

## Happenings

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trait, stop by Craftsman Design and show the receipt. For more information, visit [www.poughkeepsieplaza.com](http://www.poughkeepsieplaza.com).

#### Book Sale slated

The Friends of the Poughkeepsie Public Library District will hold a Specialty Sale at their quality Used Book Store at the Boardman Road Branch Library, 141 Boardman Road, Town of Poughkeepsie. The store's entire inventory of Gardening and "How-To" books will be on sale from 25 cents to \$1 per item, through Saturday, April 30.

#### Mid-day church service offered

Beginning this month, Faith Assembly Church, Casperkill Campus 25 Golf Club Lane, in Poughkeepsie, will be holding a Wednesday morning service that begins at 11 a.m. and will be followed by a 12:30 p.m. luncheon. The new gathering will provide an option for anyone in the community who has been looking for a mid-week, daytime place to fellowship and worship. Under the leadership of Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Edward Jones, the new daytime service will be headed by Pastor, Ron Conit and Pastor, Cate Hexeland will feature a time of worship, sharing, teaching and prayer.

#### Barbershop Chorists to meet

The Poughkeepsie New Yorkers Barbershop Chorus meets every Wednesday night, 7:30 p.m. at the Crown Heights Clubhouse, 34 Nassau Road, Poughkeepsie. Join them for an evening of singing, fun and fellowship. The New Yorkers Chorus is a male a cappella group that sings in the uniquely American "Barbershop Style" of close four-part harmony. Visit their web site [www.newyorkerschorus.org](http://www.newyorkerschorus.org) for more information.

#### Open Houses scheduled

Learn and Play Preschool (formerly Vassar Road Baptist Church Preschool), every Tuesday and Thursday, in May, will host an Open House, from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. or by appointment. The name change does not reflect a change in the school's approach or curriculum. Enrollment is done on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information, call 845-462-0464.

#### Wappingers/Wappingers Falls

**Church service**  
The First Presbyterian Church of Wappingers Falls, 2568 South Ave., in Wappingers Falls holds services on Sunday at 10 a.m. For more information, call 845-297-2800 or visit [www.FPCWF.org](http://www.FPCWF.org).

#### Church service on Sundays

Church service at Christ for All Worldwide Church are held on Sundays at 10 a.m. Services take place at The Castle, 1090 Route 376, in Wappingers Falls with Rev. Dr. Boaz Olang. There is a nursery available. For more information, call 845-462-3200.

#### Thrift Shop open

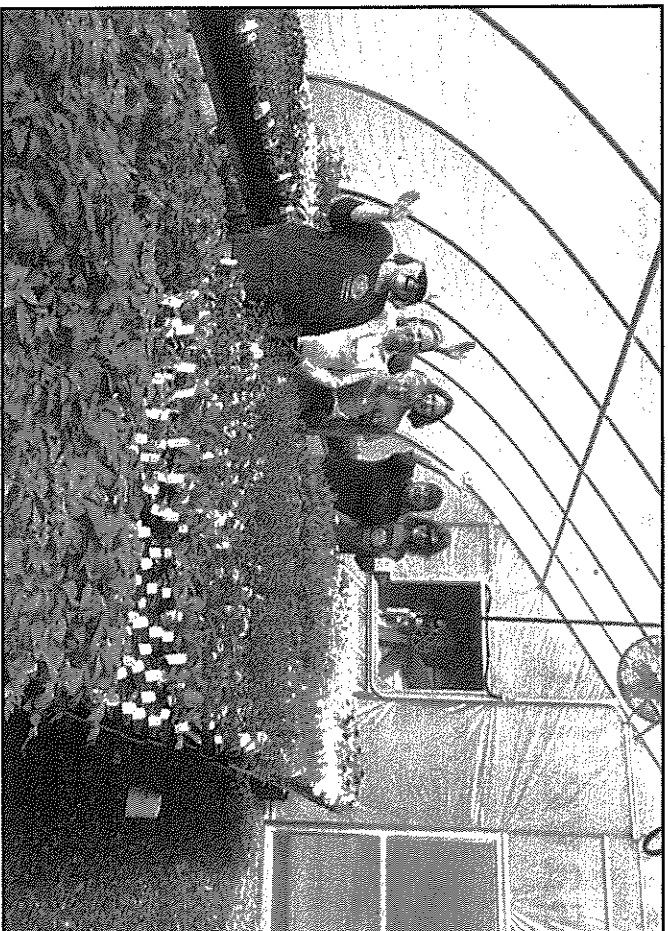
The First Presbyterian Church Thrift Shop is open on Fridays and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The shop is at 2578 South Avenue in Wappingers Falls. Donations are accepted. For more information, call 845-297-0217.

#### Free Community Dinners planned

The First Presbyterian Church of Wappingers Falls continues its "Free Community Dinners" on May 21, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The church is at 2568 South Avenue in the village of Wappingers Falls. This project is part of our "Be the Church" Mission. For further information and to get future dates, please contact the Church at 845-297-2800 or find them on Facebook: WEB: [www.fpcwf.org](http://www.fpcwf.org).

#### Volunteers needed

Free lunch for children and teens needs volunteers for three locations in the Wappingers Falls area. This will be for weekdays all summer. On May 22, at the Wappingers Falls United Methodist Church, 9 South Mesier Ave., there will be an information and orientation session at 11 a.m. For more information, call 845-297-3208.



Master Gardeners will host their annual fundraiser plant sale May 13-14.

*Courtesy photo*

## Master Gardener plant sale set

MILLBROOK - Each year, Master Gardener volunteers and Cornell Cooperative Extension staff hold a plant sale fundraiser in May at the Dutchess County Farm & Home Center, 2715 Route 44, Millbrook. This year's plant sale will be on Friday, May 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, May 14 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Master Gardener volunteers grow and sell a wide variety of annuals, perennials, vegetables and herbs. Some of these varieties are "tried and true" favorites; others are exciting new introductions. At this event, there is also a Master Gardener volunteer information booth set up. Volunteers are available to answer your gardening questions and to help you make your plant selections.

Master Gardeners are a group of trained volunteers who work in partnership with their county Cooperative Extension office to extend information throughout the county. The first Master Gardener volunteer program was started in Washington State in 1972. Dutchess

County was the first county in New York State (1975) to train Master Gardener volunteers. Forty six states now have Master Gardener volunteer programs with more than 23,000 people participating nationwide, and more than 1,100 of these Master Gardener volunteers are from New York. There are currently 90 active Master Gardener volunteers in Dutchess County. Our program is funded through volunteer fundraising efforts and from donations from the public. This is the primary fundraiser for the Master Gardener volunteer.

Visit [www.ccedutchess.org](http://www.ccedutchess.org) for more information, including a list of the plants that will be for sale. Gift certificates are available for the Master Gardener volunteer Plant Sale, which are a welcome gift for any gardener. Certificates may be purchased for any amount and are not redeemable for cash. To purchase a Master Gardener volunteer Plant Sale gift card, please contact Nancy Halas at [nh26@cornell.edu](mailto:nh26@cornell.edu) or call 845-677-8223 ext.115.

## HV Stroll for Epilepsy Saturday

The 7th Annual Hudson Valley Stroll for Epilepsy will be held on Saturday, May 7 at our Wilcox Memorial Park in Milan. Check-in begins at 11 a.m., Stroll starts at noon. Registration: \$30 per person; \$10 for students age 13 and older; children 12 and under are free. Your registration provides you with lunch and an event souvenir (while supplies last). Register at <https://etheny.myetap.org/fundraiser/HVStroll2016/>

Trophies will be awarded to the top fundraisers in the following categories: Individual, Friends & Family Team, and Company Team!

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#### East Fishkill

#### Veteran Luncheon set

To honor the men and women who serve the country, the Town of East Fishkill will host a Veteran Luncheon for all East Fishkill, retired and active, Military Personnel, on June 5, from noon to 2:30 p.m. at the East Fishkill Recreation pavilion, 392 Route 376, Hopewell Junction. There will be a VA Health Care Benefits informational table. For reservations, call Janice at 845-592-1446 or email [jewlkr@optonline.net](mailto:jewlkr@optonline.net).

#### EF Library plans book sale

The East Fishkill Community Library will hold a book sale Saturday and Sunday, May 7 and May 8 at the East Fishkill Town Hall, 330 Route 376 (next to the library) in Hopewell Junction. Sale hours will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. On Saturday, prices will be \$2 for hardcovers and DVDs, \$1 for oversized paperbacks and CDs. Regular size paperbacks will be four for \$1. Children's hardcovers will be 50 cents and children's paperbacks will be 25 cents. On Sunday books will be sold for \$3 per bag; two bags for \$5. For more information, contact the library at 845-221-9943.

#### Fishkill

#### Chess Club hosted at Blodgett

On Wednesdays, Blodgett Memorial Library, Broad Street in the Village of Fishkill, hosts a Chess Club for children in grades 4-8th. No experience necessary. Call the library at 845-896-9215 to register.

#### Breakfast at the firehouse

The Rombout Fire Company (901 Main Street) is hosting this a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, May 22 at the firehouse from 8 - 11 a.m. Pancakes, eggs, omelet station, sausage, bacon, juice, coffee and tea will be on the menu. Cost is: Adults/\$10, Seniors/\$9, Children/\$7 (under age 5 is free). For more information, call 845-896-8620 or visit [www.romboutfire.com](http://www.romboutfire.com).

#### Church service scheduled

Sunday Church Service is held at Trinity Episcopal Church, 1200 Main Street, Fishkill. The parking lot is next to Taco Bell. Church services are held every Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Church School is at 9:50 a.m. Please join them in the Parish House for Coffee Hour following the 10 a.m. Service. For more information call the Parish Office at 845-896-9884 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

#### Read to Tammy

Tammy, a Cairn Terrier, from the Tail Waggin' Tutors program, will be at Blodgett Memorial Library, 37 Broad Street, waiting for children to read to her. Make an appointment for one of our 15-minute time slots on select Thursdays this fall. Ages 6-10 years. Registration is required. Call 845-896-9215 to register.

#### Fathers' Rights group meets monthly

The Fathers' Rights Association of NYS - Hudson Valley cordially invites all parents, spouses and extended and blended families to attend our monthly meetings. The meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. They are free and held at the Blodgett Memorial Library, 37 Broad Street, Fishkill. Special Child Support Seminar Meetings are offered once a quarter. Please remember to bring your paperwork for your specific cases so we can provide guidance to your particular issue. We advocate for parents who want to have an active role in their children's lives and for the child's right to both parents. Contact: Maria Rauch, President, Fathers' Rights Association of NYS - Hudson Valley at 845-240-1372 or [mariaetfRA@optonline.net](mailto:mariaetfRA@optonline.net).

#### Poughkeepsie

#### Free Mother/Child portrait at

#### Poughkeepsie Plaza

Free Mother/Child Portrait on Saturday, May 7, from noon to 3 p.m., at Poughkeepsie Plaza, 2600 South Road, Poughkeepsie. Make any purchase (\$5 or more) at the Poughkeepsie Plaza and receive a free 5x7 Mother and Child por-