

RIVERTOWNS REPAIR CAFE

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GREEN
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RECYCLE
VOLUNTEER

November 18, 2023
Saturday 10am-2pm

James V. Harmon Community Center
44 Main Street, Hastings-on-Hudson

Hosted by Hastings Repair Cafe

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Repair Experts • Fixers • Menders • Tinkerers • Restorers • Greeters • Organizers • Friendly Faces



Volunteer-Run • Free • All Welcome

Dirigido por voluntarios • gratis • todos bienvenidos

What is a Repair Cafe?

A volunteer-led "pop-up" free repair event! You bring your broken items in and we help you learn how to fix them.

There will be tools and materials to make repairs on clothes, furniture, electrical appliances, bicycles, crockery, toys, etc, depending on that day, location, and volunteers. More details will be announced prior to event.

HastingsRepairCafe@gmail.com

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Textile/Clothing

mending, patching, no hemming

Bicycles

Computer

PCs, Macs, laptops, printers, scanners + video game consoles.

NO screen repairs, smart/cell phones, tablets, airpods, smart watches

Small Appliances

e.g. coffee maker, toaster

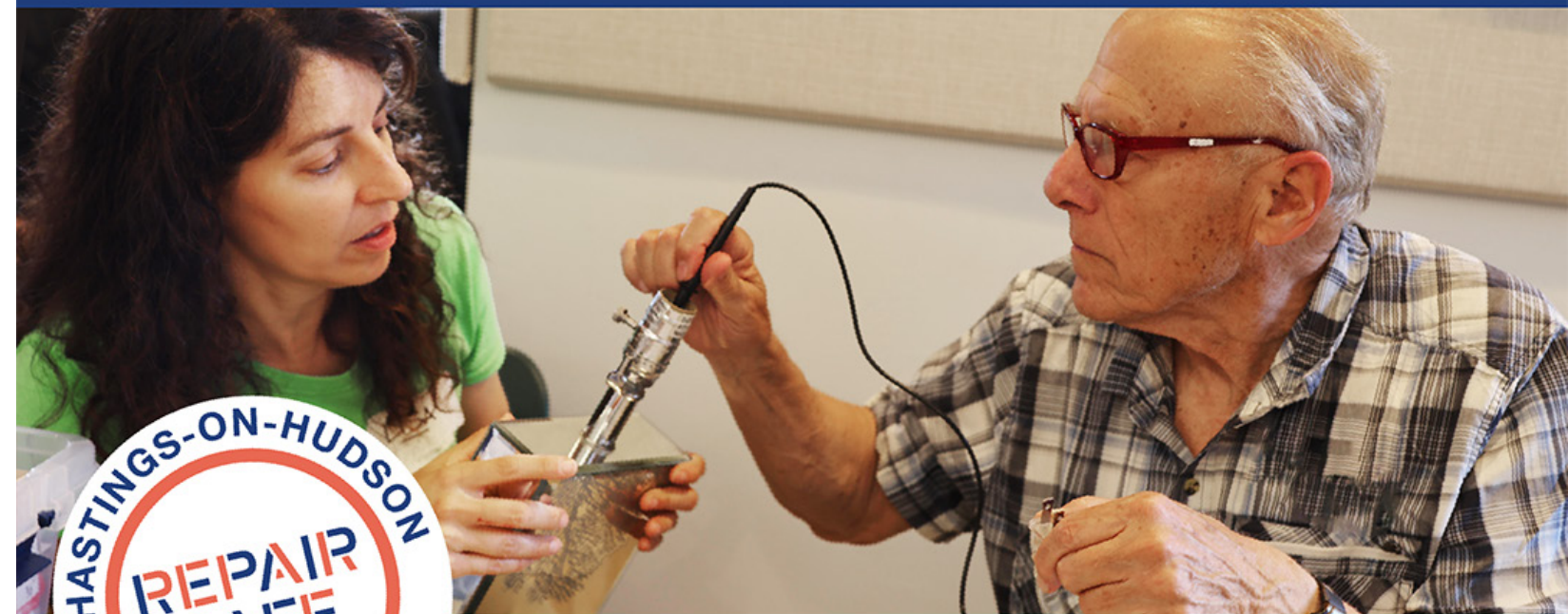
Mechanical + Electrical

e.g. music box, lamp

Wood items

e.g. chairs, cutting brd

Jewelry
no soldering



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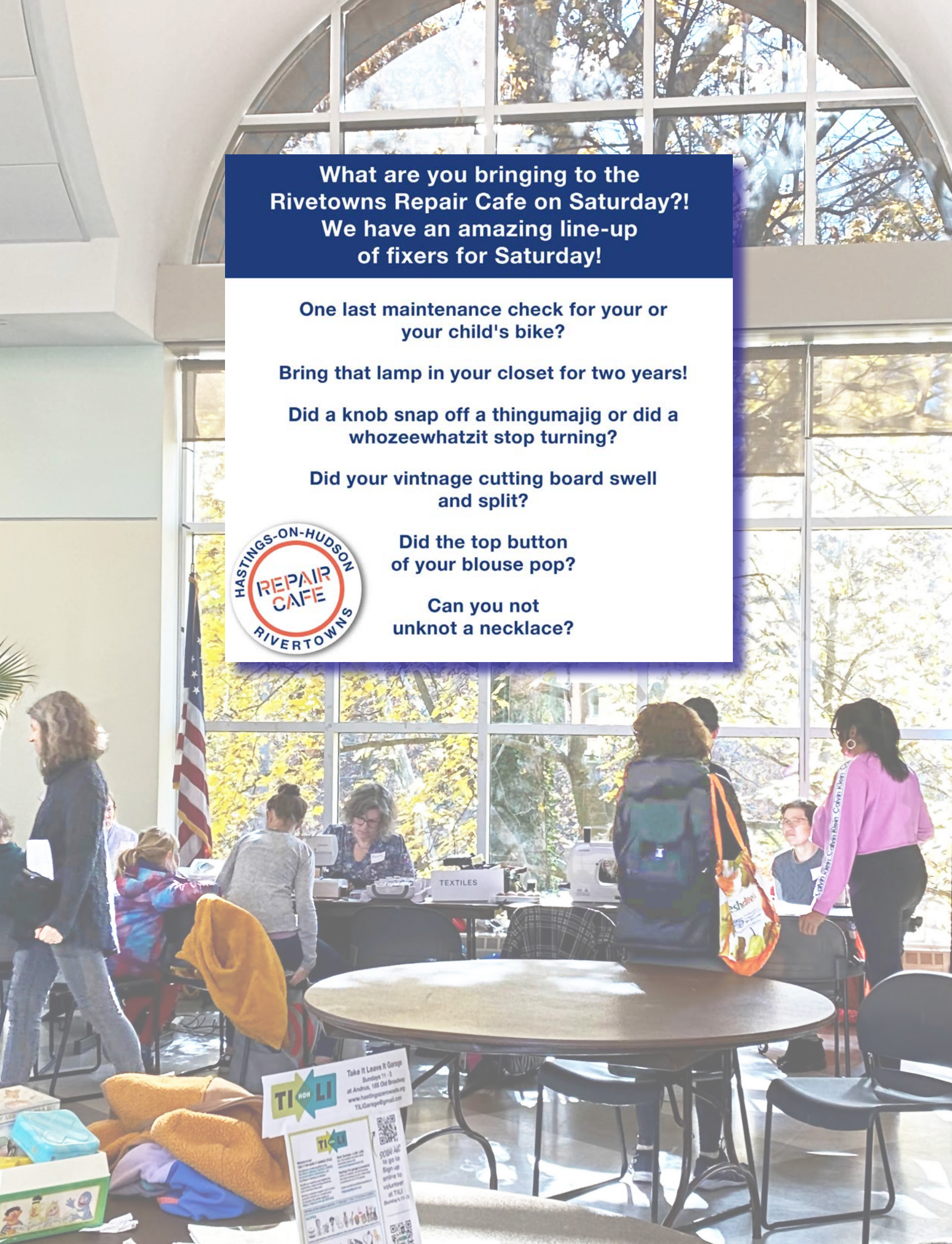
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This was Hastings' 5th in-person Repair Cafe, since our start in 2019.

The Hastings Repair Cafe is part of an intervillage community effort known as the *Rivertowns Repair Cafe* – its organized by volunteers from Hastings, Dobbs Ferry, Irvington, Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow.

Repair Cafés are free community-centered workshops where people bring consumer products that are in need of repair, working with volunteer fixers to repair these broken or faulty products. The central ethos of a Repair Café is to keep items out of landfills, share skills, and build community!

The Repair Café was initiated by Martine Postma in the Netherlands. Since 2011, the Repair Café Foundation, a non-profit organization, has provided professional support to local groups around the world wishing to start their own Repair Café.





31+ VOLUNTEERS | teens to octogenarians



“Wonderful to meet a neighbor who fixed two lamps expertly. Thank you very much”

“This was seriously one of the coolest community events I have ever been to! Amazing people- thank you!”



“This is marvelous! Everything was expertly repaired and the people are all so nice and generous. Thank you”



“Very welcoming staff volunteers, great refreshments, collaborative approach and my alarm clock is now fixed! Thank you”



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Thank you for
supporting the Rivertowns
Repair Cafe and
donating supplies!





Over 75 GUESTS



“Great people and such an amazing event. I love the concept of a repair cafe!”

“Lambie pie returned to health after 60 years!”

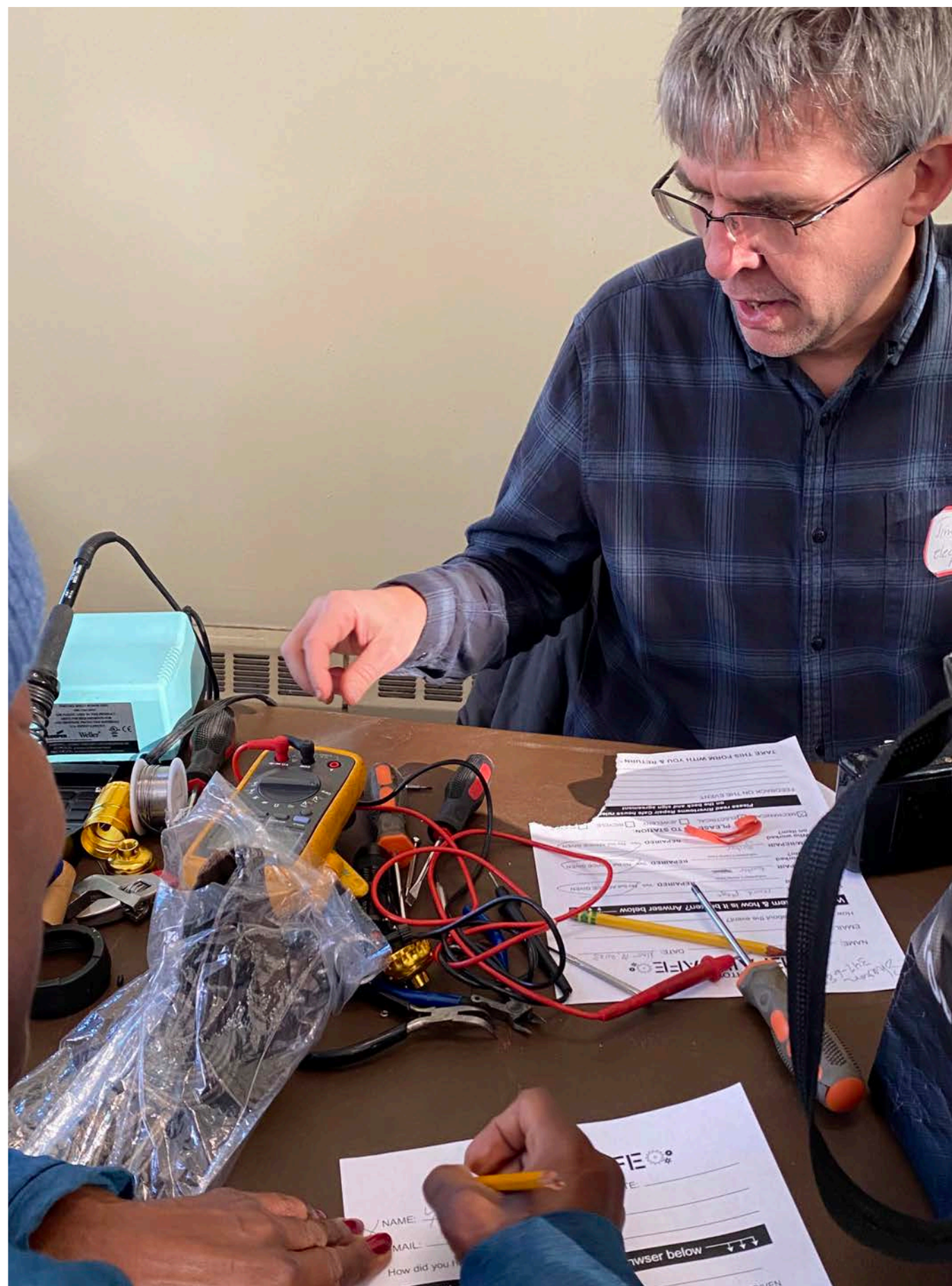


“Wonderful! Such helpful, friendly people with lots of wisdom/ experience to offer. LOVE LOVE repairing instead of trashing. Keep offering this event! Thanks so much!”



“Thank you- we learned so much and it worked! Dean was great!”





OVER 110 REPAIRS UNDERTAKEN



‘Jim worked diligently trying to diagnose the issue without hesitation (I gave up). It was a bit complicated but cannot stress enough how pleased I am with the result! This place is fantastic!’



‘Lisa was so helpful and I can use the lamp again- thank you!’



‘George came up with a great solution and Steve applied the solution- bravo to both! Very effective and so appreciated!’





over 70% FIXED!



“I love this event. I try to never miss it. Susie Fromer is so talented and nice! Steve was very pleasant and helpful.”



“Wonderful! Great help and advice given, great diy spirit, great to see lots of things fixed! you!”

“Absolutely amazing. I love the passion. And we laughed a lot. After much toil and thought, they fixed it! (a garment steamer)”





although, not all...



“Fan not fixed; The motor was shot!”

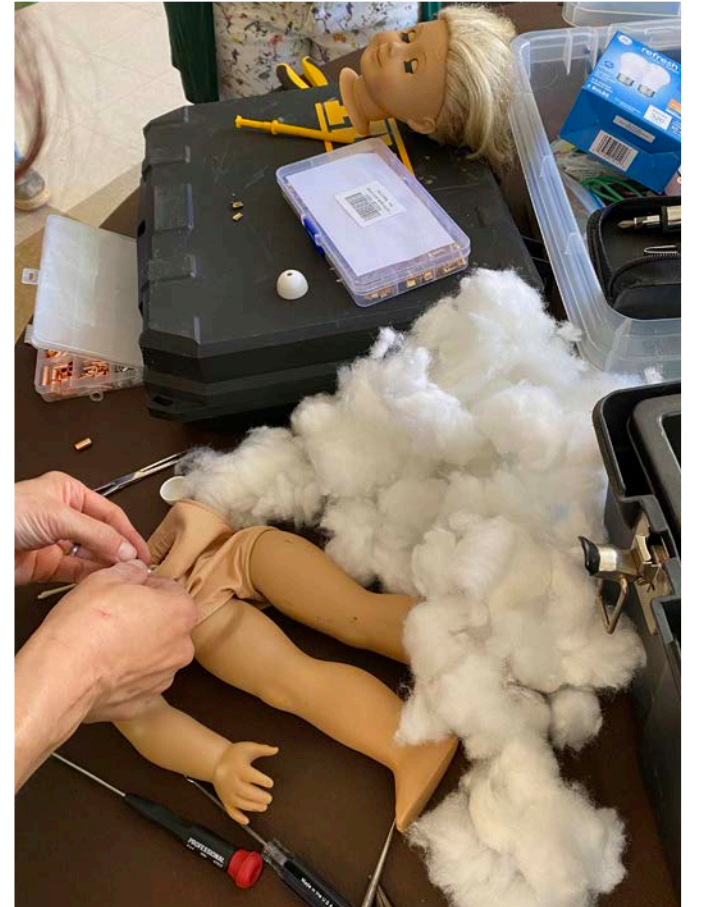
“Two problems solved and one diagnosed. Thank you George and Suzie and ALL for doing this.”



“Scooter; Couldn’t fix but great event. Thank you!”









SPECIAL THANKS TO

Lisa O'Reilly and the James V. Harmon Community Center staff setting up and breaking down the space.

Elisa Zazzera who kindly ensure we are diligent in our sorting trash and scraps for compost.

The Hastings Conservation Commission and the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson continued support.

AND EACH AND EVERY VOLUNTEER!!!

WHY WE DO IT

- To transform our throw-away economy: one beloved item at a time
- To reduce how much goes into the waste stream
- To preserve traditional repair know-how + skills to pass them on
- To value the people who have this knowledge
- To feed our curiosity about "the way things work"
- To foster community, sustainability + resilience
- To have fun!





Thank you