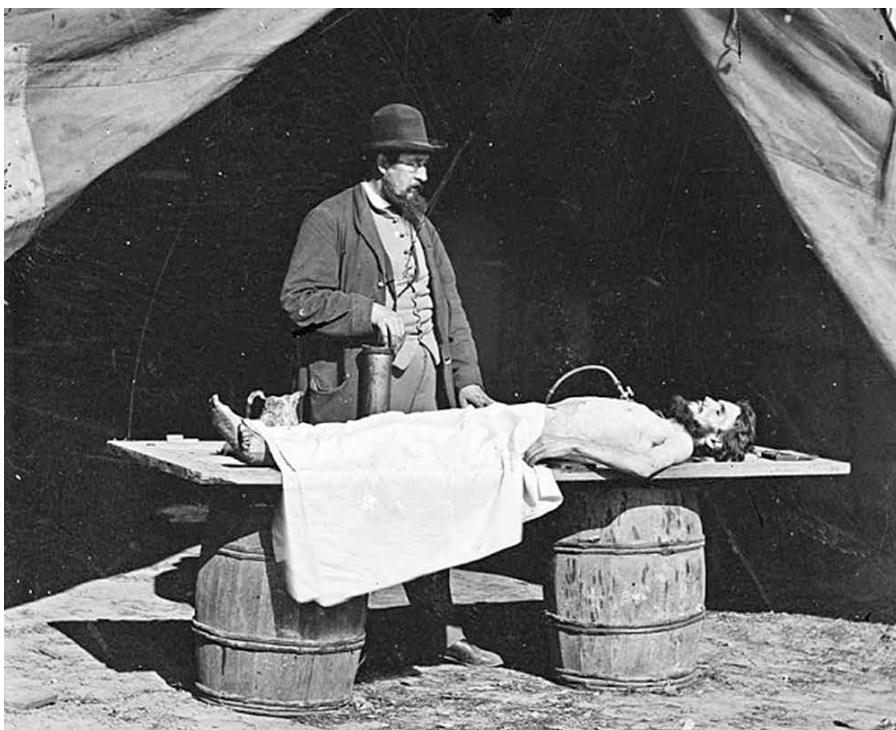
About 180,000 black soldiers served in the Civil War, but they were paid \$10 a month rather than the \$13 paid to white soldiers, he said.

However, Walden historian Mary Ellen Matise points out that the Methodists, who had a following in Walden, were anti-slavery, and some Walden recruits likely joined the army for “moral reasons.”

A number of Walden residents joined Company H of the 124th New York Regiment, LaRocca said. David Crist, of Montgomery, probably a wealthy farmer, recruited and led the company. They went to war in September of 1862 with about 81 of the 950 recruits in the regiment,



Union soldiers part of the 124th Regiment, Company H.



A dead soldier is embalmed for transport. Many families wanted bodies shipped home to bury. That trend prompted innovations in embalming practices, so people could see their dead more like how they were in life.

LaRocca said. Each company was expected to bring 100 recruits, but some would abandon the company before they left. By April 28, 1863, when the Battle of Chancellorsville began, Company H would have 57 men, and by July 1, when the Battle of Gettysburg began, only 34 were left, after losses from death, injury, and disease, said LaRocca.

“The regiment was reinforced later in the war, and a number of men from the 18th New York Infantry and the US Sharpshooters joined them,” said LaRocca. “I’m sure they were happy to have them, as they were battle tested vets instead of draftees.”

Weygant described the original composition of Company H: “There were among its members an unusually large number of men who were possessed of a good share of this world’s goods, and left behind them most attractive homes,” he wrote.

But many in the company also came from Walden Knife Works, he said, and the company “boasted a large amount of superior musical

talent.”

English immigrants from Walden joined Company H too, said Matise.

Meanwhile, she noted, the knife company “made a killing” on selling pocket knives and fork, knife, and spoon sets to soldiers, while the Borden Company sold them evaporated milk and beef jerky.

The army provided minimally for soldiers, paying them \$13 a month intermittently. Matise has letters from a Walden family who had to borrow against a soldier’s delayed pay check for rent and food.

“When Walden people realized how hard it was for soldiers and their families, they held fundraisers,” she said. She also has records from a family who sent scarves and knee-high boots to a soldier whose ankle boots were insufficient in Virginia mud.

Walden had a population of about 350 then, so everyone knew each other,

said Matise.

Meanwhile, at war, courage could be deadly, and military bravado prevailed. LaRocca described a march through Virginia, when a man along the way mocked the regiment’s new uniforms. Colonel Ellis beat him up and then made him walk several miles.

“The message was, ‘You don’t have to take that, but watch out,’” said LaRocca. Soldiers were also subjected to harsh discipline.

A risky behavior was required. LaRocca described a juncture at Chancellorsville when the company was approaching the enemy amid overgrown jungle-like territory. The commanding officer asked Crist to step out in front to dig a trench. Inevitably aware of the danger in a clearing surrounded by woods that could hide enemy soldiers, he still followed orders. He was immediately shot and killed. Ellis would meet his end at

Gettysburg, as Confederate soldiers kept being replenished, while Union troops dwindled.

Weygant writes: “Now seen in bold relief, now lost amid clouds of powder smoke . . . we see his proud form rise in the stirrups; his long sharp sword is extended upward, a half uttered order escapes his lips, when suddenly his trusty blade falls, point downward, his chin drops on his breast, and his body with a weave pitches forward among the rocks; at which his wounded beast rears and with a mad plunge dashes away . . .”

Little wonder that Stephen Crane’s Civil War novel, *Red Badge of Courage*, is largely about a young man coping with fear. Crane gathered much of his material from interviewing Port Jervis Civil War veterans.

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Local & Vicinity News.

Soldiers' Letters from the One Hundred and Twenty-Fourth.

CO. G, 124TH REGIMENT N. Y. V., 3D CORPS, STONEMAN'S SWITCH, NEAR FALMOUTH, VA., May 8th, 1863.

Excerpt...

CAMP STONEMAN, May 7, 1863.

DEAR FATHER: It was with a sorrowful heart that I entered our old camp. We have had a hard time and a bloody battle; our regiment suffered severely; our loss must be about two hundred in killed and wounded. Our company lost a good many; it does not seem like the same place. I wrote you two letters from the other side the river but I do not know that you will get them. I escaped injury, and have come out all right. We had some very hard marches. The Captain was slightly wounded in the chin; he came to the company to-day. Gowdy is wounded pretty badly the leg; he is at the Division Hospital, I saw him to-day. We had six killed sure, and I think seven. —W. L. Fairchild, Van Keuren Crist, C. Foster, D. Mould, J. Delamater, Geo. O. Fuller, C. S. man—the last was badly wounded and I think could not live; eighteen were wounded, J. Rowla was among them, but I cannot give the names. It was a terrible fight, and we had a hard place. They drove us off the ground at last, but we gave them a hard time. Orange County need not be ashamed of the One Hundred and Twenty-Fourth Regiment, brave men never stood before the enemy; they stood till they got their orders to fall back, although the men were falling thick and fast, and then fell back in good order. We made one charge after we fell back, and drove them before us, but they came again in force, and we had to fall back. Our colors were shot down three times. I was struck with a spent ball on the shin, but it did not hurt me an

Our brigade was the last to leave the breastwork. When the retreat was made we were four miles from the river; we covered the retreat, starting at three o'clock in the morning, roads very muddy, making it the hardest march we have ever had, getting to camp at three o'clock in the afternoon—eighteen miles, and mud very deep.
Your affectionate son,
JOHN R. HAYS.

[We have received from Mr. John Chatfield, of Cornwall, permission to publish the following portion of another letter received by him from P. P. H., whose letter, under date of May 2, was printed in Saturday's *Daily Journal*. We commence our extract at the point where the first letter closed an account of the regiment's movements up to Saturday noon, when orders for a march were received. The regiment was then near Chancellorsville.—*Ed. Jour.*]

CAMP AT STONEMAN'S, VA., Thursday Evening, May 7, 1863.

We were not to remain here long. Soon the order came for us to fall in, and on we went; and if we were not marched around the remainder of that day until nine or ten o'clock at night, then no troops ever were. I cannot begin to tell you all, nor will I attempt to. Suffice it to say we were all of us nearly exhausted.

In later years, LT. John R. Hays owned a business in Walden and with his wife, Sarah Millspaugh Hays, lived in the beautiful Victorian home on Maple Street now owned by Historical Society Trustees Nancy and David Ohlmer.



...We have posted more of the letters on our website www.thewaldenhouse.org

Some are undated. *Newburgh Daily Journal* except where otherwise noted

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Historic Montgomery Association. Meets the 4th Tuesday of each month, at 7:30 p.m. at Montgomery Museum. 457-3457.

Maybrook Railroad Historical Society. Meets first Monday of each month at Maybrook Government Center, foot of Schipps Lane, 7 p.m. Working to preserve village's railroad history.

Pine Bush Volunteer Ambulance Corps Auxiliary. Meets third Tuesday of each month at the ambulance building at 7 p.m.

Historical Society of Gardiner. Call Mary Beth Majestic at 255-0091.

Historical Society of Shawangunk and Gardiner. Regular meetings are held at 7 p.m. Community room, Town of Shawangunk Town Hall in Wallkill. 744-3357.

Historical Society of Walden and the Wallkill Valley. Society meetings are the third Wednesday of the month, April- June and Sept. -Dec. at 7:30 p.m. at the Walden House. thewaldenhouse.org. Info: Anita Vandermark 778-7772.

Humane Society of Walden. Box 135, 2489 Albany Post Road, Walden. Open every day, 1-4 p.m., serving the Towns of Montgomery, Hamptonburgh, Shawangunk and Wawarsing. Meetings are every 3rd Wednesday at the Walden Savings Bank, Route 17K, Scotts Corners, at 7 p.m. Info: 778-5115.

Hudson Valley Garden Association. Meets 4th Sunday of the Month at Shawangunk Town Hall, Central Ave., Wallkill. hvga.org

Montgomery Chapter, Knights of Columbus. Meets 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at St. Mary's Parish Hall, Boyd St, Montgomery. 457-5150.

Most Precious Blood Knights of Columbus Council #9254. Business meeting every first Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Father Sullivan Hall, 42

Walnut Street, Walden Social meeting every 3rd Friday 7 p.m. in Father Sullivan Hall. Grand Knight: Paul J. Plate' 774-9964.

Town of Montgomery Lions Club. Meets at Camillo's Restaurant, Scotts Corner, on second and fourth Thursdays of month, 7 p.m.

Pine Bush Lions Club. Meets first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Infant Saviour Church on Route 302.

Walker Valley Sportsman's Club. Meets the second Friday of each month at 7 p.m. 34 Sportsmans Lane (off Oregon Trail), Walker Valley.

Wallkill Lions. Meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Elsie's Restaurant. Lee Titus is president.

Wallkill Lodge No. 627 F & AM. Meets at Masonic Temple, Main St., Walden, above COC Music Info: 778-7148.

Walden Community Council. Dedicated to improving the quality of life in Walden. Meets 2nd Wed. of the month at 7 p.m. Info: Jodi Lynn, 778-7442. waldencommunitycouncil.org

Walden Rotary. Meets Monday at 12:15 p.m. Spruce Lodge, Coldenham.

Walden Sunshine Society. A good neighbor organization whose members regularly visit shut-ins. First Tuesday of each month, at the 2nd Floor Community Room of the Walden Municipal Building at 1 p.m. Info: Anita Vandermark 778-7772.

Walden Woman's Club. Organized in 1909 to promote mental, cultural and community improvement, and encouraging a generous public spirit. Meets 3rd Mon. of the month. Info: Mary Ellen Matise, 778-1369.

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ART CLUBS

Country Quilters Guild. Meets every Monday (all day) at the Walker Valley Schoolhouse and the second Wednesday of each month from 7- 9:30 p.m. at the Crawford Town Hall. Contact Carol Kilian at 283-7546.

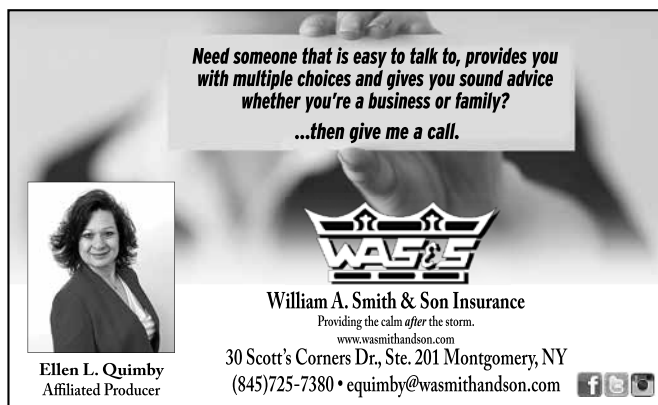
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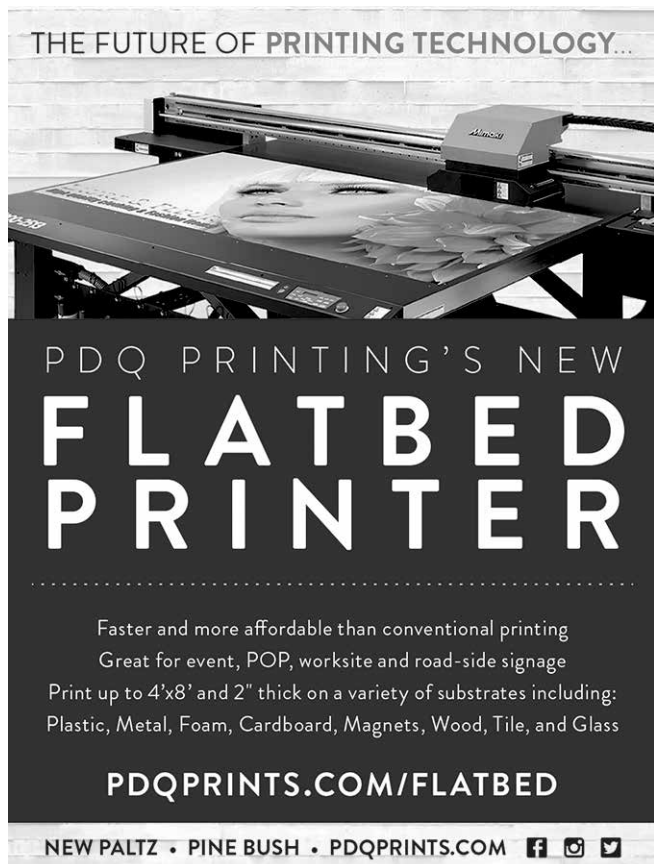


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Of the original 950 in the 124th Regiment, only 130 would return on their feet in uniform, LaRocca says. While 240 died in battle or from wounds afterward, for every soldier who died in battle, four died of diseases. Forty died of typhoid fever in camps during the first winter, he said.

Medical knowledge was so rudimentary that a wound that at first appeared to be healing would fester and kill the soldier later. Such was the fate of Lyman Fairchild, from Walden, who died of a thigh wound in a hospital in Washington, DC.

He was 54 and had already lost his brother, William, in battle. His age and membership in the Walden Methodist Church suggest to Matisse that his enlistment might have had moral roots, she said.

His wife, like many others who lost family, wanted his body shipped home to bury. That trend prompted innovations in embalming practices, so people could see their dead more like how they were in life, according to Mickey Millspaugh, of Walden, a Civil War buff, whose distant relatives fought in the war.



Charles LaRocca, author of "The 124th New York State Volunteers in the Civil War: A History and Roster."



Walden's Civil War memorial over the years.

Many of the Walden dead were buried in the Methodist Church Cemetery, says Matisse. But in the mid-1870's Walden residents near the cemetery, especially those living downhill from it, complained about the threat of water "contamination" from the bodies. A law was passed requiring their removal.

The bodies may have been moved to the Wallkill Valley Cemetery, Matisse says. Meanwhile, the cemetery property remains empty, occupied only by a single pine tree.

Charles LaRocca is still looking for letters to and from Civil War soldiers.

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Maybrook

George C. Bullis Memorial Community Center. 101 Main Street and Route 208, Maybrook. 427-2914. gcblibrary@hvc.rr.com Manager: Jenny-Ann Lally . Hours: Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri., 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Thurs., 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Saturday opens for passport appointments. Closed Sundays.

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Montgomery Free Library. In Village Hall, 133 Clinton Street,

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Pine Bush

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Plattekill

Plattekill Public Library. 2047 Route 32, Modena. 883-7286. Director: John Georghiou. Hours: Mon., 2-6 p.m.; Tues., 12 - 8 p.m.; Wed., 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Thurs., 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Fri., 12 - 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-3 p.m. plattekill.lib.ny.us.

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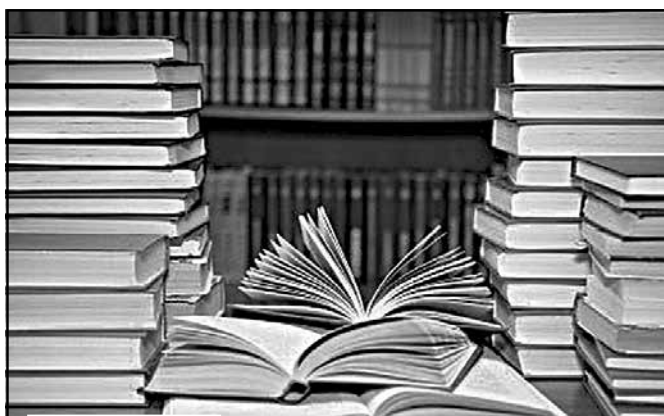
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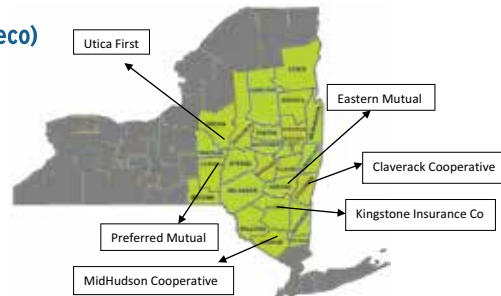
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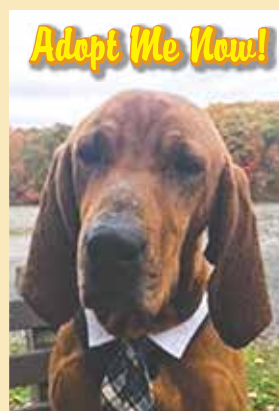


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GOVERNMENT

TOWN OF CRAWFORD

History: Crawford was first settled by the Thomas Bull family who, appropriately enough, founded the hamlet of Bullville circa 1760. The hamlet of Pine Bush first came into being circa 1765 when Robert Milliken settled there. The Searsville area was first settled by Johannes Snider circa 1768.

But Crawford was not to become an official township until Mar. 4, 1823, when it was formed from the Town of Montgomery. There has been a recent resurgence in the hamlet with work proceeding to upgrade and restore the Main Street area.

Most of the growth in the outlying areas has been residential, with horse farms a growing land use in recent years. The town now includes nearly 50 square miles and a population of about 7,875.

TOWN DIRECTORY

Town Office: 121 Route 302, Pine Bush, 744-2029.

Supervisor: Charles Carnes.

Council: Deputy Supervisor Daniel Flanick, Kelly Eskew, Michael Menendez, Rob Sassi.

Town Board Meetings: Regular meetings the 3rd Thursday at 7 p.m.

Town Clerk: Jolene Roy, 744-2029.

Town Justice: Bryan Kulak and Jane Harrington.

Planning Board Chairman: Linda Zwart.

Planning board meetings: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 7 p.m.

ZBA Chairman: Bruce Schwope.

ZBA meetings: 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Police Chief: Dominick Blasko, 744-5000.

Building Inspector: John Calaca, 744-3912.

Pine Bush Fire Chief: Neal Russell, 744-2681.

Bullville Fire Chief: William Bacon, 361-3939.

Highway Superintendent: Larry Marshall, 744-8069.

Assessor: Eileen Reichle, 744-3721.

Tax Collector: Connie Latimer, 744-3953.

Community Services Director: Domanie Ragni, 744-8230.

TOWN OF GARDINER

History: The first settlers were descendants of the New Paltz Patentees and Dutch from the towns of Shawangunk and Rochester. In the latter half of the 19th century, Irish families came to settle in Gardiner.

The town was formed April 2, 1854 from the nearby townships of Shawangunk, Rochester and New Paltz. It was named for Addison Gardiner, a Rochester resident who was elected Lieutenant Governor in 1844.

Ireland Corners was settled in 1763 by Daniel Deyo. Two Irishmen, John and Charles Geirigan, settled there in the 1830s and built a small corner store. The Ireland Corners Hotel was built in the late 1800s.

The town's oldest business is the Tuthilltown Grist Mill, which was built in 1788 by Sela Tuthill and has been in operation virtually continuously since then. In addition to the grist mill, the Wallkill River also provided water power for wood and woolen mills.

The first apple orchards began in operation around 1810. Today, the orchards remain a vital part of the Gardiner community.

TOWN DIRECTORY

Town Hall: 2340 Route 44/55, Gardiner, 255-9675.

Supervisor: Marybeth Majestic. 255-9675, x101.

Council members: Michael Reynolds, David Dukler, John Hinson and Laura F. Walls.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Michelle Mosher, 255-9675, x100.

Town Board Meetings: 1st, 2nd Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m.

Highway Superintendent: Brian Stiscia, 255-1381.

Planning Board Chairman: Michael Boylan, 255-9675, x108.

Building Inspector: Henry Vance, III, 256-9675, x107.

Town Library: Nicole Lane. 255-1255.

Town Justices: Bruce Blatchly, Robert Rich, 256-0017, x106.

Assessor: Maureen Gallagher, 255-9675, x105.

ZBA Chairman: Michael Beck, 255-9675, x108.

Historian: A. J. Schenkman, 399-5884.

TOWN OF MONTGOMERY

History: During its earliest settling in the 17th century, it was known as the Precinct of Shawangunk and was originally part of Ulster County. In 1743 it became known as the Precinct of Wallkill and in 1772 the Precinct of Hanover. It received its current name in 1788 in honor of the well-known patriot and soldier, General Richard Montgomery. Montgomery was a Brigadier General in the Revolutionary army and died at the storming of Quebec in 1775.

The Town of Montgomery includes 3 waterways, the Tinbrook, Muddykill, and The Wallkill River. The later is celebrated as one of the few rivers to flow north in the Eastern United States. These waterways were ideal sites for Indian settlements, and remnants of their inhabitation are still found today.

In the early 18th century, a man by the name of Cadwallader Colden settled in the area. Colden was named the first surveyor general in 1720, and soon after was named to Governor Burnett's provincial council. In 1761 he became lieutenant governor of New York. He was one of the most learned men of the colonies and was a frequent correspondent of Benjamin Franklin. Colden, also a physician, contributed substantially to a variety of intellectual and scientific fields. He studied botany, physics and philosophy and was published several times on his findings. The area he settled in was called Coldenham, which is the present Coldenham, located off of 17K.

TOWN DIRECTORY

Town Hall: 110 Bracken Road, Montgomery, 457-2660.

Supervisor: Michael Hayes, 457-2600.

Town Council: Daniel Dempsey, Jr., Mark Hoyt, Cindy Voss, Sheryl Melick.

Town Board Meetings: Regular meetings first and second Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Town Clerk: Tara Stickles, 457-2660.

Town Justices: Fred Gorss and Raynard Ozman, 457-2620.

Assessor: Dennis Ketcham, 457-2650.

GOVERNMENT

Building Inspector: Walter Schmidt, 457-2640.

Police Chief: Arnold "Butch" Amthor, 457-9211.

Highway Superintendent: Charles Woznick, 457-2610

Planning Board Chairman: Fred Reichle, 457-2643.

Planning Board meetings: 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month at 7:30 p.m.; work sessions held the first Wednesday of every month at 9 a.m.

ZBA Chairman: John Fallon, 457-2644.

Historian: John Pennings, 845-457-9098

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Fire Chief: Charles Woznick, 427-2220.

Director of Public Works: Matt Thorp, 427-2222.

ZBA Chairman: John Jardine.

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VILLAGE OF MAYBROOK

History: The Village of Maybrook was incorporated in 1925. A village literally built by the railroad, the roots of Maybrook actually date back to 1735, when land was deeded for a highway to be extended from the Town of Shawangunk to Goshen, passing in front of the Goodwill Church.

For many years, the road which is now Route 208 was called the Walden Road, but in 1950, the portion passing through the village was renamed Homestead Avenue in honor of the early owners of homesteads along this road.

In the early 1880s, this valley was first considered ideal for a railroad line and, in 1883, the first surveys were made for a rail line through the Wallkill Valley, from Hamptonburgh to Montgomery, to connect existing Erie and Lehigh and Hudson Lines. In 1887, plans were unveiled for the construction of the Poughkeepsie Railroad Bridge, enabling goods from all western portions of the country to be delivered to New England and, in return, expedite the flow of industrial products from the New England states to the western portion of the country.

The steel rails were laid in April of 1889 through the settlement of Orange Junction. The name was later changed to Maybrook Junction and, eventually, to Maybrook.

In 1908, the Orange County Railroad began to enlarge the existing railroad yards, buying farmland on the east side of the tracks. The enlargement made Maybrook one of the largest freight terminals in the east.

In 1968, the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad was consolidated with the Penn Central, signaling the beginning of the end of Maybrook as an active railroad town. Lines were diverted and the business began to decline, grinding to a full stop in 1973, when a fire destroyed the Poughkeepsie Railroad Bridge.

VILLAGE DIRECTORY

Village Office: 111 Schipps Lane, 427-2717.

Mayor: Dennis Leahy, 234-6021. dennisk.leahy@gmail.com

Trustees: Noreen Reynolds, Kevin Greany, James Barnett, Robert Pritchard

Village Board Meetings: 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

Village Clerk and Treasurer: Valentina Johnson, 427-2717, ext 201
vjohanson@villageofmaybrook.com

Village Justice: William J. Schimpf.

Building Inspector: Tim Ippolito, 427-5293.

Planning Board Chairman: John Wilson.

Planning Board meetings: 1st Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Police Chief: Arnold "Butch" Amthor, 427-2226. tmpdchief@frontier-

VILLAGE OF MONTGOMERY

History: When James Ward bought a mill on the east side of the Wallkill River in 1740, he built the first bridge across the river and opened up the land for development that would one day become the Village of Montgomery.

The village's history is closely tied in with that of the town when the families of Jacob Bookstaver, Frederick Sinsabaugh and Johannes Youngblood bought an 800-acre tract here in 1735. Before even that date, however, they had journeyed to this area to help found the Brick Reformed Church.

What is now the village was called Ward's Bridge. It was included with the Precinct of Shawangunk in Ulster County until 1743 when it became the Precinct of Wallkill. In 1772, the precinct was divided and that portion containing the village became the Precinct of Hanover.

After the Revolutionary War, Hanover became the Township of Montgomery, named in honor of the general who fell at the Battle of Quebec.

But it wasn't until Feb. 17, 1810 that Ward's Bridge was formally incorporated as the Village of Montgomery. There followed the boom years of the village, with the famous Montgomery Academy growing and many general stores, drug stores, tobacco shops, blacksmiths, carriage shops, newspaper offices and law offices springing up all over. The financial depression that socked the nation in 1830 hit Montgomery as well, and it didn't really recover until ground was broken for the Montgomery Branch Railroad in 1866. Other rail lines followed, and the village boomed again.

VILLAGE DIRECTORY

Village Office: 133 Clinton Street, 457-9661.

Mayor: L. Stephen Brescia.

Trustees: JoAnn Scheels, Darlene Andolsek, Michael Hembury, Walter Lindner.

Village Board Meetings: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Village Clerk: Monseratte Stanley, 457-9661.

Village Justice: Andrew Roepe.

Village Treasurer: David Griffith.

Building Inspectors: Bruce Yancewicz Sr., Eugene Jacques, 457-9261.

DPW Superintendent: Buddy Nelson, 457-5321.

Planning Board Chairman: Kevin Conero.

Planning Board Meetings: 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Police Chief: Steven Walsh, 457-3666.

Fire Chief: Robert Pressler, 457-3205.

Historian: Marion Wild.

ZBA Chairman: Randy Wilbur.

GOVERNMENT

VILLAGE OF WALDEN

History: The first settlements of the lands surrounding the high falls of the Wallkill occurred in the middle of the 18th century, decades before a wealthy merchant named Jacob Walden found it to his liking.

In the mid-1700s, the land was part of the Wallkill Precinct and was the home of a grist mill believed to have been built by James Kidd and his family in a place they called Kiddtown.

In 1812, a New York City businessman, who had made his fortune as a mercantile trader, visited the area. Jacob Walden and his wife were so impressed, they decided to settle here and bought many of the farmlands along the river, including the old grist mill. The family resided in a stone house at what is now the corner of Wait and North Montgomery Streets and the property of the Historical Society of Walden and the Wallkill Valley. The stone house remained in the Walden family until 1856, when it was sold to Edward Wait.

Walden set out to encourage manufacturers to locate in the area. The Franklin Company, founded in 1822 by Jesse Scofield and Dr. S.C. Capron, was erected at the site of the original grist mill. The company manufactured cotton and woolen goods and by 1934 had become the largest manufacturer of flannel in the U.S.

In 1831, E.W. Bridges was commissioned by Walden to plot and map all of his lands and the adjoining area. It was the first map of what was to become, in 1855, the Village of Walden.

Through the years, Walden gained a reputation for its knife manufacturing industries, with the Alden and the New York Knife Works becoming the major industries of the area around the turn-of-the-century. After the first World War, the knife industry declined and disappeared from the village altogether when Schrade Cutlery moved to Ellenville.

VILLAGE DIRECTORY

Village Office: One Municipal Square, 778-2177.

Mayor: Susan Rumbold.

Village Manager: John Revella, 778-2177, ext 1500.

Village Trustees: Sean Hoffman, Ed Leonard, Gerald Mishk, Brian Sebring, Brenda Adams, John Ramos.

Village Board Meetings: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Village Clerk: Tara Lown Bliss, 778-2177, ext 1501.

Village Treasurer: Kelly A. Kelly, 778-2177, ext 1502.

Village Justices: Raynard Ozman, 778-1632.

Court Clerk: Gayle Smith, 778-2177, ext 1507.

Police Chief: Jeffrey Holmes, 778-5595. jholmes@waldenpd.com.

Fire Chief: Charles McNeely.

Librarian: Ginny Neidermier, 778-7621.

Building Inspector: Dean Stickle, 778-2177.

Planning Board Chairman: Stan Plato.

Planning Board Meetings: 1st Monday & 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

ZBA Chairman: Brenda Adams.

ZBA Meetings: 1st Thursday of the month (as needed) at 7:30 p.m.

Recreation Director: Michael Bliss, 778-2655.

TOWN OF SHAWANGUNK

History: According to local historian Marc B. Fried, the first settler in what was to become Shawangunk was Gertrude Brown, whose deed from the Esopus Indians for the "land named Sawankonck" is dated January 24, 1682. From an ancient map, a copy of which is displayed in Shawangunk Town Hall, it is apparent that Gertrude (a widow) and her three young children

actually settled on their land within the next five years. A tract of more than 1,200 acres, lying south of the Bruyn Parcel was obtained by members of the van Camp, Decker, Terwilliger and Shut families, whose October 1694 patent indicates that by that date, the proprietors has already "made considerable improvements by settling, cultivating and manueing the same and whereof thay are now Actually Possesst." The Bruyn and van Camp/Decker tracts were along the Shawangunk Kill.

The Precinct of Shawangunk was created in the early 1700s, with Shawangunk officially becoming a township on Mar. 7, 1788.

With an area of about 57 square miles and a population of about 12,022, Shawangunk has seen the hamlet of Wallkill become the business center of the town. Just outside of the hamlet, the Wallkill and Shawangunk Correctional Facilities are big employers there.

TOWN DIRECTORY

Town Office: 14 Central Avenue, Wallkill, 895-2611.

Supervisor: John Valk Jr., 895-2900.

Council: Brian Amthor, Robert Miller, Adrian Dewitt, Matthew Watkins.

Town Board: 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

Town Clerk: Jane Rascoe, 895-2611.

Town Justice: Mike Voss and Kevin Hunt, 895-2111.

Building Inspector: George Sawyer, 895-2904.

ZBA Chairman: Archie Reid, 895-3356, ext. 2.

Police Chief: Frank Petrone, 895-2317.

Shawangunk Valley Fire Chief: Kathy Miller. 895-3600

Walker Valley Fire Chief: David Grass.

Wallkill Fire Chief: Joe LoCicero, 895-2303.

Assessor: Curt Schoeberl, 895-2143.

Highway Superintendent: Joe LoCicero, 895-3620.

Planning Board Chair: Mark Watkins, 895-3356.

Recreation Director: Gillian Batchasingh

TOWN OF WALLKILL

History: William and Thomas Bull were the first settlers of the town, having settled along the Wallkill River in about 1767.

The town's principal industries are aluminum soft drink and beer cans, custom cabinets, lead reclamation, agriculture, food distribution, shopping centers and Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

TOWN DIRECTORY

Town Hall: 99 Tower Drive, Bldg. A, Middletown 10941, 692-7800.

Supervisor: Dan Depew, 692-7832.

Council members: Mark Coyne, Neil Meyer, Eric Valentin, Eric Johnson.

Town Board: 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Town Clerk: Louisa Ingrassia, 629-7826.

Assessor: Lisa Chutka, 692-7811.

Planning Board Chairman: Gary Lake, 629-7814.

Planning Board Meetings: 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month, 7:30 p.m.

Commissioner of Public Works: Louis J. Ingrassia, Jr. 326-1435.

Building Inspector: Eugene Jaques, 697-7808.

Water and Sewer Department: Timothy Grogan, 342-1668.

Police Chief: Robert Hertman, 692-6757.

Highway Superintendent: Louis Ingrassia, 361-1106.

Historian: Dorothy Hunt-Ingrassia, 692-7840.

Town Justices: Joseph Owen, Patrick Owen and Peter Green.

ZBA Chairman: Roger DeRoziere, 629-7800.

Parks Director: Jay McClintock, 361-2422

SCHOOLS

PINE BUSH Central School District

District Offices: Route 302, Pine Bush. District offices and all schools, 744-2031.

Superintendent: Tim Mains x4009

School Board President: Lloyd Greer Jr. x4023.

Website: www.pinebushschools.org

School Board Meetings: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m.; location varies.

Schools:

Pine Bush High School. Route 302, Pine Bush. 744-2031, ext. 3600. Principal: Aaron Hopmayer

Crispell Middle School. Route 302, Pine Bush. 744-2031, ext. 4400. Principal: John Boyle.

Circleville Middle School. Route 302, Circleville. 744-2031, ext. 5600. Principal: Lisa Hankinson

Edward J. Russell Elementary School. Holland Ave., Pine Bush. 744-2031, ext. 4200. Principal: Lisa Burnside

Pakanasink Elementary School. Route 302, Circleville. 744-2031, ext. 5700. Principal: Brian Breheny

Pine Bush Elementary School. Ulsterville Road, Pine Bush. 744-2031, ext. 4300. Principal: Eric Winter

Circleville Elementary School. Route 302, Circleville. 744-2031, ext. 5500. Principal: Amy Brockner

VALLEY CENTRAL School District

District Offices: Route 17K, Montgomery. 457-2400

Superintendent: John Xanthis, 457-2400 x18510

School Board President: Brad Conklin, 401-9238

School Board Meetings: 2nd and fourth Mondays of the month at 6:45 p.m. in the Central Office.

Website: www.vcsd.k12.ny.us

Schools:

Valley Central High School. Route 17K, Montgomery. Principal: Jayme Ginda-Baxter, 457-2400 x17523.

Valley Central Middle School. Route 17K, Montgomery. Principal: Ned Hayes, 457-2400 x16510.

Berea Elementary School. Route 17K, Montgomery. Principal: John Solimando, 457-2400 x11501

East Coldenham Elementary School. Route 17K, Coldenham. Principal: Marianne Serratore, 457-2400 x12500

Montgomery Elementary School. Union St., Montgomery. Principal: Matthew Canino, 457-2400 x14510.

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SCHOOLS

WALLKILL Central School District

District Offices: Main St., Wallkill. 895-7100.

Superintendent: Kevin Castle

School Board President: Joseph LoCicero

School Board Meetings: 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at alternating sites.

Website: www.wallkillcsd.k12.ny.us

Schools:

Wallkill Senior High School. Robinson Drive, Wallkill. 895-7150. Principal: Michael Rydell.

John G. Borden Middle School. 109 Bona Ventura Ave. Wallkill. 895-7175. Principal: Marjorie Anderson

Leptondale Elementary School. Mill St., Leptondale. 895-7200. Principal: Scott Brown

Ostrander Elementary School. Viola St., Wallkill. 895-7225. Principal: Nicholas Pantaleone

Plattekill Elementary School. Route 32, Plattekill. 895-7250. Principal: Monica Hasbrouck

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Chapel Field Christian School. 211 Fleury Rd., Pine Bush. Principal: D. Stein. 778-1881. dstein@chapelfield.org

Harmony Christian School. 1790 Route 211 E, Middletown. 692-5353. Administrator: Kevin Barry

Ms. Claire's Montessori School. 8 Factory Street, Montgomery. Director: Claire Pahucki, 845-522-9652. Second location at 924 Homestead Ave., Maybrook (845-926-6486).

Montgomery Montessori School. 136 Clinton St., Montgomery. PreK-8th grade. 845-401-9232. Director: Parinaz Mokhtari

Most Precious Blood Elementary School. 180 Ulster Ave., Walden. 778-3028. Catholic school serving students in kindergarten through eighth grade. Principal: Patricia Walsh.

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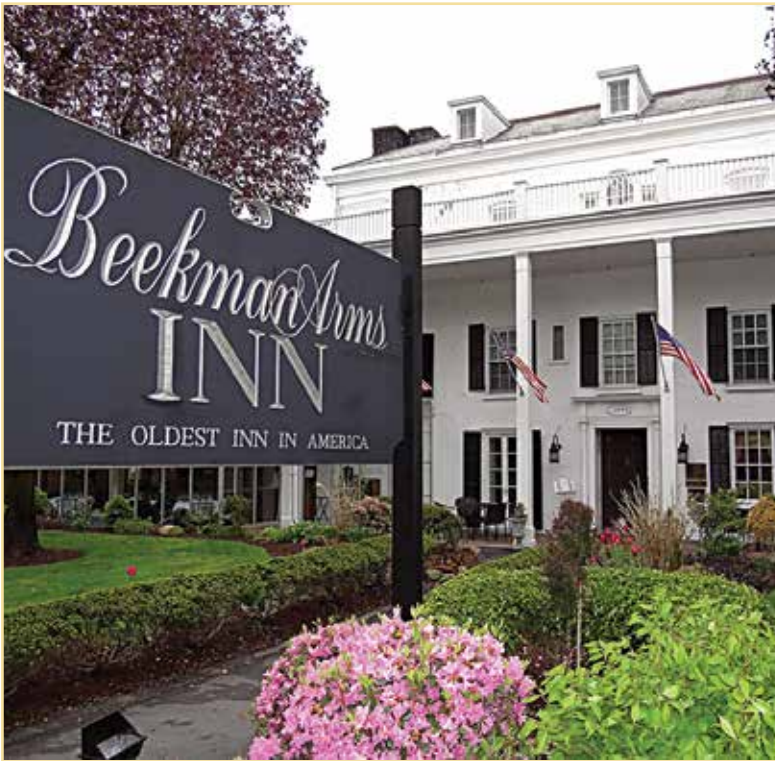
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School Time Children's Center. 469 Coldenham Road, Walden. 567-9548.

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Transformation Church. 160 Blumel Road, off Route 211, Scotchtown. 692-2848. Joseph Nieves, Lead Pastor. Sunday worship service at 9:30, 11 and 12:30 a.m., Cafe 9:30 a.m. Communion first Sunday. www.transformationchurch.net.

Baptist

Harmony Baptist Church. 1790 Route 211 E, Middletown. 692-6113. Sunday Services: Adult Bible classes at 9 a.m., Worship Service at 10 a.m. The Pastor is John Hawco

Walden Baptist Church. Bank Street, Walden. 778-5611. Pastor: James A. Van Houten. Sunday worship at 11 a.m. Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Teen Bible study Tuesdays and Bible Study Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Bible

Freedom Road Bible Church. 850 Route 52, Walden, 778-4290. Pastor Rev. Richard L. Bruschi II. Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m. Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.; AWANA 6:15 p.m. Fridays. Youth group Sundays 4 p.m.

Leptondale Bible Church. 1771 Rte. 300, Town of Newburgh. 566-1113. Pastor Mike O'Dowd. Sunday worship at 10:45 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Junior and Senior High Youth Group on Sundays at 6 p.m.

Catholic

Church of the Infant Saviour. 22 Holland Ave., Pine Bush. 744-2391. Administrator: Pastor: Fr. S. Niranjana Rodrigo. Saturday Mass at 5 p.m. Sunday Masses at 9:30 and 11:15 a.m. Spanish Mass 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month at 2 p.m. Confessions: 4-4:30 and 6-6:30 p.m. Saturdays and upon request.

Most Precious Blood Church. 42 Walnut Street, Walden. 778-5719. Pastor: Rev. Joseph P. Fallon. Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30 p.m. Sunday Masses at 7:30, 9 and 11 a.m., Daily Mass: 9 a.m.(M,T,W,F&S), Confessions: Saturdays, 9:30-10 a.m. or 3:45 - 4:15 p.m.

Our Lady of the Assumption Church. 17 High Street, Bloomingburg. 733-1477. Saturday Mass at 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses at 9:30, Mon., Wed., Fri. at 9 a.m.

Our Lady of the Valley Church. Route 52 & Yarwood Rd, Walker Valley. 744-6052. Administrator: Fr. S. Niranjana Rodrigo. 744-239. Sunday Mass 8 a.m.

St. Benedict's Chapel. Main Street, Wallkill. Affiliated with Most Precious Blood Church in Walden. Pastor: Rev. Joseph P. Fallon. 778-5719. Saturday Vigil Mass at 6:30 p.m. NO Sunday Mass.

St. Charles Borromeo Church. 2212 Route 44-55, Gardiner. 255-1374. Pastor: Rev. Matthew A. Yatkaskas. Saturday Mass at 4:30 p.m. Sunday Masses at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Weekday Masses: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. at 8 a.m., No Tuesday Mass April-Nov., Wed. 7 p.m. Mass, Apr.- Nov. Wed. 8 a.m. Mass, Dec.-March. Confessions: Saturday, 3:30 - 4 p.m. (all year).

Holy Name of Mary/Assumption Church. Union Street, Montgomery. 457-5276. Pastor: Rev. Rev. Daniel O'Hare. Saturday Mass at 4 p.m. Sunday Masses at 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. Weekday Masses at 11 a.m., Confessions 3-3:45 p.m. Saturdays and upon request.

St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church. 2800 Route 17K, Bullville. 361-3107. Father Sean Harlow, O.Carm. Saturday Mass at 5 p.m. Sunday Masses at 9 and 11 a.m. Confessions every 4th Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.t

Church of God

Victory! Church of God. 4 Scofield St, Walden. 778-2768. Pastor Dean Dykeman. Sunday service with Sunday School at 11 a.m. Wednesday Prayer service at 7 p.m.

Episcopal

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church. 74 Wallkill Avenue, Montgomery. 457-7545. Pastor: Rev. Jan Nunley. Sunday worship with Holy Eucharist at 9 a.m.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Municipal Square, Walden. Office number Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 778-5310. Rev. Peggy Sullivan, Vicar. Saturdays 5 p.m., come as you are. Sunday School 9:45 a.m., 10 a.m. Eucharist sermon with music.

Evangelical Lutheran

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. Route 208, just south of Walden. 778-7119. Pastor: Ryan Clark. Associate Pastor: Raymond D. Cummings. Sunday worship at 8 and 11 a.m., Bible class for all ages Sundays at 9:45 a.m. www.tlcinwalden.com.

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Independent

Agape Full Gospel Pentecostal Church. 24 Hill Ave., Montgomery. 778-7531. Pastor: John Byman. Sunday worship at 10 a.m., Children's Church at 10 a.m. Men's and women's fellowship breakfast every 2nd Saturday of the month at 9 a.m., Prayer meeting Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

Amazing Grace Fellowship. 20 Warn Ave., Pine Bush. 361-4481. Pastor: Elisha Cooper. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Sunday worship at 11 a.m.

Mid-Hudson Christian Church. 2393 Route 300, Wallkill. 895-3006. Pastor: Patrick Burden. Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m. Second Friday at 7 p.m. www.midhudsonchristianchurch.com.

Independent Baptist

Faith Baptist Church. 34 East Searsville Road, Montgomery. 457-3866. Pastor: Jeff Vinci. Sunday School 9:45 a.m., first Sunday is Friendship Sunday with breakfast. Sunday worship at 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. faithbaptistchurchny.org.

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Methodist

Bullville United Methodist Church. 2857 Route 17K, Bullville. 361-3032. Pastor: Rev. Matthew Querns. Sunday worship & Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

Maybrook United Methodist Church. 313 Homestead Avenue, Maybrook. Pastor: Rev. Virginia Esposito. 427-4093. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m. Bible Study Wednesdays at 6 p.m. maybrookumc@yahoo.com

Mountain View United Methodist Church. 3169 Route 52, Walker Valley. Sunday Worship at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. (preschool to 8th grade). (845) 800-8534. Pastor: Rev. Robert Hewitt. themountainviewumc.com.

Walden United Methodist Church. Future site at 1206 Route 52, Walden. Pastor: Rev. Matthew Querns. 778-7035. Sunday worship at 11:30 a.m. at St. Andrew's Church, Municipal Square, Walden.

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Graham's United Presbyterian Church. Corner of New and Depot Street, Pine Bush. 744-3344. The Rev. Glyndon Morris, Pastor. glyndon.morris@gmail.com. Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

Hopewell Presbyterian Church. Thompson Ridge. 361-1976. Pastor: Rev. Mark Douyard. Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m.

Scotchtown Presbyterian Church. 367 Blumel Road, Scotchtown. 692-4824. Pastor: Rev. Robert Anderle. Sunday worship at 11 a.m. Bible study, Thursdays at 11 a.m.

Reformed Baptist

Grace Reformed Baptist Church. Meeting at Red Mills Rd., Pine Bush. 744-3904. Pastor: Paul Gordon. Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning worship 11 a.m. Sunday evening service 6 p.m., Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Reformed-Presbyterian

Reformed Presbyterian Church. 469 Coldenham Rd., Walden. 564-3924. Pastor: Stephen Welsh. Sunday service: 11 a.m.

Reformed

Brick Reformed Church. 1582 Route 17K, Montgomery. 457-5582. Pastor: Brian Randazzo. Sunday worship at 10:15 a.m., Sunday School at 9 a.m. Child care provided.

First Reformed Church of Walden. 70 Scofield Street, Walden. 778-5405. Sunday worship at 10 a.m. Pastor James O'Connell.

Gardiner Reformed Church. 166 Main St., Gardiner. 255-0190. Pastor: Gary Sissel. Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. New Hurley Reformed Church. Route 208, just north of Wallkill. 895-3794. Pastor: Rev. Ken Kobza. Sunday worship at 11 a.m. Sunday School at 10 a.m. Nursery care always provided.

New Prospect Reformed Church. Corner of Rt 52 and New Prospect Road, Pine Bush. 744-3390. Sunday service at 10 a.m. Sunday School at 9 a.m.

Reformed Church of Shawangunk. Hoagerburgh Rd., Wallkill. 895-2952. Pastor: Rev. Howie Dalton. Wallkill Reformed Church. 45 Bridge Street, Wallkill. 895-2181. Pastor: Rev. Toni L. Macon. Sunday worship at 10 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

Russian Orthodox

Church of All Saints of Russia. 287 Jansen Road, Pine Bush. 744-3129. Priest: Nikolai Babijechonk. Sunday service at 10 a.m. (9 a.m. May - Sept.)

Tibetan-Buddhist Temple

Tsechen Kunchab Ling (Temple of All-Encompassing Great Compassion). 12 Edmunds Lane, Walden. Venerable Khenpo Kalsang Gyaltzen. 778-0113 or 301-906-3378. sakyatemple.org.

Fox Hill Community. 151 Browne Drive, PO Box 398, Walden. 778-7561. Visitors should come to 80 Coleman Road.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Golden Links Senior Citizens Club. Serving Maybrook-Coldenham area. Meetings are held at 1:30 p.m., Wednesdays at the Maybrook Senior Center, Homestead Avenue, Maybrook.

New Horizons Senior Citizens Club. Serving the Montgomery area. Meetings are held 2nd and 4th Tuesday at the Village of Montgomery Senior Citizens Center.

Towns of Montgomery-Crawford Nutrition Program for Seniors. Meals for Golden Agers, based at the Village of Montgomery Senior Center, 36 Bridge Street, Montgomery. Lunch served daily weekdays, delivered to shut-ins in Towns of Montgomery and Crawford. Open to anyone over 60 years old. Info: 778-3360.

New Paltz - Gardiner Senior Club. Meetings are held the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at VFW Post 8645 in New Paltz.

Pine Bush Senior Citizens Club. Serving the Pine Bush

area. Meets 1 p.m. every Tuesday at the Crawford Town Hall. Open to all Town of Crawford residents who are age 60 or older.

Ulster County AARP. Meetings are held the first Monday of every month at St. Charles Community Center, Gardiner. 255-9206.

Walden Senior Citizens Club. Serving the Walden area. Meetings are held Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. at Walden Fire House, Old Orange Ave., Walden.

Walker Valley Senior Citizens Club. Serving the Walker Valley area. Meets at 1 p.m. every Wednesday, weather permitting, in the Walker Valley Schoolhouse.

Wallkill Senior Citizens Club. The club is open to anyone aged 55 years or older. Meetings are held at 1 p.m. every Wednesday at the Community Room of the Shawangunk Town Hall, Central Avenue.

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Fishing. Town of Montgomery Riverfront Park, Bailey Road.

Summer Camp at Olley Park, Walden. Ages 6-15. 778-2655

Swimming. Walden Community Beach, East and Sherman Ave.

Swimming. Valley Central High School. Yearround. info: 457-2400 x7151.

Tennis. Thomas Bull Memorial Park, Route 416, Montgomery. 457-4916.

Tennis. Bradley Park, Walden. Apr. - Oct. 778-2655.

WINTER SPORTS

Cross-Country Skiing. Thomas Bull Memorial Park, Route 416, Montgomery. 457-4949.

Snowmobiling. Winding Hills Park, off Route 17K, northwest of Montgomery. Daylight trails on roads and 40-acre lake.

Snow Tubing. Thomas Bull Memorial Park, Rte. 416, Montgomery. 457-4949.

Ice Skating. Verkeerderkill Park, Route 52, Walker Valley.

GOLF



Scott's Corners Golf Course. 1 Rose Win Lane, Route 208, Montgomery. 457-9141. 9 hole course with 18 different tees.

Stony Ford Golf Course. Thomas Bull Memorial Park, Route 416, Montgomery. 457-4949. 18-hole course.

Osiris Country Club. Lake Osiris Road, Walden. 778-5309.

Town of Wallkill Golf Club. Sands Road, Fair Oaks. 361-1022.

Winding Hills Golf Club. 1847 Route 17K, Montgomery. 457-3187

HORSEBACK RIDING

J&E Ranch. 100 Union School Road, Montgomery 361-4433.

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YOUTH SPORTS

Cal Ripken League. PO Box 204, Walden. Youth Baseball. 778-2113. www.occrlleague.com

Colts Soccer Club. Serves Pine Bush and Middletown. Info: 744-6220.

Hudson Valley Youth Football League. For boys age 8-14, weighing 50-135 pounds. For cheerleaders, ages 8-13. For info, call 427-9062.

Montgomery Generals Youth Football. PO Box 426, Montgomery. 800-3113.

Montgomery Little League. For info call 457-5125.

Pine Bush Youth Soccer Club. Registration is in March. For boys and girls, in grades K-7. Info: 744-3554.

Town of Montgomery Soccer League. Plays at Valley Central Middle School on Saturdays, Sept. - Nov. Info: 457-2660

Pine Bush Little League. Plays at Crawford Town Park.

Pine Bush Youth Football League. Info: 692-0225

Town of Wallkill Soccer Club. Info: 695-1104 or 733-6650.

Walden Little League. For info call 778-5086 or 778-1701.

Wallkill Area Youth Soccer League. Indoor and outdoor play. For travel soccer call 522-1993. waysc.org

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Middletown: 343-1496. Zip: 10940.

Modena: 883-6857. Zip: 12548.

Montgomery: 457-3777. Zip: 12549.

Newburgh: 561-4777 (Newburgh city), 561-5141
(Town of) Newburgh. Zip: 12550.

Pine Bush: 744-2146. Zip: 12566.

Plattekill: 564-2800. Zip: 12568.

Thompson Ridge: 361-1525. Zip: 10985.

Walden: 778-1584. Zip: 12586.

Walker Valley: 744-2722. Zip: 12588.

Wallkill: 895-2161. Zip: 12589.

HOTLINES

AIDS Related Community Service. 562-5005.

County AIDS Task Force. 1-800-832-1200.

AZT-AIDS Drug Assistance Program. 1-800-542-2437.

Al-Anon or Al-Ateen. 374-7800 (Orange County). For spouses, children of alcoholics. Strictly confidential.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA). 343-1158 (Middletown), 452-1111 (Poughkeepsie), 342-5757 (Orange County). Strictly confidential.

Child Abuse & Maltreatment Reporting Center. Toll-free. 1-800-342-3720. Service of N.Y.S. Dept. of Social Services. All calls confidential.

Food Stamp Information Hotline. Toll-free. 1-800-342-3710. Service of N.Y.S. Dept. of Social Services.

Help Line and Rape Crisis. 800-832-1200 or 346-4357. Service of the Mental Health Association in Orange County. Staffed by trained, listening volunteers 24 hours a day. Don't know where to turn? Call the Help Line.


NYS Insurance Dept. Consumer Services Hotline. Toll-free. 1-800-342-3736.

N.Y.S. Senate Bill Status Hotline. Toll-free. 1-800-342-9860. To learn status of any bill before the State Senate.

Overeaters Victorious. 564-2079, 778-1461. Christian organization for overeaters who cannot control their compulsion.

Pregnancy Counseling, Help. Birthright of Orange County. 343-3121. New Promise Crisis Pregnancy Center. 457-3161, 561-0833.

Substance Abuse Problems. 562-8800. Substance Abuse Ministry/DARE. Non-sectarian alcohol and drug abuse referral/resource service of the Archdiocese of N.Y.



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