ers and their families. A donation will be accepted from others wishing to attend. All are welcome.

The American Legion will conduct a brief memorial service at approximately 9 a.m. The community is us invited to help thank those who have sacrificed to keep us free.

Memorial exhibition of the work of Alex Minewski

A memorial exhibition of the work of the late New Paltz artist Alex Minewski (1917-1979) will open this Saturday, November 7 at Wired Gallery, with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m.

The exhibition will include works from Minewski’s estate, including drawings inspired by his frequent visits to Monhegan Island, Maine, as well as oil paintings, watercolors, ceramics and a bronze sculpture. "Alex Minewski was one of the most loved and influential artists and teachers (SUNY New Paltz of the 1970s),” stated Natalie and Andrew Minewski, the artist's widow and son, respectively. "We hope that this exhibition of his drawings and paintings not previously shown in this area will delight people who knew him and be an eye opener to people who did not have the privilege.”

The exhibit runs until November 18 and will be on display alongside a retrospective show by Judith Hoyt, who was one of Minewski’s last students at SUNY New Paltz.

The gallery is located at 11 Mohonk Road in High Falls and is open Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and by appointment at (682) 564-5613.

Town of New Paltz offices closed on November 11

All Town of New Paltz offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in observance of Veteran’s Day. The New Paltz ReUse and Recycling Center, located on Clearwater Road, will also be closed.

New Paltz Police participate in “No-Shave November”

The New Paltz Police Department is participating in the American Cancer Society fundraiser “No-Shave November.” The goal of No-Shave November is to grow awareness by embracing our hair, which many cancer patients lose, and letting it grow wild and free. Donate money you usually spend on shaving and grooming for a month to educate about cancer prevention, save lives and aid those fighting the battle. All donations will benefit the American Cancer Society.

“We all have experienced the loss of family members, friends and co-workers that fought the battle of cancer,” said Police Chief Joe Snyder. “Together we have to continue to fight this disease, find a cure and continue to save lives. Our company is happy to participate in this great event again. Last year we raised over $1,500, and this year we hope to raise over $1,800.”

To make a donation though the New Paltz Police, team, visit www.no-shave.org or go to the link: https://no-shave.org/team/NPPD. You can donate to the general team or pick one of the team members to make your donation.

Benjamin Center to host panel talk on sustainable agriculture

The Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz is sponsoring a free talk and panel discussion on the sustainable agriculture movement and its regional significance. The event will be led by Brian Otsch, professor of sociology and director of the environmental studies program, who will draw upon his new book “Organic Struggle: The Movement for Sustainable Agriculture in the United States.”

The event will take place on November 11 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Honors Center, College Hall. It will include a book talk by Otsch and a panel discussion featuring local sustainable agriculture advocates who were contributing sources to the book, including Liana Hodges, the former executive director of the National Organic Coalition; and Dan Guenther, the founder of several community-supported agriculture farms in the Hudson Valley. The group will talk about the opportunities for expanding sustainable agriculture in our region.

“Drive and food systems have been an area of focus in our research at the Center since our inception,” said KT Tobin, associate director of the Benjamin Center. “We continue to believe that the revitalization of agriculture in our region needs to be nurtured and supported through individual and organizational action and changes in public policy. Brian’s work is also emblematic of our core mission: to facilitate and promote faculty research with a regional focus in our research at the Center since our inception.”

Scouting for food drive

New Paltz Cub Scout pack 272 and Boy Scout Troop 172 will be conducting their annual Scouting For Food drive through the town and village of New Paltz on Saturday, November 7 and Saturday, November 14. The boys will drop off plastic bags at resident’s homes this Saturday and will collect the food donations on November 14 from 9 a.m. to noon. Residents are asked to place their bagged donations on their front stoop for the boys to pick up.

All food donations will be delivered to Family of New Paltz and the St. Joseph’s Church Food Pantry.

Fundraiser on November 8 for NPUT

The New Paltz United Teachers (NPUT) will host a fundraiser for the NPUT scholarship fund at this Sunday, November 8 at Mosaic Bodyworks at Water Street Market in New Paltz. Barre classes will be offered at 8:30, 9:45 and 11 a.m. for $20 in advance or $25 at the door.

Barre is a fusion of pilates, yoga and aerobics set to upbeat music that creates long, lean muscles in the body while improving posture to help participants stand up taller, be stronger and more graceful.

To reserve your spot, please contact Sarah Sebald at sebald26@gmail.com or (845) 430-2117.

Lydia Adams Davis’ children’s concert and open mic

Lydia Adams Davis will do two performances at the Gardiner Library this Saturday, November 7. From 5 to 5:45 p.m. she will perform a children’s concert, “One Earth so Green and Round,” an environmentally focused interactive family concert for all ages with songs about stories, American sign language and irreverent animal puppets. She will also be the featured performer in the library’s ongoing open mic series, which begins with a potluck dinner at 6 p.m. followed by an open mike at 6:45 p.m. The second act is the featured performer. Attendees are encouraged to bring a dish, an appetite and harmonies.

For more information or a featured performer submission, please e-mail info@timhuntermusic.com. The concerts are held in the library community room, 131 Farmer’s Turnpike. For further information, call 255-1255 or visit www.gardinerlibrary.org.

Airman Ryan Drosdowich receives top award

AIRMAN RYAN DROSDOWICH graduated from Security Forces Tech School in San Antonio, Texas on October 14. He earned the coveted Commander’s Award at graduation for being the top graduate in his class of 91 airmen in academics, teamwork, leadership and expert marksmanship. He will be stationed at Aviano Air Force Base in Italy. Drosdowich is a 2014 graduate of the New Paltz High School. He is the son of Rick and Michele Drosdowich of New Paltz and the brother of Ricky Drosdowich.