

## VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING – OUTREACH AND EDUCATION TRACKING

Type of Outreach & Education	Location & Short Description	Date	Number of Participants
<b>1. Public Info Session</b>	<i>Village Hall</i> In-person educational meeting and Q&A session	1/4/2023	10
Flyers/Posters – December 2022 (Image A)			
<b>2. Public Info Session</b>	<i>Village Hall</i> In-person educational meeting and Q&A session	1/31/2023	5
Flyers/Posters – December 2022/January 2023 (Image A) Newspaper Ad in Highlands Current 1/6/2023 (Image B) Newspaper Ad in Putnam County News & Recorder 1/11/23 (Image C) Newspaper Ad in Highlands Current 1/20/2023 (Image D)			
<b>3. Posters</b>	<i>At Library, local businesses, Village Hall</i> Intro to CCA program, opt out, bill info, etc. <i>(Posted on date and remained up through end of 60 days)</i>	2/20/2023	-
(Image E)			

### Part 5 – Post Award Meeting

Please populate the table below with all required additional post contract award outreach and education actions that have occurred within the municipality. If additional space is needed, please add rows to this table until fully captured. For new contracts that have the post award meeting detailed on the opt-out letter please provide the scheduled date/location of the meeting and the other mechanisms by which the meeting is being advertised. For contract renewals please provide the completed post award meeting information below.

Location & short description	Date	Number of Participants	Date and method of advertisement
1. <i>Cold Spring Village Hall</i> In-person educational session and Q&A session	5/31/2023	2	Opt-out Letter notification, Flyers – Library/Village Hall/ Local Businesses (Image F), Ads (Image G & Image H)

**Images:**

Image A



**Hudson Valley Community Power**  
ELECTRICITY SUPPLY PROGRAM IS  
**RETURNING TO COLD SPRING**

*The Village of Cold Spring is exploring a relaunch with Hudson Valley Community Power.*

The program enables municipal leaders to leverage the purchasing power of residents and small businesses to negotiate more favorable terms on their electricity supply, protect consumers and choose renewable energy resources.

---

*If your municipality selects a new electricity supplier with the program, eligible residents and businesses will receive a letter in spring 2023 with their choices and info about how to opt-out.*

To learn more, join us at one of the following information sessions:  
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at VILLAGE HALL, 85 Main Street  
SATURDAY, JAN. 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 pm via Zoom at <https://tinyurl.com/CCAinfoJan21>  
TUESDAY, JAN. 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm at VILLAGE HALL, 85 Main Street

**WITH COMMUNITY CHOICE**

*Together, we can access renewable electricity at competitive rates and preserve our environment for future generations.*

Have questions or want to learn more?  
[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
Email us at: [info@hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](mailto:info@hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
or call us at: (845) 859-9099 ext. 2



**JOULE**  
COMMUNITY POWER  
a division of Joule Asset

Image B

## Two Council Members Unhappy with Planning Chair

*Unanimous votes for routine Beacon appointments, except one*

By Jeff Simms

When the Beacon Planning Board holds its next meeting on Tuesday (Jan. 10), it will do so with John Gunn again at the helm. Gunn was reappointed to the board by the City Council last month and tapped by Mayor Lee Kyriacou to serve as chair, a position he has held since 2017.

The council also reappointed Kevin Byrne and added David Jensen to the Planning Board. Jensen had been the chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals; he will move to the Planning Board to succeed J.C. Calderon, who resigned in the fall.

Jordan Haug, who had been the ZBA's deputy chair, was appointed by Kyriacou to lead that board. Stowe Boyd, one of the co-chairs of the city's Main Street Access Committee, was also added to the Zoning Board.

All of the votes were unanimous except for Gunn.

"I've heard from a lot of different people very upset at interactions that they've had with the Planning Board," said Council Member Justice McCray, who abstained. "I want to make sure the people that are

coming feel like they're heard."

Council Member Dan Aymar-Blair was the lone vote against Gunn. Aymar-Blair said he was unhappy with how the Planning Board has interacted with members of the public, particularly neighbors protesting a plan to subdivide a 1-acre lot on Highland Place and build four new homes on the tract.

During those meetings, Highland Place neighbors presented a petition with more than 200 signatures asking the Planning Board to reject the developer's plans, which would double the number of houses on the street. While pleading with the developer to listen to the feedback, Gunn also pushed back, saying the board would enforce the zoning code but could not deny a project because it's unpopular.

In October, City Attorney Nick Ward-Willis spoke to the council about the Planning Board's charge, noting that its members are "allowed to use lay person opinions, but when it comes down to certain areas of expertise, courts have established that a board member can't rely on general opposition from the community" for approving or rejecting a project.

"Any time that there's a controversial project, people will come out and want a specific answer," Kyriacou said during the City Council's Dec. 12 workshop.

George Mansfield, who served on the Planning Board before his election to the council, said he endorsed Gunn, an archi-

tect who worked for the Gensler agency in New York City for 16 years. Gunn is now with NBBJ, an international design firm.

"The Planning Board takes a great amount of effort and we are lucky to have this kind of institutional knowledge on there," Mansfield said.

Gunn said this week that he is "grateful for the opportunity to have served on the

board through the many phases of Beacon's transformation."

The Planning Board will continue its review next week of a proposal to expand The Lofts at Beacon apartment complex. It will also continue a public hearing for 12 Highland Place.

As for the board's interaction with the public, that should be handled with "some grace and as much kindness as possible," McCray said during the December workshop.



**FIRST DAY HIKE** — The Little Stony Point Citizen's Association organized its annual hike on Jan. 1, with coffee, hot cocoa, cookies and churros from Juanita's Kitchen in Nelsonville. Participants were offered a choice of a naturalist hike to Little Stony Point or a historical hike to the Cornish Estate. Raffle prizes included free Empire State annual passes.

Photo by Ross Corsair

**Hudson Valley Community Power**  
Electricity Supply Program

Municipalities considering participating include:

City of Poughkeepsie	Town of Clinton	Town of Gardiner
Town of Marbletown	Town of New Paltz	Town of Philipstown
Town of Red Hook	Town of Rhinebeck	Town of Saugerties
Village of Cold Spring	Village of Nelsonville	Village of New Paltz
Village of Saugerties		

*If your municipality selects a supplier, eligible residents and businesses will receive a letter in spring/summer 2023 with their choices and info about how to opt-out.*

The Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) electricity supply program, through Hudson Valley Community Power, enables municipalities to leverage the collective buying power of their residents and small businesses to secure more favorable terms on their electricity supply, protect consumers, and choose renewable generation sources.

**With CCA, eligible residents and small businesses will have:**

- Access to renewable electricity at competitive rates
- No individual contract and no additional bill

If you have an electric utility account in one of the listed municipalities, we invite you to attend an upcoming public info session:  
[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events)

[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
or call us: (845) 859-9099

**HOWLAND CULTURAL CENTER**

**Fri, Jan 13 - 8 PM**  
**BEYOND CURIOUS - Evening of Musical Theatre Songs**  
Showcasing Music by Tim Brown performed by Friends  
The Salt Fabron / S39 General / S39 Seletens - Seniors / or what's able

**Jan 14 - Feb 26 open most Sat - Sun 1-5 PM**  
**BEACON PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP**  
2023 Members Showcase with 29 photographers

**Sun, Jan 15 - 12 PM**  
**Classics for Kids**  
--AND--  
**Sun, Jan 15 - 4 PM**  
**Frederic Chiu - Piano**  
Howland Chamber Music Circle  
[tc.howlandmusic.org](http://tc.howlandmusic.org)

**Fri, Jan 20 - 7 pm**  
**LIT LIT, hosted by DONNA MINKOWITZ**  
FREE - [observersociety.com/lit-lit](http://observersociety.com/lit-lit)

**Sat, Jan 21 - 8 PM**  
**The ARTICHOKE storytelling series**  
[tc.artichokeshow.com](http://tc.artichokeshow.com)

Follow our social media for more info and events  
Covid protocol - mask recommended

477 Main Street, Beacon, NY 12508  
[www.howlandculturalcenter.org](http://www.howlandculturalcenter.org) (845) 831-4988  
[facebook.com/howlandcenterbeacon](https://facebook.com/howlandcenterbeacon)  
[howlandculturalcenter.org](http://howlandculturalcenter.org)

**HIGHLAND STUDIO**

**PRINTMAKERS**

**FINE ART PRINTING SCANNING LARGE FORMAT**

**HUDSON VALLEY'S ARCHIVAL PRINTING SINCE 1997**

**PICTURE FRAMING print & map gallery**

**845-809-5174**

**31 STEPHANIE LANE COLD SPRING, NY**  
[www.thehighlandstudio.com](http://www.thehighlandstudio.com)

Image C

## Putnam Firefighters Assist at Peekskill Inferno; Condo Water System Inadequate



The scene at the Peekskill fire when crews from Putnam arrived. Photo, Peekskill FD.

By Eric Gross  
Firefighters from several Putnam departments assisted their neighbors in northern Westchester last Thursday at a raging inferno that destroyed 16 units at the Hillcrest Park Condominium Complex in Peekskill.

Crews from Continental Village, Garrison and Putnam Valley responded shortly after 2 a.m. with manpower and tanker trucks along with Putnam Battalion 19 Coordinator Ralph Falloon.

Cindy Jacobsen, Putnam 911 Communications Super-

visor, reported: "Continental Village went to stand by for Peekskill and then was called to the scene. Putnam Valley had a unit at the scene and also one standing by for Peekskill and the Garrison FD went to the scene."

Peekskill Fire Dept. Chief Jim Seymour said firefighters made a dramatic rescue of a person trapped inside a burning unit. "When we arrived the building was fully engulfed in flames. A crew pushed into the building and found a person in one of the upper floors. Everyone else had previously escaped the smoke and flames."

Besides the person rescued from the burning unit, two other residents were taken to Hudson Valley Hospital Center for treatment of smoke inhalation.

No firefighters sustained injury.

The chief summoned 13 fire departments from Westchester as well as the three from Putnam because the "water system for the complex was not sufficient to fight the flames. Extra tankers were brought in and crews had to stretch over 1,000 feet of hose across the Bear Mountain State Parkway to bring in additional water."

"Forgiveness is not an occasional act. It is a permanent attitude

MLK

Life's most persistent and urgent question is, "What are you doing for others?"

MLK

## HALDANE KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

HALDANE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

### KINDERGARTEN PARENT ORIENTATION MEETING KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The Haldane Central School District is beginning the Kindergarten registration process for the 2023-2024 school year. Children turning five on or before December 1, 2023 who live in the Haldane Central School District are eligible for Kindergarten.

Parents are invited to attend a **Kindergarten Orientation Meeting on Thursday, January 26th, 2023 at 7:00 PM. (2/2 Snow date).** Please see the website for details.

To register, please complete the registration packet on our website: [www.haldaneschool.org](http://www.haldaneschool.org). **Click on Quick Parent Links, Registration then Kindergarten Registration.** Fill out and submit the required forms along with supporting documentation then kindly schedule an appointment with **Sue Hylka @ 845-265-9254 ext. 122 on Feb 6th-10th, 2023 (8:15am-2:00pm)** to complete the registration process.

Parents registering children in person should enter Haldane Middle School through the Main Entrance and will be directed to the registration location. Registrants must have all forms completed and must bring or upload a copy of the child's **birth certificate**, his/her **immunization record** signed by a physician, and all **Proof of Residency forms** indicating that the family resides in the Haldane School District.

Please call Mrs. Hylka directly if you have any questions.

## Hudson Valley Community Power Electricity Supply Program

### Municipalities considering participating include:

- |                        |                        |                      |
|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| City of Poughkeepsie   | Town of Clinton        | Town of Gardiner     |
| Town of Marbletown     | Town of New Paltz      | Town of Philipstown  |
| Town of Red Hook       | Town of Rhinebeck      | Town of Saugerties   |
| Village of Cold Spring | Village of Nelsonville | Village of New Paltz |
| Village of Saugerties  |                        |                      |

*If your municipality selects a supplier, eligible residents and businesses will receive a letter in spring/summer 2023 with their choices and info about how to opt-out.*

The Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) electricity supply program, through Hudson Valley Community Power, enables municipalities to leverage the collective buying power of their residents and small businesses to secure more favorable terms on their electricity supply, protect consumers, and choose renewable generation sources.

### With CCA, eligible residents and small businesses will have:

- Access to renewable electricity at competitive rates
- No individual contract and no additional bill

If you have an electric utility account in one of the listed municipalities, we invite you to attend an upcoming public info session:  
[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events)



[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
or call us: (845) 859-9099

Image D

Go to [highlandscurrent.org/join](http://highlandscurrent.org/join)

The Highlands Current

JANUARY 20, 2023 7

**Central Hudson** *(from Page 1)*

fication for the “onslaught of bills” or an accurate reading of his meter, the suit alleges.

Another plaintiff, a Kingston man, said he received a bill for \$1,113 for mid-January to mid-February 2022, more than double what the man had averaged for previous 30-day periods. Further, the man shut off the power in his residence in March but was still billed \$525, according to the lawsuit.

“The lawsuit attributes the widespread billing issues to Central Hudson’s “hasty” release of a billing system that the utility “knew was riddled with bugs and defects.”

The suit also takes the utility to task for statements made since the billing system rollout, including comments that attributed high energy prices to cold weather, increased global demand and Russia’s invasion of Ukraine.

Instead, citing the report by the Public Service Commission (PSC), the lawsuit attributes the widespread billing issues to Central Hudson’s “hasty” release of a billing system that the utility “knew was riddled with bugs and defects.” The company “did not bother to adequately train and educate its own staff,” leaving employees unpre-

pared to face angry customers, it said.

In addition, the suit alleges “a slew of other deceptive and improper practices,” including failure to read consumers’ meters, unlawfully withdrawing funds from consumers’ bank accounts and billing consumers “exorbitant amounts” for electricity and gas they did not receive.

Following its six-month investigation, the PSC, which regulates the electric, gas, water and telecommunication industries in New York state, is considering a civil penalty. It also plans to investigate Central Hudson’s expenditures for the billing system.

Jonathan Jacobson, a Democrat whose district in the state Assembly includes Beacon, this month introduced a bill that would regulate when utilities can render estimated bills, a practice that Central Hudson employed when its new system erroneously stopped creating bills for prolonged periods.

The legislation would permit estimated bills under certain circumstances. But it would require utility companies and municipalities to submit to the PSC a model procedure for the calculation of estimated bills that incorporates best practices and technology and accounts for any barriers to the use of actual meter readings.

If adopted, the law would protect consumers from excessive fluctuations in their month-to-month bills, Jacobson wrote in a memo in support of his legislation. He also suggested that the growing availability of remote meter-reading technology should cut down on the need for estimated bills.

  
**The Real Estate Market is Booming!**

Contact these top local agents to see the latest listings, or to sell your home



**Abbie Carey**

HOULIHAN LAWRENCE | ASSOCIATE REAL ESTATE BROKER

845-661-5438 | [acarey@houlihanlawrence.com](mailto:acarey@houlihanlawrence.com)  
[www.abbiecarey.houlihanlawrence.com](http://www.abbiecarey.houlihanlawrence.com)



**Melissa Carlton**

HOULIHAN LAWRENCE | ASSOCIATE REAL ESTATE BROKER

914.474.0111 | [McCarlton@houlihanlawrence.com](mailto:McCarlton@houlihanlawrence.com)  
[melissacarlton.houlihanlawrence.com](http://melissacarlton.houlihanlawrence.com)



**Kathyrine M. Tomann**

HOULIHAN LAWRENCE | ASSOCIATE REAL ESTATE BROKER

914-204-0415 | [Ktomann@houlihanlawrence.com](mailto:Ktomann@houlihanlawrence.com)  
[www.houlihanlawrence.com](http://www.houlihanlawrence.com)



**Claudia Dizenzo**

ASSOCIATE REAL ESTATE BROKER | HUDSON RIVER LINE REALTY

646-354-9842 | [claudia@hudsonriverlinerealty.com](mailto:claudia@hudsonriverlinerealty.com)  
[www.hudsonriverlinerealty.com](http://www.hudsonriverlinerealty.com)



**Ann McBride-Alayon**

HUDSON RIVER LINE REALTY | PRINCIPLE BROKER, OWNER

718-637-3143 | [ann@hudsonriverlinerealty.com](mailto:ann@hudsonriverlinerealty.com)  
[www.hudsonriverlinerealty.com](http://www.hudsonriverlinerealty.com)

Advertise your real estate business here.

CONTACT: **Michele Gedney**

845-809-5584 | [ads@highlandscurrent.org](mailto:ads@highlandscurrent.org)  
[highlandscurrent.org/ads](http://highlandscurrent.org/ads)



**Hudson Valley Community Power  
Electricity Supply Program**

Municipalities considering participating include:

- |                        |                        |                      |
|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| City of Poughkeepsie   | Town of Clinton        | Town of Gardiner     |
| Town of Marletown      | Town of New Paltz      | Town of Phillipstown |
| Town of Red Hook       | Town of Rhinebeck      | Town of Saugerties   |
| Village of Cold Spring | Village of Nelsonville | Village of New Paltz |
| Village of Saugerties  |                        |                      |

If your municipality selects a supplier, eligible residents and businesses will receive a letter in spring/summer 2023 with their choices and info about how to opt-out.

The Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) electricity supply program, through Hudson Valley Community Power, enables municipalities to leverage the collective buying power of their residents and small businesses to secure more favorable terms on their electricity supply, protect consumers, and choose renewable generation sources.

**With CCA, eligible residents and small businesses will have:**

- Access to renewable electricity at competitive rates
- No individual contract and no additional bill

If you have an electric utility account in one of the listed municipalities, we invite you to attend an upcoming public info session:  
[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events)



[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
or call us: (845) 859-9099

Image E

## Village of Cold Spring Hudson Valley Community Power Electricity Supply Program in Our Village

**What is CCA?**  
Community Choice Aggregation (CCA), is a state enabled program, which offers residents and small businesses the opportunity to receive more attractive electricity supply terms through the bargaining power of aggregation (group purchasing).

**What is the Municipality's Role?**  
The Village enabled CCA through a local law and selected a program administrator. The proposal is still being considered by the Village Board.

**Who is the CCA Administrator?**  
Joule Community Power, a division of Joule Assets, who has been authorized by the state to administer CCA programs in New York.

**Does this program replace my utility company?**  
No, Central Hudson will still be responsible for billing and responding to power outages.

**Can I participate if I already have rooftop solar or community solar or hydro?**  
Yes, you can participate!

**How will my bill look?**  
You will still receive one bill from Central Hudson, but the supply section of your bill will show the name of the alternative supplier/CCA Administrator.

**What is Opt-Out Enrollment?**  
Opt-out enrollment means that you will automatically be enrolled to participate in the CCA program unless you are already receiving supply service from an alternative supplier, have a block on your account, or take action to opt-out of the program. There is no fee or penalty for opting out. Not sure if you'll be automatically enrolled? Contact us!

**Learn More:**  
(845) 859-9099 or [info@hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](mailto:info@hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)

To find out about upcoming public info sessions or to watch previously recorded meetings visit:  
[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events)



**JOULE**  
COMMUNITY POWER  
a division of Joule Assets, Inc.

Image F



## Hudson Valley Community Power

### ELECTRICITY SUPPLY PROGRAM

*The Village of Cold Spring is relaunching their electricity supply program.*


Hudson Valley Community Power is a community choice aggregation (CCA) program that enables municipal leaders to leverage the purchasing power of residents and small businesses to negotiate more favorable terms on their electricity supply, protect consumers and support renewable generation sources.

*Your municipality has selected an electricity supplier and all eligible residents and businesses will receive a letter in May 2023 with info about the program, their choices, and info about how to opt-out.*

**To learn more, join our in-person info session:**  
Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 6 pm  
Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY  
Visit the calendar to learn more:  
[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events)

**WITH COMMUNITY CHOICE**  
*Eligible residents and small businesses can access competitive rates for renewable electricity supply.*

*Have questions or want to learn more?*  
[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
Email us at: [info@hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](mailto:info@hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
or call us at: (845) 859-9099



**JOULE**  
COMMUNITY POWER  
a Division of Joule Energy

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

On Roundabouts, the Fjord Trail & Obfuscation

To the Editor,  
I came away from the Fjord Trail meeting Monday night thinking about roundabouts. Every question was answered with a "roundabout." That's helpful, but each question would lead to a clear answer that would give me a better understanding of the issue. But each answer was a roundabout that attempted to take me in a different direction. The only question that was answered with an almost clear answer was the question of what would be done with the dramatic increase in traffic at the

intersection of 301 and 9D. We were told that the likely solution would be a roundabout. What would that mean?  
According to the NY State Highway Department, roundabouts on 301 high roads need a diameter of 150 ft. Well, my goodness to J. Murphy's, (the historic former Hotel Macon), the finance got station, the corner of the May of the Highlands front lawn (just north of commercial) is not too small and the historic house on the corner of Main Street. People can use roundabouts to confuse, spin, obfuscate and mislead. But you

cannot argue with geometry or physics.  
We need fewer roundabouts than the Fjord Trail team that roundabout, and we certainly do not need a road roundabout. Maybe there is a highway engineer that can explain to this engineer how to squeeze a roundabout into the existing intersection and how pedestrians will safely cross without a traffic light. I await.

George Ehrenbach, PE, Nelsonville

Do You Believe or Trust the Fjord Trail People?

To the Editor,

At the local Public Session last week Amy Kavala, Executive Director of the Highlands Fjord Trail (HFT) said the following: "You're the daily users. You're not the weekend people. This is really mostly going to be used by locals." In response there was widespread laughter from the many "week" in the audience

that filled the Highlands auditorium almost to capacity. Susan Hudson, HFT's partner, has characterized the trail as becoming "the equivalent for regional tourism". The HFT describes it as "regionally transformative". There were already available projections, prepared by their own consultants and presented at the 3/2/23 meeting at the Cold Spring Parkhouse, project

in excess of 1,000,000 people using it by 2028. Are they all "weekend" coming from Philipstown? This largely appears to project is "weekend" for us? Does anyone seriously believe or trust what the Fjord Trail people say anymore?

Andrew Ball, Cold Spring

Meeting Raised More Questions on Trail

To the Editor,  
Having attended the meeting last evening (May 8) on the subject of the proposed FJORD TRAIL, a few questions arise:  
1. Why is there little or no concern about the impact on natural land? Apparently the "trail" will be concrete and require the elimination of a number of trees. Construction will be nec-

essary for ridges, and diversion in certain areas.  
2. Clearly this proposed development will attract many more out-of-town visitors.  
3. The trail will be many more cars, isn't parking already an issue?  
4. The addition of food and drink services will give the site more debt.

5. It's curious that while most of the people who attended the presentation last night are opposed to this project, the response is a maintenance that "everything will be fine", and a "that's decided".  
6. Why was this ever proposed?

Bob Carlson, Garrison

Questions Lawler on Vet Support

To the Editor:  
As a 36-year-old Viet Nam combat veteran who depends on healthcare from the VA, healthcare system to maintain a quality of life, I was more than angry to find out that my representative, Congressman

Mike Lawler (NY-17) voted last week with 116 other Republican colleagues to strip funding from so-called "Indefinitely Deployed" veterans' services. This is a guy who serves served a day in U.S. military who is supposed to all those who

served that we aren't worth his support.

John Allen, US Army Viet Nam 1967-68, Putnam Valley



**HIGHLANDS CHAPEL**  
Home of the Highlands Choral Society

JOIN US! WORSHIP, SONG, REFLECTION, FELLOWSHIP.


**SUNDAYS 10:00 AM**

MAY 7 Rev. Bill Weirbach	MAY 14 Rodney Dow	MAY 21 Stefken Nelson	MAY 28 David Gelber
-----------------------------	----------------------	--------------------------	------------------------

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

The Highlands Chapel Society is a nonprofit organization offering nondiscriminatory services, fully-welcomed Children, Youth, youth, and community members.

216 MAIN STREET COLD SPRING, NY  
HighlandsChapel.org



**Hudson Valley Community Power**  
Electricity Supply Program Relaunching

Municipalities participating:


City of Poughkeepsie	Town of New Paltz	Town of Gardiner
Town of Marbletown	Town of Rhinebeck	Town of Philipstown
Town of Red Hook	Village of Nelsonville	Village of New Paltz
Village of Cold Spring	Village of Saugerties	Town of Saugerties

**ATTEND AN INFO SESSION TO LEARN ABOUT NEW SUPPLY OPTIONS:**  
 Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm in Nelsonville Village Hall  
 Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in Philipstown Town Hall  
 Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm on Zoom (<https://tinyurl.com/HVCPMay27>)  
**Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm in Cold Spring Village Hall**  
 Visit [www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events)

**With CCA, eligible residents and small businesses will have:**

- Access to electricity supply at competitive rates
- No individual contracts or additional bills

Your municipality has selected a supplier and all eligible residents and small businesses will receive a letter in May 2023 with their choices and info about how to opt-out.



**www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com**  
or call us: (845) 859-9099 ext. 2

a division of Joule Asset, Inc.



# Bannerman Island to offer tours, shows this season



\*\*\*\*\*

Continued from cover

We are looking for volunteers for any and all positions, but mostly street marshals - they maintain road safety for the people and dog runners/walkers and provide course direction," said Kristen. "We are also looking for people to help at the water stations and with set up and break down." Anyone interested in volunteering can fill out this form online, <https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/NY/Beacon/ARF5K>.

Those who are interested in participating in the 5K can sign up at <https://events.elitefeats.com/23arf>.

For more information, email [arfbeacon5k@gmail.com](mailto:arfbeacon5k@gmail.com).

## Volunteers needed for July 4th celebration

Seeking volunteers to assist in coordinating the July 4th Celebration in the City of Beacon.

Interviews will be conducted by Dennis Pavelock. For more information, call him at 845-416-5330.

## Get on Down dance set May 25

Get On Down at the Towne Crier Dance Jam on May 25 at 7 p.m., located at 379 Main Street, in Beacon. Dance to a vibrant mix of musical; song requests welcome. Fine dining, snacks, desserts and full bar are available before and during the dance. These dances are informal. All are welcome - singles, couples, friends, newcomers. There is a \$10 admission fee.

For more information, call 845-765-0667 or email [rhodaja@optonline.net](mailto:rhodaja@optonline.net).

# Courtyard Marriott case concludes with Murder 2 conviction

Dutchess County Chief Assistant District Attorney Matthew A. Weishaupt announced on Friday, May 12, that Roy Johnson was convicted by a Dutchess County jury of the crimes of Murder in the Second Degree, for the murder of Paul Kutz that occurred at the Courtyard Marriott on October 2, 2022. Johnson was also convicted of three counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree, and Reckless Endangerment in the First Degree.

Johnson was acquitted of the Attempted

Office, both at the scene and in the months that followed.

Weishaupt further stated, "It is this collaborative team effort that led to this verdict. This effort never waned despite outside pressures. Everyone involved in this case deserves a great deal of credit for remaining focused on the task at hand; it was truly an outstanding job."

Weishaupt praised Bureau Chiefs Kristine Whelan and Robert Knapp, Deputy Bureau Chief Angela Lopane, Crime Analyst Andrea Teetmeier and the team of Assistant

## Hudson Valley Community Power Electricity Supply Program Relaunching

### Municipalities participating:

- |                        |                        |                      |
|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| City of Poughkeepsie   | Town of New Paltz      | Town of Gardiner     |
| Town of Marbletown     | Town of Rhinebeck      | Town of Philipstown  |
| Town of Red Hook       | Village of Nelsonville | Village of New Paltz |
| Village of Cold Spring | Village of Saugerties  | Town of Saugerties   |

### ATTEND AN INFO SESSION TO LEARN ABOUT NEW SUPPLY OPTIONS:

- Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm in Nelsonville Village Hall
  - Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in Philipstown Town Hall
  - Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm on Zoom (<https://tinyurl.com/HVCPMay27>)
  - Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm in Cold Spring Village Hall**
- Visit [www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com/events)

### With CCA, eligible residents and small businesses will have:

- Access to electricity supply at competitive rates
- No individual contracts or additional bills

Your municipality has selected a supplier and all eligible residents and small businesses will receive a letter in May 2023 with their choices and info about how to opt-out.



[www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com](http://www.hudsonvalleycommunitypower.com)  
or call us: (845) 859-9099 ext. 2