

centuries. The program will include the premier of selected movements from the Suite for Solo Cello by Pete Cody, a New Paltz native, as well as music by local composers Shirley Warren and Bob Lukomski. Other composers to be featured include Charles Ives, Gregg Martin, Bill Delp, Erzsébet Szönyi and Katherine Hoover.

Ticket prices are \$20 adults and \$3 for students with valid ID.

Remembering Gail Kniceley

Friends and family of Gail Kniceley will gather as a community to celebrate her love and raise funds for her family this Friday, April 3, 7 p.m., at the Rosendale Theatre.

Kniceley passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family and loved ones, on February 11. She volunteered for many causes and for over a decade was the vendor coordinator for the Rosendale Street Festival.

Music will be provided by the funk and soul band Phelonius Phunk and world-class musicians and performers Jimmy Eppard, Pete Levin, Joey Eppard, Mikhail Horowitz and Gilles Malkine.

New Paltz Chamber to hold its annual business showcase

The New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual business showcase on April 23 from 1 to 5:30 p.m., followed by a networking mixer from 6 to 8 p.m., at Novella's in New Paltz.

The expo will celebrate the Hudson's Valley's diverse businesses, while providing professionals with new networking opportunities.

Showcase speakers include: Brian Tietje from LinkedIn; Laura Finestone from Via Associates; Harold King, executive director Council of Industry; and Michael Hein, Ulster County Executive.

For additional information, call 255-0243 or visit www.newpaltzchamber.org.

New York Mets bus trip on June 14

Calling all baseball fans. The New Paltz Central School District Foundation for Student Enhancement is planning a trip to Flushing Meadows on Sunday, June 14 to see the New York Mets play the Atlanta Braves at Citi Field. The trip's \$70 price tag includes a game ticket (section 140), round-trip coach bus transportation and snacks on the bus. Game time is 1:10 p.m.

The bus will leave New Paltz High School at 10 a.m. sharp. Tickets are limited and will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis until May 15. This trip will proceed rain or shine. For more information, call John Fracasse at 750-3924.

Rock and Snow Bridge 2 Bridge five-mile run

The Shawangunk Runners club will host the Rock and Snow Bridge 2 Bridge five-mile run on Saturday, April 11 at 9 a.m. The race will start and finish at the Spring Farm Trailhead on Upper 27 Knolls Road off Mohonk Road in High Falls. The event offers an accessible five-mile race across gently rolling carriage roads on a course that is basically flat with one hill halfway through.

The race will go off rain or shine, and the clearly marked course will feature water stops. All runners receive a commemorative t-shirt and enjoy free post-race refreshments. Prizes are awarded to the overall winners in ten-year age groups. The local Bruderhof community helps with the race as volunteers, and last year baked all of the fresh peach pies that were part of the prizes awarded.

Entry fees are \$25 for Preserve members or \$30 for non-members paid online in advance of the race. Registration costs \$40 on the day of the event for all participants, but as the race is limited to 300 runners, advance registration is recommended.

More information is available by visiting www.shawangunkrunners.com.

Ulster Savings Bank announces Katherine Gray exhibit in New Paltz

A collection of paintings by Katherine Gray is on display at Ulster Savings Bank in New Paltz throughout the month of April. A reception will be held on

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LAUREN THOMAS

The Walkkill River in New Paltz.

Future of the Walkkill River

THE CENTER FOR Research, Regional Education and Outreach (CRREO) at SUNY New Paltz will host an event to bring attention to the Walkkill River on Thursday, April 23 from 4 to 8 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Student Union Building. The conference is designed to build public support for restoration efforts on the Walkkill River and begin to define both a publicly supported vision for the future of the river and steps that can be taken in the short and long term to achieve that vision.

The Walkkill River flows from northern New Jersey, through Orange and Ulster counties. After joining with the Rondout Creek, it meets the tidal Hudson River at Kingston as the largest tributary to the estuary. The Walkkill River watershed -- the hills and valleys that channel streams into the Walkkill -- is vast, covering 785 square miles.

The event will include substantive talks and engage the audience in an exchange of ideas about the river and its future. "We are delighted to be working collaboratively with partners in government and in our communities to place the Walkkill River back at the center of our region and our lives," said Gerald Benjamin, CRREO director.

Registration is \$10, due at check-in on the day of the conference. Fee includes regionally sourced refreshments and all event materials for one person. To pre-register, visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/8VRH9R7>.

Thursday, April 16 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Gray, a New Paltz resident of 20 years, focuses on watercolor art primarily, however, she also enjoys using oils and mixed media in her work. Her work is currently represented in several galleries throughout New York, Vermont and Maine.

For more information concerning the exhibit, call 255-5470, ext. 4202.

The Hasbrouck family and A.B. Hasbrouck of Kingston

For the final installment of Ulster County Historian Anne Gordon's lecture series at Historic Huguenot Street (HHS), Gordon and HHS consulting historian A.J. Schenkman will co-present a lecture this Saturday, April 4, 4 p.m., at Deyo Hall. Schenkman will be discussing the (Abraham) Hasbrouck family and Gordon will be speaking specifically about A.B. Hasbrouck.

Deyo Hall is located at 6 Broadhead Avenue in New Paltz. The cost is \$5 for members, \$7 for seniors and military and \$10 general admission. Tickets may be purchased at the door. For additional information, call 255-1660 or visit www.huguenotstreet.org.

Gardiner Library offers painting class

The Gardiner Library will offer an introductory class in acrylic painting from 5 to 7 p.m. on four Mondays beginning April 13. The cost for all four classes is \$80, plus the cost of materials. The class will cover how to use art materials, develop composition for figurative painting and use of color, creating light and shadow and the different techniques for creating effects.

Instructor Jerry Teters holds a masters in painting from the SUNY New Paltz and is adept with a range of styles, from still life and landscapes to abstract expression. Teter's paintings, prints and mixed me-

dium works are owned by many private collectors and have been exhibited in group and one-person shows in New York City, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts and the Hudson Valley. His work can be viewed at www.tetersart.org.

For further information, the material list or to register for the class, stop by the library at 133 Farmer's Turnpike or call 255-1255. For further information, call the number above or visit www.gardinerlibrary.org.

New Paltz-Gardiner Senior meetings for the month of April

The New Paltz-Gardiner Senior meetings for April will be held on April 8 and April 22, 1:30 p.m., at the VFW Hall on Route 208 in New Paltz. Singer-guitarist, Bruno Scanzo will perform music "from Hank to Frank" on April 8, and a members' flea market will be held on April 22.

Refreshments will be served. All senior citizens of the towns of New Paltz and Gardiner are invited to participate in the activities and to attend meetings. For more information, please call Phyllis Maier at 255-6878.

Easter plant sale in Gardiner

An Easter plant sale, sponsored by the Gardiner Day Committee, will be held this Saturday, April 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Gardiner Fire House, located at Route 44/55 in Gardiner.

Tulips, lilies, hydrangea, daffodils, azalea, mums and more will be for sale. All proceeds support Gardiner Day on September 12.

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