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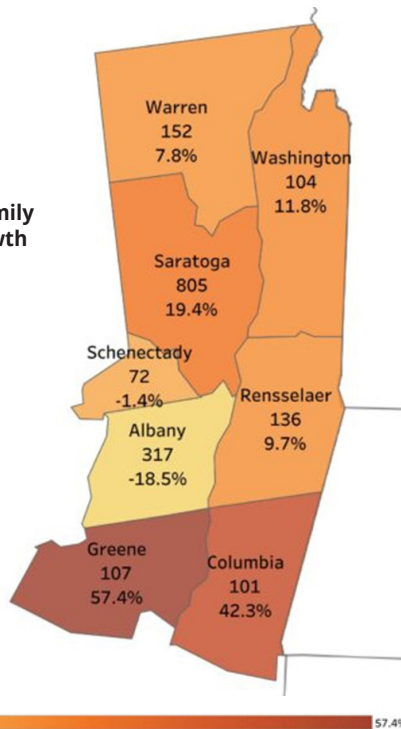
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Greene County Leads Capital Region in Building Permit Growth Percentage

Authorized Single-Family Building Permit Growth by County, 2021



GC Legislature Funds Certification for More EMTs



Greene County is taking action to attract candidates to take Emergency Medical Technician training to serve as first responders. The legislature unanimously authorized payment of the \$800 fee in exchange for a commitment to serve as an EMT for 18 months in Greene County upon completion of the training.

Read the full story at https://www.hudsonvalley360.com/news/greencounty/county-legislature-acts-on-emt-shortage/article_d61070af-1c3d-5927-aeca-ccecaaf044a7.html

Greene County Encourages C-PACE Financing for Energy-Related Improvements

The Greene County Legislature is currently crafting a Local Law titled "Energize NY Open C-PACE Financing Program" that authorizes property assessed clean energy financing to Qualified Property Owners for the installation of renewable energy systems and energy efficiency measures. A draft version of the local law can be found at <https://www.greeneconomy.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Local-Law-2-of-2022-WH-05172022.pdf>

The number of single-family building permits authorized in the Capital Region climbed to a 14-year high in 2021. Already seeing some of New York's strongest growth in domestic movers, Greene County experienced some of the state's fastest growth in single-family permitting activity, leading the region with a 57.4% year over year increase.

Read the full report at <https://www.ceg.org/articles/capital-region-single-family-building-permits-climb-to-14-year-high/>

TOURISM



East Durham Irish Festival Celebrates 45th Anniversary

This past weekend marked the 45th year that The Michael J. Quill Irish Cultural & Sports Centre has celebrated the East Durham Irish Festival. This annual event features some of the top Irish performers such as The Narrowbacks, The Young Dubliner's, Ronan Tynan, Andy Cooney & His Band, The Young Wolfe Tones, Tom Comerford, Kilmaine Saints, Get Up Jack, McLean Avenue Band, Canny Brothers, Nine Mile House, The Byrne Brothers and many more! Tim McCann, Senior Marketing Manager, was interviewed by Bob Miller from WBPM, a classic hits radio station, who discussed the event details to encourage listeners to attend the event. Hear the radio spot at <https://greencountyedc.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/GREENE-COUNTY-E-Durham-Irish-Fest-Tin-McCann.mp3>



HOT OFF THE PRESSES!

Greene County Tourism, in tandem with Workshop, Greene County Tourism's agency of record, designed, wrote and produced the first ever Vacation Guide Magazine. The layout includes three distinct vacation destinations for travelers to choose from, The River, Valley and Mountain Regions. Inside this picturesque masterpiece you will find featured articles such as, a new motorcycle tour to an ecotourism property. It even includes links via QR codes that drive readers to the website for more information. Feel free to pick up your very own Great Northern Catskills of Greene County magazine at the Visitor Center located at 700 Route 23B, Leeds.



New York Naval Militia Boat Christened at Historic Catskill Point

On April 30, New York's naval force officials welcomed its newest addition, LC-351, a 39-foot landing craft-style boat, at the Historic Catskill Point. The boat can carry supplies, people, and a small vehicle, as well as the ability to go ashore. Read the article at https://www.hudsonvalley360.com/artsandlife/localannouncements/new-york-naval-militia-boat-christened-in-catskill-ceremony/article_d2c56f25-2cdc-53a5-9a45-317e621e45d1.html

PLANNING



Commercial Driver's License Classes @C-GCC

Beginning June 4th, Columbia-Greene Community College will offer Commercial Driver's License Class B Training certification courses, with free training for those who qualify. This 120-hour program involves 92 hours of classroom training and 27 hours of road training (starting July 10th), with classes taking place on Saturdays and Sundays. Contact the Columbia-Greene Workforce Career Center at 518-697-6510 for more information. <http://www.columbiagreeneetworks.org/>

Greene County Funds Continuing Improvements to Cairo Town Park



Extensive improvements are underway at Angelo Canna Town Park in Cairo as the county and the town invest in the future of the public space. Completed just in time for this year's Memorial Day parade, the main access road, playground and 90 new parking spaces were paved and painted. This investment in the park supports wonderful recreational opportunities including Baseball, Football, Basketball, walking paths, and picnic areas. It is also essentially the county fairgrounds which hosts the annual Greene County Youth Fair among other events. Read the full story at https://www.hudsonvalley360.com/news/greencounty/county-funds-canna-park-improvements/article_2ffb7ead-9d09-58d1-bdf6-0aac86ca22f4.html

Planning Board Training Opportunity - Limited Space Available

We are pleased to announce this upcoming training session for local officials, municipal planning boards and zoning boards of appeals. Registration is required, however, there is no fee to attend, and sessions are open to the public. Register online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hot-button-land-uses-presented-by-nysdos-registration-333139999707> or by phone, 518-719-3290, for 2022 Land Use Training to be held on Thursday, June 23, at the Greene County Emergency Services Center in Cairo.

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