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HERITAGE HILLS SOCIETY INFORMATION

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CONTACT INFORMATION - EMAIL

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Security	914-276-2592	Society Fee	
	914-277-8800	Financial Office	914-276-2509
Society Office	914-276-2908	Bus	914-276-2877
Activities Office	914-276-2636	Library	914-276-7655
		Fitness Center	914-669-5028

EMERGENCIES 9-1-1

Hours of Operation

Activities Center

Building Daily, 9 am to 11 pm
Activities Office Weekdays, 9 am to 5 pm (closed holidays)
Society Office Weekdays, 9 am to 1 pm (closed holidays)
Fine Arts Center Group instruction and free time are scheduled by the Activities Office at 914-276-2636
Library Monday thru Friday 10 am to 3 pm, Saturday 10 am to 1 pm
Fitness Center & Gym Daily, 4 am to 11 pm
Lake Lodge Daily, 9 am to 11 pm
Meadowlark Park Dawn to Dusk
Park Place Dawn to Dusk

Bus Service - Weekdays Only (except holidays) - 914-276-2877

Goldens Bridge MetroNorth Station Trips

Morning to: 5:15, 5:45, 6:45, and 7:45 - **Reservation Required**

Evening **PICK-UPS ONLY**: 4:45, 5:45, 6:50, 7:45 and 8:45 - **No Reservation**

Midday Trips - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

To/From Activities Center, Lake Lodge, Meadowlark Park, and off site, including Goldens Bridge MetroNorth Station

Outbound, hourly 8:45 am to 12:45 pm

Inbound, hourly from 9:10 am to 1:10 pm

To/From Pools 2 thru 5 / Tennis areas

To: 8:45 am (pool 4), hourly, 9:45 am to 1:45 pm

From: Hourly from 9:10 am to 1:10 pm

UTILITIES CONTACT INFORMATION

Comcast	800-934-6489	NYSEG	800-572-1131	Water/Sewer (Veolia)	877-426-8969
ConEd	800-752-6633	Verizon	800-922-0204		

SERVICES FOR SENIORS

TOWN OF SOMERS SENIOR SERVICES - 914-232-0807

Princess Guerra, Director

Hot Lunch

- At Van Tassel House - **Free Transportation Available**
Monday thru Friday at noon
- Delivered to home-bound, Monday thru Friday
Meals leave Van Tassel House for delivery starting at 11:30 am
Suggested contribution: **\$3** per meal

Medical Appointments - Transportation Available

Tuesday thru Thursday, for appointments between 10:30 am to 2 pm
Suggested round-trip donation: **\$10**

Shopping Trips by Bus

Mondays and Fridays, pickups start at 10 am
Suggested round-trip donation: **\$2**

OTHER SENIOR SERVICES

TRA (formerly RideConnect) - 914-764-7433 / my-tra.org

Transportation for medical appointments: Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 5 pm

Medicare - 800-633-4227 and medicare.gov

Medicare Rights Center - 800-333-4114

EPIC - 800-332-3742

New York State Senior Prescription Reduction

Westchester County Senior Programs and Services - 914-813-6300

Referral agency for senior services including legal - 914-949-1305
Social Services: 914-995-5889

SERVICES FOR ALL AGES, INCLUDING SENIORS

AA - 914-949-1200. Info and literature National Council on Alcoholism

Adult Protection Services Intake - Natalie Siler 914-995-2259.

Cancer Care - 800-ACS-2345

Northern Westchester Hospital - 914-242-8115

Putnam Hospital - 845-279-5711

The Dominican Sisters - Family Health Service 914-941-1654

Long- and short-term registered nurses.

Hospice - 914-666-4228 - Visiting Nurse Association State-certified program providing home health care and emotional support for terminally ill patients and their families

Project Time Out / Jewish Community Services - 914-761-0600 - Provides in-home respite services matching families with trained sitters/companions.
Contact Judy Fink, Coordinator, ext. 340; Carol Kobroff, Respite Specialist, ext. 310

Transportation for Cancer Treatments (free):

American Cancer Society Road to Recovery program. 800-227-2345

Transportation for Disabled Residents - County Office of Transportation 914-813-7777

Para-Transit - 914-995-7272 provides modified vans with ramp for curb-to curb service. Fare \$5 each way. Medical pre-authorization required. For eligibility call 914-995-2960.

Private Ambulette Services

Superior Brewster 845-278-6992

CLC Trans 914-241-0112

Ambulance: Westchester EMS 866-666-9367. Accepts Medicare.

Westchester County Office for the Disabled, includes hearing-defect

Lighthouse Inc. - New York City 212-821-9200. For sight impaired.

Veterans Guide to VA Health Care Benefits -

VA Hudson Valley Health Care System - 800-269-8749

Monday through Friday 8 am - 4 pm

VVNA Home Health Services, part of Northwell Health at Home

914-666-7616 - 8:30 am - 5 pm - Home care aides, nursing

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FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE HOSTS OF THE BELOW EVENTS, SEE THE ACTIVITIES / CLASSES / CLUBS SECTION OF THIS NEWSLETTER. WHEN GUESTS ARE WELCOME, UP TO FOUR PER UNIT ARE ALLOWED

BULK PICKUP

Saturday, May 2 - Condos 16 thru 30

Place all items for pickup by your Condo trash bins the evening before the scheduled pickup. The following items are **not accepted** for bulk pickup:



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|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Aerosol Cans | All Electronic Devices |
| Liquids (including paint) | Flourescent Bulbs |
| Appliances containing freon | Medical Waste |
| Asbestos | Propane Tanks |
| Batteries | Red bricks |
| Chemical Products | Rocks |
| Demolition/Construction Materials | Tires |

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MUSICAL NOTES FROM THE CONCERT SOCIETY



The best classical music value in Westchester and beyond!

By Teddi Meltzer



IRENA PORTENKO

Sunday, May 3, at 3 pm
in the Heritage Room

It's almost here! The excitement is on its way - the first 2026 concert of the Heritage Hills Concert Society at which we'll proudly present pianist Irena Portenko playing a collection of beloved classical pieces.

Individual concert tickets cost \$26 at the door or a subscription to our series of four concerts will cost only \$90. Subscription forms are available at the Activities Center.

If you have any questions, call Raina at 914-262-4407.

ON THE COVER

You can almost smell the fragrance of these lilacs growing here, photographed by Barbara Pollack.

HERITAGE HILLS NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Chair/Editor in Chief: Susan Statkowski-Rivalsi
Writers/Editors/Photographers: Patricia Adams, Rosetta Benjamin, Phyllis Bradbury, Dassi Citron, Terry Clifford, Elizabeth Royston, and Stephanie Szuch

FREE CONCERT!

Co-sponsored by the Continuing Education Club and Concert Society

POIESIS QUARTET

Caramoor's 2026-27 String Quartet-in-Residence

Tuesday, May 5, at 1:30 pm in the Heritage Room

Formed at Oberlin in 2022 and now based in Cincinnati, this award-winning ensemble has quickly gained national attention, with honors including Grand Prizes at the 2025 Banff International String Quartet and the 2023 Fischhoff National Chamber Music competitions, and joining the Concert Artists Guild roster in 2024. Known for their rich, cohesive sound and adventurous programming, the quartet breathes new life into classical masterworks while amplifying bold, contemporary voices. Don't miss the chance to experience one of today's most compelling young string quartets!

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10-A-MEN CLUB

By Mike McBride

WEEKLY MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesdays at 10 am in the Heritage Room

May 6 **John Campobasso**

Candidate for County Legislator

May 13 **Karl Thimm**

Appliance Sales - Advice, Q & A

May 20 **David George**

Digital Problem Solving - Cell Phones, Laptops, etc.

May 27 **Cait Conley**

Candidate for Congressional District

All adult residents are welcome. Women are encouraged to attend. Doors open at 8:30 am. \$3 admission. Bagels and coffee are available until 9:45 am. Folks mingle and chat until 10 am, when the Pledge of Allegiance is said followed by speakers and discussion until 11 am.

Come join us to meet your neighbors, ask questions, and find out what is happening in Heritage Hills and around Somers. As always, we respect, welcome, and listen to all.

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CIAO ITALIA

By Michael Lanotte

PIZZA NIGHT

Saturday, May 16, in the Heritage Room
Doors open at 6 pm



MEMBERS ONLY. \$5 per person.

Pick up the flyer outside the Activities Office, fill out the form at the bottom, and return it with your checks – **NO CASH** – in the Ciao Italia mail slot. All checks are **due by Saturday, May 9**. Also, remember that for Pizza Night we will only have tables of eight. The event will be catered by Peppino's Pizza and will feature music by Johnny Angel.



SOUNDS OF SINATRA

Friday, June 12, at 7 pm in the Heritage Room
Doors open at 6:15 pm

Featuring Frank, Dean, and Sammy tribute artists who perform songs and share stories of the legendary performers.

Look for flyers, email blasts, and TV notices for more information.



CONTINUING EDUCATION

By Karen Baker

The following events will take place in the Heritage Room. If you have any questions, call Ann at 914-617-9434.

FREE EVENT

THE IMMIGRATION DEBATE: HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

A lecture by Robert Groban, Former Special Assistant in the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, and former head of Berry, Appleman & Leiden, a national immigration law firm

Tuesday, May 12, at 1:30 pm

Join retired attorney Robert Groban for a look at the historical context of the nation's immigration laws; the origins of contemporary controversies over topics such as asylum, migrant workers, and family-based immigration; and disputes over current enforcement efforts. Mr. Groban will conclude by offering his personal observations on the immigration system and the role it has played in the history of our nation.

Admission for the following two events is \$10 per event, paid at the door:

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT: ANNUAL UPDATE 2026

A lecture by Richard Clinchy, Councilman for the Town of Somers, and Teacher Emeritus for Government and Law at John Jay High School in Katonah

Tuesday, May 19, at 1:30 pm

While every Supreme Court term is vitally important to the country, the 2025-26 term has been termed "crucial" to the future of the

government, as the Court's decisions this term could reshape our federal system for years to come, and alter the system of separation of powers and checks and balances under our Constitution. Back by popular demand, Mr. Clinchy will discuss: the limits of presidential authority to use military force both abroad and at home, challenges to the Voting Rights Act, presidential power to impose tariffs, rights of states to impose or deny "conversion therapy", challenges to regulatory agency independence, parental opt-outs from schools' syllabi, "concealed-carry" gun rights, Fourth Amendment rights and police searches, changes to environmental regulations regarding climate change, and policy decisions by Health and Human Services concerning vaccines and related matters. It's a huge agenda for the Supreme Court, and Mr. Clinchy will attempt to provide background and context for the cases to be heard during this very important term.

A TRIBUTE TO JEWISH AMERICAN SONGWRITERS

A musical performance by Rod MacDonald, Folk Singer

Tuesday, May 26, at 1:30 pm

As American music reached the world in the 20th Century, Jewish-American songwriters played a major part. From the patriotism of Irving Berlin to the protest of Bob Dylan, from jazz-inflected Gershwin show tunes to the coming-of-age ballads of Carole King, from the unforgettable melodies of Richard Rodgers to the sophisticated pop of Paul Simon, and from *Over The Rainbow* to *The Way We Were* to *The Producers*, these writers have created some of the most historic songs of our time. Welcome back Rod MacDonald and bassist Mark Dann for a celebration in song of these and other great writers of popular music for the ages!



SOCIETY BOARD

Both of the below meetings will be broadcast live on Comcast's channels 21 and 1070 and rebroadcast daily thereafter on those channels at 2 and 7 pm until the next Board meeting occurs in June. They can also be viewed on the Society website at hhsociety.org; go to Heritage Hills Society, then choose Board Meetings & Documents.

BOARD MEMBER CANDIDATES NIGHT

Wednesday, May 13, at 7 pm in the Heritage Room

All unit owners are invited to come and meet and submit questions to the seven candidates running for five open Society Board positions. See their bios on pages 20 to 23.

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, May 19, at 7 pm in the Heritage Room

All unit owners are welcome to attend the meeting in person and raise matters of concern at the end of the meeting. Residents who cannot

attend may submit such matters via email to society@hhsociety.org or regular mail to Society Board, 8 Heritage Hills, Somers, New York 10589. or call 914-276-2908 to discuss them. **Provide your name and unit number on written correspondence.**

BOARD MEMBER ELECTION BALLOT DEADLINE

Wednesday, June 10, at 1 pm

After Candidates Night, owners will receive an envelope containing a biographical sketch of each candidate, a ballot and ballot envelope, voting instructions, and a return mailing envelope.

To validate your vote, **the owner's name and unit number must be written on the return envelope.**

Please note that **only ONE ballot is permitted per envelope/unit.** Any envelope containing more than one ballot will be deemed invalid.

Completed ballots must be received by mail or delivered to the Society Office no later than 1 pm on June 10.

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WE ALL NEED A GOOD LAUGH!

**Sunday, May 17, at 7 pm
in the Heritage Room**

Save the date as we present Mark Brier, COMEDIAN FOR OUR AGES. Veteran of the Catskills and Comedy Clubs and friend of Billy Crystal, Mark will keep us entertained throughout the evening. Light refreshments. \$15 Admission. Auditorium seating.

Watch your email for a flyer to be returned no later than May 13.



WONDER OF WONDERS

**Saturday June 13 at 7:30 (note time)
in the Heritage Room**

Allie Weiss and Howard Kilick are returning to entertain us with theater hits by Block and Harnick featuring *Fiddler on the Roof* and others.

Cabaret seating. Admission \$15. Light refreshments.



WOMEN'S CLUB

Submitted by Phyllis Bradbury

LEARN TO PLAY LRC

Wednesday, May 13, at 1:30 pm in the Heritage Room

Looking for a fun new game to learn? Join us for **LRC** (Left, Right, Center), a dice game. Instructions will be provided. Just bring dollar bills to play. Coffee, tea, and dessert will be served. Admission is free for members and \$5 for non-members.

Flyers are available at the Activities Center. For additional information, contact Joan at 914-276-0488 or Alfreda@914.617.2007.

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SINGLES CLUB

Submitted by Diane Purr

LUNCHEON AT THE "R" HOUSE IN RIDGEFIELD, CONNECTICUT (FORMERLY BENJAMIN'S)

Wednesday, May 20, at 1 pm

Come join old friends and meet new ones at one of our favorite places (even though the name has changed)! Salad, choice of four entrees, choice of two desserts, coffee/tea. Cash Bar

\$60 for members, \$65 for non-members. Leave your checks in our mail slot **no later than May 13.** Questions: Pat Caruso 914-649-3232

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**THE NEWSLETTER WELCOMES ARTICLES AND PHOTOS FROM HERITAGE HILLS RESIDENTS
OUR DEADLINE IS THE 6TH OF THE MONTH.**

Authors' names will be indicated. We cannot guarantee that every item will be used, and all submissions are subject to being edited for format, length, acceptability of language, and suitability of content. Submissions should be in email attachment format (preferably Word) or by hand or mail to the Heritage Hills Activities Office or Society Office at 8 Heritage Hills, Somers, NY 10589.



EMAIL ADDRESS: HHillsNewsletter@gmail.com

When Submitting Photos:

If using your phone instead of a camera, please use the **highest resolution.** Unless it's a scenic vista, concentrate on faces. Most photographs are taken from too far away, and if the image is cropped, the faces will be blurred. Get closer.

Please do not incorporate art or a photo in a Word file. Attach it and Word files to emails as separate items.

We cannot use anything taken from the internet without authorization from the source.

TENNIS

By Dena Goldstein

SPRING MIXED DOUBLES SOCIAL

Saturday, May 16, starting at 9 am on Courts 1 and 2

You will receive a blast e-mail from "Heritage Hills." Please RSVP.

Looking forward to seeing you on the Courts.

Come meet the Tennis Community!! [See page 8 for more Tennis News.]

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MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP

By Ken Benjamin

DEMOCRATIC FORUM WITH LEADING CANDIDATES

SACHS, CONLEY, AND DAVIDSON

Monday, May 18, at 10 am in the Heritage Room



Cait Conley



Beth Davidson



Mike Sachs

Democratic Candidates for New York's 17th District Congressional seat - Cait Conley, Beth Davidson, and Mike Sachs - will be in attendance at this forum. The winner of their Primary on June 23 will take on two-term Congressman Mike Lawler (R) in November. This race could determine the balance of power in the House.

Cait Conley is a top 2% West Point graduate, a 16-year combat veteran, and was Director of Counterintelligence. She is a fourth generation Hudson Valley native and has additional degrees from MIT and Harvard.

Beth Davidson resides in Nyack and is a Rockland County Legislator. She was Vice-President of the Nyack School Board and has volunteered for numerous organizations. She graduated from the University of Michigan and is the mother of two and a cancer survivor.

Mike Sachs is a lawyer turned Emmy Award winning TV Journalist - a nationally recognized Supreme Court expert. A single dad living in Croton-on-Hudson, public school parent, and right fielder on his softball team, he holds a J.D. from Georgetown Law and a B.A. from Duke University.

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HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

By Rosmary Glassman, RN

IS YOUR BRAIN HEALTHY? DEFYING THE DECLINE

Presented by Ann Hohler, MD

Wednesday, May 20, at 1:30 pm in the Heritage Room

Dr. Hohler is the newly appointed Chair of Northwell's Neurology

Department at Northern Westchester and Phelps Hospitals. She will discuss cognitive evaluation and monitoring, as well as mind training. Her lecture will present lifestyle optimization to improve brain health.

HEALTHY GUMS, HEALTHY LIFE: UNDERSTANDING GUM DISEASE - WHAT EVERY ADULT SHOULD KNOW!

Presented by Dr. Cynthia Kuang

Thursday, May 28, at 1 pm in the Game Room

Dr. Kuang is a Periodontist whose dual training in nursing and dentistry provides an exceptional foundation for comprehensive management of medically complex patients with gum disease. Topics will include an overview of teeth, bones, and gums along with signs of gum disease and its risk factors. She will explain the mouth and body connection, when to seek treatment for periodontal disease, and how to protect your smile!

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Independent and Foreign Film Club



By Steve Klepner

JIRO, DREAMS OF SUSHI

(Japan. 82 Minutes, 2012)

Sunday, May 24, at 6:30 pm in the Heritage Room

The story is a thoughtful and elegant meditation on work and family. Jiro is considered to be the world's greatest sushi chef, running a ten-seat restaurant in a Tokyo subway station.

A discussion will follow the screening led by Heritage Hills resident Nancy Israel, a Heritage Hills resident and former film instructor at the Jacob Burns Film Center.

If you have any questions, contact Steve Klepner at 845-297-7066 / spk010@yahoo.com.

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BETTER COMMUNICATION = BETTER RELATIONSHIPS GROUP

By Randy Freeman

COMMUNICATING WITH OUR SIGNIFICANT OTHER AS WE AGE

Thursday, May 28, at 1:30 pm in Lake Lodge's Room 3

At this Group's meeting, Randy Freeman, BSN, MSW, a retired Couple's Therapist, will lead this discussion about the challenges of communicating with your loved one as you age. Our roles are changing. We are changing physically, and new health issues may arise. Let's discuss.

If you have any questions and to RSVP, contact Randy at 973- 449-3948 or randyfreeman71@hotmail.com.

Future discussions will include: "Communicating with Difficult People," "Communicating with Family Across the Political Divide," "Communicating with Adult Children," and more.



FRIENDS IN THE HILLS

By Deb Ferrara

**THE CHICLETTES
with Coda Band**

Saturday, June 20, at 7:30 pm in the Heritage Room

Doors open at 7 pm Sharp

At this **MEMBERS ONLY** event, dance, sing, and relive the greatest artists who have shaped the music scene from past to present. The Chiclettes with the Coda Band have shared the stage with many Rock and Roll Hall of Famers, not to mention their harmony talents used by Little Anthony, Frankie Avalon, the Blue Notes, and many more. You will not want to miss their array music from Rock and Roll and the Motown era to Disco and many more.

Signup sheets are outside the Activities Office. \$25 per person - checks, **no cash.**

If you have any questions, call Debbie 914-924-3003 or Mary Ann 914-318-1227.

Save the dates: Friday, July 24, and Saturday, August 1.



COMMUNITY THEATRE

By Muriel Millstein Weiss

LONDON SUITE

By Neil Simon

**Friday and Saturday, June 26 and 27, at 7:30 pm
and Sunday, June 28, at 3 pm, in the Heritage Room**

March Winds and April Showers

Bring Forth May Flowers

And June (by popular demand) brings forth our spring production.

Mr. Simon was a prolific, well-known playwright and his legacy is a tribute to his genius.

Directed by the incredible Scott Harris, who also directed *Exit Who* here, we are looking forward to an enjoyable evening/afternoon. Be sure to make your reservations early.

\$25 for theatre members, \$30 for non- members. Checks payable to "HH Community Theatre" may be placed in the Community Theatre mail slot outside the Activities Office or mailed to us at HH Community Theater, 8 Heritage Hills, Somers, New York. !0589. Remember to include the number of tickets, performance dates, and your phone number or email address.

If you have any questions, contact Helen at 917-554-4417 or Antonia at 410-591-8487

See you at the theatre!

**WHEN WALKING ON OUR ROADS, ALWAYS WALK
FACING TRAFFIC, SINGLE FILE, HUG THE CURB,
AND WEAR BRIGHT CLOTHING**



SOCIETY BOARD NEWS

WELCOME NEW OWNERS

By Anna Milani

Society Office Administrator

During the month of March, ownership changed for 5 units.

If you're a newcomer, you should have received a *New Resident* folder when obtaining your photo ID in the Activities Office. The folders are also available in the Society Office, open Monday through Friday from 9 am to 1 pm.

APRIL 21 SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

By Susan Statkowski-Rivalsi

The April 21 meeting took place after this issue of the *Newsletter* went to press, so a summary of that meeting will appear in the June issue. A video of the meeting (and others) can be seen on the Society Board's website (hhsociety.org) and on Comcast's channels 21 and 1070 daily at 2 and 7 pm until the May 19 meeting occurs. The minutes will be posted to the Society Board website after approval at the May meeting.



SECURITY

By Rob Casasanta, Prosegur Security

MARCH SECURITY CALL REPORT

During the month of March, our Security staff received and responded to a total of 233 calls including the following matters:

Service	89	(34 lift assists, 6 welfare checks, 12 persons locked out, 13 battery changes, and 24 others)
Medical	68	
Security	40	
Police	18	(8 Somers, 10 State)
Fire Calls	6	(1 automatic fire alarms, 1 fire, 4 other)
Maintenance.....	5	
Parking Violations.....	3	
Open Garage Doors	2	
Burglar Alarms.....	2	

If you have any Security questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to me directly either by phone at 914-276-2592 or by email at Roberto.Casasanta@prosegur.com.

COUNCIL OF CONDOS

By Terry Clifford

The **March meeting** was attended by Presidents and Representatives of the following Condos: 1,4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29, and 30.

Guest Speaker, Somers Town Supervisor, updated us on the "State of Somers."

The Town of Somers:

- Remains under a 2% tax cap, with a 2% increase in taxes for 2025-26.
- The Town has a Triple A Bond Rating.
- The Board is working with the Department of Health to address PFAS (water containments) problems in the Town Hall (Elephant Hotel).
- The Town Board has hired a Grant Writer and is accepting Congressional Funding to bring sewers and town water to the Business/ Historical District.
- The Town is working to retain the State Police Headquarters.
- The IBM facility has preliminary proposals, but they have not materialized.
- The Town has many New York State maintained roads which will be repaired in 2027. Our State Senator and Assemblyman secured nine million dollars for repairs on Routes 202, 118, and 139.
- The Culvert on Route 100 south of Route 35 has been completed and reopened.
- The culvert at Route 202 and Warren Street is slated for New York State Department of Transportation repairs to begin as soon as school ends and may reopen before school begins. Contingencies for preventing traffic coming through Heritage Hills are being considered.
- Approval for new housing on Route 6 in Baldwin Place area includes traffic studies.
- Lincoln Hall may lose federal funding. The Director states that the Lincoln Hall Board is working on ideas for their mission should that funding end.

The Council of Condos invites Condo Presidents and/or a representative from all thirty Condo Boards to attend Council Meetings at the Activities Center at 7 pm on the third Wednesday of each month.

NOTE: The information on **Unit Heating Issues** seen on page 10 of the April issue of the *Newsletter* was misinterpreted and should have read: Some Condos with electric heating attached to the ceiling panels may have failures and **some Condos** will replace the panels and provide baseboard heating. For baseboard heating **some Condo unit owners** are responsible for replacement. In units with natural gas, the heating system is the responsibility of the unit owner. Contact your Board of Managers or check your "Rules and Regulations" to determine what heating issues the unit owner is responsible for.

ABOUT THE "PURCHASER'S CONTRIBUTION POLICY"

By Susan Statkowski-Rivalsi

This new policy was approved by a majority of the unit owners in April of 2023. It requires that most Purchasers be required to make a contribution of \$1,500 (regardless of unit size). I indicate "most" because the contribution is *not* required (1) if a current owner sells one unit to purchase another one, or (2) if a unit is transferred by way of a Trust or Last Will and Testament, or (3) if a unit transfers to a joint owner of a unit.

The good news is the income realized helps minimize our annual Society Dues increases. Per Property Manager John Milligan, here's a summary of how we've benefitted from this Policy thus far:

- July thru December 2023. \$96,000
- January thru December 2024. \$198,000
- January thru December 2025. \$199,500
- January thru March 2026. \$34,500

That's more than a half million dollars in less than three years.

The \$1,500 amount may be adjusted in the future at the Society Board's discretion.

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TENNIS NEWS

By Dena Goldstein

To all the Tennis players: Nets should be up on all the courts when you receive this *Newsletter!* Courts 1, 2, 4, and 5 are carpeted surfaces, making it easier on your knees! Courts 6 and 7 are harder courts, although they are rubberized.

You need to reserve a court if you want to play tennis. To do so, go to the app store and get the *Playtomic* App and go to "Heritage Hills." If you do not understand the instructions, reach out to Dena Goldstein at 914-589-3560.



*Hanging plant,
by Sherry Beckman*

Library



OUR GROWING MYSTERY COLLECTION

Mystery novels and thrillers continue to be popular with Heritage Hills readers. This month, the Library is adding new books by several favorite mystery authors, including David Baldacci, John Sandford, and Brad Taylor.

Ex-Detective Inspector Daniel Hawthorne, Anthony Horowitz's irascible character, reprises his role in *A Deadly Episode*. Hawthorne once again is back on a case, with unexpected consequences. An English country house, a murdered actor, blackmail: *A Deadly Episode* is a worthy addition to the Hawthorne mystery series.

Veteran author Douglas Preston collaborated with his daughter Aletheia, a former trial attorney, to write *Paradox*, a thriller set in the Colorado badlands. State Agent Frankie Cash joins forces with Eagle County Sheriff Jim Colcord to solve a set of cult-like murders in the desert.

The next time you visit the Library be sure to peruse our mystery shelves for a page-turning whodunit. *The game is afoot!*

BOOK REVIEW

For a review of *The Rest of Our Lives* by Ben Markovits, see page 35.

NEW ADDITIONS TO OUR COLLECTION IN MAY

To reserve any of the books listed below, stop by or call the Library at 914-276-7655.

Fiction

- Boyle, T. C. *No Way Home*
- Chiaverini, Jennifer *The Patchwork Players*
- Jones, Tayari *Kin*
- Martel, Yann *Son of Nobody*
- Perrotta, Tom *Ghost Town*
- Semple, Maria *Go Gentle*
- Smiley, Jane *Lidie: The Further Travels and Adventures of Lidie Newton*
- Toibin, Colm *The News from Dublin*

Mystery

- Baldacci, David *Hope Rises*
- Harper, Jane *Last One Out*
- Horowitz, Anthony *A Deadly Episode*
- Perry, Thomas *The Tree of Light and Flowers*
- Preston, Douglas, and
Preston, Aletheia *Paradox*
- Sandford, John *Revenge Prey*
- Taylor, Brad *Shadow Strike*

Non-Fiction

- Burden, Belle *Strangers: A Memoir of Marriage*
- Harmon, Mark, and
Carroll, Jr, Leon *Ghosts of Sicily*


A BELFOR  COMPANY

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Services We Offer



Emergency Water Mitigation



Structural Drying



Thermal Imaging



Sewage Cleanup



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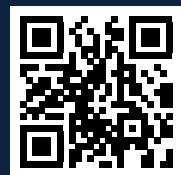


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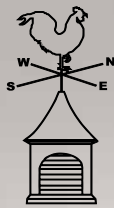
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ARTS & CRAFTS

I LOVE ART CLASS: After School Art in Heritage Hills for children grades K to 6. Hosted by Miss Judika, M.S. To register, call Judika at 914-438-6750.

LEARN TO BEAD WITH ALLISON: Mondays at 11 am in the Activities Center's Studio B. Each class is \$25 including materials fee. You go home with a piece of jewelry that you made for yourself or for a special someone. Come and join the fun. To enroll or for more information, contact Allison Rubin at 914- 629-3655 or ahrubin521@yahoo.com.

CRAFTERS IN THE HILLS: Wednesdays in the Activities Center's Lower Level Studio B from 10 am to noon / first week of the month from 6 to 8 pm. No fee to join; some sessions are free (you supply materials) and other sessions have a fee based on materials. Email to join and for more information: craftclubhh@gmail.com.

NEEDLECRAFT GROUP: Charitable group that meets Wednesdays at 12:30 pm in the Activities Center's Game Room. All skill levels are welcome. \$20 annual dues. For questions or to register, call Linda at 914-277-2776.

PAINT & SIP WITH JUDIKA: Create a different painting in each class once a month. Step-by-step instructions are given, and everyone leaves with a masterpiece! \$40 per class includes all supplies. Bring your creative spirit! To register, call Judika at 914-438-6750.

PHOTO CLUB: Second Friday of each month at 2 pm in Activities Center's Club Room 2. All are welcome regardless of photography experience. Meetings will include speakers, field trips to various photo shows, photo shoots, and contests. For more information, contact Bill Ablondi at 203-984-2955 or ablondi@marketmaps.net.

SILK FABRIC PAINTING CLASS: Fee \$135. Must sign up for a full four-week session at the Activities Center. Space is limited. For more information, contact Evey at 914-276-0737 or email her at evymusart@comcast.net.

SKETCH WORKSHOP: Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 am in the Activities Center's Studio A. Portraits, figures, still lifes. Bring your choice of paper, pens, pencils, watercolors, pastels, etc. Models are welcome to pose for 20 minutes (clothed!). No fee, no teacher, but guidance available.

WOODCRAFT CLUB: The shop on the Activities Center's Lower Level is available Monday thru Saturday from 9 am to 4 pm. For information and to register, contact Club President Ed at 914-276-0671 or 914-552-2303.

BETTER COMMUNICATION = BETTER RELATIONSHIPS GROUP: Last Thursday of the month at 1:30 pm in Lake Lodge's Room 3. Resident Randy Freeman, BSN, MSW, a retired couples therapist, introduces methods of communicating – sometimes about challenging topics, across generations, etc. – occasionally with guest speakers. See the COMING EVENTS section of the *Newsletter* and watch for email blasts. For more information, contact Randy at 973-449-3948 or randyfreeman71@hotmail.com.

BOOK CLUBS

CONTEMPORARY FICTION BOOK CLUB: First Tuesday of the month from 2:30 to 4 pm in the Activities Centers's Game Room. New members are welcome. For more information contact myrahopper@gmail.com or 520-390-5523.

HERITAGE HILLS LIBRARY BOOK GROUP: First Monday and first Thursday of the month at 3:30 pm in the Activities Center's Game Room. For further details, contact Sheelagh Kaplan at Sheelaghk1@aol.com.

CONCERT SOCIETY: We present four classical concerts, featuring the best and brightest of classical music's Rising Stars, in May, June, September, and October on Sundays at 3 pm in the Heritage Room. Annual subscriptions are \$90 per person or pay \$26 per person per concert at the door. Subscription Forms are available at the Activities Center. If you have any questions, call Raina Lefkowitz at 914-262-4407.

CONTINUING EDUCATION: Our mission is to educate and entertain with monthly presentations by experts in the fields of art, literature, music, theater, history, and politics on specified Tuesdays at 1:30 pm in the Heritage Room. For more information, see the COMING EVENTS section of this *Newsletter* or call Ann at 914-617-9434.

CULINARY CLUB: Meets once a month to prepare, share, and enjoy dishes from many cuisines. We hope to increase our expertise and, in the process, enjoy each other's company. Our membership is limited by our facilities and is full at this time. However, there is a waiting list, and if you would like to add your name, contact Barbara Gangemi at 914-617-9037.

DANCE

FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL DANCE: First Friday of every month from 7 to 10 pm in the Heritage Room. \$10 per person includes coffee and cake. BYOB and snacks. For more information, call Angela Viscogliosi at 914-393-8736.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB: Second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 3 to 4:30 pm in the Activities Center's Club Rooms 2 – 3. This Club's primary objective is to foster a culture of environmental responsibility within Heritage Hills. All are welcome, including teens. Watch for announcements and postings about special events and field trips. No fee. For more information contact Carrie Sears at carolynnsears@me.com or 914-522-3111.

EXERCISE CLASSES

TAI CHI AND CHI GONG WITH MASTER ELLEN: Mondays from 1 to 2:15 pm in the Gym. \$70 per month. First class free. All levels welcome. Wear loose fitting, comfortable clothing. Contact heritagehillstaichi@gmail.com.

LINDA'S LAKE LODGE CLASSES: Body Conditioning: Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 am. Rock & Roll Workout: Tuesdays at 9:30 am. Yoga Pilates: Thursdays at 9:30 am. Sports Conditioning: Sundays at 9 am. All Classes take place in Lake Lodge's Upper Level and are \$10 per class. Register at the start of the month for the classes you plan to attend. Contact Linda Zeiss instructor at Labzeiss@gmail.com or 718-541-0861.

CARDIO/STRENGTH/STRETCH CLASS WITH LORI: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:30 am in the Gym. Join me for a fun, safe, effective workout. Low impact cardio, resistance training, balance, stretch, and breath work – all set to great music! Appropriate for all levels.

Resistance bands and weights available. No mats needed. Class is periodically full, so joining is up to the discretion of the instructor due to class size. Fee: \$10 per class. Try the first class for free! Email Lori at eefyjig@gmail.com.

BALANCE AND AGILITY FOR ACTIVE SENIORS: Wednesdays at 10:30 am on Lake Lodge's Upper Level. Navigate obstacles; strengthen balance; move better for walks, hikes, or pickleball. Learn from a master teacher with years of experience, Elena Remais. \$80 for 4 weeks, \$25 for drop-in. Elenathetrainer@yahoo.com and 917-848-3174.

LINE DANCING WITH THERESA: Wednesdays at 11 am in the Gym. Easy to learn and easy to follow line dances to all music genres taught in workshop format. Fee: \$10 per class. Email Theresa at zumbawithme@aol.com.

ENERGY HEALING FOR SELF, FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND PETS WITH MELANIE GAMBINO: First Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in Lake Lodge's Room 3. \$20 per class. Preregistration required. For more information and to reserve your place, call, text, or email Melanie at 914-588-2450 or melaniegambino1@gmail.com.

CONTINUUM/FLUID FORM MOVEMENT, MINDFULNESS, AND MEDITATION WITH MELANIE GAMBINO: Fridays at 9 am in Lake Lodge's Room 3. \$15 per class. Preregistration required. For more information and to reserve your place, call, text, or email Melanie at 914-588-2450 or melaniegambino1@gmail.com.

ZUMBA GOLD WITH THERESA: Fridays at 10:30 am in the Gym. Low impact dance fitness class suitable for all fitness levels. Fee: \$10 per class. Email Theresa at zumbawithme@aol.com.

YOGA

YOGA WITH STACEY: Mondays at 11:30 am at Lake Lodge with Stacy Goodman, RYT-200. A gentle, slow-flow yoga class to strengthen, lengthen, calm, and expand body, mind, spirit within. \$15 drop-in. Email Resoratoryoga@hotmail.com.

CHAIR YOGA WITH SATISH: Tuesdays from 10 to 11:15 am in Lake Lodge's Room 3 with Satish Gambhir, registered yoga (500-RYT) and acupressure teacher with over 20 years of experience. Chair Yoga aimed at toning the entire body and increasing flexibility. Breathing and meditation for relaxation and mind-body connection. Live music. \$10 per class. Call or email to register at 914-646-0887 or Satishgambhir@gmail.com.

VINYASA YOGA WITH JOE: Wednesdays at 5:30 pm and Saturdays at 9 am in Lake Lodge's Upper Level. \$12 per class. To register, email Joe Ferrari at josephferrari@me.com.

GENTLE YOGA WITH LISA: Fridays at 10 am on Lake Lodge's Upper Level. \$60 for four consecutive classes or \$18 to drop -in for a 75-minute class. Lisaathomas@optonline.net or 914-497-0243.

FAMILY NETWORK GROUP: Arranges organized family-oriented gatherings, days and evenings, several times a year. Go to [Facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com) to join the group "Heritage Hills Family Network" or email keri.reitman@gmail.com.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE GROUPS

FRENCH CONVERSATION GROUP: Second and fourth Friday of the month in Lake Lodge's Room 1 from 11 am to noon. Members should have a basic knowledge of French conversation, but need not be fluent. Refresh your

French language skills and laugh and learn with us. If you have any questions, call Carole Ellis at 914-260-9182 or email her at carellis14@yahoo.com.

SPANISH CONVERSATION GROUP: First Thursday of the month in Lake Lodge's Room 1 at 11 am. Group is open to intermediate through fluent Spanish speakers. ¡Vengan! Contact Mike at elprofesor55@aol.com.

GAMES

BRIDGE – DUPLICATE: Mondays and Thursdays at 12:30 pm in the Heritage Room. For information, call Marie at 914-277-4266.

BRIDGE – SOCIAL: Wednesdays from 10 am to noon at Lake Lodge. For information, call Marie Sugar at 914-277-4266.

CANASTA CLUB: Saturdays from 1 to 4 pm in Activities Center's Club Room 2. Contact Doris Simon at 914-276-0111 or Doris1121@me.com, or Nancy Heilman at 914-224-7180 or Nancy.C.Heilman@gmail.com.

CHESS CLUB: Wednesdays from 1 to 3:30 pm in Lake Lodge's Room 3. We are a group of chess enthusiasts who enjoy coming together to play some friendly games of chess! Beginners are welcome! Bring your chess set if you have one. Some pairs may choose to use a chess clock; bring this, also, if you have one. For more information, contact Pat Posluszny at patpugs@comcast.net or 914-276-6550.

MAH JONGG: Mondays at noon in Lake Lodge's Room 3 (contact Sue Furino 914-617-9110); Fridays at 1 pm in Lake Lodge's Room 3, and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 am to 1 pm in Lake Lodge's Room 2 (Contact MaryAnne McMullen at 914-414-9116 or Terry Colomer at 914-342-3610).

SCRABBLERS: Thursdays starting promptly at 1 pm in Activities Center's Club Room 2. Casual Scrabble game play (we use dictionaries). Play one or more games. All levels of players, including newbies, are welcome. For more information, just walk in.

GARDEN CLUB: For information, including questions on membership and use of the Club Garden, send an email to hhgardenclubsecretary@gmail.com.

HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Blood Pressure Screenings With a Smile: Nurse Ellie Eidam offers screenings on the second Friday of the month from 9 to 11 am in the Activities Center's Game Room. Your temperature may be taken. Do not come if you have tested positive for Covid-19, were recently exposed (within 14 days) to the virus or traveled to areas that have experienced high levels of the virus. Contact Ellie at elliebob1@gmail.com or 914-617-2109 for more information.

Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregivers Support Group: Caring for someone with Alzheimer's/Dementia is a difficult and painful challenge. A support group can help. Meetings take place the first Thursday of the month at 12:30 pm in Lake Lodge's Room 1. Fee: \$20 per session. Facilitated by Linda Ludwig, Psy.D. To register, call 914-617-9328 or email ludwiglr@aol.com.

Spousal Bereavement Group: Grieving the loss of a loved one can cause loneliness and profound sadness. The Spousal Bereavement Group provides a safe and caring environment for everyone who shares similar experiences. Meetings take place on the second Thursday of the month at 12:30 pm in Lake Lodge's Room 1. The fee is \$20 per session. To register, email Linda at ludwiglr@aol.com, or call 914-617-9328.

HIKERS & WALKERS GROUP: Weekly hikes from September to June. Information and our schedule are available in the Activities Center mailroom.

INDEPENDENT AND FOREIGN FILM CLUB: Monthly screenings in the Heritage Room, February thru December, followed by a discussion. \$25 for the series. Schedule is posted in the Activities Center and on the Society Board website. For information, contact Steve Klepner at 845-297-7066 or spk010@yahoo.com.

LET'S TALK SENIOR CARE: Second Friday of the month at 1 pm in the Heritage Room. Stephanie Roberti, MHA, will introduce different senior care topics to help educate us on this important subject. For more information, contact Stephanie at 914-357-3049 or Sroberti@Newbeginningsforseniors.com.

LIBRARY: Monday through Friday from 10 am to 3 pm and Saturdays from 10 am to 1 pm. For information on the collection, see the COMMUNITY NEWS and COLUMNS section of the *Newsletter* and visit the *Heritage Hills Library* webpage at hhsociety.org or call 914-276-7655.

MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP: Discussion group on current event topics. Mondays, holidays included, from 9:30 to 11 am in the Activities Center's Club Rooms 2 - 3. During the summer, it also meets Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11 am behind Lake Lodge under the trees - with fresh air and an enchanting view of two ponds, a gazebo, and a vast lawn - with lively conversation. For information, email Ken Benjamin at kenbenja@aol.com or call him at 914-262-6006.

SHAKESPEARE GROUP: Tuesdays from 10 to 11:30 am in the Activities Center's Game Room and on Zoom. See a film of a classic Shakespeare play, then read it and join in lively discussions. All are welcome! For more information, call Susan Ray at 914-391-6686 or Margaret Howlett at 973-746-7816.

SOCIAL CLUBS

CIAO ITALIA: Membership, open to all residents, is \$12 per person for the year. Fill out a Membership Form, available outside the Activities Office, and include it in an envelope with your payment. Watch for flyers and TV notices, and see the COMING EVENTS section of this *Newsletter* announcing upcoming events.

CLUB SHALOM: You don't have to be Jewish to love Club Shalom, a Club dedicated to providing quality entertaining and educational Jewish cultural programs for residents. Watch for information about upcoming events. All residents are welcome. Contact Alan Tepper at HHCLUBSHALOM@gmail.com.

FRIENDS IN THE HILLS CLUB: Open to all adult residents. Each event will be a night of fun and socializing with your neighbors. See the COMING EVENTS section of this *Newsletter* for event details. Email us at Friendsinthehills@aol.com with any questions, or contact Debbie Ferrara at 914-924-3003 or Mary Ann Walrath at 914-318-1227.

RAINBOW CONNECTION CLUB: A group for LGBTQ members and their families, friends, and neighbors. All are welcome. Meets the first Thursday of each month in Lake Lodge's Room 3 from 5 to 7 pm. For more information contact Teresa Duffy at 914-617-9785.

SINGLES CLUB: If you are interested in joining the Club, contact Pat Caruso at 914-649-3232 or carusop515@comcast.net. Membership dues are \$12 per year.

WOMEN'S CLUB: meets on the second Wednesday of the month, except for December, January, July, and August. Membership dues for renewals and new members are just \$12 for the year (January thru December). Flyers are available for memberships. Insert your check in an envelope, including your name, unit number and phone number and put it in the Women's Club mail slot. For further information, call Membership Chairperson, Alfreda Savarese at 914-617-2007. See the COMING EVENTS section of this *Newsletter* for specific upcoming event details.

YACHT CLUB ("HHYC"): The HHYC is a fee-free social club of past and present water fans (swimmers, boaters, fishers, cruisers, surfers, whatever). At our monthly 3 pm pot luck "dock parties" on the first Friday of the month in Lake Lodge's Lobby, we share our experiences and plan future ones (theme parties, day trips/activities, or even cruises). For more information, contact Commadorable Susan at ciwhitestar@comcast.net or 914-617-9228.

SPORTS

BOCCIE: Wednesdays and Saturdays (weather permitting) starting at 9:30 am. For more information contact Reno DiCristofaro at 914-500-5160 or Diane Purr at 914-617-9338.

BOWLING LEAGUE: Every Tuesday 11:30 am to 3:30 pm at Jefferson Valley Lanes. Join the league or come down and bowl as a substitute. All levels are welcome. For more information contact Joe Thornley at JETJAN@COMCAST.NET or at 917-882-0692.

EAST HILL MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION: Enjoy weekly Thursday 9-hole casual competitions in a variety of formats, as well as Tuesday Stroke Play opportunities, from April thru November at Somers National Golf Club's course right here on Heritage Hills' West Hill. For more information, contact Membership Chairman Sandy Lieberman at 914-438-6762 or golfer61345@gmail.com.

PICKLEBALL: On the outdoor courts, it's open play, no reservations required. The Gym is also available for indoor play. For details on both, and about the Pickleball Committee and community, email PickleballHH@Outlook.com. See you on the courts!

PING PONG: Thursdays at 10 am in the Activities Center's Game Room. Open to all residents. Come hang out and play!

SHUFFLEBOARD: Wednesdays from 1 to 3 pm, and Saturdays from 9:30 am to noon, October through March, in the Gym.

TENNIS: All Tennis reservations are made via www.playtomic.io, or you can download the *playtomic* app, which offers many additional features. Once on the *playtomic* website, type "Heritage Hills" and click on "tennis" as the sport choice. For general information about the Tennis group, call Dena at 914-589-3560. The Friday night Round Robin runs from May through September.

10-A-MEN CLUB: All resident men and women are invited to meet and chat with their neighbors at 8:30 am Wednesday mornings in the Heritage Room. Coffee and bagels are available until 9:45 am, followed by speakers / presentations until 11 am. Admission is \$3.

WRITERS WORKSHOP CLASS: Workshop on *Google Meet!* Mondays at 1 pm and Saturdays at 10:30 am in Lake Lodge. Email Linda Spear, workshop facilitator, to arrange to join us! Lindaspear211@gmail.com.



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ONEKEY/ HGMLS DATA AS OF 1/1/2026-4/16/2026

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MODEL NAME	PRICE	MODEL NAME	PRICE
Amherst	\$500,000; \$525,000	Radcliffe	\$599,000; \$604,000
Franklin	\$399,000; \$420,000; \$435,000	Guilford	\$512,000; \$516,000; \$530,000

TWO BEDROOMS

MODEL NAME	PRICE	MODEL NAME	PRICE
Armonk	\$645,000; \$650,000; \$660,000	Madison	\$415,000
Berkshire	\$610,000; \$720,000	Monroe	\$519,000; \$525,000; \$542,500
Cambridge	\$625,000	Princeton	\$750,000
Canaan	\$625,000; \$685,000; \$750,000	Ridgefield	\$610,000
Concord	\$534,500; \$540,000; \$552,000	Salem	\$675,000; \$680,000; \$730,000
Cortlandt	\$495,000	Stanford	\$760,000; \$982,500
Dartmouth	\$675,000	Stratford	\$650,000; \$666,000; \$715,000
Fairview	\$610,000; \$625,000; \$665,000	Stratford II	\$816,000
Harvard	\$930,000	Syracuse	\$710,000; \$740,000
Katonah	\$570,000	Wellesley	\$599,000
Kent	\$625,000		
Lexington	\$671,000		

THREE BEDROOMS

MODEL NAME	PRICE	MODEL NAME	PRICE
Columbia	\$1,225,000	Sherman I	\$825,000; \$875,000; \$910,000
Croton II	\$680,000	Sherman II	\$1,200,000; \$976,300
Jefferson (with carport)	\$625,000; \$700,000	York	\$575,000; \$675,000



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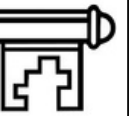
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Here are biographies of the two new and five incumbents



GENE ARCHER (Incumbent)

Gene Archer is a dedicated community leader and 23-year resident of Heritage Hills, where he lives with his wife, Susan. Gene brings a blend of professional expertise, financial stewardship, and collaborative leadership to his service on the Heritage Hills Society Board of Directors.

Gene holds an undergraduate degree from SUNY and recently retired as Chief Executive Officer of a financial services firm. He is well versed in technical disciplines, with experience in several programming languages, web design, and VOIP phone systems. His extensive business expertise has provided him with deep experience in strategic planning, fiscal oversight, systems thinking, and organizational leadership.

Gene has served on the Society Board in various capacities for over nine years – as Treasurer, Chair of the Finance and Audit Committees, and currently as Board President. He also served on the community's Reopening Committee during the COVID-19 pandemic, and led a comprehensive review of NYSEG electric rates across more than 70 electric services within Heritage Hills, resulting in a \$17,000 refund for the community and ongoing savings through reduced electric rates

Gene has been on his Condo's Board for 10 years, currently serving as President and Treasurer. Gene believes that effective leadership comes from listening, motivating others, and fostering positive working relationships with colleagues and within the community, while advancing quality-of-life initiatives, maintaining and enhancing property values, supporting modern and sustainable amenities, and addressing environmental considerations responsibly.

Gene's hobbies include photography and music. Several of Gene's photographs are on display at Lake Lodge. He's been an avid guitar player for the past 55 years and collects vintage guitars.

Gene and Susan enjoy learning from – and happily spoiling – their five grandchildren.

Gene values the trust placed in him by his neighbors and remains committed to thoughtful governance, transparency, and long-term planning that benefits the entire Heritage Hills community.



ANN HARPER (Incumbent)

This is my thirteenth year living in Heritage Hills. It is the very best community in my opinion. By continuing to work on the Society Board, I feel I can best contribute to a place that has done so much for me.

I am originally from the Jersey Shore. It was there that I raised a family and taught high-school English. After I earned my Master's, I made a career change and became a corporate trainer. I then moved to Westchester and owned a small training company. We traveled to all parts of the country and worked with major corporations, hospitals, and not-for-profits. We designed and delivered workshops on leadership, team development, and communication skills. I have authored three books on the topic of team building.

I have been a member of the Society Board since July 2020, working with Clubs, Classes, and Activities. I see my role as advocating for the needs of the groups at Heritage Hills that add so much to enrich the lives of residents. I also enjoy promoting new clubs and activities to continue growing our offerings.

In the past, I have served as a member of my Condo 7 Board, chaired Club Shalom, and been the facilitator of the Morning Discussion Group. I am currently the Chairperson of Continuing Education and have been for many years. I also regularly participate in Bridge Club, Photography Club, and attend many clubs and activities. I am a member of the Somers Superintendent's Advisory Team because I am dedicated to the education of children. They are the future.

I am a member of Temple Shaaray Tefila, where I participate in many charitable activities as well.

On a personal level, I have a daughter who lives in Yorktown and two granddaughters. I have many friends, and most of them live here in Heritage Hills.

Involvement in our community enriches my life.

D CANDIDATES

t candidates for the five openings on the Society Board.



JOE KELLY (Incumbent)

Although I was originally born in the Bronx, I consider myself a life-long resident of Westchester County, where my wife and I raised our family and, over the years, participated in numerous community groups and projects. We moved to Heritage Hills 6 years ago. We feel very fortunate to be living here, as we have grown to enjoy many of the amenities and activities available to us, as well as the many friends and acquaintances we've been pleased to make.

While I have an extensive background and experience in building construction and maintenance, such as electrical, plumbing, carpentry, etc., I spent the bulk of my work career in the electrical and telecommunications industry, both as a technician and manager. As such, I believe I have accrued a certain amount of experience in communicating and working with people to resolve shortfalls in service and/or identify potential barriers to success, whether they are caused by technical, administrative, or miscommunications.

I was originally appointed to the Society Board almost three years ago to replace an unexpected vacancy. Since that time, I have served on several committees, including Infrastructure, Fitness Center, Toys for Tots, and Art Show. I'm also currently serving on Condo Board 25, where my main focus is maintenance issues and special infrastructure projects. My experience on both boards and committees has been a great learning exercise and has provided me with a wealth of knowledge on the day-to-day operations and challenges of condo management.

If elected, I hope to continue my service and contributions in maintaining Heritage Hills' high standards and future achievements



MIKE McBRIDE

Born and raised in Riverdale, The Bronx, number seven of eight children, I was always hungry.

I attended Seton Academy, St Margaret's, Manhattan Prep, Manhattan College, and PACE University.

I worked and enjoyed it from age eleven in a grocery store, restaurant kitchens, and bars throughout Riverdale. I worked many different jobs at the same time: in a paint store, two restaurants, and the Greenleaf. I got fed and entertained.

I worked eight years as an 807 Teamster, nights and days, depending on whether the Engineering school had any night classes.

I drove for White Rock Soda Company throughout the tri-state area. If there were no night classes, then I would have taken daytime courses and loaded trucks full-time at night.

Shortly after graduation with a degree in Civil Engineering, I began work with the New York State Department of Transportation in the Parkway Design Group. I was promoted to Civil Engineer 2 to State Construction in New York City; then to Civil Engineer 4 in 1997 as Resident Engineer in charge of 901 lane miles of Northern Westchester State Highways with a staff of 84. The Main yard is right here in Somers on Rt 100 next to Muscote Farm, and other yards are in Millwood and Peekskill.

I enjoy hiring and promoting people and making order out of chaos. Blizzards and hurricanes gave me plenty of opportunities. I like to remove barriers by introducing people to each other and finding commonalities.

Let's focus on what we can do, and then try to find ways to tackle the more difficult tasks.

Engineers thrive on solving problems.

Reis Park and the Somers Library, along with my two 5- and 7-year-old grandkids, are go-to places for me/us.

I coached basketball, soccer, and baseball for years, even after my son went off to College.

Bryn Mawr Boys and Girls Club, St Margarets CYO, and St Josephs Bronxville CYO.

Presently, since November 2022, I serve as President of the 10-A-Men Club. I volunteer for many different activities with the Knights of Columbus and also the Respect Life Committee of St. Joseph's in Somers.

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PATRICIA PLOSS (Incumbent)

I am excited and inspired by Heritage Hills and hope you will allow me to continue, as I have the passion and energy to keep bringing new ideas and challenges to the Society Board.

I have served on the Society Board since 2011 – as Treasurer for two years and six years as President. I currently chair the Meadowlark Park and Landscape committees, and am a former member of the Finance Committee.

Sound fiscal policies must be primary for Society; maintenance of facilities is crucial to maintaining our homes' values. Communication is essential, and our two crucial services – EMS/Security and bus transportation – must continue.

While President, the Heritage Room was renovated, Maintenance Yard purchased, Heritage Hills Library, Society and Activities Offices upgraded; secured a NYSEG grant and installed LED lights in our 400+ streetlights, saving thousands. Started children's swimming and art classes, assumed operation of our bus service, upgraded lighting and landscaping at the East Hill entrance, initiated holiday lights at our entrance, and secured the donation of two pianos.

As Chair of the Meadowlark Park Committee, I rehabilitated Park Place, created a children's playground, extended walking trails, and worked with the Pollinator Garden folks to create several gardens.

I view my service to Society as my third career. I was a newspaper reporter with the Syracuse Post Standard, Newark Evening News, and Patent Trader. I was Assistant to the Town of Somers Supervisor; and at the Town of Bedford was Director of Finance. In each Town, my responsibilities included budget creation and administration, investing funds, and project management.

I have a BA degree from Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs.

I have been a lifelong volunteer serving Rotary at the club and district level; Board of the Community Center of Northern Westchester (five years as Treasurer), and vice president of the Condo 3 Board.



BILL TEGMIER

I was born and raised in Yonkers, New York, and am a proud graduate of Commerce High School, Class of 1963. In September 1966 I began my service in the United States Army, where I served honorably until 1972.

For 41 years, I worked as a trailer driver for Verizon Logistics. During that time, I served as a union official for more than 30 years. One of my most significant accomplishments in that role was helping secure a pension plan for our trailer drivers and successfully negotiating improvements that raised the pension to a higher pay scale. Today, I continue my dedication to union advocacy as Second Vice President of the AFL-CIO Retiree Group.

My wife, Christine, and I moved to Heritage Hills in July 2008. We have two adult children and are proud grandparents to three grandchildren, all of whom reside in Somers.

I am actively involved in the Heritage Hills community and currently belong to the Bocce League, 10-A-Men, Ciao Italia, Friends in the Hills, and the Garden Club. I am also a member of the Veterans Group of Somers and the Brewster VFW Post 672.

If elected, it is my hope to lessen the restrictions that some Heritage Hills clubs and organizations have, to allow all residents to enjoy living here.



JAY WRIGHT (Incumbent)

I am a co-owner of Precision Sprinkler Services, a family-owned fire sprinkler company based in New York City, and an active member of one of New York's largest Business Networking International (BNI) chapters, where I currently serve on the Membership Committee.

Before becoming a small business owner, I spent 13 years in human resources and recruitment, holding leadership roles in both domestic and international organizations. My experience includes serving as a program manager for one of the largest corporate relocation companies in the United States, where I oversaw teams across multiple states and managed complex operational programs.

From 2019 to 2022, I served as President of the Somers Track & Field Booster Club, a nonprofit organization supporting the Somers High School Track & Field program. During my tenure, I founded the Somers Track & Field Booster Club Turkey Trot, which has since become an annual fundraising event generating thousands of dollars each year to benefit student-athletes.

Since 2020, my family and I have volunteered at the Community Center of Northern Westchester (CCNW), where we developed a deep appreciation for the organization's mission and the individuals it serves. I was invited to join the CCNW Board of Directors in 2022 and continue to serve as a board member.

I have been a resident of Heritage Hills since 2005 and have always believed in giving back to the community. Over the years, I have volunteered in various capacities and currently serve on the Society Board of Directors and its Finance Committee, and as President of the Condo 16 Board.

With a background spanning human resources, operations, sales, nonprofit leadership, and small business ownership, I bring a practical, financially focused perspective to board service. I remain committed to acting in the best interests of the community and supporting the long-term success of Heritage Hills.

CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Large dung beetle
- 7. Gambling game ___-lo
- 10. Further along
- 12. Type of tobacco
- 13. Looked for
- 14. Silk fabric
- 15. Computer method to solve equations
- 16. As fast as can be done (abbr.)
- 17. Tear
- 18. Brews
- 19. "Famous" cookie baker
- 21. Women's Army Corps
- 22. Front parts of an animal
- 27. It's causing quite a stir

- 28. Beloved March holiday
- 33. 12th letter of the Greek alphabet
- 34. More impudent
- 36. Indicates center
- 37. Young woman (French)
- 38. A cause of distress
- 39. Santa's helper
- 40. Hillside
- 41. Many wombs
- 44. Is afraid of
- 45. Popular baked goods ingredient
- 48. Popular computers
- 49. Conceiving of
- 50. Google certification (abbr.)

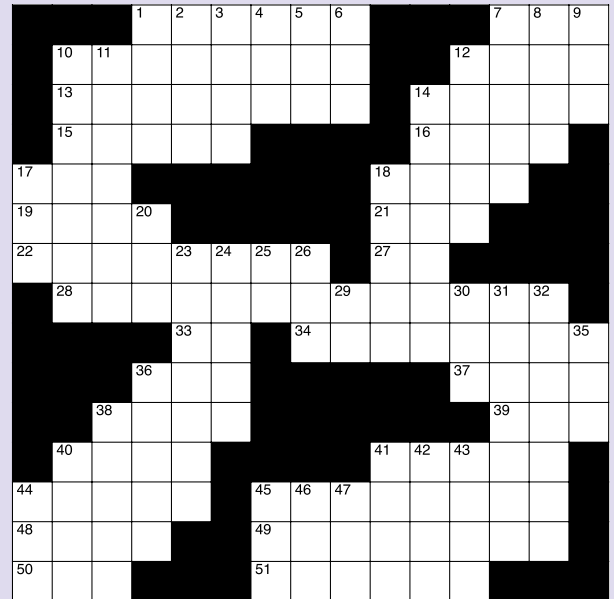
CLUES DOWN

- 1. Peruse quickly
- 2. Automobiles
- 3. Razorbill genus
- 4. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
- 5. Consumed
- 6. A place to sleep
- 7. Small seeds
- 8. Legendary law man Wyatt
- 9. Female sheep
- 10. Indigenous peoples of eastern Siberia
- 11. A place ships dock
- 12. Reciprocal of sine
- 14. Discomfort
- 17. British Air Aces
- 18. Exit sleep
- 20. Solar energetic particle
- 23. Plagues characterized by starvation
- 24. Short musical composition
- 25. Trauma center
- 26. Habitual twitching
- 29. A place where checks are exchanged (abbr.)
- 30. Decameter
- 31. Hinged surface in a wing
- 32. Shouting
- 35. Sports official
- 36. Volcanic craters
- 38. Supportive device
- 40. It's part of a rosary
- 41. Two-toed sloth
- 42. Body art
- 43. Let out
- 44. Foreign medical graduate
- 45. Nonprofit journalism organization (abbr.)
- 46. Couples say it
- 47. Bird's beak

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SUDOKU

To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



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By Patricia Adams

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You can add and delete prescriptions. If you change doctors, you can just put in the new name.

The best part is that Amazon takes all kinds of insurance, including Medicare. In my experience, there are no additional charges or handling, fees, etc. Amazon prices are among the lowest I've found anywhere. Put it on your credit card and forget it. You're all set until the next time you need to make a change.

There is nothing about prescriptions that Amazon's pharmacy won't automatically take care of for you. It is, without a doubt, the best pharmacy I have ever experienced.

This method is also helpful for caregivers and anyone responsible for helping others manage their medications.

Since I started using Amazon's pharmacy a number of years ago, they have added additional services like bundling medications for patients. As you browse the site, you can pick and choose the various services that work best for you.

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ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB EVENTS WASTE = SOIL, NOT TRASH!

Text and photo by Carolyn Sears

From three events here:

- The Garden Club's Spring Speaker program
- The Environmental Club's Karaoke event
- Earth Day with the Environmental Club

Plus a little planning (using biodegradable cups, plates, and napkins), two bags of waste will become soil and not trash in a landfill. Yes...even the green bags are biodegradable!

Way to go, Heritage Hills!



PICKLEBALL KARAOKE SOCIAL

Text and photos by Fran Boemio



Steve Bobolia and the Stevettes



Sal and Jane Ceraldi



Friends from Table 1 singing together

Our well attended Karaoke event on March 25, held in the Heritage Room, was a great success! We had solo performances, groups singing together, and lots of dancing! DJ Bob was energetic, sang for us, and played nonstop music.

When the lights were dimmed, there was a sea of flashing optic wands, tambourines, and maracas being waved around on the dance floor. A fun sight to see!

Each table brought their own delectable delights to feast on with plenty of sweet treats for all.

Our pickleball players love to play, party, and pal around!

SUSAN ROSENBERG JONES PRESENTATION

Text by Sue Meola, photo by Joanne Meder



On Friday, March 13, the Photo Club hosted a presentation by Susan Rosenberg Jones (third from left in the above photo).

Ms. Rosenberg Jones presented and discussed photographs from her *Self Portrait* collection as well as her *Widowed* project and publication. She discussed the particular details of each photograph with the group.

The event was enjoyed by the club members and the many non- members who attended.

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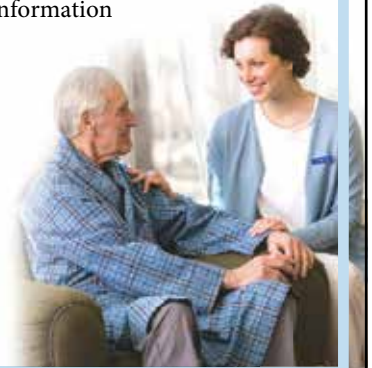
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Submitted by Princess Guerra, Program Director

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For the May destinations, go online to somersny.gov, scroll down and click on "Senior Services" and choose "Events Calendar."

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By Debbie Jackson

FIT-BITS

By Mary Tedesco, Fitness Center Manager

PLOGGING - GIVING BACK WHILE GETTING FIT

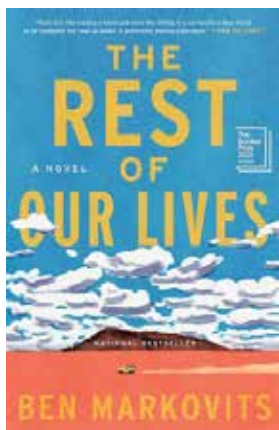
Running clubs are big these days. With running vacations, local 5ks, 10ks, and half marathons are all fun ways to set a goal, get fit, and meet new people while doing it. But by far the coolest new running trend is called "plogging." Plogging is an eco-friendly fitness movement happening now. The Swedish phrase *plocka upp*, meaning "pick up," has been growing like crazy. It's helping the environment!

Giving back while getting fit, plogging is the combination of jogging and picking up trash on the street. It is less about you and more about your positive contribution to the town or city you belong to and keeping your local environment clean.

Meeting up with a group and plogging involves people from all ages and all fitness levels all going at the same speed then stopping to pick up trash along the way.

This type of workout tends to produce a lower target heart rate than just jogging, and bending to pick up trash is like a functional workout involving light squats. a more sustainable workout, and great for weight loss and increasing dynamic movements. The pace is slower, but the social benefits – the feeling of community and achievement and the building of friendships – are a huge plus.

To find out more...go to plogging.com.



THE BOOK SHELF

By Dassi Citron

In Ben Markovits's latest book, we meet Tom, a fifty-five-year-old man at the crux of several life transitions. He is about to become an empty nester, may leave his wife, may be unemployed, and has mysterious health issues. You learn this in the beginning of this engaging saga, told in Tom's distinctive voice. Early on we hear the following reflection.

"What we obviously had," he tells us, "even when things smoothed over, was a C-minus marriage, which makes it pretty hard to score much higher than a B overall on the rest of your life."

How often do we think about grading our lives, especially when linked to our marriage?

Tom's insights about these messy aspects were relatable; his questioning at this crossroad rang true. His confusion colored everything.

The beginning is set in Scarsdale and accurately reflects the storied lifestyle, especially frenzied during pre-college years.

You learn about his wife, Amy, whose affair twelve years prior has tainted their relationship. Amy is an anxious, controlling beauty, whose intensity clashes with Tom's laid-back persona. You meet his children, at different stages, Miri off to college and Michael, a successful businessman living in California.

Unexpectedly Tom takes an unplanned road trip that forms the bulk of the narrative. His internal thoughts punctuate his journey in a stream-of-consciousness account of the events from his life. We learn he is both running away from and racing toward a greater understanding of what to make of his life – at this critical juncture.

In *The Rest of Our Lives*, there are many scenes of Tom on the basketball court, along with thoughts about players and teams. This thread adds a distinctive quality. The author has a relevant backstory. In addition to writing eleven novels, and winning numerous awards, he was a professional basketball player in Germany.

The pages move along, with few chapter breaks. The author's breathless voice pulled me to the book's conclusion. A Booker Prize finalist, this gem is worth reading.

(*The Rest of Our Lives* is part of the Heritage Hills Library and Westchester County Library collections. For a list of new books at our Heritage Hills Library, see page 9.)

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Text and photo by Elizabeth Royston

Want to spice up a brunch menu?? Present something a bit different?? How about "Eggs in Purgatory"? Susan Weinberg and Linda Schroeder prepared this dish for the March Culinary Club dinner – to everyone's delight – even though we have no idea of the origin of the name. Enjoy!



EGGS IN PURGATORY

Ingredients

2 28-ounce cans good quality crushed tomatoes (such as Tuttorosso, San Merican, Mutti, Cento San Marzano)
 12 eggs
 1 large onion
 3 garlic cloves
 4 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
 1/4 cup fresh basil
 salt to taste
 ground black pepper to taste
 1 loaf ciabatta sliced on the diagonal
 olive oil for spreading on the ciabatta

Preparation

1. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees.
2. Brush both sides of the ciabatta slices with olive oil and lay flat on a baking sheet.
3. Bake in oven, turning as necessary until browned. Set aside.
4. Heat the olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the chopped onion and whole peeled garlic cloves. Sauté gently until the onion becomes soft and translucent and the garlic is golden and fragrant.
5. Remove the garlic cloves and discard them. Pour in the crushed canned tomatoes.
6. Season with a pinch of salt and let it simmer over medium heat for about 10 to 15 minutes, stirring occasionally, until the sauce thickens a bit and is no longer watery.
7. Once the sauce is ready, divide the hot marinara sauce between 12 oven-safe baking cups.
8. Crack the eggs into a bowl or cup. Create wells in the sauce for the eggs and slip the eggs into the hot sauce.
9. Season the eggs with a pinch of salt and freshly ground black pepper. Finish with a few leaves of fresh basil.
10. Bake in the preheated oven for about 15 minutes, until egg whites are set, but yolk is still runny.
11. Serve with the ciabatta slices to scoop up the tomato sauce.



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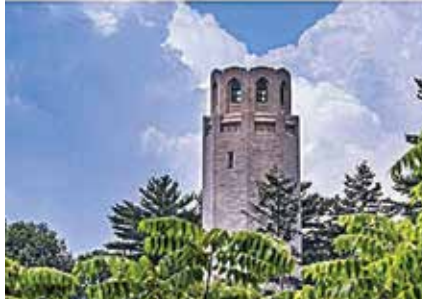
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