Sullivan County

“Happiest Place on Earth”

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Sullivan County is a wonderful place to live and visit because it has many appealing recreational sites such as: Monticello Raceway, Lake Superior State Park, Holiday Mountain Ski and Fun Park, Bethel Woods, Kittany Canoes and Zip Lining.
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County of Sullivan

“The Happiest Place on Earth”
History

- Turned to tourism, became their main industry & began building hotels in the 1840s “Happiest Place on Earth”
- Different railroads going into the county were completed in 1830, 1871, and 1872
- In 1895 and 1897, lawn tennis and golf were available at hotels
- By 1953, there were many different sources of recreation
- First Woodstock Music Festival at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts in 1969
County Tourism Development:

- Each site has a Facebook and Twitter page that allows people to follow and keep up with new and upcoming events.
- Main page websites: helps people look up directions, times, and book reservations.
- The pictures on all of these sites helps attract new people and encourages people to check out these places.
- Click on the following attractions to visit their main page:
  1. Monticello Raceway
  2. Lake Superior State Park
  3. Holiday Mountain Ski and Fun Park
  4. Bethel Woods
  5. Kittatiny Canoes and Zip Line
How can the sites further develop their tourism strategies?

- The county Twitter page needs more updating
- More ads in newspapers and magazines
- They have guidebooks to attract tourists to different sites in the county
- Create an Instagram that is updated
Over 1,000 slot machines!
Exciting live Harness Racing
Bands or DJ’s every Friday and Saturday night
Different shows and promotions every week
Food court, restaurants and a buffet

Monticello Raceway and Casino Guidebook

Facts and Guidebook

204 State Route 17B
Monticello, New York 12701
Hours: Monday – Thursday, 10:00am – 2:00am, Friday – Sunday, 10:00am – 4:00am.
Phone: (845) 794-4100

The Site:
Monticello Casino & Raceway offers exciting casino action, horseracing and much more! Experience the thrill of our gaming floor, situated on one fun level, as well as one of the only harness-raced tracks in all of America. Their casino and entertainment complex is approximately 40,000 square feet, featuring live entertainment and various places to enjoy a nice meal. There is an all you can eat buffet, large food court or our Bistro menu at The Terrace and for a quick snack, try the Food Court specializing in pastries, pizza, ice cream and NY deli delights. While you can go right outside and watch harness horse racing live, you can also enjoy simulcast from other racing across the country.

Directions:
Located just 90 minutes from New York City, Monticello Casino and Raceway is off Exit 104, off Route 17 (Future Interstate 86) on New York State Route 17B.

From I-84, Fishkill:
1. Head east on NY-52 Business/Main St toward Heath Rd
2. Turn left to merge onto I-84
3. Take exit 4W to merge onto NY-17 W toward Binghamton
4. Take exit 104 for New York 17B toward Monticello/Raceway
5. Turn left onto NY-17B W/State Route 17B W/Rt 17B W/State Rt 17B W/St Rt 17B W
6. Turn right onto Stable Rd
7. Continue straight onto Monticello Raceway
8. Slight left to stay on Monticello Raceway
9. Turn right to stay on Monticello Raceway
10. Take the 1st left to stay on Monticello Raceway
Destination will be on the right
It is off Exit 104 of Route 17 (future Interstate 86), on New York State Route 17B.
Itinerary - Monticello Raceway

Stop 1
Old Homestead Restaurant
472 Bridgeville Road, Monticello, NY 12701
845.794.8973
Open Wed-Sat at 4:30p, Sunday at 4:00p
Closed Mon and Tues

This is a very serious steak and seafood house. Delicious steaks, vegetables (fresh steamed broccoli), salads, fresh baked breads and the most outstanding lobster! It's set aside a beautiful creek hidden in the mountains off of RT 17. The setting is a very old farm home, and the menu is very simple. It's read out loud by the server (that's how small it is) and every item is prepared to order. The view is breathtaking from the dining room, especially in the fall when the leaves change colors.

Step 2
The Petting Zoo at Breezeway Farm
161 Anawana Lake Road
Monticello, New York 12701
(845)-794-6543
Open Daily: 10am - 6pm

$8.00 per person, Pony Rides with admission $4.00,
Pony rides $5.00, Animal Food $1.00
Groups of 20 or more by appointment only

The Petting Zoo at Breezeway Farm has many animals for children and adults alike to enjoy. Green grass, tall trees and a large pond surround it the petting zoo. They have calves, chickens, cows, donkeys, ducks, geese, goats, horses, pigs, sheep, bunny rabbits, turkeys, llama and a miniature pony and baby. They also have pony rides for children to enjoy.

1. Start out going east on I-87 E. 2.8 mi
2. Merge onto RT-17 W via EXIT 16 toward Harriman (Portions toll). 40.7 mi
3. Take the RT-42 N exit, EXIT 105B, toward Kianesha. 0.4 mi
4. Turn right onto RT-42. 0.1 mi
5. Turn left onto Anawana Lake Rd. 0.8 mi
6. 161 ANAWANA LAKE RD is on the left.

Burger King is on the corner.
If you reach Thompson St you've gone a little too far.
Overview: During this lesson students in the second grade will learn how to make bar graphs using data they collect during the race at Monticello Raceway.

Procedure: They will attend the field trip at the Monticello Raceway and the teacher will assign them each a partner and a horse to keep track of during the race. They will use their stopwatches to record each lap their horse takes (approximately 2-3 laps depending on the type of race). After the field trip, the students will get back to the classroom and each child will create a bar graph with their partner of the different times they recorded for their horse. Each time will receive a different bar representation on the graph. Then they will all get together and compare each of their times.
Monticello Raceway and Casino

MONTICELLO RACEWAY

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“Happiest Place on Earth”
Highway Route Markers
Monticello Casino & Raceway offers exciting casino action, and much, much more. Our 40,000 square foot casino and entertainment complex boasts the Lava Lounge and HYPE! featuring live entertainment.

Monticello Casino & Raceway features over 1,000 of the newest, hottest slot machines, including progressives and video poker. From penny games up to $100 high limit action, we've got the name of your game!

You can also enjoy live horse racing and simulcast from across the country.
Great way to spend a day with family and friends
The park offers beaches, boat launches, picnic areas area fishing
Also, rowboat and paddle boat rentals, a volleyball court and playground
Big game hunting (DEC hunting permit required), ice fishing, hiking and sleigh riding.

Lake Superior State Park Facts and Guidebook

“Happiest Place on Earth”

Lake Superior State Park Guidebook

HUDSON HIGHLANDS
Lake Superior State Park
Dr. Duggan Road
Bethel, NY 12720

Hours: Open year round. Open for deer and turkey hunting seasons. Open from May 23 - September – 9am to dusk.
Phone: (845) 794-3000 ext 5002

The Site:
Lake Superior State Park is made up of 1409 acres including Lake Superior and Chestnut Ridge Pond. Sullivan County operates two areas of the park: Lake Superior’s beach area and Lake Superior’s dam picnic area. The beach area has a sand beach, swimming area, picnic areas with grills, a group picnic pavilion, rowboat and paddle boat rentals, a boat launch, vending machines, restrooms, shower/changing area, volleyball court, fishing, and a playground. The picnic area has picnic tables and grills, a group picnic pavilion, fishing access to Lake Superior, and portable toilet facilities.

Directions:
Accessible from Route 55, from North: follow Route 55, turn right onto St Rt 17B, then left onto Dr Duggan Rd. From South: follow Route 55, turn left onto Dr Duggan Rd. Lake Superior State Park is located on Dr Duggan Road in Bethel, NY. Please call for more specific directions: (845) 794-3000 ext 5002.
Itinerary - Lake Superior State Park

Stop 1
Euro Super Deli
36 Ecossburg Road
Monticello, NY 12701
(845)-707-4964
http://www.eurosuperbistro.com/

This deli is open for breakfast, brunch, lunch, and dinner. Visiting this deli will give you a little taste of Europe. They have the best bagel and chicken cutlets around. They have great food, service, and prices. Some other items on their menu include: stuffed cabbage, potato pancakes, and polish kielbasa. This deli caters and delivers as well.

Directions: Accessible by Route 17M. From Southern New York, route onto Rt 17W toward Bloomingburg. Merge onto I 340 toward Monticello. Turn right onto Broadway/Rt 42. Turn left onto Ecossburg Rd/Rt 42.

Stop 2
The Museum at Bethel Woods
Bethel Woods Center for the Arts
200 Long Road
Bethel, NY 12720
(666)781-2992
http://www.bethelwoodscenter.org/museum.aspx

The Museum at Bethel Woods is an immersive and captivating multi-media experience that combines film and interactive displays, text panels and artifacts to tell the story of the Sixties and Woodstock. It explores the unique experience of the Woodstock festival, its significance as a culminating event of a decade of radical cultural transformation, and the legacy of the Sixties and Woodstock today.

Directions: Accessible by Route 55 and Route 17B. From Northern New York: follow Route 55. Turn right onto Route 17B/Route 55 and continue to follow Route 17B. Turn right onto Long Road.

“Happiest Place on Earth”
Overview: Students will take a field trip to Lake Superior State Park. Prior to the field trip, students will be knowledgeable on the seasonal changes that occur in their environment. Students will receive a list of pictures describing the types of leaves they will find while walking through the property. Students will classify and categorize the types of leaves they find. After the students have found most of the leaves on the list, they will be required to trace the leaves on a provided worksheet. The students will have to write a short description stating what tree the leaf come from and the characteristics of the leaf.

Procedure: The class before our field trip, students will learn about the seasonal changes that occur. The students will receive a list of leaves they can find and a bag to place the leaves in. The students will find the required leaves, and then trace them onto their worksheet. The students will then write a short summary about each leaf, and then make a book out of the worksheets.
Lake Superior State Park

LAKE SUPERIOR STATE PARK

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Lake Superior State Park

“The Happiest Place on Earth”

• Swimming area, sand beach, picnic areas with grills, group picnic pavilion, rowboat and paddle boat rentals, vending machines, restrooms, shower/changing area, fishing volleyball court and playground.

• The beach area operates for swimming on weekends and holidays from Memorial Day weekend through June. Daily beach operation commences the last week of June through Labor Day. The park is open year round. Big game hunting, ice fishing, hiking and sleigh riding are permitted at the park.
Winter season activities: skiing, snowboarding and snow tubing

Summer season activities: go-karts, bumper boats, bumper cars, mini golf, wall climbing, batting cages, and paintball shooting.

Also hosts corporate events, family reunions, and fundraising events.
Itinerary - Holiday Mountain Ski and Fun Park

“THE HAPPIEST PLACE ON EARTH”

**Holiday Mountain Ski and Fun Park**

### Stop 1
**Eisenhower Hall Theatre at West Point**

655 Pitcher Road  
West Point, NY, 10996  
United States  
(845)-938-4159

Monday through Friday’s 8:00am - 4:00 pm, except holidays.  
Pricing Varies  
Free parking at all times

Popular Broadway shows, Comedy, Classic musical icons, and more! You can even buy a package of 11 shows, which includes fantastic entertainment at prices you’ll value. Whether you come for one show or for all, you will be able to enjoy the unique location and all that they have to offer.

The theatre is newly renovated, with seating, carpeting, lighting, and sound systems all receiving upgrades. Parking is always free. Enjoy dining at Mamie’s Buffet overlooking the Hudson. Come early, and spend the day at West Point!

### Stop 2
**Piccolo Paese**

2071 State Route 52  
Liberty, NY 12754  
(845) 292-7210

Open Tuesday-Thursday, and Sunday 12pm-10pm and Friday-Saturday 4pm-10pm and Closed on Mondays

http://piccolopaeserestaurant.com/

They are located in the heart of the beautiful Catskill Mountains in Upstate New York. Dining at Piccolo is like appreciating the fine cuisines and professional services of a quality Manhattan restaurant, while appreciating the casual and friendly ambience of our “Little Village Restaurant.”

They produce many types of fresh homemade Ravioli daily. You can also enjoy tableside specialties such as homemade Caesar salad, along with desserts such as strawberries flambé, banana fosters and zabaglione. They also have an international wine list and spacious bar area, where you can enjoy a cocktail from their fabulous martini list. The bar room is also an excellent environment to appreciate a casual meal with friends or business associates.

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**Directions**

1. Merge onto I-84 E toward Newburgh.  
3. Take the RT-17 W via EXIT 4W toward Binghamton.  
4. Take the 1st left onto RT-52.  
5. Turn left onto Sullivan Ave.  
6. If you are on Grossinger Rd and reach Moss Ln you've gone a little too far.  
7. 2071 State Route 52, Liberty, NY 12754-2235
Lesson 2nd Grade Class

Overview: During this lesson students in the second grade will learn how to make bar graphs using data they collect during the race at the Holiday Mountain Ski and Fun Park.

Procedure: They will attend the field trip at the Holiday Mountain Ski and Fun Park and the teacher will assign them each a partner. Each student from each group will go around the go-cart raceway track as many times as they are given per session. Their partner will record on a stopwatch how long it takes them to get around the track for each lap. They will be given a worksheet with a table on it for them to record each of their times. After the field trip, the students will get back to the classroom and each child will create a bar graph with their partner of the different times they recorded for each lap on the go-carts. Each time will receive a different bar representation on the graph. Then they will all get together as a class and compare each of their times.
Ski and Fun Park

HOLIDAY MOUNTAIN
SKI AND FUN PARK

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Holiday Mountain is a ski hill where parents bring their kids to learn, and in turn, they visit with their own children – or grand children!

- 7 trails, varying in skill levels, so you’ll never feel like you’re under or overwhelmed.

- Summer Holiday operates a fun park with plenty of activities for the whole family.

- Get wet and have fun!
A world-class cultural center

Live music with your favorite bands and performances

Multiple stages

Featuring a diverse selection of popular artists and culturally-rich performances

Award-winning museum, and educational and community programs that provide meaningful experience in arts, history and civic engagement.

Bethel Woods Center for the Arts Guidebook

http://www.bethelwoodscenter.org/home.aspx
200 Hurd Road
Bethel, NY 12720

Hours: Museum hours in the spring are Thursday-Sunday, 10AM-5PM through May 24th. Museum hours in the summer are every day, 10AM-7PM, through September 2nd. Visit website or call for information on upcoming concerts.

Phone: 1-866-781-2922

The Site: Bethel Woods Center for the Arts now has a museum dedicated to the Woodstock Festival, and still has concerts regularly.

Directions:
Turn left onto RT-17M.
Merge onto RT-17 W.
Take the RT-17B exit, EXIT 104, toward Raceway/Monticello/Airport.
Merge onto RT-17B via the ramp on the left toward Raceway/Monticello.
Turn right onto Hurd Rd.
Hurd Rd is 0.3 miles past Whitmore Rd
Itinerary-Bethel Woods

Stop 1
Java Love Coffee Roasters
10 Horseshoe Lake Road, Kauneonga Lake, NY
845-583-4082
HOURS OF OPERATION
Now Open 7 Days a Week
Mon-Thurs 7am-3pm; Fri-Sun 7am-5pm

Java Love Coffee Roasters’ mission is to get their customers to taste the best coffee of their lives. Customers have the ability to order their coffee online, as well as walking into their shop in Bethel, New York. With dozens of different varieties and flavors, visitors and even the regular customers will always have new flavors to try out. This is a great stop on any itinerary, because the coffee is so good, it’ll be sure to keep you going.

Directions:

1. Take the RT-17B exit, EXIT 104, to the Monticello/Airport.

2. Merge onto RT-17B via the ramp on the Monticello/Airport.

3. Merge onto RT-17 W.

4. Take the RT-17B exit, EXIT 104, to the Monticello/Airport.

5. Merge onto RT-17B via the ramp on the Monticello/Airport.

6. Turn left onto Old Duggan Rd.

7. 8 DR DUGGAN RD is on the right.

Hector's Inn is a local hotel, centrally located in Bethel. It is a great place to stay while visiting Bethel, New York, because of the fact that it is so close to the major tourist attractions of Bethel. Also, it is right off of Route 17B, so it is easy to get on and off the highway to get you where you need to go. Hector’s Inn is the perfect stop on any trip to Bethel, and is a must when trying to get to Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, since it is so close by. Staying at Hector’s Inn makes getting to Bethel Woods an easy, quick trip.
Overview: Students from a 5th grade class will take a field trip to Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, and will partake in the program offered by the Center titled, “Explore the Sixties”. This program's objective is the following: “Through a scavenger hunt, tour of the Woodstock field, Sixties dance and more, students explore the tumultuous decade of the 1960s.” Since this program is estimated to take up 2.5 hours, there will not be much time left for other activities. Provided there is time remaining, there will be a class discussion on the 1960’s, where students will have the opportunity to voice their opinions on the decade and the events that took place in that time span.

Procedure: Student, teachers, and chauffeurs will arrive at Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, and shortly thereafter the tour will begin. During the tour, students will jot down notes so that they retain the information, which will later be used to aid their homework assignment. Once the program is finished, students will be allowed to re-explore the areas of the museum that intrigued them the most, allowing them to get a head-start on their homework assignment. Before returning to the bus, teachers will ask students which events in the 1960’s played a critical role in the advancement of society, and how. Finally, everyone will get back onto the bus and return to school.
Bethel Woods Performing Arts Center

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Interpretive Sign

Bethel Woods Performing Art Center

• Presents innovative, captivating performances, exhibitions and programs of the highest quality.

• Is a leader in fostering creative expression, civic engagement and entrepreneurial contributions to the public good. A premier authority on the history of the 1960s and that decade's transformative impact on the world. Attracts broad and diverse audiences that fill the house to optimal capacity throughout the year.

“The Happiest Place on Earth”
The main attraction is to ride on the dual racing zip line, one of the longest zip lines in the U.S., at over 3,000 feet long.

You are able to soar 150 feet in the air overlooking the Delaware River at speeds over 50 mph.

Experience everything from rafting, canoeing, kayaking and tubing to camping, paintball and zipping.

Kittatinny Canoes and Zip Lining Guidebook
Barryville Base & Adventure Center
3854 Route 97, Barryville, NY 12719
http://www.kittatinny.com
1-800-356-2852
Hours: open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm May through September and 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, October through April

The Site:
Kittatinny started 72 years ago, at a place now known as Kittatinny Point Visitor's Center, with only a few boats. Kittatinny has grown into one of the largest fleets of canoes, rafts, kayaks, and tubes in the world.

Directions:
near I-84 E, Port Jervis, NY 12771
Depart I-84 E
At exit 2, take ramp right and follow signs for Mountain Rd
Turn right onto Mountain Rd / CR-35
Take ramp left and follow signs for I-84 West
At exit 1, take ramp right for US-6 toward Sussex / Port Jervis
Turn left onto US-6
Keep straight onto RT-42 / RT-97 / W Main St
Keep straight onto RT-97
Arrive at SR 97, Barryville, NY 12719

River Trips
Itinerary-Kittatinny Canoes

Kittatinny Canoes and Zip Line

Stop 1
Ft Delaware Museum of Colonial History
Narrowsburg, NY 12764
(914) 252-6680

Museum Hours, Operating Schedule and Rates:
Friday, Saturday & Monday Hours: 10 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday Hours: 12 Noon to 5:00 pm
Admission: Adults $7.00 - Children (5-14) $4.00 - Senior Citizens (62+) $5.00

Fort Delaware is an authentic depiction of the life of the Delaware Company Pioneers who settled in the Upper Delaware Valley in 1754. A tour of the facilities includes demonstrations of early settlers’ lifestyles and craft making. A gift shop, vending area and picnicking facilities are located on the grounds. Fort Delaware is a representation of the first white settlement on the Upper Delaware River, called Cushetunk. Today’s Fort represents the development of the settlement over a thirty year period. The original settlers were farmers who came primarily from central Connecticut and were of English descent.

Stop 2
Barryville Bottle
3344 Rt 97, Suite #4
Barryville, NY 12719
(845) 557-8133

Barryville Bottle is located on the most beautiful route along the prettiest river in the country. Most people visit our Upper DE River to canoe, camp, motorcycle, fish, and visit friends. There are handpicked a small and affordable portfolio of wine and spirits that should make your visit even more memorable.

Merge onto I-84 W. 3.7 mi

1. Start out going northwest on Proctor Boulevard-Rt. 65. 0.02 mi
2. Proctor Rd becomes Eldred Blvd. 0.2 mi
3. Turn slight left to stay on Eldred Blvd. 2.6 mi
4. Eldred Blvd becomes Beaver Brook Rd. 4.3 mi
5. Beaver Brook Rd becomes Countryland Mt Hope Rd. 3.9 mi
6. Turn slight right onto Rt-97. 2.4 mi
7. Turn slight right to stay on Rt-97. 1.1 mi
8. [6000-6785] STATE ROUTE 97. 0.0 mi
Your destination is 0.3 miles past Kirk Rd

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Overview: Before students are able to ride on the zip lines, students must first measure the ground below from the starting point to the finishing point. The students will then receive a sheet listing how tall each of the zip line tower, which will provide them with the other side of their right angle.

Procedure: Students will 1st measure the ground from the starting point to the next zip line post. Students will then receive a sheet listing how tall each tower is. Students will ride the zip line. Students will complete the worksheet using the formula to find the missing side of the right triangle and the distance they just went on the zip line.
Kittatinny Canoes and Zip Line

KITTATINNY CANOES AND ZIP LINE

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Kittatinny Canoes and Zip Line

“The Happiest Place on Earth”

- One of the longest zip lines in the U.S. at over 3000 feet long (more than half a mile!)
- Soar 150 feet in the air overlooking the Delaware River at speeds over 50mph!
- Will thrill even the most daring adventure seeker, but participants need no special skills or abilities to enjoy the ride.
- Rent a canoe and watch the zip liners fly down the mountain!
Conclusion

Overall Sullivan County is a great place to enjoy with your family and friends. There are various recreational sights that can be appreciated by people of all ages. Year round recreational activities make Sullivan County even a more attractive place to visit. Once you visit this beautiful County you will be sure to make a trip back.

“Happiest Place on Earth”
Resources

- http://co.sullivan.ny.us/Default.aspx?TabId=3193
- http://www.scva.net/
- www.facebook.com
- www.twitter.com
- https://foursquare.com/
- http://www.kittatinny.com/
- http://www.bethelwoodscenter.org/about.aspx
- http://www.monticelloraceway.com/
- http://www.holidaymtn.com/

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