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Millerton supermarket targeting Thanksgiving opening

By NATHAN MILLER
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MILLERTON — After more than a year of renovations, construction delays and growing speculation about its future, the long-awaited supermarket planned for the Millerton Square Plaza is now expected to open by Thanksgiving, according to owners Chris and Kim Choe.

The Choes, who purchased Millerton Square Plaza on Route 44 in December 2024, said the project is entering its final stages after a series of construction delays. With some renovations complete, they now expect the supermarket to open before the holiday season.

The couple, who bought the store from Joseph Trotta, plan to stock locally-sourced produce, meat, and seafood from Boston and New York City. Originally planned to open by June 2025, the Choes pushed back their estimated opening last summer to October 2025 and eventually said the timeline was unclear last fall.

The recent announcement



PHOTO BY NATHAN MILLER

The Millerton Square Plaza on Route 44 in the Town of North East currently sits vacant as owners Kim and Chris Choe work to finish renovations. The Choes first purchased the property in December 2024 with plans to open a grocery store there by June 2025, but faced significant delays.

comes amid mounting questions about the fate of both the Millerton supermarket and the Sharon Farm Market in Sharon, Connecticut, which the Choes also own and operate.

Their Millerton plans received approval from planning and build-

ing officials in the Town of North East in June 2025. Chris Choe said interior renovations at the store are nearing completion.

A new business partner is joining the project, although Choe declined to identify the individual citing ongoing negotiations.

Completed renovations include a new roof and HVAC upgrades. Remaining work includes new flooring, a replacement ceiling, parking lot reconfiguration and storefront upgrades, Choe said.

Choe attributed much of the delay to the demands of another grocery venture in New Haven, Connecticut, which he said the family plans to sell in the coming weeks.

“Driving, I lose three hours every day,” Choe said, adding that selling the business will allow him to focus on completing the Millerton supermarket and planned upgrades at Sharon Farm Market.

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Sharon Farm Market not closing, owners say

By ALY MORRISSEY
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SHARON, Conn. — Despite months of speculation fueled by half-empty shelves, inventory shortages and the planned departures of two longtime businesses, Sharon Farm Market is not closing, according to owner Chris Choe.

“We’re not shutting down,” Choe said, adding that he and his wife, Kim, are planning a series of upgrades they hope will transform the market over the coming months. Choe said they expect to receive a new 20-year lease from their landlord and are moving forward with plans to revitalize the business.

Asked about the store’s appearance and inventory concerns, Chris Choe acknowledged that changes are needed.

“We’re going to take care of everything,” he said. “We’re going to fix the store.”

Choe said remodeling will take place at night so the market can remain open during normal business hours. He describes a grand vision

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Pine Plains grocery store moves closer to approval

By GRAHAM CORRIGAN
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PINE PLAINS — Plans for a grocery store, ice cream shop and cannabis dispensary on a large downtown property moved a step closer to reality after the Zoning Board of Appeals signaled support for the project at a meeting Tuesday, May 26.

However, no final approval can be given until an environmental review is complete.

The proposal involves a property at 7723 South Main St., where owners are seeking to redevelop the site with three retail uses: a grocery store, an ice cream shop and a cannabis dispensary. The plans also call for the renovation of a historic

weigh station already located on the property.

The project originally centered on the cannabis dispensary. However, architect Kristina Dousharm appeared before the Planning Board on April 8 with revised plans that added two new structures housing a grocery store and ice cream shop.

While the property owners had discussed those uses in earlier conceptual plans, the new proposal significantly expanded the scope of the project.

At the time, Dousharm argued their previously existing environmental approval — which covers the cannabis

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Millerton approves \$6.1M bid for Eddie Collins park pool

Contractors expected to break ground Aug. 1

By NATHAN MILLER
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MILLERTON — The new pool at Eddie Collins Memorial Park is moving forward after village trustees approved the first construction bid for the project.

The Board of Trustees voted unanimously to accept a bid from Key Construction totalling \$6.1 million for site work and general construction on Tuesday, May 26.

Millerton Mayor Jenn Najdek said construction is expected to begin in August.

“Aug. 1 is the go day,” Najdek

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PHOTO BY NATHAN MILLER

Eddie Collins Memorial Park on Route 22 in Millerton has seen major renovations in recent years. The next phase of renovations will see a pool and poolhouse that will double as a community gathering space.



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REGIONAL

Researchers say urgent action needed as Lake Wononscopomuc hits 'critical time'

By DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS
Special to the Millerton News

SALISBURY, Conn. — Researchers are warning that Lake Wononscopomuc is at a "critical time" as concerns grow over declining water clarity, nutrient pollution and the long-term condition of Connecticut's deepest natural lake.

The announcement came during a 90-minute Zoom meeting of the Lake Wononscopomuc Association on May 26, attended by several dozen residents, lakefront property owners and association members.

Discussion centered around a newly released lake management report, prepared by Northeast Aquatic Research (NEAR) and posted on the lake association's website. Researchers noted that while overall water quality remains relatively strong, several indicators warrant continued monitoring and proactive management.

For area residents and weekenders who visit The Grove during the summer, this means the water is currently safe for recreational use, although scientists and researchers are closely monitoring the water quality.

"We're very concerned," said NEAR representative Kendra Kilson. "The lake, from my perspective, isn't doing great. This is a very critical time and we need to keep an eye on it."

Overall, water clarity in Lake Wononscopomuc remained "fair to good" during 2025, according to the report. But researchers also documented substantial oxygen loss in deep waters and elevated nutrient levels in some tributaries, findings likely to renew discussion of septic-system impacts, watershed management and other measures aimed at protecting the lake.

Oxygen loss 'substantial,' depletion a concern

The lake, which reaches a depth of approximately 100 feet, is monitored closely for even subtle changes in water quality, like oxygen levels and water clarity.

Last year, researchers observed significant oxygen

depletion in deeper parts of the lake, particularly by late season. When oxygen levels deplete — a state known as anoxia — nutrient levels can tend to become more concentrated, which can contribute to algae growth and declining water clarity over time.

George Knoecklein, founder and principal scientist at NEAR, said water clarity remains one of the most important indicators of lake condition.

"I like to use water clarity as part of a general overarching description of the condition of the lake," he said.

The lake's clarity measurements in 2025 generally ranged between three and four meters. When it dips below two meters, the lake doesn't support recreational use, Knoecklein said, adding that two meters or less can lead to cyanobacteria blooms, which may produce toxins harmful to people, pets and wildlife. Five meters of clarity are desirable. "All in all, it's not great, but it's not terrible," he said.

The findings prompted discussion among attendees about the potential sources of nutrients entering the lake and what measures might be taken to address them.

"I'd like to get some idea of where the pollutants are coming from and which are the more serious sources that we can do something about," said association treasurer Arthur Strang. Others echoed that sentiment, identifying it as a priority before any large-scale mitigation efforts are considered.

Knoecklein cited stormwater runoff, agricultural runoff, fertilizers and aging septic systems as potential contributors.

Multi-million dollar mitigation strategy revisited

The long-debated question of sewer expansion around the lake was discussed, an issue periodically raised as a possible way to reduce nutrient inputs from shoreline properties.

"I remember it was very hard to get homeowners to spend money for the sewers," said Susan Strang, recalling prior discussions.

Tino Galluzzo, association vice president, noted that any



PHOTO BY DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS

Overall water quality remains strong at Lake Wononscopomuc, but a report highlights several indicators that warrant continued monitoring and proactive management, researchers say.

future sewer project would likely require widespread participation among property owners to be financially feasible.

Bill Littauer, who is serving his 25th year as president of the lake association, said past attempts failed due to costs. "It was determined to be far too expensive, millions of dollars."

Knoecklein said sewer infrastructure could help reduce nutrient inputs over time but noted that some of the lake's challenges have become increasingly self-sustaining.

He described the lake's

anoxia as "its own monster."

"The thing about a sewer system is once you hook up, your rates go up," he said. "But I also see milfoil doing poorly in lakes that are sewerfed," citing Highland Lake in Winsted as an example.

As an alternative, he suggested that aeration systems, which introduce oxygen into deeper water, may deserve consideration as a future management tool.

Knoecklein requested historical information on past lake studies so it can be determined whether recent conditions represent a long-term

or annual trend. He also said, "It would be good to know where the sewers around the lake end and where the septic systems start."

The good news: still no evidence of hydrilla

While the discussion focused on water quality, the report also contained encouraging news regarding invasive species.

Despite the spread of hydrilla elsewhere in Connecticut, researchers found no evidence of the invasive aquatic plant in Lake Wononscopomuc during the 2025 monitoring season, and peri-

odic monitoring will continue this year.

Since hydrilla was discovered in nearby East Twin Lake four years ago, town and lake officials have taken extensive precautions to prevent its introduction into Lakeville Lake, including closing the boat launch to reduce the risk of accidental introduction.

Researchers also recommended conducting future end-of-season monitoring later in the fall, possibly in November or even December, to better capture seasonal turnover patterns that appear to be shifting.

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Amenia affordable housing subdivision moves closer to environmental approval

By **LEILA HAWKEN**
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AMENIA — The Planning Board moved closer to completing the environmental review of the proposed Cascade Creek subdivision during its regular meeting on Wednesday, May 27, agreeing to consider a formal environmental determination at its June meeting.

The discussion centered on completion of the Environmental Assessment Form, a key component of the project's review under New York's State Environmental Quality Review Act.

"First you have to decide the impact," board engineer John Andrews said, explaining the process.

While no decision was made, board members agreed to review a draft negative declaration, a finding that would certify the project is not expected to have a significant adverse impact on the environment. If adopted, the declaration would satisfy SEQRA requirements and allow the project to move forward to the site-plan review stage.

The Cascade Creek proposal, first submitted in 2024 by the nonprofit Hudson River Housing of Poughkeepsie, calls for a 28-lot affordable housing subdivision on 24.13 acres. According to project plans, approximately 59% of the property would remain conserved open space.

Since the application was filed, engineers and planners

have worked through the conservation review process while the Planning Board has conducted public hearings and meetings to gather community input. Project plans have been revised in response to concerns raised by residents and board members.

Addressing a previous request from the board for updated traffic information and guidance from the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT), Senior Planner Peter Sander reported that the project's access plan has been revised to include a single entrance and exit on Route 22 directly across from the Old North Road intersection.

Andrews added that the DOT determined neither a traffic signal nor a dedicated left-turn lane would be necessary at the intersection. The agency suggested a marked crosswalk could be beneficial and noted that existing pull-off lanes provide adequate space for pedestrians along the highway.

Board member John Stefanopoulos asked about reducing the speed limit in the area.

Questions about groundwater and well capacity generated significant discussion.

Andrews said that once the environmental review is completed and the project enters the design phase, developers will be required to conduct detailed analyses of well construction and groundwater availability.

"Those results have to be acceptable to the Department of Health," Andrews said, noting that until that approval is received, the water issue remains open.

Planning Board member James Walsh observed that some residents along Cascade Road have needed to drill their wells deeper over the years.

Board member Ken Topolsky referenced a letter from residents who argued that groundwater testing conducted to date had been in-

adequate. Topolsky added his continuing concern about stormwater drainage plans and the potential for flooding downstream in an area with a history of flooding.

Topolsky also expressed concern that the development's housing designs could appear too uniform and may not reflect the town's character.

But Sander disagreed. "We've added variety, landscaping and buffers," Sander said, adding that the actual design drawings will illus-

trate diverse design decisions. He reminded the board that the development will bring people to the town.

"It's people and families," Sander said.

Asked about next steps in the process, Andrews explained that if the board

adopts a "negative declaration," the SEQRA review would be complete and the application could advance to site-plan review. A "positive declaration" would require additional environmental analysis before the project could proceed.



PHOTO BY LEILA HAWKEN

Smithfield pops

Celebrating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the 14-member Smithfield Chamber Orchestra presented "Our American Composers," a Spring Pops Concert at the Smithfield Church on Saturday, May 30. Part of the Bang Family Concert Series, the sixth annual pops concert played to a full house under the direction of Michelle Demko, serving her first year as Music Director.

LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notice

Notice of Formation of Kaits Kleaning LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 05-22-2026. Office Location: Dutchess county. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 24 Attlebury Hill Road, Standfordville NY 12581.

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PINE PLAINS TOWN BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Pine Plains Town Board will hold a public hearing on the adoption of a for the Adoption a Local Law No. A of 2026 Entitled " A Local Law Amending Article I, Section 275-6 of Chapter 275 of the Town Code" on June 18, at 7:05 p.m. at the Pine Plains Town Hall, located at 3284 Route 199, Pine Plains, New York. A copy of the proposed Local Law is available for inspection on the Town's official website and at the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours. Any person desiring to be heard on the adoption of said Resolution shall be given an opportunity to do so. Dated: May 22, 2026

BY ORDER OF THE PINE PLAINS TOWN BOARD
06-04-26

TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PINE PLAINS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A STATUTORY INSTALLMENT BOND OF THE TOWN OF PINE PLAINS, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK TO PAY THE COST OF ACQUISITION OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT FOR SAID TOWN TO WIT:

2026 New Holland TS6 110 Tractor with Attachments

WHEREAS, this Board desires to authorize a Statutory Installment Bond for the financing of the purchase of a 2026 New Holland TS6 110 Tractor with 22' Boom Arm Assembly and 60' Rotary Cutter Mower Head (hereinafter "the Equipment"); and **WHEREAS**, this Board, by resolution, authorized the purchase of the Tractor and Equipment per the Sourcewell contract, **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Board of the Town of Pine Plains, Dutchess County, New York as follows:

Section 1. The maximum estimated cost of the Equipment, including incidental expenses to be incurred in connection therewith, is \$212,053.14. **Section 2.** The plan for the financing of the purchase is as follows:
(a) by the issuance of a General Obligation Statutory Installment Bond of the Town of Pine Plains, hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the

Local Finance Law in the maximum amount of \$159,953.14, and by transfer of

\$42,100 from the General Fund to the Highway Fund and \$10,000 from the Machinery Capital Line.

Section 3. The Statutory Installment Bond will be dated on a date to be determined by the Town Supervisor, and will mature no more than five (5) years following the date of execution of the Bond with prepayment received and will bear interest in the name of the Town of Pine Plains by the Town Supervisor and by the Town Clerk and will be sealed with the Corporate Seal of the Town of Pine Plains.

Section 4. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid object or purpose is eleven (11) years, pursuant to Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. It is further determined that the maximum maturity of the Bond herein authorized will not exceed four (4) years.

Section 5. The faith and credit of said Town of Pine Plains, Dutchess County, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of, and interest on, such Bond as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of, and interest on, such Bond becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said Town

a tax sufficient to pay the principal of, and interest on, such Bond as the same become due and payable.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of, and to sell, Bond Anticipation Notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the Statutory Installment Bond herein authorized, including renewals of such Note is hereby delegated to the Town Supervisor, the Chief Fiscal Officer. Such Notes shall be of such terms, form and content, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Supervisor, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 7. The powers and duties of advertising such Bond of sale, conducting the sale, and awarding the Bond are hereby delegated to the Town Supervisor, who shall advertise such Bond for sale, conduct the sale, and award the Bond in such a manner as he shall deem best for the interests of the Town; provided, however, that in the exercise of the delegated powers, he shall comply fully with the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of Municipal Bonds. The receipt of the Town Supervisor shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money. The Town Supervisor shall be authorized to execute any and all documents and to perform any and all steps necessary to obtain financing inci-

dent to this purchase.

Section 8. This Resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this Resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 9. The validity of such Bond, and Bond Anticipation Notes, may be contested only if: Such Bond is authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town is not authorized to expend money, or

The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this Resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of publication, or

Such Bond is authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution. **Section 10.** This action is a Type II action pursuant to Part 617 of the Rules and Regulations implementing the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

Section 11. This Resolution shall take effect immediately pursuant to Section 35.00(5)(2), and shall be published, in full, in the official paper, together with a Notice of the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the

Local Finance Law. The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call on May 21, 2026 which resulted as follows:

- Supervisor Walsh
- Aye
- Councilman Birdshell
- Aye
- Councilman Roush
- Aye
- Councilwoman Sisco
- Aye
- Councilman Walsh
- Aye

The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

MADÉLIN DAFOE, TOWN CLERK

THIS RESOLUTION published herewith has been adopted on the 21st day of May, 2026, and the validity of the Obligations authorized by such Resolution may be hereafter contested only if such Obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Town of Pine Plains is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of publication of this Notice, or such Obligations were not authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

BRIAN WALSH, Supervisor Town of Pine Plains

06-04-26

OBITUARIES

Richard R. Stover

WEST CORNWALL — Richard R. Stover, 82, of West Cornwall, died peacefully at Noble Horizons on May 26, 2026.

Son of the late Robert and Leona (Heinbockel) Stover, Rick was born Feb. 6, 1944 in Edina, Minnesota. He attended the University of Pennsylvania where he majored in Economics and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

After graduation, Rick began a long career as a financial and pharmaceutical analyst working at Mitchell Hutchins, Smith Barney, Alex Brown & Sons, Pfizer, and Arnold and S. Bleichroeder. He was then President and CEO of PeriCor Therapeutics, a bio tech company he founded in Manhattan.

Rick was an avid golfer and skier, and he liked nothing better than wrestling with the wilderness. After he and Marnell bought their home in West Cornwall, he enjoyed clearing brush, felling trees, and splitting logs. He was the proud owner of every tool and machine necessary for landscape maintenance. Rick was a pa-



fisher at St. Bridget Church where he worked on the building and grounds committee and served as Chairman of the Finance Council.

Rick is survived by his wife Marnell (Bukovac) and his four daughters and their families; Shaw (Christofer) Ruder and Beckett, Elliot, and Hattie; Sara Stover (Chris Sherwin); Christian Stover (Jeffrey Knutson); Anne (Andrew) Ruder and William, Charlie, and Sadie. He is also survived by his stepchildren and their families: Mary Brunelli (Christopher Edgar) and Alexander and Catherine; and Michael (Ellen) Brunelli.

Rick was preceded in death by his sister Barbara McCurdy. A Mass of Christian burial was held at St. Bridget Church (St. Kateri Parish) 7 River Road, Cornwall Bridge, on Saturday, May 30, 2026 at 11:00. Burial followed at St. Bridget Cemetery.

Contributions in Rick's name may be made to St. Kateri Parish (St. Bridget Church), PO Box 186, 90 Cobble Road, Kent, CT 06757.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

Floyd Irving Isham

SHARON — Floyd Irving Isham Jr., 87, a long-time area resident, died Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at Sharon Health Care Center in Sharon. Mr. Isham worked for the Tri-Wall Container Corp. in Wassaic, New York, for fifteen years and also worked as a self-employed private caretaker for over twenty-five years, caring for local estates in Shekomeko, Pine Plains and Ancramdale, New York, prior to his retirement.

Born Aug. 25, 1938, in St. George, Vermont, he was the son of the late Floyd Irving and Hazel (Thompson) Isham, Sr. Following his high school years, he enlisted in the United States Navy and served from 1958 until his honorable discharge in 1961. Mr. Isham also served in the Vermont National Guard. On Aug. 11, 1990, in Dover Plains, New York, he married Nancy L. Cross. Mrs. Isham died on July 8, 2005.



Mr. Isham was a life member of the Millerton American Legion Post # 178 in Millerton, and was a former member of the Amenia Fish & Game Club in Amenia. He served for eight years as president of the Dutchess County Federation of Fish & Game Clubs and also served on their legislative committee for a number of years. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoyed gardening, watching the New York Mets and the Boston Red Sox on television and spent a great deal of time following the horses at OTB. Floyd will be deeply missed by his loving family and his many dear friends. Floyd's family wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the nurses, nursing assistants and staff at Sharon Health Care Center for the kind and respectful attention provided to Floyd while in their care.

Mr. Isham is survived by two children, Mary Kunda and Theodore Isham; three stepchildren, Candy Strong and her husband Bill, Brian Marshall and his wife Kathy and Tanya Mayhew; two grandchildren, Samantha Harrison and her husband Raymond and Cody Mayhew; one great grandchild, Harper Lee Harrison; several siblings and many nieces and nephews and friends. In addition to his wife and parents, he was also predeceased by three sisters, Lucille, Leonna and Roselyn.

Graveside services and burial will take place on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 11 a.m. at Ellsworth Cemetery, 25 Cemetery Road, Sharon with Standard Naval Honors. Pastor William Mayhew will officiate. Memorial contributions may be made to the Millerton American Legion Post # 178, 155 Route 44, Millerton, NY 12546. To send an online condolence to the family, flowers to the service or to plant a tree in Floyd's honor, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com

Pauline King Garfield

EAST CANAAN — Pauline K. (King) Garfield, 94 of 77 South Canaan Rd. formerly of East Canaan, died Sunday May 24, 2026, at Geer Village. She was the wife of the late Duane Garfield who passed August 14, 2017. Pauline was born April 3, 1932 in North Canaan, in the former Geer Hospital. She was the daughter of the late Charles and Rose (Van Vlack) King.

Pauline spent her career at Becton Dickinson in Canaan, after being a stay-at-home mother for many years. She was employed at Becton Dickinson for 23 years. She enjoyed bus trips with her late husband Duane to the Casinos, spending time with her family watching the grandchildren grow up. Recently she made a comment to caregivers that was "wait until I see that husband of mine for leaving me here, I am going to read him the riot act." Over the years she enjoyed many crafts, but her favorite was crocheting gifts for everyone. Pauline is survived by her daughter, Paula Ducharme

and husband Tom of York, Pennsylvania, her son Michael Garfield and wife Joann of Winchester Center, Connecticut, her granddaughter Koren Garfield and her great grandchildren, Alyssa Jade, Addison Jacob and Brennden Leo of Colebrook, Connecticut.

Pauline is also survived by her sister, Althea Marshall and her husband Corky of North Canaan, Connecticut. She was predeceased by her brothers, Everett and Alan King.

A Celebration of Pauline's life was held on Monday June 1, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the North Canaan Congregational Church 172 Lower Road East Canaan, CT 06024. Burial followed at Hillside Cemetery in East Canaan, CT. Memorial Donation can be sent to the North Canaan Volunteer Ambulance Corps P.O. Box 178 North Canaan, CT 06018. Arrangements are under the care of the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home 118 Main St. Canaan, CT 06018.

Yerger Johnstone

SHARON — Yerger Johnstone, former managing director in the mergers and acquisitions department at Morgan Stanley and a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, died on April 19, 2026, in Chelmsford, England. He was 86.

Born in Mobile, Alabama, on March 7, 1940, Mr. Johnstone was the son of architect Henry Inge Johnstone, architect, and Kathleen Yerger Johnstone, the noted nature writer and civic leader after whom Alabama's state seashell, Johnstone's Junonia, is named. He graduated from Murphy High School in Mobile in 1958, received his bachelor's degree from the University of the South at Sewanee in 1962, and earned his M.B.A. from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business in 1964.

Following his M.B.A., he was commissioned through Officer Candidate School before serving in the United States Marine Corps from 1966 to 1968, rising from First Lieutenant to Captain. Stationed principally at Da Nang, Vietnam, he served as an intelligence officer and was awarded the Bronze Star with combat "V" for meritorious service.

Yerger married Eve Chamberlain, also of Mobile, Alabama in 1963 and they resided

in North Carolina during a near 6 year circumnavigation, passing via Suez and Panama canals, spending majority of the time in Pacific Ocean isles from Marquesas to Fiji, New Zealand (where his son Rule was born in 1986) and Micronesia. Encounters with storms, pirates, technical difficulties in remote islands and simply the rigors of daily yachting life were all met with courage, confidence and enthusiasm by Yerger. It became one of the defining adventures of his life.

Returning to America at the end of the sailing trip in 1990, the family settled in Falls Village, Connecticut, where they lived and built a house until Yerger was transferred to London, England. Yerger lived between Salisbury, Connecticut, and the UK for several years before permanently relocating to live between the Cotswolds in the UK and Tuscany in Italy with his third wife, Pamela. They enjoyed an active retirement with regular travels in Asia, Greece.

Yerger first became enchanted with Litchfield County, when he and his second wife, Marguerite, found their dream weekend escape in Ellsworth in Sharon, Connecticut in the mid 1970's. A one time builder of hot rod cars in his teens, he enjoyed spirited late night drives from NYC in a friends loaned Ferrari. In Ellsworth the newly weds and then young family (when his second daughter Katherine was born) enjoyed many weekends, hiking, bird watching, star gazing, cross country skiing, growing fresh herbs and gardening and barbecuing Yerger's famous steaks for guests. Yerger enjoyed exploring the back roads of the area on his BMW motorcycle and the Housatonic River as an avid fly fisherman.

Upon leaving Morgan Stanley, he and his wife Marguerite whom he married in 1975, built the 67-foot ketch Asteroid in Aalsmeer, Holland. They conducted sea trials in Norway, Scotland, Ireland, & England before sailing her around the world,



New Zealand and Greece. In his final years, he was mainly in his homes in Italy and UK, with short trips in France, with his second daughter. In Trequanda, Italy he enjoyed cycling, feasting at home and throughout Tuscan villages with his and Pamela's many friends, and soaking up the Tuscan sun. In his home village of Stebbing, UK, he headed the local pond fishing club and took short trips to London to hear his daughter Katherine sing in her many choirs.

Mr. Johnstone is survived by his wife, Pamela Johnstone; his daughters, Bartley Inge and Katherine Inge; his granddaughter, Evie Inge Scofield; his son, Rule; his former wife, Marguerite; his brother, Justice Douglas Inge Johnstone. He is predeceased by his first wife, Eve Chamberlain Purdy.

Cremation took place May 18, 2026, at Dunmow Crematorium, Blatches Farm, Stebbing CM 6 3AL England. There will be a Requiem Mass said on June 7th, at St George's Aubrey Walk, W8 7JG England.

Send obituaries to obituaries@lakevillejournal.com

Worship Services

Week of June 7, 2026

<p>Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon 9 South Main, Sharon CT Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 A.M. Transitioning through prayer All welcome to join us 860-364-5260 www.christchurchsharon.org</p>	<p>The Congregational Church of Salisbury, U.C.C. 30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! Worship, Sundays at 10 am, in-person and streaming www.salisburyucc.org Sharing God's shalom: Wholeness, harmony, justice, and joy! (860) 435-2442</p>
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<p>North Canaan Congregational Church, UCC Joyfully opening our hearts and doors to all God's people 172 Lower Rd./Rt. 44, East Canaan CT Worship services Sundays at 10 am www.Facebook.com/northcanaancongregational 860-824-7232</p> <p>FISHES & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY, A MISSION OF OUR CHURCH is at Pilgrim House, 30 Granite Ave., Canaan Tuesday 4-6 pm & Thursday 12-2 pm www.fishesandloavesnorthcanaan.org</p>	<p>Unitarian Fellowship of NW CT Cobble Living Room, Noble Horizons Sunday, June 14 at 10:30 a.m. For information, contact Jo Loi at jokialoui@gmail.com All are Welcome</p>
<p>Congregation Beth David A Reform Jewish Synagogue 3344 East Main St., Amenia SERVICES SATURDAY 10:30 AM Twice Monthly • Followed by Oneg (Calendar at congbethdavid.org) ALL ARE WELCOME Rabbi Jon Haddon 845-373-8264 info@congbethdavid.org</p>	<p>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH Immaculate Conception, 4 North Street, Norfolk St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 4 pm, St. Joseph Church Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary Sunday 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm St. Joseph Chapel or Church Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078</p>
<p>The Lakeville United Methodist Church 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Sunday School "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse 860-435-9496 Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</p>	<p>UCC in CORNWALL Cornwall Village Meeting House Worship Sunday, 10 am Outstanding Church School (10 am) Mission Opportunities Warm Fellowship following Worship 860-672-6840 www.uccincornwall.org Rev. Micki Nunn-Miller, Minister Welcoming all - including the LGBTQ Community</p>
<p>Falls Village Congregational Church 16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village 10:00 a.m. Family Worship Coffee Hour A Friendly Church with a warm welcome to all!! 860-824-0194</p>	<p>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 9 a.m. Trinity Retreat Center Chapel Lower River Road, West Cornwall in person and on zoom Warm fellowship following service All Are Welcome! www.allsaintscornwall.org Rev. Mary Gates</p>
<p>The Sharon United Methodist Church 112 Upper Main Street, North End of Sharon Green Touching Lives - Lifting Spirits 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery Care No Sunday School in Summer The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse 860-364-5654 sharonumc5634@att.net</p>	<p>St. Thomas Episcopal Church 40 Leedsville Road Amenia Union, NY SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30 IN-PERSON AND ONLINE Visit our website for links 845-373-9161 www.stthomasamenia.com A Community of Radical Hospitality</p>
<p>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church 656 Smithfield Valley Rd. Route 83, Amenia, NY Services every Sunday 10 a.m. www.thsmithfieldchurch.org 21st Century Theology in an Historic Building</p>	<p>Promised Land Baptist Church 29 Granite Ave., Canaan, CT Where you will find: A Warm Welcome! Helpful Bible Messages, A Place to Grow! Sunday School - 10am Sunday Worship - 11am Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - 7PM (860) 824-5685 VISITORS WELCOME! www.promisedlandbaptist.org</p>
<p>All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church 313 Twin Lakes Rd., Salisbury, CT Vespers Saturday at 5:00 P.M. Divine Liturgy Sunday at 9:30 A.M. Special Services Online Rev. John Kreta 860-824-1340 allsaintsofamerica.us</p>	<p>Canaan United Methodist Church 2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT 8:00AM - Worship Service 2nd & 4th Sunday "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse 860-824-5534 canaanctumc@gmail.com We hope you will join us!</p>
<p>Sharon Congregational 25 Main Street, Sharon, CT Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Visit our website sharoncongregationalchurch.org for Sunday services Contact us at 860-364-5002 or info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org</p>	<p>Millerton United Methodist Church 6 Dutchess Avenue, P.O. Box 812 Millerton, NY 12546 Services on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 3:00 P.M. 518-789-3138</p>

ROBERT F. WRIGHT

June 1, 2009

Seventeen years seems crazy,
But yes, it has been that long,
Seventeen years and the things that you missed,
The things I wish you had saw,
Life is ever changing,
You shared with me regret,
And now that I think in this moment,
It's the best lesson I have learned yet.
Life will give you challenges,
We all have had our share,
But I have to say what I have learned
And strength I've gained is rare,
From the challenges I have been made to withstand,
The heartaches I have endured,
Thinking of you makes me sad right now,
But also makes me feel pure,
Because your presence taught me
Though life may not be fair,
It's how we jump the hurdles we meet
Especially when we are scared.
Your life and death provided me
With strength and lessons learned,
I'm grateful to know that I'm strong enough
To overcome each corner turned.
We'll always have you in our thoughts,
Hold you in our hearts,
But grateful for the time we had
Before we had to part.

We love you Robert, We love you Dad

Your wife Ruth
Your daughters Bobbie-Jo and Ruthanne

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LET'S HEAR IT...



THIS WEEK

Groceries are a basic need, but in many parts of our region, buying them can mean careful planning, multiple stops, or a drive to another town.

Where do you shop for groceries? What works well, and what makes grocery shopping harder than it should be? How do price, selection, distance, hours, or transportation shape where you go?

Send your responses to publisher@lakevillejournal.com by Monday, June 8 at 10 a.m. or comment on Facebook or Instagram. We'll publish a selection in next week's paper.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Have you had a run-in with a bear? What happened, and how did you handle it? And what do you think towns and neighbors should be doing to keep both people and bears safer?



"I said, 'Chill and wait a second...I want to get my camera!' So he did."

— Matthias Weiss, Millerton

"Yes we had one time run into a bear on the bike trail. Two times, one came through our property."

— Antonina Bok, Millerton

"I was chased after surprising a mom and 2 cubs in Washington state mountain biking."

— DC Broughton, Wassaic

"I have come across bears multiple times while outside on runs and it has been a matter of being aware (headphones out) and making some noise to have them quickly run off. It still increases my anxiety for the rest of the run though!"

— Maggie Windsor Gross, Sharon

"When you don't have birdseed out, bear-proof trash cans out only for pick up day and cleaned grills, the bears just pass on through. There is a human problem, not so much a bear problem."

— Lynn Gray, Kent



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Millerton/North East Democrats' Opportunity

June 13th – just 2 weeks ahead - early voting begins for the Democratic primary for our State Assemblymember's seat. June 23rd is voting day at the Library Annex. North East and Millerton Democrats please take note and step up to vote for Didi Barrett who is running for reelection. Why? It is not an exaggeration to say that our Town and Village have never had an advocate at the state level who has delivered as much as Didi has. She knows us, visits us, cares about our issues and works tirelessly for her constituents. Lucky us! We have so

much to thank her for....the new swimming pool and pool house in Eddie Collins Park for starters! Then there is her help with the Town Garage, NECC, the Library, the new Town Hall. We couldn't have done all these things without her help. She has directed our own NYS tax dollars right here to our community.

Life will be better in Millerton and North East with Didi Barrett in office. I urge that you vote for her on June 23rd.

Jennifer Dowley
North East

Yale Bowl, Rudd Pond, library automation

The following excerpts from *The Millerton News* were compiled by Kathleen Spahn and Rhianon Leo-Jameson of the North East-Millerton Library.

DATE MISSING Marjorie Barton Sings In Yale Bowl Festival

Miss Marjorie Barton of Ancramdale, a graduate of Syracuse University, sang in the music festival held Saturday at the Yale Bowl in celebration of the Connecticut Tercentenary. The chorus, made up of 3,000 singers representing seventy-two musical organizations, sang before a crowd of more than 15,000. The chorus was the largest ever to appear at one event in the State. Directors included Ralph L. Baldwin of Hartford, Richard Donovan and David Stanley Smith of New Haven.

Miss Barton sang with the solo chorus of Bristol, Conn. which united with three other groups. She was a house guest over the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Brooks at Southington, Conn. Mrs. Brooks was a college friend of Miss Barton.

June 3, 1976 State Likely To Keep Rudd Pond Park Open

There is still no word as to whether the New York State Legislature is going to restore \$1.8 million to the State's Parks and Recreation budget. However, the Assistant Manager of the Taconic State Park Region, which includes Rudd Pond, said this week if the money is not restored Rudd Pond

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is likely to remain open and State-operated anyway.

Slugging Girls Of Webutuck Take 2 Games

The Webutuck girls' softball squad had a good week, defeating Dover in a slugfest, 23-22, and then Haldane by a score of 15-5.

Against Dover, Nancy Cunningham led the way with a home run, triple and 3 runs-batted-in. Joan Madsen contributed a triple for Webutuck, and winning pitcher Brenda Brown, Cris Iuliano and Sue Stella slammed doubles.

Versus Haldane, Cris Iuliano knocked out 3 hits and knocked in 2 runs, as did her Warrior teammate Debbie Downey. Dara Euvard and Nancy Cunningham collected 2 hits apiece. Brenda Brown pitched Webutuck to the win.

June 7, 2001 Amenia Free Library Officials Tout Complete Automation

AMENIA It's been a long time coming, but the Amenia Free Library (AFL) is now fully automated.

"We've been inputting data for two and a half years," AFL Librarian Miriam Devine said Friday during an open house. "Now we're barcoding everything."

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What's happening with Greenland?

At the end of 2025, President Trump told the world that he was interested in acquiring Greenland and would take it by force if necessary, stating that it was a matter of national security.

His Cabinet officials and others began echoing his remarks regarding the national security need to better control the region, especially with climate change opening up the arctic area to shipping and possible submarine warfare for the first time. But in truth, the President's interest in Greenland arose more from his life-long obsession with size; Greenland was by far the world's largest island. As a child he was in love with the Great Wall of China and it became the inspiration for his proposed wall between the US and Mexico. His giant ballroom for the White House continues his strange obsession.

In addition to his concern for national security and his obsession with bigness, Trump had been studying the history of American imperialism and was favorably impressed by our military capture and control of foreign territory. He was prepared to try his own foreign adventures.

During World War 2 the U.S. had several small military bases on Greenland and the relations with the Greenlanders and Denmark (whose colony it was then) were good. Over the postwar years the U.S. eventually closed all the bases save one but Denmark (who still controls Green-

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Mackenzie Gordon

land's foreign affairs) had been accommodating to any new American military proposals.

So what's so different now? Global warming has melted much of the northern ice thus opening the area to at least limited navigation and both Russia and China have been interested. Without much elaboration, the U.S. Defense and State departments have told us that this poses a formidable security threat requiring U.S. control of Greenland to counter. But most security analysts consider this a shortsighted point of view. An even more vulnerable area to foreign intruders would be from northern Alaska to the Arctic Circle. As former Alaskan governor Sarah Palin was supposed to have said, "I can see Russia from my back porch!" However the U.S. has done little or nothing to fortify this area militarily. On the face of it, it would seem more appropriate for the U.S. to shift its defensive attention to the western side of the continent. At the same time it would make sense for NATO rather than the U.S. to oversee Greenland's only partly frozen, more navigable waterway. The U.S. is still a most prominent member of NATO thus permitting us to have some say in what happens there but the considerable animosity between

Trump and Greenland and Denmark would be largely avoided. And as a bonus, perhaps Canada (a NATO member) might be drawn into being a more active member of the Western military alliance.

During the past four months, closed door trilateral meetings have been held in Washington, at the behest of the US State Department with officials from both Denmark and Greenland to discuss the future of the island.

Over the past year Trump's verbal tirades have scared and angered people and their governments all over the world. A variety of recent polls weighing popular feelings in eight western European countries toward the U.S. government have all shown major disfavor regarding American foreign policy, particularly because of threats against Greenland. Especially in Denmark and in Greenland where several hundred protesters gathered in the capital, Nuuk last week to protest continued US involvement in their affairs and specifically the opening of a much larger new US consulate in Nuuk to "commemorate" its opening. Protesters carried signs with messages such as "Greenland is not for sale" and "Dump Trump". The U.S. sent over an uninvited Special Envoy, Louisiana Governor Jeff Landry, a notoriously impolitic individual who, shortly after arriving told everyone that could hear him "it's time for Washington to put its foot back on this Arctic territory" and other insulting remarks. Meanwhile back in Wash-

ington talks continue. The American demands are so steep; Greenlandic officials fear that they amount to a major imposition on their sovereignty, such as a possible veto over what businesses might be permitted to operate in the territory. Meanwhile, the former Danish Prime minister Mette Frederiksen, a strong supporter of Greenland, is about to be replaced and is no longer in the discussions.

The parties are discussing cooperation on the development of natural resources. The island is loaded with oil, natural gas, uranium, rare earths and other critical minerals. However, much of it is buried deep beneath Greenland's glacial ice. The Trump administration is especially interested in the island's buried wealth and wants to make sure that other nations, particularly China and Russia, are kept away from it. Although he likes to deny the significance of global warming, Trump knows that Greenland's underground riches are becoming more accessible year by year.

Trump's war in Iran is going badly with no real end in sight and he is looking to get out. He wants a new, more promising theater for his international adventures and is hoping to capture Cuba next (although he has already nearly done so by an economic siege). Then many think he may indulge his continuing obsession and make another attempt to take Greenland.

Can you believe it?
Architect G. Mackenzie Gordon, A.I.A., lives in Lakeville.

OUR TOWNS

Millerton village board elections set for June 16

By NATHAN MILLER
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MILLERTON — Two sitting members of the village Board of Trustees are up for reelection on Tuesday, June 16.

Deputy Mayor Matt Hartzog and Trustee Matt Soleau are each seeking additional two year terms

to the Board of Trustees. Both incumbents are running unopposed for their respective seats.

Elections are scheduled for Tuesday, June 16, at the Millerton Village Hall on Route 22 north of the intersection with Route 44. Voting booths will be open from noon to 9 p.m.

Email news and photos to editor@millertonnews.com

Strong winds knock down power line on Route 44, rerouting traffic through Millbrook

By ALY MORRISSEY
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MILLBROOK — Strong winds ripped through the region Friday night, May 29, into Saturday morning, knocking down tree limbs and bringing down a power line near the intersection of Route 44 and Franklin Avenue Saturday, May 30.

The downed line forced the closure of Sharon Turnpike from Hart Village Road to Franklin Ave from about 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, according to Millbrook Police Chief Keith Dworkin.

Emergency crews re-



PHOTO BY ALY MORRISSEY

Traffic is rerouted down Franklin Avenue in downtown Millbrook after a power line falls on Route 44 Saturday, May 30.

sponded to the scene between 11 and 11:30 a.m. Millbrook Fire Department officials di-

verted traffic through downtown Millbrook, creating heavier-than-usual traffic in

the area.

Dworkin said the police department did not receive any complaints about homes losing power, but suspected that a number of homes near Ciferri Place may have been affected.

As of 3 p.m., one fire official at the scene said she could not predict when the road would reopen.

"We've been here for more than three hours, and it could be another three," she said. "We just don't know."

Crews from Central Hudson cleared the scene and opened the road around 4 p.m.

Gardens & Landscaping

Spring is well underway and with the weather clearing and temperatures rising, that means now is the time to start a new or finish an old gardening or landscaping project. The businesses advertising below are ready to help you complete your next project. Let them know you saw their ad in your copy of The Lakeville Journal or The Millerton News

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OUR TOWNS



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Music salon

Area music lovers turned out for a free concert at the Lyall Community Church on Friday, May 29, presented by the Millbrook Music Salon. The concert featured the award-winning Balourdet Quartet joined by acclaimed clarinetist Graeme Steele Johnson. Titled “Compass: Musical Distance,” the varied program included works by Mozart, Milhaud, Viet Cuong and Brahms. Left to right are Justin DeFilippis, violin; Angela Bae, violin; Johnson, clarinet; Russell Houston, cello; and Benjamin Zannoni, viola.

Pine Plains school board cuts three staff positions to trim budget

By GRAHAM CORRIGAN
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PINE PLAINS — Pine Plains Central School District administrators detailed \$291,000 in budget cuts Tuesday, May 26, after voters rejected a proposed budget last week.

The original 2026-2027 budget, which totalled \$40,500,000, failed to pass on May 19, despite winning a 52% approval from voters. The proposed budget needed 60% of voters backing it, a supermajority necessary due to a school tax levy that exceeded the state’s allowed cap.

New York generally limits municipalities and school districts to a tax levy increase of

2%, but the allowable cap can be higher in some cases. Pine Plains administrators said the district was limited to a tax levy increase of just under 3.4% this year. The initial proposed budget raised taxes by 4.43%.

To fall within the tax cap — which could then pass with a simple 50% majority at the ballot box — administrators had to find about \$291,000 in cuts. Residents will re-vote on the amended budget on June 16.

Following the initial budget failure, district officials deliberated and decided to propose three staffing cuts. The new budget would eliminate a head bus driver position, a typist position and one

nurse. Those three reductions would save about \$290,569, bringing the year-over-year school tax increase to 3.39% and the total budget down to \$40,488,222.

A public hearing on the new proposed budget will take place on June 9. If the budget is defeated a second time, the district will be forced to adopt a contingency budget.

That means the tax levy would stay at 2025-2026 levels, requiring a further \$945,000 in reductions. Deep cuts to athletics, Pre-K programs, and extra curricular activities would become likely — as well as staffing cuts to custodial, counselor, librarian, and social services, administrators said.

A guide to pride

June celebrations in the Mid-Hudson Valley

By GRAHAM CORRIGAN
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It’s officially Pride Month, and Dutchess County is showing up to the party with a panoply of exciting events to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community.

On June 6, Stanford Pride is hosting their annual event from 1 to 4 p.m. There will be food, music, and community at coworking space Bangallworks at 57 Hunns Lake Road. It’s the group’s fifth annual celebration, and they’re back at the site of the first Stanford Pride.

June 10 is Pride Night at Heritage Financial Park in Wappingers Falls, where the

High-A Yankees affiliate Hudson Valley Renegades will host the Jersey Shore BlueClaws

On June 13, the Dutchess County Pride Center heads to Poughkeepsie for the eighth annual Poughkeepsie Pride March & Festival. They’ll gather in Waryas Park from noon to 4 p.m., where local artists, food vendors, and community resources will coalesce.

The Beacon is honoring Pride with a month-long pro-

gramming slate of LGBTQ+ films: “But I’m A Cheerleader,” “The Crying Game,” “Wedding Banquet,” and “Brokeback Mountain” will run in consecutive weeks during June.

The festivities end with a 5K Fun Run Fundraiser in Poughkeepsie — Dutchess Pride has partnered with Fleet Feet Poughkeepsie for the race, which will kick off June 28 at 9 A.M. All ages and running abilities are welcome.

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Longtime boarding school seeks formal permits

By NATHAN MILLER
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MILLERTON — Representatives of a historic boarding school are seeking formal permits from the North East Planning Board in an effort to comply with state requirements.

Ray Nelson — a Millerton-based engineer who spoke on behalf of boarding school Olivet Academy — described the school's need for an official special use permit at a rescheduled regular meeting of the Planning Board on Wednesday, May 27.

Nelson said the property's change of ownership six years ago triggered a New York State Department of Education requirement that all paperwork, including certificates of occupancy and permits, be held under Olivet's name.

Olivet Academy is a Christian boarding school that primarily serves students from South Korea. The academy is part of a larger family of boarding schools with locations in Missouri, California and South Korea.

The school currently operates out of a campus in the Town of North East near the intersection of Morse Hill Road, Perrys Corners Road and Haight Road. Boarding schools have operated on the campus since the 1940s, Nelson said. The campus's long history predates building and zoning codes, meaning many

of the structures did not require formal permits in the past because they haven't been altered since their construction.

It's unclear why the school is now required to receive this documentation.

A special use permit is required for schools located in a residential agricultural district in the Town of North East. No special use permit has been issued for the property in the past because many of the facilities predate zoning.

Deliberation on the special use permit had to be delayed as the school had yet to receive proper approvals from the town's building inspector. Planning Board chair Dale Culver explained the board cannot grant permits before the building inspector has issued certificates of occupancy. The property will also have to receive approval from the Dutchess County Department of Health for septic systems that lack formal documentation.

Given those missing details, board members declined to move forward with the application, opting to wait until their next meeting to see if the necessary documents are complete before scheduling a

public hearing.

Culver said he wants this application to serve as a precedent under the town's new zoning code. North East adopted changes to its zoning codes in March after a years-long process of revisions and updates aimed at modernizing language, improving information organization and encouraging further commercial and mixed-use development along Route 44 east of the Village of Millerton.

Olivet's plans don't include any changes to the property, just a formal documentation of the site's structures and uses in an effort to comply with state regulations. Because there are no proposed changes, Culver said he thought it would be inappropriate to require the school to update things like outdoor lighting as that would impose work at the school that the applicants were not already planning to do.

"We could point out that in the future — if you're going to make changes — these may be some of the areas of concern," Culver said. "I don't think we should attach onerous costs to something as simple as 'we need to document what already is there.'"



PHOTO BY ALY MORRISSEY

Shoppers crowded Jones & Daughters new space on Millerton's Main Street for the boutique's grand opening on Friday, May 29.

Salisbury residents bring boutique shopping to Millerton

By ALY MORRISSEY
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MILLERTON — A new boutique owned by two Salisbury residents opened its doors on Main Street Friday, May 29, drawing a steady stream of shoppers and supporters eager to welcome the business to the village.

Jones & Daughters, a boutique offering apparel, jewelry, home goods, and gifts, has opened at 34 Main Street in the former Geary Gallery space.

Co-founders Constance Edwards of Lakeville and Sabina Breece of Salisbury

said they saw an opportunity to bring a curated shopping experience to the region.

"We wanted people to have somewhere to find a great pair of jeans, a beautiful dress, comfortable and stylish shoes or a thoughtful gift," Edwards said.

Both women and their families were part-time weekenders before settling in the area full time during the pandemic. Edwards previously lived in Stanfordsville, while Breece spent weekends in Kent.

The Millerton store builds on a business Edwards built with her sister and co-founder, Amanda Eckmann, estab-

lished years ago in Louisville, Kentucky. The Hudson Valley location celebrated its grand opening Friday with friends, neighbors and first-time visitors.

"We wanted to create a place to shop that felt as thoughtful as this community," Edwards said. "The perfect outfit, something beautiful for your home, a gift that actually means something."

The shop carries women's and men's apparel, jewelry, shoes, and home goods and gifts, including candles, pillows, puzzles, and more.

Jones & Daughters is open Thursday through Monday at 34 Main Street, Millerton.



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Owners address questions about supermarket project, Sharon Farm Market

The Millerton supermarket is highly anticipated around town. Delays have sparked rumors that the Choes had abandoned the venture, which Choe denies.

Rumors also called into question the fate of the Sharon Farm Market.

Jam Food Shop, a business that serves prepared foods and sandwiches that operates a space within the Sharon Farm Market, will be leaving the market at the end of September.

That move — coupled with sparse inventory on shelves — has fueled speculation about Sharon Farm Market's future.

"We're going to fix the store," Choe said, describing plans to renovate the Sharon Farm Market's interior and introduce a coffee shop and juice bar. He insisted the grocery store will not be closing, and renovations will begin



PHOTO BY NATHAN MILLER

Construction debris and old freezers still litter the site of the Millerton supermarket.

after Jam's departure at the end of September.

Choe said Jam Food Shop's departure presents an opportunity to reconfigure the market's prepared-food operation.

A new focus going forward will be cutting prices on prepared foods, improving and expanding available organic produce and making a foray into delivery with services such as Instacart and DoorDash.

Residents, businesses welcome timeline

News that the Millerton supermarket may finally open this year was met with cautious optimism by residents Sunday, May 31.

A.J. Day, a Millerton resident who said he moved to the village in 2008 with his parents, said his family has been anxiously awaiting a new supermarket in town.

Day said the family travels to Danbury to shop for groceries at Trader Joe's for most of their needs, but often makes quick trips to LaBonne's Market in Salisbury, Connecticut, or the Sharon Farm Market for immediate needs.

"My parents [and I] both want to see a place there," Day said. "My parents were a little uneasy not having a place there for a while."

Shannon Tyree-Brown and her daughters, Cassidy and Addison Brown, said they were encouraged by the latest timeline while acknowledging frustration over the prolonged vacancy.

"It's kind of been depressing just sitting vacant for so long," Tyree-Brown said. "Un-

fortunately, the other options didn't stick."

Despite the dismay, Tyree-Brown and her daughters are supportive of the effort and hopeful it will serve the community soon.

Nearby business owners are also eager to see the supermarket open.

The owners of Pasture Kitchen, a restaurant that occupies the former McDonald's building on Route 44 adjacent to the supermarket plaza, are also looking forward to the Millerton market's eventual opening.

Austin Cornell, who founded Pasture Kitchen, expects his restaurant to see a boost once the supermarket opens. He described the supermarket as a potential bridge between the Village of Millerton and businesses farther down Route 44 beyond the village boundary.

"I feel like we're removed from the village," Cornell said.

While locals are largely supportive of the venture, some residents are skeptical that the Millerton store will open in the fall of 2026.

"Chris has said that for years now," said longtime Sharon resident Mike Rand. "I'll believe it when I see it."

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shop — was sufficient. But the board disagreed, with Town Attorney Warren Replansky claiming the changes were significant enough to require another review.

The grocery store would span 8,989 square feet. Anything over 6,000 square feet requires an area variance, and on May 26, representatives from the property appeared before the board to gauge whether to proceed with the full environmental review before proceeding with a variance application. "We didn't want the applicant to waste their time if the variance was not a possibility," said ZBA chairman Scott Chase.

No major opposition emerged. Some residential neighbors expressed concern about the noise and lighting of construction, but residents and board members alike expressed support of moving

the project forward.

The public was reassured, Chase said, by the fact that the new structures will actually be smaller than those currently on the property. The current buildings cover upwards of 12,000 square feet, and date back to the early 1900's — well before Pine Plains enacted zoning laws in 2009. The property is adjacent to former railroad tracks, and was first developed in the 1870s.

The next step will be completion of the SEQR review, which will be conducted by the Planning Board. The review will evaluate the project's potential environmental, social and economic impacts.

If the review is completed successfully, the applicants could then seek final approval for the required area variance before construction begins.

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with a revamped deli, online ordering, home grocery deliveries, and a cafe and bakery serving coffee and organic juice.

The statements come as rumors about the market's future have circulated throughout Sharon in recent months. Shoppers have reported difficulty finding common grocery items, while two popular businesses operating inside the market have announced plans to leave at the end of September.

Ann Spindler, a Sharon resident, said she has noticed changes that have sparked concerns throughout town.

"For the last couple months I've noticed there are fewer things on the shelves and I'm worried that something is happening and I hope that they're going to stay around," Spindler said.

Jam Food Shop moving to Salisbury

Jam Food Shop, the deli and prepared-food business that has operated inside Sharon Market for 16 years, will relocate to Salisbury when its lease ends Sept. 30.

Jam owners said the company will relocate to 19 Main St. in the location of the former Neo Restaurant & Bar — which closed its doors permanently last month.



PHOTO BY ALEC LINDEN

Fernando Nottebohn says he appreciates Sharon Farm Market as part of a weekly circuit he does from his home in Lithgow, New York, that also includes Paley's Farm Market.

In a letter penned to the community, Jam expressed its gratitude to residents of Sharon, while highlighting a years-long dispute with market ownership.

"For years, we have made attempts to gain clarity around our lease renewal at the Sharon Farm Market," the letter said. "Unfortunately, in the end, we were unable to reach an agree-

ment with the market, leaving us with a short amount of time to find Jam a new home."

Choe framed the dispute as a difference over business strategy and the routine end of a lease.

"They don't want to do Instacart or DoorDash," Choe said, describing plans to implement online ordering and delivery services at the market.

Blue Sea Seafood to permanently close

Blue Sea Seafood, another longtime fixture inside the market, has also confirmed it will depart at the end of September after 16 years. Owners Sarah and Chuck Lee said they will not be opening a new location elsewhere when they close.

"We'll miss it," Sarah Lee said.

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said. "That's when we're planning."

That work will include constructing the 5-lane Olympic-sized pool, pool-house structure and preparing the site for other elements of the build including electrical installation, plumbing and HVAC. Complete electrical wiring, plumbing and HVAC will need to be completed by different contractors under separate contracts due to New York State requirements.

New York State's Wicks Law requires municipal projects totalling over \$500,000 in cost to create separate contracts for each of general construction, electrical wiring, HVAC and plumbing and gas fitting.

Millerton had received bids for the other necessary contracts, but decided to reject all of them and reopen the bidding period on the recommendation of engineering firm LaBella Associates. LaBella engineers designed the pool and poolhouse and provided consultation services in selecting contractors.

Millerton's effort to build a new pool at the park started to materialize in 2024 when the village received more than \$6 million as part of the New York Statewide Investment in

More Swimming grant program, commonly known as NY SWIMS.

Trustees accepted a final design for the pool in March and opened bidding for construction in April.

The Tuesday meeting also featured a whirlwind of resolutions, including entering into a full contract with property restoration company BELFOR for work at the site of the former water department building and village garage.

Millerton's Department of Public Works building located on Route 22 near Eddie Collins Memorial Park caught fire in February 2025, destroying the structure and all of the equipment inside.

Since then, the village's Department of Public Works has been using the Town of North East's old highway garage on South Center Street as a temporary home.

The contract approval on Tuesday represents a more formal and complete contract with BELFOR as the village moves forward with constructing a new building for Water Department operations and to house the village's municipal well.

A construction timeline has not yet been established.

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Sharon Playhouse Board President Savannah Stevenson, former attorney and lifelong theater lover

Savannah Stevenson's second act

By Natalia Zukerman

Savannah Stevenson has lived enough lives already to make most people feel lazy.

She grew up in Atlanta in a musical family, with a father who played "The Sound of Music" cassette tapes in the car and a mother who played hymns on the piano. She went to Carnegie Mellon to study musical theater, moved to New York afterward and, for a while, imagined a life onstage.

Then she became a lawyer instead. "The leap from performing to lawyering isn't as significant as it seems," Stevenson said one recent morning from somewhere between tour stops on the national tour of Meredith Willson's "The Music Man," in which she now plays Mrs. Paroo, the Irish immigrant mother of Marian the librarian.

For 18 years, Stevenson practiced

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ART

Artists and patrons gather for Stissing Center auction preview

By Natalia Zukerman

The upstairs room at Mad Rose Gallery in Millerton was filled with paintings, photographs, drawings, sculpture and ceramics on Saturday, May 30, as artists, collectors and supporters gathered for a reception previewing Stissing Center's 2nd Annual Art Auction Fundraiser.

The exhibition offers an early look at nearly 60 works donated by artists from the Hudson Valley and beyond, all to benefit Stissing Center's year-round programming, including music, theater, dance, film, children's events and community gatherings. The auction itself will take place at Stissing Center in Pine Plains on June 13 from 5 to 7 p.m.

The preview showcased a wide range of artistic styles and media, from Leora Armstrong's atmospheric "Shape of Water XII" to Talya Baharal's richly layered mixed-media painting "Shifting

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COMMUNITY

Great Country Mutt Show returns as animal shelter surrenders rise

By Debra A. Aleksinas

Tail wags, floppy ears and a healthy dose of canine charm will take center stage June 7 as The Little Guild hosts its annual Great Country Mutt Show at Lime Rock Park in Falls Village.

Last year's Great Country Mutt Show attracted more than 200 dogs and 800 people. Founded by renowned designer Bunny Williams as a benefit for the Little Guild, the tongue-in-cheek, Westminster-style event has grown into one of the organization's signature annual fundraisers and community celebrations. The show remains free and open to the public, and adoptable dogs may attend when appropriate.

This will be the first Mutt Show since The Little Guild relocated to its new West Cornwall facility, a move that has expanded its capacity to serve animals and pet owners throughout the Northwest Corner while demand for shelter and rescue services continues to grow.

Now in his second year as co-host, WFSB meteorologist Scot Haney will again emcee the event alongside Cornwall resident and veteran CBS journalist Richard Schlesinger.

"First of all, I love working with Richard Schlesinger, so anytime I have the opportunity to do so, I do," Haney said.

"Secondly, it's just such a wonderful cause — all of the beautiful animals and their owners that come out and have a great day. It's so much fun for the whole community and beyond to get together for this



PHOTO BY ALY MORRISSEY

Great Dane "Axel" with owner Sage Breyette in the Best Lap Dog Over 40 lbs. contest at last year's Great Country Mutt Show

worthwhile cause."

Haney said he has long admired The Little Guild's mission and its work finding homes for rescue animals.

"I think The Little Guild is just one of the wonderful organizations here in the state that does such an amazing job finding animals homes, and I am wholeheartedly behind the mission of this wonderful shelter," he said.

The problem of overflowing

rescue shelters is at an all-time high, locally and statewide, said Jenny Langendorfer, executive director of The Little Guild.

"I've been here six years, and back then we would see two to three surrenders a year. Now, it's a problem that's unfortunately growing. I think people are going through many hard times."

While the increase has been difficult to witness, she said the

work remains deeply rewarding.

"It's heartbreaking," Langendorfer said of the growing number of animals entering shelters. "But when you see an adoption and a happy ending, it makes all the difference."

She credited the Northwest Corner community for helping sustain the organization's efforts.

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BUSINESS

Kelly's Kitchen Take 2 nourishes body and soul

By Jack Sheedy

The ornate wooden sign is deliberately misspelled: "Apathecary."

It greets visitors as soon as they walk into Kelly's Kitchen Take 2 in Colebrook, described on the store's website as "a charming sanctuary where time-honored traditions meet artisanal craftsmanship." Co-founder Kelly McCarthy said, "I work with energy, and I'm all about the herbal tinctures and working with naturopaths and more natural medicine." She said the misspelled sign is meant to denote a section of the store as "a path to wellness."

In that section are consigned products by local artisans, including decorative cutting boards, CBD sprays, herbal candles, honeybee pollen, pet shampoos, loose-leaf teas, jalapeno jams, greeting cards, handcrafted hats, inspirational photos and natural bar soaps.

Most of the artisans are based in Connecticut. All are from New England or the Hudson River Valley, McCarthy said.

Her husband and the store's co-founder, Bob McCarthy, shepherds another aspect of Kelly's Kitchen Take 2: prepared grab-and-go foods. And speaking of shepherds, one of his most popular dishes is shepherd's pie, that classic comfort food made with ground beef,

vegetables, potatoes, butter and cream. If it or another menu item is sold out, Bob can often prepare more while customers wait.

In coolers and freezers are soups, chowders, stews, casseroles, chicken pot pies, homemade sauces and spreads, des-

serts and fresh-baked breads.

Bob declined to name any one dish as his specialty. "My specialty is food made from scratch that tastes good," he said. He boasts more than 40 years as a foodie, having ap-

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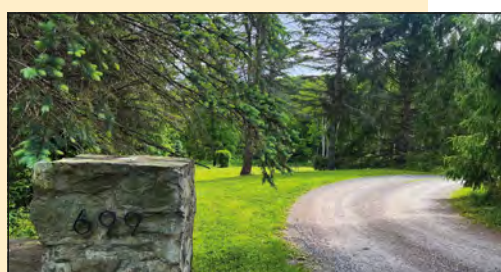
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law at high-profile New York firms specializing in criminal defense before eventually becoming head of ethics, compliance and risk at Peloton during the company's dizzying pandemic boom years.

"At some point in time, I got married and had children," she said matter-of-factly. "And then life kind of unfolded."

Stevenson and her husband began renting a house in Falls Village "just to get out of the city on the weekends."

"We fell in love with it, of course," she said. "And then when the pandemic hit, we of course fled the city up to that house and decided not to go back."

The family — Stevenson, her husband Jon, and daughters C.C. and Sylvie — became full-time Salisbury residents in 2020.

Then came another plot twist.

While the world was buying exercise bikes and streaming spin classes from their living rooms, Stevenson was part of Peloton's legal leadership team. But after the company's spectacular rise came the somewhat inevitable crash.

"In 2023, the board decided to let the entire executive team go," she said.

Suddenly, Stevenson found herself unemployed in Northwest Connecticut with time on her hands and a teenage daughter deeply immersed in the Sharon Playhouse YouthStage program.

"My older daughter said to me, 'Well, as long as you're bringing me to and from rehearsals every day, why don't you audition for the show?'"

She auditioned. "And they were like, 'Oh, you actually can sing.'"

What followed sounds like the plot of a feel-good movie about reinvention in middle age: mother and daughter performing together at the Sharon Playhouse while Stevenson rediscovered a part of herself she had set aside decades earlier.

"It was the most joyful experience ever," she said. "And I



PHOTO BY MARSHALL MEADOWS

Savannah Stevenson as Mrs. Paroo and Elliott Andrews who plays Harold Hill in the nationally touring production of "The Music Man."

"Sharing laughter, tears, music and dancing through stories that illuminate our common humanity touches us in a way that builds connection, empathy and genuine community."

SAVANNAH STEVENSON

kind of realized that now, in my late 40s — I'll be 50 this year — I've aged into this entire new crop of roles. The mothers, the older wise women, the cougar," she said, laughing. "All of these great older women's roles."

So, she started auditioning. And getting the parts. Now she's on a six-month national tour.

"It really does feel like a full-circle moment for me," Stevenson said.

If that sounds glamorous, Stevenson is quick to point out that touring theater is less champagne and more buses, protein bars and Peloton app workouts in hotel rooms.

"There are certainly times where it's a show Monday night in one city, get on the bus, show Tuesday night in another city, get on the bus," she said. "There's a lot of time on the bus."

Mostly, though, she talks about the crew with something approaching reverence.

"We finish a show at 10:30 or 11 at night. They load out the entire set onto trucks. Then they sleep on the bus, get to the next city at 8 a.m., load it all back in and rebuild it," she said. "They work so hard. It's incredible."

In "The Music Man," Stevenson now plays the role she once dreamed of from the opposite side of the generational divide.

"I would have sung Marian in my 20s," she said. "Now I get to play her Irish mother, Mrs. Paroo."

There is a scene where Marian sings "My White Knight," and Stevenson stands nearby as Mrs. Paroo listening silently. And while the younger actress sings about longing and possibility, Stevenson finds herself thinking about her own daughters.

"Sometimes I just find myself

standing there with a tear running down my cheek," she said.

Meanwhile back home, Stevenson has become one of the Sharon Playhouse's most visible champions. She joined the board in 2023 and stepped into the role of president this year.

"There's social science that provides really strong evidence about the benefits of having a theater in your community," Stevenson said. "Lower rates of violence. Higher rates of volunteerism. Higher graduation rates."

She speaks about theater the way some people speak about public libraries or churches — as essential civic infrastructure.

"Sharing laughter, tears, music and dancing through stories that illuminate our common humanity touches us in a way that builds connection, empathy and genuine community," she said.

Much of that conviction comes from watching what theater has done for her own children.

When her oldest daughter interviewed at competitive boarding schools this year, Stevenson said interviewers repeatedly commented on her poise and confidence.

"They would say to me, 'All that theater education is really paying off,'" Stevenson said. "She can establish connection with people readily."

When asked what advice she might offer to other women contemplating a midlife pivot, Stevenson resisted the fantasy of reckless transformation.

"I don't think it's about jumping without a net," she said.

Instead, she advocates something more measured.

"It's about making a calculated risk," she said. "And then, once you've run those calculations and feel planful enough about it, really diving into that risk headlong."

Which is perhaps another way of saying that sometimes the girl who once sang show tunes in Atlanta and studied musical theater at Carnegie Mellon never actually disappears.

Sometimes she's just waiting patiently for her cue.

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...Stissing Center

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PHOTO BY NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Artists Yael Meridan Schori and Talya Baharat at Mad Rose Gallery's preview of Stissing Center's Art Auction.

Boundaries." Visitors also viewed works by internationally recognized artists including installation pioneer Judy Pfaff, photographer Ray Mortenson, painter Kit White and glass sculptor Natalie Tyler.

Several pieces reflect the Hudson Valley's enduring influence on artists, including Shane Neufeld's landscape "View Towards Stissing from Hill Top Road" and Brett McCormack's pastoral "Orchard." Other highlights included a wood-fired ceramic vessel by Paul Chaleff, dark and surreal drawings by Bob Dob, John Greene's layered surfaces, Eadweard Muybridge inspired "Climberscape" by Gail Rothschild and photographs by Kerry Madigan, founder of Mad Rose Gallery.

The fundraiser is organized by an auction committee chaired by Neal Rosenthal of Mad Rose Gallery and including Jack Banning, Didi Barrett, Gwen Greene, Yael Meridan Schori, L. Parker Stephenson, Dorit Straus, Natalie Tyler and Douglas Walla.

"We love creating opportunities for people to connect through the arts," said Patrick Trettenero, executive director of Stissing Center. "This event is a celebration of great art, generous artists and collectors, and a community that values creativity. We're thrilled to partner with Mad Rose Gallery for an evening that supports the programs that bring people together at Stissing Center all year long."

The preview exhibition will be on view at Mad Rose Gallery ahead of the June 13 auction. Mad Rose is open Thursday-Sunday, 12 to 5 p.m. Proceeds will support Stissing Center's cultural programming throughout the year. For more information, contact Amy Jelenko, director of advancement, at advancement@thestissingcenter.org.

Bobby's chicken enchiladas

Each month, Dugazon owners Bobby Graham and Matthew Marden share a recipe inspired by the traditions, stories and sense of welcome at the heart of their shop in Sharon, Connecticut. Visit Dugazon at 19 W. Main St. Wednesday-Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at dugazonshop.com.



What's cooking at Dugazon?

Bobby Graham & Matthew Marden

We share a love of Mexican food, and these chicken enchiladas have become a favorite at our table. Creamy, comforting and reliably crowd-pleasing, they're equally at home on a busy weeknight or at a casual gathering with friends. The creamy chicken filling, green chilies and generous layer of melted cheese make it the sort of dish that disappears quickly and is requested often. Best of all, the dish can be assembled a day ahead and baked just before serving, making it a welcome option when you'd rather spend time with guests than in the kitchen.

Adapted from Courtney's *Chicken Enchilada Casserole*, *Sallier's Seasonings*, *Imperial Calcasieu Museum*, *Lake Charles, Louisiana*

Ingredients
 •12 small corn tortillas
 •2 cans enchilada sauce
 •1 (8-ounce) can tomato paste

•1 teaspoon Tony Chachere's Creole Seasoning

- 1 onion, halved
- 1 tablespoon whole peppercorns (optional)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2½ pounds boneless, skinless chicken thighs
- 1 (8-ounce) container sour cream
- 4 (4-ounce) cans diced green chilies
- 1 jalapeño, seeded and finely chopped
- 1 pound shredded Monterey Jack-Cheddar cheese blend

Equipment

- 9-by-12-inch casserole dish

Preparation

•Place the chicken in a large pot and cover with water. Add the onion cut in half, salt and peppercorns, if using. Bring to a simmer and cook until the chicken is cooked through, 18 to 25 minutes. Transfer the chicken to a cutting board and let cool slightly, then chop or shred.

Tip: Strain and freeze the cooking liquid to use later as homemade chicken stock.

- In a medium bowl, combine the enchilada sauce,

tomato paste and Tony Chachere's Creole Seasoning. Stir until smooth.

- Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.

•Arrange the tortillas on a baking sheet and warm them in the oven for a few minutes. This helps prevent cracking when they are rolled.

•In a large bowl, combine the chicken, sour cream, green chilies and jalapeño. Stir until evenly mixed.

•Dip each tortilla into the enchilada sauce, coating both sides. Spoon some of the chicken mixture into the center, roll tightly and place seam-side down in the casserole dish.

- Repeat with the remaining tortillas, arranging them snugly in the dish. If any filling remains, spread it evenly over the top.

•Pour the remaining enchilada sauce over the enchiladas and sprinkle generously with the cheese.

•Bake uncovered until hot and bubbling and the cheese is melted and lightly golden, 30 to 35 minutes.

•Let rest for 5 to 10 minutes before serving. Serve with shredded lettuce and tortilla chips, if desired.

Make-Ahead Tip

Assemble the enchiladas up to 1 day in advance. Cover and refrigerate, then bake just before serving.



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Bobby's chicken enchiladas

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EDUCATION

Yale Norfolk School of Art returns for another summer of creativity

By Patricia Platt

For more than 80 years, the Ellen Battell Stoeckel Trust has endowed Yale University's summer music and art programs in Norfolk. The renowned Yale Norfolk School of Art opened the 2026 summer season May 23, sharing its final week with Yale's new music workshop. The art school is held in the historic Alfredo Taylor-designed Art Barn, located on a trail behind the 70-acre estate's Whitehouse on the village green.

"Yale Norfolk brings together a diverse group of students who have demonstrated passion in artmaking and are exemplary community members," explained the program's co-director, Lisa Sigal. The student body is composed of 26 rising college seniors selected from more than 200 applicants. Participants come from across the country and from a growing number of international locations. Students live in dormitories on the estate alongside faculty and staff.

The faculty includes co-directors Sigal and Byron Kim, who will lead seminars with Yale professor Ayham Ghraoui and four teaching fellows.

"We cultivate the next generation of artists by providing immersive, community-driven residencies," Sigal said. "It ends up being six transformative weeks. Students leave with a deepened creative practice and lifelong friendships. Teaching fellows leave knowing



PHOTO BY SOK SONGA

The Yale Norfolk summer art program hosts open community drawing classes on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings.

how to structure a class and inspire young artists. And everyone leaves the estate in tears."

The public is invited to view student work during Open Studios at the Art Barn on June 28 from 1 to 6 p.m.

Each summer, students create a series of community art installations around Norfolk. Six to eight proposals are selected and then presented to the town's selectmen for approval. Some projects are installed during the last weekend of June, others remain for weeks, and a few have earned permanent places in the Norfolk landscape.

This summer's theme, "Seeing Through," draws inspiration from the French philosopher Édouard Glissant, who wrote about opacity and its inverse, transparency, observing that "The opaque is not the obscure; rather, it is that which cannot be reduced."

Visiting fellows and faculty will present free lectures exploring the theme over five Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Art Barn. For a schedule of speakers, visit norfolkart.yale.edu

The art program also offers free community drawing classes throughout the summer. These began Saturday, May 30, and continue

through the end of the music program on Aug. 23. The classes focus on life drawing with a live model. Drawing materials and paper are provided, and participants of all experience levels are welcome. Classes meet on the second floor of the Art Barn on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

In addition to the Ellen Battell Stoeckel Trust, the Yale Norfolk School of Art is supported by the Yale School of Art, the Norfolk Hub, the Battell Arts Foundation and the Low Road Foundation. For more information, visit norfolkart.yale.edu.

GARDENING

The brief, beloved bloom of the 'King of Flowers'

By Debra A. Aleksinas

At Salisbury Garden Center, potted peonies are beginning their brief but anticipated spring performance — heavy blossoms unfolding in shades of soft pink, crimson, magenta and white. Soon, the flowers will fill the air with fragrance as Northwest Corner gardeners admire the blooms many wait all year to see.

"We're all a sucker for a peony plant," Garden Center staff member Irene Cmuchowski said with a laugh, describing the enduring appeal of the flower's oversized blooms, lush texture and unmistakable scent.

Despite changing gardening trends, peonies remain a longtime favorite in the region,

she said, not only for their beauty but for the emotional connection they often carry.

"People have them for decades, handed down from their parents and grandparents," Cmuchowski said. In a sense, they become living heirlooms, she noted.

Under optimal conditions, peonies bloom for only about three weeks, leaving the delicate flowers vulnerable to torrential downpours, extreme heat or drought.

The Garden Center carries both traditional herbaceous peonies and woody peonies, also known as Chinese tree peonies, in colors ranging from delicate pinks and whites to deep reds and vivid magentas.



PHOTO BY DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS

Herbaceous peonies in full bloom.

For centuries, Chinese tree peonies have occupied a celebrated place in Chinese culture, art and garden design. Often depicted in paintings, silk embroidery and poetry, the flowers became symbols of prosperity, beauty, nobility and honor. Their lavish blossoms — sometimes reaching nearly dinner-plate size — earned them the title "King of Flowers."

Unlike herbaceous peonies, which die back to the ground each winter, tree peonies are woody shrubs that can live for generations, producing increasingly spectacular blooms as they mature.

Dan Furman of Cricket Hill Garden in Thomaston, Connecticut, a 7-acre specialty plant nursery known for its rare and unusual peonies, said tree peonies have long stood at the center of classical Chinese spring gardens.

"There are five flowering plants of the classical Chinese garden," Furman

explained. "Plum blossom in winter, tree peonies in spring, lotus in summer and chrysanthemum in the autumn. Of these, tree peonies certainly have the most impressive flowers."

For Furman, the fascination with Chinese tree peonies runs much deeper than horticulture alone.

His parents, Kasha and David, established Cricket Hill Garden in 1989 and earned a reputation as being the most respected growers of Chinese tree peonies in the country.

"What first drew my family to Chinese tree peonies was their centuries-long cultivation history," Furman said. "There is a lot of culture there beyond just the horticultural."

"Tree peony is a misnomer," he added. "A better name would be woody peonies."

The plants are deciduous shrubs that typically grow about 3 feet tall and wide, returning each year from

permanent woody stems rather than dying back to the ground.

At Cricket Hill, enthusiasts travel from across the country seeking unusual and historic varieties prized for enormous blooms, nuanced fragrance and painterly colors.

Yet despite their reputation for elegance and rarity, peonies remain deeply personal flowers for many Northwest Corner gardeners — reminders of old homesteads, family gardens and spring traditions passed down through generations.

Their bloom may be fleeting, Cmuchowski noted, but their emotional hold endures.

"People wait all year for them."

... Kelly's Kitchen

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PHOTO BY JACK SHEEDY

Kelly and Bob McCarthy inside Kelly's Kitchen Take 2.

prenticed with an Austrian master chef before working at Farmington Woods Country Club and Beefsteak Charlie's. He opened Lily's of the Valley Restaurant in Simsbury, where he met Kelly, who was a server there.

As the name implies, Kelly's Kitchen Take 2 is a reboot of their popular restaurant, Kelly's Kitchen, which operated in Winsted from 2004 to 2015. When their lease ended, Bob became the chef at Bantam Market, preparing foods for the deli section. Kelly used her professional marketing experience to expand her holistic practice, working with people to educate and nourish them spiritually, she said.

When the building they now occupy recently came on the market, they saw it as an opportunity for a turnkey retirement business where they could combine their two areas of expertise. The location previously was home to Spice320, which also featured prepared foods and had a working kitchen and space for cooling, freezing and displaying foods.

As a destination for freshly prepared foods, it is a rare oasis, according to a young couple who identified themselves only as Maya and Rob. "I checked it online, and the reviews were so good that I was like, 'I gotta go and check it out,'" Maya said.

Another customer, a woman from the Berkshires, said she and her husband come to Winsted once a week to shop. She first tried shopping at Kelly's on a Tuesday, then on a Wednesday, but was disappointed to learn the store was closed on those days. "Now we have to change our shopping day to Thursday," she said.

"People don't need to retire," Kelly said. "Stop looking at retiring from life, and instead, what can you still bring to the table? There's so much magic within each one of us."

Kelly's Kitchen Take 2 is at 320 Colebrook River Road in Colebrook. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday. For more information, visit kktake2.com or call 860-379-7927.

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Pianist Benjamin Hochman joins principal players from the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra for Music Mountain Summer Festival's opening Benefit Concert and Reception on June 7 at 3 p.m. The program features works by Bach, Brahms and Fauré. Concerts at Music Mountain are in Gordon Hall, at 225 Music Mountain Road, in Falls Village. Tickets are now on sale, online at musicmountain.org or by calling the Box Office at (860) 824-7126.

Tri-Corner Calendar

JUNE 4

How to Talk to Your Doctor with Bruce Weinstein

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org
Board-certified patient advocate Bruce Weinstein presents practical strategies and take-home tools to help participants navigate health care with greater knowledge and confidence from 10 to 11:30 a.m. A question-and-answer session will follow. Registration requested at scovillelibrary.org.

SOAR Trivia Night

Salisbury Central School, Salisbury, Conn.
SOAR invites teams of up to four for an evening of trivia, pizza and friendly competition 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Salisbury Central School. Pizza dinner begins at 5:30 p.m., with trivia starting at 6 p.m. Teams may include parents, grandparents, friends, students and neighbors. Cost is \$10 per person and includes pizza. Advance registration is required by May 29; walk-ins will not be accepted. Final room location will depend on the number of teams registered. Register at <https://bit.ly/4wi9QAS>

JUNE 5

Foxtrot Friday with Westerly Canteen

Foxtrot Farm, 6862 Route 82, Stanfordsville, N.Y.
Foxtrot Farm launches its new monthly community gathering, Foxtrot Fridays, with a grand opening celebration June 5. The evening features food by Westerly Canteen, beverages by Ten Mile Table and live music by Alessandra Gonzales. Reservations are required for parking, with timed entry windows from 4:30 to 6 p.m., 6 to 7:30 p.m. and 7:30 to 9 p.m. Food, drinks and flowers will be available for purchase. The event is rain or shine. For more information and reservations, visit foxtrotfarmflowers.com

Dirty Blonde

Ghent Playhouse, 6 Town Hall Place, Ghent, N.Y.
The Ghent Playhouse presents Claudia Shear's witty, heartfelt comedy inspired by the life and legend of Mae West. Directed by Sky Vogel with musical direction by Cathy Schane-Lydon, the production stars Jessica Cordova, Robert Mason and Monk Schane-Lydon. Performances are June 5-7 and June 12-14. Shows are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. For more information and tickets, visit ghentplayhouse.org or email info@ghentplayhouse.org.

Willy Porter

The Grace Note at Stissing Center, 2950 Church St., Pine Plains, N.Y. 7:30 p.m.

For more than 30 years, singer, songwriter and master guitarist Willy Porter's songs have traced the fragile, funny, luminous edges of being human. Drawing from 13 albums, Porter invites listeners into a living, breathing ritual where stories shimmer, grooves settle deep, and songs feel like home. A solo show with Porter is part concert, part conversation, part gentle reckoning — music as ritual, humor as grace, and connection as the point. Tickets: thestissingcenter.org.

Ned Ames Lecture: "Cultivating Resilient Food Systems in a Changing Climate"

Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Lovejoy Auditorium, 2801 Sharon Turnpike (Route 44), Millbrook, N.Y.
Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies presents the annual Ned Ames Lecture at 7 p.m., featuring Cary Fowler, former U.S. special envoy for global food security and co-recipient of the 2024 World Food Prize. Fowler will discuss the challenges of feeding a growing global population amid climate change, with a focus on crop diversity, agricultural innovation and the role of the Svalbard Global Seed Vault in protecting future food security. A reception with light refreshments begins at 6 p.m. The event is free and open to the public, with in-person and livestream options available. Registration is required caryinstitute.org

JUNE 6

"Grounded in Nature: Paintings by Adam Van Doren"

Berkshire Botanical Garden, 5 West Stockbridge Rd., Stockbridge, Mass. June 6 to Aug. 23

Berkshire Botanical Garden will present "Grounded in Nature: Paintings by Adam Van Doren," a summer exhibition of more than 35 watercolor and oil paintings exploring the relationship between historic architecture and the natural landscape. Curated by Donna Hassler, the exhibition features scenes from New York, Connecticut and Europe. Opening reception with the artist June 5 from 5 to 7 p.m. Gallery hours are daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit BerkshireBotanical.org.

Lecture & Discussion by Author and Historian Tim Abbott

Sharon Historical Society & Museum, 18 Main St., Sharon, Conn.
Executive Director of the Housatonic Valley Association Tim Abbott will lead a talk and discussion on his latest research into the treatment of British prisoners in Sharon during the Revolutionary War. 3 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Twelve Moons Coffee House featuring Aimee Van Dyne

The Center on Main, 103 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. 6 to 9 p.m.

Twelve Moons Coffee House builds community with live music, poetry and storytelling on the first Saturday of each month. Doors open at 6 p.m., open mic begins at 6:30 p.m., and featured act, Americana singer/songwriter Aimee Van Dyne performs from 8 to 9 p.m.

Meet the Filmmakers:

Burning Blue + Q&A
The Moviehouse, 48 Main St., Millerton, N.Y.

7 p.m. a special screening of the new Director's Cut of Burning Blue, followed by a Q&A with Director and Co-Writer DMW Greer and Co-Writer Helene Kvale in conversation with actor and director John Hickok. Tickets at themoviehouse.net

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RoundTop Burlesque Revue

The Grace Note at Stissing Center, 2950 Church St., Pine Plains, N.Y. 7:30 p.m.

Behold a bevy of beauties, bananas, back hair, burlesque, & more! The RoundTop Burlesque Revue returns to Stissing Center for its second year, celebrating the timeless tradition of burlesque with humor, glamour, and surprise. Enjoy a playfully entertaining evening of comedy, striptease, and theatrical flair from a bold cast of performers. Adults only. Tickets: thestissingcenter.org.

"Music Mountain: History of a Dream" Book Talk

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org

The David M. Hunt Library and Music Mountain will present a book talk with Anne Liebling, author of "Music Mountain: History of a Dream," at 2 p.m. The book traces the history of Music Mountain since its founding in 1930 by violinist Jacques Gordon. Artistic director Oskar Espina Ruiz will discuss Music Mountain's upcoming 97th season, which opens June 7 with a benefit concert and reception featuring Benjamin Hochman and friends from the Metropolitan Opera. Books will be available for signing and purchase following the talk.

Author Talk: The Patient Wait of the Stones

Merritt Bookstore, 57 Front St., Millbrook, N.Y.

Author Antonio Romani will discuss his memoir "The Patient Wait of the Stones: Time and Memory in Lunigiana" with novelist and co-translator Martha Coolley at 3:30 p.m., followed by a book signing. The event celebrates the U.S. debut of Romani's memoir, which explores memory, reinvention and life in a remote medieval village in northwest Tuscany.

Stanford Pride at Bangallworks

Bangallworks, 97 Hunns Lake Road, Bangall, N.Y.
Food, community and music from 1 to 4 p.m.

Live @ AMP: Women Take the Lead - Riley Cotton

American Mural Project, 90 Whiting St., Winsted, Conn.
Americana and folk singer-songwriter Riley Cotton performs at 8 p.m., with doors opening at 7 p.m. at AMP. The Texas-born, Connecticut-based artist is known for storytelling-driven Americana blending themes of identity, love and loss. General admission tickets are \$35 in advance or \$45 at the door; student tickets are \$10 in advance or \$20 at the door. americanmuralproject.org

JUNE 7

Community Crafting Workshop: Collaging & Introspective Visionboarding

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org

Join local artist Ali De Prodocini from 2 to 4 p.m. for an afternoon of internal and artistic inquiry. In this intergenerational creative workshop, we will imagine our way into the summers we'd like to have using the medium of collage. Registration requested at scovillelibrary.org.

JUNE 9

Workshop: Writing Your Story with Cheryl Heller and Natalia Zukerman

Norfolk Library, 9 Greenwoods Road East, Norfolk, Conn.
This two-hour creative workshop from 3 to 5 p.m. with Cheryl Heller and Natalia Zukerman is an opportunity to discover more about yourself and the place where you live. We'll practice noticing, reflecting, and writing. Participants will step outside and into nature for inspiration, then translate their observations into writing short flash memoirs that connect the world outside to inner experience. The result will be a renewed sense of creativity and a deepening awareness of how place forms identity. Registration required at norfolklibrary.org

... Mutt Show

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"We are so lucky that we have the best community in the world supporting The Little Guild," she said.

New this year, the Mutt Show will feature additional food trucks, expanded activities for all ages and a hospitality tent where visitors can relax, enjoy a meal and give their dogs a chance to cool down.

Also debuting is the Best Companion/Family Member competition, which invites owners to share stories and photographs celebrating the special bond they have with their dogs.

"The response has been fantastic," Langendorfer said. "It's what we do at The Guild — create families."

Unlike traditional dog shows focused on breed standards, the Great Country Mutt Show embraces canine individuality. Categories include Most Unidentifiable Mix,

Best Ears, Best Trick, Best Kisser, Waggiest Tail and Best Lap Dog Over 20 Pounds. Every registered dog receives a commemorative memento, while category winners take home blue ribbons.

Returning as judge is renowned animal trainer Bill Berloni, best known for training rescue dogs for Broadway and film productions, including Sandy in the 2014 film production of "Annie."

Beyond the fun, proceeds from the event support The Little Guild's numerous community outreach efforts, including pet food pantries serving local communities, free wellness clinics and low-cost spay and neuter programs.

"It is just so much fun," Langendorfer said of the annual event. "It puts a smile on everybody's face."

Additional information and registration details are available at littleguild.org

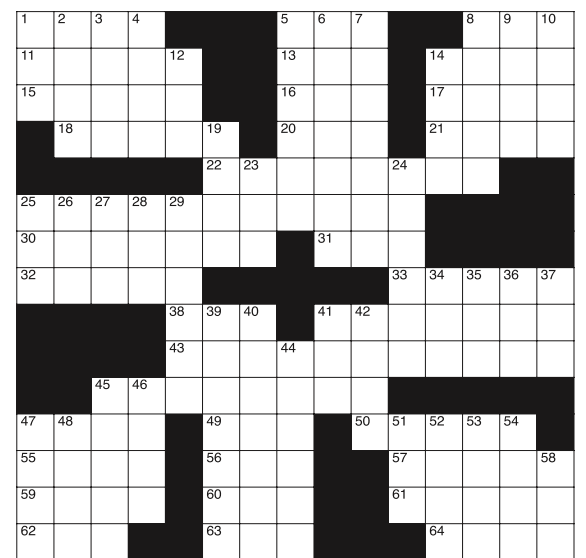
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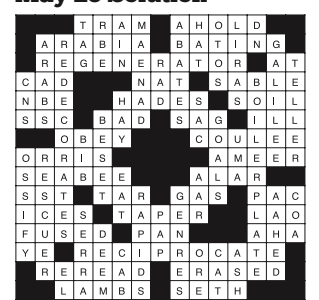
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15. Minneapolis suburb
16. Single lens reflex
17. NY Mets great Tommie
18. Informal loan clubs
20. Habitual twitching
21. Holm oak
22. Willing to consent or submit
25. In an early way
30. Made possible
31. Language in Ghana
32. Relating to one's birth
33. Deep-bodied fishes
38. Defunct European currency
41. Small American songbird
43. One from L.A.
45. After tenth
47. Hillside
49. Red deer
50. Partner to "ooohd"
55. Indian musical pattern
56. Israeli city — Aviv
57. Golden peas plant
59. Breezed through
60. Midway between east and southeast
61. Frameworks
62. Danish krone
63. Fall back
64. Influential Korean leader



14. Something you receive
19. Satisfy
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24. No longer here
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26. Ribonucleic acid
27. Consume food
28. Licensed for Wall Street
29. Alternative forms of a gene
34. Buddy
35. We all do it
36. Chicken
37. No seats available
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42. Turkish title
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45. Impatient
46. Set an example for others
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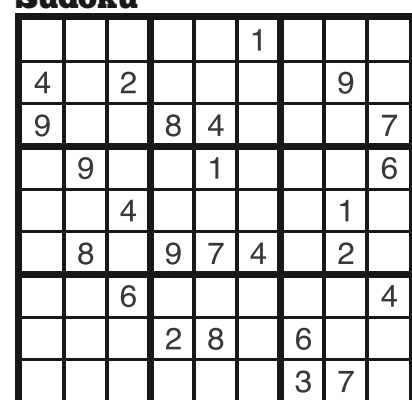
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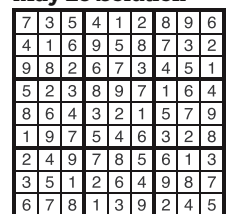
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OUR TOWNS

Washington's median home price drops to \$700K

By **CHRISTINE BATES**
Special to the Millerton News

WASHINGTON — The median price of a single-family home in the Town of Washington and Village of Millbrook fell to \$700,000 on a 12-month trailing basis at the end of April.

The \$700,000 median was 21% lower than the \$890,000 median recorded for the 12 months ending April 30, 2025, but 42% higher than the \$492,500 median recorded for the comparable period ending April 30, 2024. Washington's 12-month trailing median reached an historic

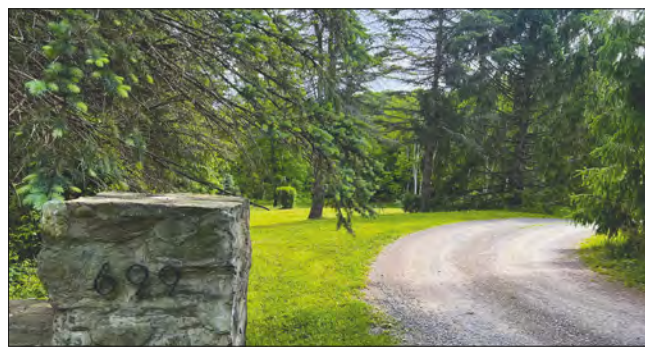


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In Washington, home to the Village of Millbrook, many luxury properties are hidden from view. Only a stone entrance marks the property at 644-672 Tower Hill Road, where a six-bedroom home sold for \$2.3 million in April.

high of \$900,000 for the period ending February 2025. Sales activity remained

subdued. Since early 2022, annual single-family home sales in Washington have remained

at relatively low levels. A total of 35 homes sold during the 12 months ending April 30, 2026; 37 sales during the previous 12-month period; and 24 sales during the 12 months ending April 30, 2024.

The market's most active period came during the pandemic-era housing boom, when 64 single-family homes sold during the 12 months ending October 2021.

Inventory increased as the spring selling season gained momentum. By the end of May, 32 residential properties were listed for sale, up from 25 in mid-April. The inventory included single-family

homes, condominiums and multifamily properties.

The market was divided into four distinct price tiers. Four properties were listed above \$5 million, 11 were priced between \$1 million and \$5 million, and 14 were offered between \$500,000 and \$1 million. Two newly listed properties were priced below \$500,000.

Eight homes on the market were listed below the current trailing median price of \$700,000, providing relatively few options for buyers seeking properties at or below the market's midpoint price. Five parcels of land are

listed for sale on the MLS, with four of them priced near or above \$1 million. The commercial market also remains active, with four properties and two businesses for sale and three offices for rent.

April sales
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