

# Scene Around Town



Newly-retired teachers finally felt retired when they got to join ex-colleagues at the annual retiree breakfast for former Ellenville School employees at Rické Lens on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, the first day of school.



**Aroma Thyme Bistro** (above) was one of several local entrants to cop top honors in Hudson Valley Magazine's 18<sup>th</sup> Annual "Best of the Valley" tally. **The Guillianos' Bistro** won for Best New Restaurant. **Barbara Hoff's Top Shelf** was named Best Jewelry Store (see the **Wawarsing.Net** May 2004 issue for our feature). **Roger Baker** took Best Artist title. And **Shadowland Theatre (W.Net 5/03)** was voted Best Local Theater by the magazine's readers. Congratulations to all the winners... WE are the lucky ones, as they are right here in Wawarsing for us to enjoy! (more at [www.bestofhudsonvalley.com](http://www.bestofhudsonvalley.com))



Peters' Market in Napanoch used its newly expanded lobby to feature an Amish wagon as part of an autumn harvest display.



The Ellenville Middle School Washington Academy seventh and eighth grade teachers invited parents and their children to a barbecue (above). Yes, teachers were grillin' hamburgers and hot dogs while the parents and children were enjoying themselves. They felt this would be a nice way to get to know the parents and their children in a less formal atmosphere. The team served approx. 70 guests. Above, from left, are teachers Lillian Scoles, Mike Guiney, and Adria Roda.

Entrepreneur/environmentalist Douglas Eger (below, left) invited **Chamber of Commerce** members and local officials to his home at the former Lundy Estate on September 29<sup>th</sup> to share his vision of the new business opportunities our area could (and should) be trying to attract. His research shows that we have exactly the environment and amenities for living and working that many skilled, well-paid, tech-oriented workers and entrepreneurs, such as himself, are looking for! Mr. Eger has also expressed interest in purchasing and/or developing several venerable Ellenville-area properties, including the **Hunt Memorial Building**.



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