



OUR TOWNS



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From left to right: The Rio Jazz Quartet, featuring director Matt Finley on flugelhorn, Lou Pappas on bass, Larry Ham on piano and Jeff Siegel on percussion, performed an afternoon concert on Saturday, Oct. 7, at The Smithfield Church in Amenia.

Annual Rio Jazz concert brings Brazilian rhythms

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AMENIA — The Smithfield Church hosted its annual Rio Jazz oncert, an afternoon presentation of Brazilian Jazz, as part of the Bang Family Concert Series on Saturday, Oct. 7, drawing an audience undaunted by the wind and steady rain.

A noteworthy feature of Rio Jazz concerts that began five years ago was that the program incorporated some pieces composed within the past three years by members of the quartet of performers. The quartet included Matt Finley on flugelhorn, Larry Ham on piano, Lou Pappas on bass and Jeff Siegel on drums. Finley, who directs the Smithfield Church Chamber Orchestra, also serves as director of Rio Jazz, which, he noted, can sometimes number up to nine musicians.

“It is a bit unusual to have cool Brazilian jazz in this neighborhood,” said Smithfield Church Clerk of Council Kevin McEneaney of the

concert, “and although it’s a rainy day, the best way to cheer yourself is to listen to live music that will enlighten and warm your heart.”

Asked why the flugelhorn, an instrument invented in the 1800s, is right for the Brazilian sound, Finley explained during a post-concert conversation that the tone is more mellow and more flexible than other brass instruments.

Brazilian jazz is more interesting harmonically, Finley said, bringing the performance style of Stan Getz to mind. Getz meshed jazz with Brazilian melodies and harmonies, where other Latin musical styles evolved using African and Puerto Rican rhythms.

The next Smithfield Church concert is the 18th annual Christmas Concert and Tea, scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 2, beginning at 4 p.m. The full Smithfield Chamber Orchestra will perform in the decorated sanctuary. For more information, go to: [www.thesmithfieldchurch.org/concerts](http://www.thesmithfieldchurch.org/concerts)

Amenia Town Board advances gym floor replacement project

By LEILA HAWKEN  
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AMENIA — Making progress on a project to replace the town hall gym floor, the Amenia Town Board voted to allow for the preparation of drawings and a request for bids at its workshop meeting on Thursday, Oct. 5. The vote was unanimous.

Town Supervisor Victoria Perotti explained that because initial bid estimates for the project were at a level that

would require the preparation of drawings and a formal request for bids, the services of an architect are required. Accordingly, the Town Board agreed to hire local architect Tracey Salladay to prepare the needed documents. Costs are estimated at \$3,900 for the drawings and for the bid request (RFP), an additional \$900, for a total of \$4,800.

Once those items are readied and bids received, likely to be submitted by the initial bidders, then the town will

consider those bids and select a contractor to complete the work.

Discussion included needing assurances that the work will include repainting the lines on the floor as a final step.

Councilmembers also considered a move to override the mandatory tax cap limit of a 2% increase in local property taxes, if needed.

A public hearing on the local law to set aside the tax cap will be held on Thursday,

Nov. 2, at the Town Hall, beginning at 7 p.m.

“We have increased expenses,” explained Perotti about the wisdom of enacting a local law to override the budget expenditure cap, as she looked ahead to the budget proposal process. “If the town goes to, say, 3%,” she said, this new local law would permit the increase. She added, however, that the move does not mean that the town would go over the established cap.

Webutuck Board of Education weighs public outreach ideas

By JUDITH O’HARA BALFE  
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AMENIA — The Webutuck Central School District (WCSD) Board of Education held a meeting on Monday, Oct. 2. Among the items of business discussed were how to reach out to the public. Some of the means mentioned were social media and the district website. Creating a newsletter was also mentioned. The problem, it was noted, is that people often don’t read or don’t want to read. The district has a Facebook page and its website is generally well-fortified with information in Spanish as well as English and translations in other languages are also offered. Further ideas will be discussed by the board.

The website has a letter from the WCSD Superintendent Ray Castellani, a lot of

information on events, profiles of teachers, good news about students, and even offers a link for students who are interested in the Open Door School-based health clinic accepting new patients. All WCSD students are eligible and there is a link for more information and health answers: in English and Spanish.

An ongoing discussion took place on the updating and tweaking of the board’s goals for the district. It is not unusual to have to work out kinks of standing goals, and often circumstances change, making changes or alterations necessary. The ongoing process is being worked on; it will be brought up and changes will be voted on at another meeting.

One item of business was the approval granting tenure to Matthew Pascale, in the field of administration, effective Jan. 1, 2024. This was met

with a happy round of congratulations and a celebration of sorts that lasted close to 5 minutes. Pascale is the Eugene Brooks Intermediate School principal and the district’s director of physical education, health and athletics.

A resignation was accepted from Olivia Santerello-Harvey as teacher’s aide, effective Thursday, Sept. 21; Katherine Cordova was hired for the position of teacher’s aide on Monday, Sept. 25.

Scott Wagner and Kristen Whitlow were approved for substitute teaching at \$125 per day, effective Friday, Sept. 29. Nicole Ahearn was approved for substitute courier at \$14.31 per hour effective Wednesday, Sept. 27.

Garrett Yeno Jr. was hired as fall esports coach for a stipend of \$3,117 per season.

Approval was given for an amended Dutchess Educational Health Insurance Con-

sortium (DEHIC) Trust Agreement, stating that WCSD is a participant in DEHIC and the board of trustees of DEHIC has approved a revised trust agreement to clarify certain provisions in the original trust agreement and ensure the continued effective operation of DEHIC. WCSD agreed to the amendment of the DEHIC Trust Agreement, as proposed by DEHIC’s board of trustees. It further stated that Castellani is authorized to execute the Amended Trust Agreement, effective Jan. 1, 2024, and that a certified copy of the agreement was sent to the DEHIC attorneys.

Individual reports were given by board members, the clerk and committee members. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 6, 6:30 p.m., Webutuck High School Library.

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# Millbrook outsmarts Community Day rain by moving event into town's Village Hall

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MILLBROOK — When word got out that Saturday, Oct. 7, could be a rainy wash-out for Millbrook Community Day, the event moved into Village Hall, including the Bouncy House.

The Bubble Truck could not operate in the rain, but is scheduled to visit the Millbrook Library later this month. The Hudson Valley Hatchet axe-throwing contest was also canceled. The chili cook-off, scheduled for the library lawn, moved inside Village Hall at 2 p.m., when most of the vendors were set to leave.

Many began the day at Forza Family Fitness, which held a carnival from 9 to 11 a.m. with fitness demonstrations, children's games and crafts, popcorn, balloons and selfie spots.

Grace Church provided children with paper crowns; Lyall Church had quilts for sale, and St. Joseph's was represented as well as having a sale at its store, Uncle Al's.

Children had their faces painted, then enjoyed cotton candy and other sweet treats. Innisfree Gardens and Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies had tables explaining what they have to offer. The Town of Washington and Village of Millbrook had a table and handed out information concerning getting both communities certified as Climate Smart Communities, which not only helps with climate change but also opens doors



John Rotigliano preparing chili for the chili cook-off at the Millbrook Community Day event held in Millbrook Village Hall on Saturday, Oct. 7.

for many grants.

The Millbrook Inn had drinks and treats and a chance to win a free dinner. There were also many vendors with an array of articles for sale. Many of the little gifts could be carried in fabric bags provided by Mackey, Butts and Whalen LLC.

In another room, the Mill-

brook Rotary Club, the Millbrook Democrats, the Village Hall, The Millerton News and the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral Community Health all had giveaways and information to hand out, and the Millbrook Farmers and Makers Market had bur-lap totes and stickers for sale.

Just outside Village Hall,



From left, Alison Meyers and Elizabeth Bellin discuss future plans for the Town of Washington/Village of Millbrook working toward getting Climate Smart Certification points at Millbrook Community Day on Saturday, Oct. 7.

the Millbrook police had a tent and provided information and snacks to all. Millbrook Fire Department was open for tours until 1 p.m.

Millbrook Library director Courtney Tsalhis said the Friends of the Millbrook Library gave out donuts and cider, there was a free ice cream truck, and she reported that over 100 children had showed up for the pumpkin-painting event. The library also featured a ukulele performance by Millbrook Elementary School students.

The Farmers and Makers Market moved up to Church Street, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

with The Burr Johnson Band performing from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Merritt Bookstore had specials for the youngsters, and stores such as Juniper and Velletri's had sales, as did many of the other stores.

J. McLaughlin hosted the Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse, which is based in Arlington. Fifteen percent of every purchase made that day went to help abused children.

Alicia Adams Alpaca had a children's station with coloring activities and a design-your-own-alpaca sticker activity plus raffles for adults and children.

From 1 to 3 p.m., the Millbrook Antique Center presented live music featuring Paul Pesco.

Central Baptist Church had fried chicken near the G.T. Whalen Real Estate building and the Millbrook Deli offered bites, as well.

Along with the chili cook-off, tasting and judging by the guests, there was a cake walk contest from 3 to 6 p.m. at Village Hall, a 50/50 raffle, distillery tastings, and music with DJ John McDonald.

Annie Nilson won the cake walk contest. The chili contest winners for home cooks were: Wayne Lempka, first place; Dennis Lynch, second place; and Ron King, third place. In the professional chef division, first place went to Babette's Kitchen, second place to Millbrook Diner, and third place to Millbrook Deli.

Millbrook Mayor Tim Collopy had a wide smile most of the time, knowing what a success the day was. Millbrook Business Association President Buffy Arbogast ran a tight ship, and said she had great help from all involved, so what could have been a rainy day disaster turned into a full fall day of community spirit, food and fun.

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OBITUARIES

Leigh Martin Miller

SHARON — Leigh Martin Miller died peacefully in his Sharon home on Sept. 28, 2023, with his wife of 57 years, Lynden B. Miller, by his side. He is survived by Lynden, his sister, Virginia A. Lyman, his four sons and their spouses Christian (Pascal), Ethan (Eileen), Gifford (Pam) and Marshall (Gail), and his eight grandchildren: Anton, Annaick, Addison, Joshua, Marshall, Whitney, Ella, and Gracie.

Leigh was born in Olympia, Washington on May 22, 1927, the oldest child of Martin Sylvester Miller and Elizabeth Weimar Miller, and brother of sisters Virginia and Elizabeth. Leigh graduated from Olympia High School where his father and mother were teachers. At the age of 17, he traveled 3,000 miles east and became the first student from his school to attend Yale University and Yale Law School, from which he graduated in 1948 and 1952 respectively. During this time period, he also served his country with the Navy in 1945 and the Army in Japan in 1952-1953.

Upon returning from Japan, Leigh joined the law firm of Pillsbury Madison & Sutro in San Francisco where he practiced law. In 1961, Leigh began his career in public service when he joined the Kennedy Administration. As the Chief Congressional Liaison for the State Department, he was instrumental in the creation and funding of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). He continued to work in the federal government under the Johnson Administration until 1968, when he moved to New York City and took a position as Deputy Superintendent of the NYS Banking Department.

Leigh returned to the private sector at J. Henry Schroder Bank & Trust Company

in 1970 before he moved to American Express where he became the President of the American Express Export Credit Corporation. After retiring from American Express in 1986, he continued to exercise corporate leadership on the international level as Chair of the International Science and Technology Institute where he advised foreign governments, including helping Sri Lanka to establish its first stock market.

Leigh also spent decades working with nonprofit organizations and local government in the city that he loved. He served as secretary of his local Community Board in East Harlem for 25 years and served on or chaired the boards of Planned Parenthood of New York City, South Forty Corporation (which later merged with the Osborne Association) and the New York Public Library, among others. He also served as advisor, business manager, and tireless cheerleader for the extraordinary public garden design career of his wife, Lynden, and was a vigorous advocate and volunteer for the City Council campaigns of his son Gifford. He believed deeply in public service, helping others, and living a life of generosity and kindness.

In addition to all of his life and career accomplishments, Leigh will be remembered for his love of family and friends, his youthful spirit, and his lasting, limitless belief that the glass was half-full and never half-empty.

Information about a memorial service to be held in the next several months will be forthcoming.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Planned Parenthood of New York City or the Osborne Association.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

Christopher Jordano

CANAAN — Christopher Jordano, 40, of Canaan, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Sept. 23, 2023. He was born on Mar. 3, 1983, at Sharon Hospital. Chris was a long-time resident of Canaan.

He graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School in 2001 and went on to operate a lawn business, and most recently ran his own tree business. Chris enjoyed working on his machines and vehicles, his pets, especially his large dogs and ferrets. He also enjoyed fishing and snowboarding and working out at the gym. Chris was a very intelligent man, with endless potential. He taught himself to climb trees, take down trees, and run all of the equipment. He did beautiful work.

Chris was very ambitious and had a selfless big heart. He eagerly helped everyone; including strangers, always

putting others first. He was a very handsome, brilliant man with a good sense of humor. Chris will be deeply missed by his loyal family and friends.

He is survived by his dedicated mother, Elaine Patton, his aunt, Diane Patton Duntz, his two cousins Jennifer Majette and her two sons Cameron and Braydon Majette, and Edward Duntz. Chris was predeceased by his maternal grandparents Viola and Edward Patton.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday Oct. 14, 2023, at the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home, 118 Main St. North Canaan, CT 06018 from 1 to 3 p.m.

AMENIA — Joan Murphy, 80, a lifelong resident of America, passed away on Oct. 2, 2023, at Sharon Hospital in Sharon. Born on Nov. 5, 1942, she was the daughter of the late Christopher F. and Jane (Edgeworth) Murphy. Joan grew up on the family farm with her five siblings.

She graduated from Webutuck Central High School in 1960 and from the State University College at Oneonta in 1964. For the next 37 years, she was an elementary school teacher in Webutuck District teaching kindergarten, fourth and second grades.

After retirement in 2001, she enjoyed playing school marm at Indian Rock Schoolhouse and doing trunk shows about the schoolhouse for senior citizens. Above all, she enjoyed socializing with the friends and colleagues garnered from her long career in teaching.

Joan is survived by a sister-in-law, Katherine Sweeney, and seventeen, very special nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Joan was predeceased by three

brothers; Thomas Murphy and his wife, Jean, Christopher Murphy, and Joseph Murphy and his wife, Martha, and two sisters, Margaret (Peggy) Thompson and her husband, Kenneth, and Jane Matta and her husband, George. She was also predeceased by two nephews, Thomas Murphy and Joseph Flynn and two nieces, Karen Murphy and Deirdre Epstein.

Calling hours took place from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 9, 2023, at the Hufcut Funeral Home, 3159 Route 22, Dover Plains, NY. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2023 at Immaculate Conception Church, 4 Lavelle Road, Amenia, NY, with Rev. R. Kent Wilson officiating. Burial followed at Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Amenia. Memorial contributions may be made to Vine and Branches Food Closet, 4 Lavelle Road, Amenia, NY, or the Indian Rock Schoolhouse, P.O. Box 172, Amenia, NY 12501. To send the family a condolence, please visit [www.hufcutfuneralhome.com](http://www.hufcutfuneralhome.com)

Robert Clarence Duprey

MILLERTON — Robert Clarence Duprey, 90, a lifelong area resident died peacefully on Friday, Oct. 6, 2023, at his home surrounded by his loving family. Mr. Duprey was a retired dairy farmer, carpenter and handyman. He owned a dairy farm in Millerton for over 20 years and was employed at Seagull Roofing in Millerton as well.

Born July 29, 1933, in Sharon, he was the son of the late Clarence and Ruth (Houghtaling) Duprey. He was a graduate of Amenia High School. On Oct. 30, 1955, in Amenia, he married Elinor Shaffer. Mr. and Mrs. Duprey shared nearly 68 years of marriage. Mrs. Duprey survives at home in Millerton.

In his spare time Bob enjoyed traveling with his wife, and he was fortunate to have visited every state in the union with the exception of Hawaii. He will be dearly missed by his loving wife and his devoted family.

In addition to his wife Elinor, Bob is survived by three children, Janet Camburn and

her husband Steve of Pine Plains, Daniel Duprey and his wife Eileen of Boston Corners, and Diann Weaver and her husband Donald of Millerton; seven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. Bob was predeceased by two brothers, Louis

Duprey and Ray Duprey. Visitation will be held on Friday, Oct. 13, 2023, from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Ave., Millerton, NY 12546. A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at Amenia Island Cemetery, 3361 Route 343, Amenia, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, 1359 Broadway #1509, New York, NY 10018 or Community Hospice, 47 Liberty St., Catskill, NY 12414, or Faith Bible Chapel of Shekomeko, 222 Silver Mountain Road, Millerton, NY 12546. To send an online condolence to the family, plant a tree in Bob's memory or send flowers to the service, please visit [www.conklinfuneralhome.com](http://www.conklinfuneralhome.com).



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Rope rescue training

The dedication of our local volunteer services was underscored Sunday, Oct. 1, when 17 men and women spent their morning on rope rescue training on Indian Mountain Road. Donnie Reid, longtime volunteer with the Lakeville Hose Company, arranged the training session with members of the North West Regional Rope Rescue Team and Riverton Rope Rescue Team. The session was led by Norfolk resident Keith Byrne who is on both teams and is an instructor at the Litchfield (Burrville) County Regional Fire School. The participants are emergency volunteers from the towns of Colebrook, Cornwall, Amenia, Lakeville, Warren and Norfolk.

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Stissing Mountain hosts FFA ag fair as exhibits abound

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PINE PLAINS — The FFA (Future Farmers of America) Agriculture Fair was back in force the weekend of Friday, Oct. 6, and Saturday, Oct. 7, at Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School.

Friday's events included the judging of rabbits, poultry and beef. Livestock confirmation classes began at 11 a.m. with the FFA dairy show following that.

Indoor exhibits including the Pine Plains Garden Club, an exhibit by the Grange and various others were arranged in the school gym, including models made by students from scraps and vegetables, grasses, seeds, fruits and flowers, and some materials that remain unidentified, made into creatures both ghoulish and clever.

Often called The Best Little Agricultural Fair in Dutchess County, the predicted rain put a damper on a few items

such as the tractor pull and the horse events. The fire-works were also postponed to Sunday, Oct. 8.

On Friday afternoon, there were sports games being played as regular school life in Pine Plains moved along, but there was, in the long barn next to the playing fields, a large number of dairy cows, still babies at 4 to 8 months old, mooing and lowing, getting settled in for the night waiting for the fair to continue on Saturday. However, the lines for the roast beef dinner on Friday night were long as the scents drifted out from the kitchen. At \$20 per adult dinner and \$10 per child, all funds went to benefit the FFA Stissing Mountain Chapter.

Even with the rain and some cancellations, the event was successful and once again Pine Plains FFA invested in Pine Plains youth. Agriculture and farming are still a way of life here, and the tradition, with the help of institutions such as FFA, will continue to thrive.



PHOTO BY JUDITH O'HARA BALFE

Oreo the calf plays pillow to, from left, Chloe Patchford, 9, and Daniel Oberbacher, 2. Chloe has been helping to care for Oreo for several weeks as part of her FFA experience at Lo-Nan Farms in Pine Plains.



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Hope Miller, 15, of Millerhurst Farm in Ancramdale was one of many young people who were at the Pine Plains Ag Fair.



PHOTO BY JENN DUNCAN

FFA Dairy Showmanship Senior Champion Alekzander Duncan, 16, a senior at Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School, at the Pine Plains FFA Ag Fair on Friday, Oct. 6.

ArtEast to hold open studio tour

By ROBIN RORABACK  
Special to The Millerton News

DUTCHESS COUNTY — ArtEast will hold its 17th annual open studio tour on Saturday, Oct. 14, and Sunday, Oct. 15, and also on Saturday, Oct. 21, and Sunday, Oct. 22.

The studios will be open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The tour is free and self-guided. ArtEast's open studio tours began in 2006, when a group of local artists came together "with the goal of bringing an awareness to the art being made 'east of the Taconic,'" according to ArtEast's website.

The studios of 27 local artists, including three who are new to the tour, will be welcoming visitors. The tour gives the public a chance to meet the artists and see where they create.

The artists work in water-

color, oil and acrylic paints. There will be potters and photographers and a jewelry maker. Artists who work in 3D, fiber art, alcohol inks, mixed media, and corks will be on the tour. Much of the work will be on sale and some artists be available to take on commissions.

Starting in Amenia, the tour includes Tilly Strauss, Julian Strauss, and Michael Gellatly on Haight Road. Tilly "plays most of the time in acrylic paint" but also works in watercolor and collage. "Master Maker" Julian Strauss uses "items that seem to abound and clutter our culture" to make his pieces, and considers "chuckles, smiles and even laughter" as the goals of his work. Michael Gellatly works in watercolor and collage. Another Amenia artist is Jack Graf, who

works with wine corks to make flags. Those taking the tour might want to make is at the Dover Plains studio of Susan Hennelly, a collage and watercolor artist.

The tour goes on to the towns of Wingdale, Lagrangeville, Poughquag, Hopewell Junction, Patterson, Pawling, and Holmes.

The studio tour is organized by the artists of ArtEast. Susan Bores, a jeweler and photographer, said of the tours: "The ArtEast Open Studio Tour offers four days over two weekends to immerse in art and take in peak foliage. Whether you are visiting our new or returning artists, many have been busy creating new artwork for the tour."

For a map of participating studios or to plan a tour, visit [www.arteastdutchess.com](http://www.arteastdutchess.com)

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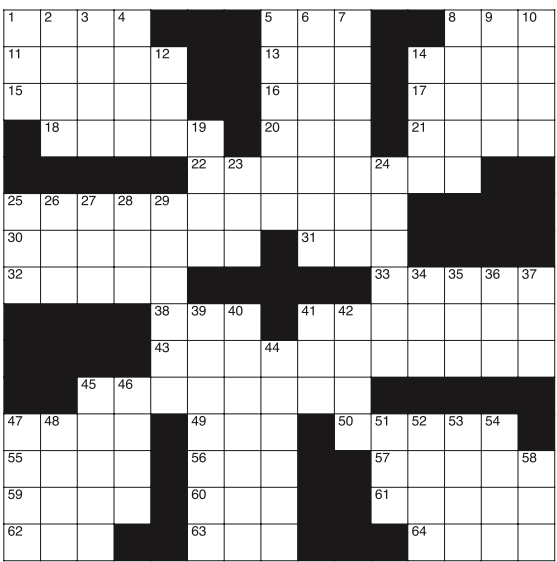
Brain Teasers

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Information
- 5. Seaport (abbr.)
- 8. Agricultural disease (abbr.)
- 11. Riding horses
- 13. Boxing's GOAT
- 14. Hurt or discomfort
- 15. A small sharp knife to trim vegetables
- 16. A beaver builds one
- 17. Horizontal passage into a mine
- 18. Self-immolation by fire rituals
- 20. Chain bar with lots of games (abbr.)
- 21. Goo Goo Dolls' hit
- 22. Agreeable
- 25. In an early way
- 30. In a way, struck
- 31. It's there in the morning
- 32. County in the S. Pacific
- 33. Central Florida city
- 38. Numbers cruncher
- 41. Mexican beers
- 43. Lawyers say you can indict one
- 45. Capital of South Australia
- 47. Wings
- 49. Drug used to treat HIV/AIDS
- 50. Fencing sword
- 55. Capital of Qatar
- 56. Portable bed
- 57. Afflicted
- 59. Lying down
- 60. Midway between northeast and east
- 61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- 62. Inflamed
- 63. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 64. Impudence

CLUES DOWN

- 1. A way to fish
- 2. Greek mythological figure
- 3. Scarlet's home
- 4. Assist
- 5. More doleful
- 6. Premeditated
- 7. Dish featuring minced food
- 8. San Diego ballplayer

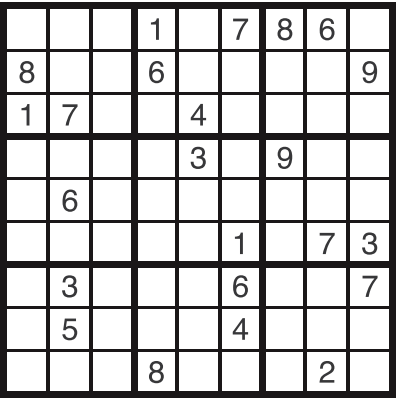


- 9. Eight
- 10. Unwelcome picnic guests
- 12. Human gene
- 14. Bucket
- 19. Make full
- 23. Dirt
- 24. Person cited as ideal example
- 25. A part of (abbr.)
- 26. The 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
- 27. Very long period of time
- 28. Gas usage measurement
- 29. North American native people
- 34. It says "moo"
- 35. Folk singer Di Franco
- 36. Resinlike substance of certain insects
- 37. Residue
- 39. Grand homes
- 40. Popinjays
- 41. Man who behaves dishonorably
- 42. Figures
- 44. One who watches over children
- 45. Expressed pleasure
- 46. No longer living
- 47. Hebrew calendar month
- 48. Part of the ear
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. Prejudice
- 53. Italian Island
- 54. Resist authority (slang)
- 58. Criticize

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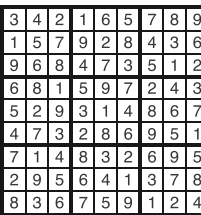


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Latin jazz at Hispanic Heritage Festival

From left: Ernest Alvarez, Ittetsu Nasuda and Ariel Robles of New York City-based Latin jazz band Tres Gatos performing at North East Community Center's 2022 Hispanic Heritage Festival. They will also perform at this year's festival, which has been rescheduled for Saturday, Oct. 14, from 3 to 6 p.m. at Ed-die Collins Memorial Park in Millerton.

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OUR TOWNS

Candidates, public turn out for conversation, tacos

**By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE**  
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MILLERTON — On Sunday, Oct. 8, several of the Dutchess County Democratic hopefuls turned up to at meet-and-greet at Eddie Collins Park on Route 22 in Millerton.

Sponsored by the North East Democratic Committee and safe from rain under the pavilion, there was champagne, tacos, water and lots of conversation. The candidates got up, one by one, introduced by North East Town Supervisor Chris Kennan, and spoke briefly before rejoining the crowd of between 70 and 80 people. When everyone had finished their presentations, they spoke to the guests, answered questions, and some signs and palm cards were offered.

Kenya Gadsden is running for Dutchess County Clerk and already has her priorities spelled out; she wants to see resident services improved, including the Department of Motor Vehicles, with faster

service and an improved website to get correct information out. She'd also like to find a means by which the county clerk services can be made more accessible to those in the outlying communities. Her third priority is to make naturalization an easier process for new citizens, possibly finding outlets to support their integration into the community.

Anthony Parisi, an "almost local" from Millbrook, is appalled at the state of the current Public Defender's Office; it needs to change, to be brought up to date as far as digitalization, and his focus is to prevent crime from happening, not just to go after the culprits after the fact. He believes that is possible through intelligence-led policing, fairness, and proper prosecution. He is running for district attorney and is a long-time protestor against gun violence.

Tommy Zurhellen is a busy man right now, running for county executive and getting his message out to all corners of the county.



From left, Kenya Gadsden, Village of Millerton Trustee Matthew Herzog and Tommy Zurhellen listen to their fellow candidates speaking at Eddie Collins Park on Sunday, Oct. 8.

A veteran, Zurhellen describes himself as an "old-time Democrat" who wants to help veterans, but as an educator, he also knows the hazards of being disadvantaged, which includes hungry school-aged children, seniors and others who fall into the category of the working poor or those

who can't find jobs.

James Rogers is running for Family Court judge. His message was brief, but full of impact: He told the audience that if you need a Family Court date in Orange County, you can get one within six weeks. In Dutchess County, you'll wait at least a year. He noted how important time is to youth who are in need of help from the court.

Running against a long-time District 19 legislator, Chris Drago has his work cut out for him. His background has prepared him to work with major budget constraints and excesses. He doesn't think that a \$25 million dollar stadium is what Dutchess County needs when there are so many other priorities such as a communication system that gets 911 calls out immediately, systems that need to be updated so they aren't constantly "failing." He feels that there is a need to address the housing crisis in the county while rebuilding a failing infrastructure that has to move with the times and handle the climate crisis.

All of the candidates, and Kennan, agreed on one point: Get out and vote on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

New health center nears completion Millbrook Library to host volunteer fair

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NORTH CANAAN, Conn. — Construction for the new location of Community Health and Wellness Center (CHWC) in North Canaan is well on its way and expected to be completed early in 2024.

Joanne Borduas, chief executive officer at CHWC, attended a North Canaan Board of Selectmen meeting on Monday, Oct. 2, to review progress and inform the town of the expected timeline.

"They are moving pretty quickly. The site work and exterior is being completed. Inside has already been sheet-rocked and we're getting to the point now where we can do the fun stuff, which is some interior design."

Borduas said CHWC expects construction to be complete in mid-January, and is targeting a spring 2024 opening for services.

"The building will have primary medical care and mental health services," she said.

The North Canaan CHWC location will also have a chi-



The Community Health and Wellness Center on Route 44 in North Canaan.

roptractor and is considering acupuncture and nutrition services. Borduas said they are "actively hiring" personnel and have already brought on two local medical professionals searching for work in the area.

On the hire of a physician's assistance from Falls Village, Borduas said, "She went away to school to be a P.A. and then was thrilled that we were building the health center so she can come back home to live where she grew up."

"We also have a medical assistant that is from the North Canaan area," she added.

Borduas said both new hires will train at CHWC's Torrington location until the North Canaan health center is open.

"It looks super. It's coming along very nice," said First Selectman Charles Perotti.

MILLBROOK — The Millbrook Library, 3 Friendly Lane, will hold a volunteer fair on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Representatives from organizations that aid animals, assist food banks, maintain local ecology

and help the medical field will be on hand with information about how the public can participate and make a difference in the community. For more information, call the Millbrook Library at 845-677-3611.

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CLINTON CORNERS — Ruby Hill Farm and Madi's Way, 2325 Salt Point Turnpike, will celebrate autumn pumpkin painting, displays by local craft vendors, and fun food with its Pumpkin Festival and Crafters Sunday event from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 22.

Admission is free, and day passes to visit the goats, ponies, sheep, goats, chickens and ducks are available.

Pumpkin painting and other crafts for children to make are \$15. All profits go directly to Madi's Way Schoolhouse, dedicated to children who have experienced loss in their

lives. Craft vendors are invited to bring their own tables and a tent if desired for the cost of \$25 for a 6-by-8-foot space. To register visit www.rubyhillfarm.events

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OUR TOWNS

A fun Community Day draws lots of visitors

By LEILA HAWKEN  
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AMENIA — By all accounts, the annual Community Day at the Indian Rock Schoolhouse on Sunday, Oct. 8, was a success for those who attended, the vendors and the nonprofit exhibitors.

Raffle tickets were popular, as were the food tables that nearly sold completely out by the end. It was a good, old-fashioned family day in the community.

The 1858 one-room schoolhouse was open for touring and proved to be an educational stop for youngsters and grown-ups as well.

“We are pleased with the turnout,” said Nancy Nowak, who was essential to the planning details, as was Ann Sartori, who worked to organize the vendors and nonprofit organizations. Nowak credited the contributions of many volunteers to the event’s success.

Traditionally held on Sat-

urday each year, the event was moved to Sunday for the first time this year with good results, according to Nowak. Saturdays tend to conflict with soccer schedules, for one thing.

As she has been most years, Mary Thompson of Yellow Submarine was there to add to the community feel, bringing along a selection of used books, and Hope Rising Farm enticed youngsters to try out Dutchess, the horseback riding simulator. Artist Susan Hennelly of Chestnut Ridge in Dover Plains guided children in painting with watercolors.

The Crow children, Cillian, 6, and Fiona, 11, were pleased with their watercolor designs and took them home for prominent display. Their parents, Wade and Sarah, moved to Amenia a month ago from Oklahoma. Their father has joined the Maplebrook School faculty to teach music, art and theater.

An annual participant in the event, Hennelly said that



PHOTOS BY LEILA HAWKEN

Delighted by his newly created cat puppet, Konrad Nowak, 4, was happy to attend Community Day at the Indian Rock Schoolhouse on Sunday, Oct. 8, taking in most of the family-oriented activities.

It was good to see so many young families enjoying the

festivities and the perfect fall day.



Artist Susan Hennelly, right, of Dover Plains is an annual favorite at the Community Day event held on Sunday, Oct. 8, at the Indian Rock Schoolhouse. Hennelly is giving pointers to Fiona Crow, 11, left, and her brother Cillian, 6, who are putting finishing touches to their watercolor art.

Recent property sales in the Town of Washington and Village of Millbrook

The Millerton News will periodically publish a listing of residential real estate sales in eastern Dutchess County and adjacent towns.

Similar to the Town of Stanford’s summer recorded sales, recorded real estate sales in August of homes in the Town of Washington and the Village of Millbrook were all less than \$500,000. Currently only two homes are listed for sale in Millbrook, both over \$700,000. Of the 20 houses listed for sale in the Town of Washington, 15 were over \$1 million.

Village of Millbrook, August 2023

68 Front St., 1-bedroom/1-bathroom house on .08 acres, sold for \$250,000.

54 Bennett Commons, 2-bed/2-bath condo, sold for \$320,000

34 Anson Ave., 3-bed/1-bath house, sold for \$452,500

Town of Washington, August 2023

Sharon Turnpike, 5 acres of residential land, sold for \$150,000

616 Oak Summit Road, 3-bed/2-bath home, sold for \$325,000

308 Hammond Hill Road, 3-bed/2-bath house on 3.43

acres, sold for \$369,900  
10 Christian Hill Road, 4-bed/2.5-bath home on 5.85 acres, sold for \$457,000

Town of Washington and Village of Millbrook recorded residential land, and single-family home sales in August provided by Dutchess

County Office of Real Property. Current listings reference from Mid-Hudson MLS.

Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Salesperson with William Pitt Sotheby’s International Realty, Licensed in CT and NY.



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE BATES

A 1,102-square-foot house on a .36-acre lot on 616 Oak Summit Road, located just outside the Village of Millbrook, sold for \$325,000.



PHOTO BY VICTORIA HEROW

Storytime at the library

Beth Hale, left, reads to local children during the Amenia Free Library’s Story Hour with Beth on Monday, Oct. 9.

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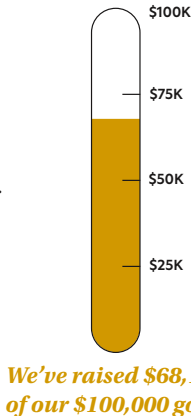
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REX BRASHER *Continued from Page A1*

member of the Rex Brasher Association, the first of the presenters was former broadcaster and conservationist Gerri Griswold. She discovered Brasher’s work through a personal experience with a trio of loons in Connecticut and has since developed a deep knowledge of and passion for Brasher’s life and work. She shared some of Brasher’s early life with the eager and appreciative crowd. Brasher (pronounced “bra-zier”) was born in 1869 in Brooklyn. His father, Phillip, was a stockbroker and had a wild passion for ornithology and boat-building. He would take the younger Brasher on

boat trips around Long Island “looking for birds, shooting birds, stuffing birds,” said Griswold. At that time, John James Audubon owned a piece of property called “Minnie’s Land” (“minnie” is a Scottish word for mother) above 155th Street in Manhattan. Phillip made an appointment to speak with Audubon about birds and perhaps some political topics as well. He embarked on the long trip from Brooklyn to Minnie’s Land by horse and carriage. Upon his arrival, Audubon refused to take an audience with Phillip, who was turned away at the

door by a servant. Before the door closed, however, Phillip caught a glimpse of Audubon in his back room, painting a dead bird hanging from the ceiling. Phillip died in 1879. Brasher, still just a boy, held on to his father’s story of this snub from Audubon and vowed then and there that he would paint every bird in North America and that he would do it from life. Brasher completed 874 paintings depicting every bird in North America by the time he was 55, published “Secrets of the Friendly Woods,” and conceived of and published his monumental 12-volume

edition, “Birds and Trees of North America” on 116 acres of woodland property on Bog Hollow Road that he called “Chickadee Valley.” The original farmhouse, Brasher’s enormous body of paintings, an eccentric volume of philosophical reflections called “Secrets of the Friendly Woods,” and a hand-illustrated autobiographical account of his early forays by sailboat to document waterfowl from New England to Florida are all housed in what is now the Rex Brasher Association, with plans for a museum, a residency program, conservation and education. After Griswold came Jesse

Reed, a designer specializing in brand identity, who gave the audience a glimpse into the design process for creating the visual identity of Rex Brasher. An engraver at Tiffany and Co., Brasher had a unique and distinct penmanship that Reed has studied and thoughtfully considered, incorporating as much of Brasher’s own hand into every element of design and brand identity. The afternoon went on to feature presentations, including a “Woodland Symphony” by audio engineer and recording artist Ben Manley; a deep

dive by Dave Reagon into the methods and techniques Brasher employed to create not only his original watercolors but their numerous stencil and airbrush reproductions; and a preview of concepts for the Rex Brasher Museum by architect and board member Matthew Schnepf. The symposium concluded with heartfelt closing remarks, and as the audience left, they carried with them a renewed commitment to preserving the beauty and wonder of the natural world that Brasher so masterfully captured.

RAIL TRAIL *Continued from Page A1*

ery. The trail will run over a stone arch railroad bridge, a relic from the 1800s, and will end in the Village of Chatham, not far from where the new Shaker Museum is planned. The rail trail is a destination for many, with 26 paved, scenic miles for hikers and bikers to enjoy. It is only a part of the ultimate goal of the association, which is 46 miles of paved trail from Wassaic to Chatham along the path of the former New York and Harlem Railroad. Currently the

trail links the Metro-North Railroad station in Wassaic to Copake; another section goes 1.5 miles southeast from Hillsdale’s Hamlet. The cost of the new section of trail has not yet been determined, but it will require additional funding from both local and government sources. The \$500,000 construction plan is from funding that has to be raised by HVRTA from state and local grants, as well as the New York State Office of Parks and Recreation.

TRANSCO *Continued from Page A1*

York State-designated Critical Environmental Area, and a Class I wetland,” according to the decision. The company’s formal application followed in October 2021, after a meeting and various correspondence with the Planning Board, which declared itself a lead agency in conducting the review. The project’s intention is to install a Phase Angle Regulator (PAR), which is a specialized form of transformer used to control the flow of real power on three-phase electric transmission. Over the next year, Transco appeared at the Planning Board’s meetings to discuss it and retained experts to address questions from the board and the board’s own experts, attorney Victoria Polidoro, planner Aaron Werner, and engineer Joe Berger. In a July 2022 letter, Transco, having submitted numerous documents to bolster its case, maintained that “there are no reported spills at the Site...and it was not listed on

DEC’s Environmental Site Remediation database.” In sum, it concluded, “The planned area of disturbance on the Site is small, relative to the scale of the overall system which feeds water into the Great Swamp.” Public hearing on the project was from September 2022 to Feb. 1, 2023. The coalition of environmental and conservation groups—Friends of the Great Swamp (FrOGS), Concerned Citizens of Dover (CCD) and the Oblong Land Conservancy—attended Planning Board meetings and voiced their concerns and supplied counterarguments. FrOGS’ James Utter, who is its board chair, faulted Transco’s soil and groundwater testing as “inadequate and unclear, in that only very few samples were taken, the locations of the samples were not in areas where many of the junkyard vehicles had historically been stored and, though dozens of contaminants (some known carcino-

gens) were listed as having been detected in the samples, none of the actual data from the testing results was supplied by Transco.” In referring to a graph that Transco submitted as proof of lack of current and potential damage, the judge’s decision read: “In the three-column graph that had been submitted as above, (Analyte/substance, Applicable Use Standard” and ‘Exceedance of... standard, respectively) there was no underlying data, i.e., numerical concentration for each analyte, which would have revealed “how close the testing came to exceeding the limits.” Both the Planning Board and the coalition members requested that Transco reveal the relevant data, but the graph and other documents were admitted as sufficient by five out of the seven Planning Board members, which granted Transco the permission to continue. One board member voted against the project, and

one was absent when Chair Ryan Courtien announced the Feb. 6, 2023, approval of Transco’s plan. Coalition members followed with a Notice of Petition on March 8, 2023, to annul the decision and to prevent any further “site disturbance,” which culminated in the Aug. 28 decision by Judge Davis. Named as petitioners were FrOGS, the Oblong Land Conservancy, CCD, and Charles A. Quimby, with the Town of Dover, Transco LLC, and Consolidated Edison Company of New York Inc. as respondents. For its part, the coalition of environmentalists and other residents is quietly optimistic. “We came together with a shared goal: to protect the land, water, and biodiversity that sustain us,” said Quimby, a founding member of CCD. “We believe in responsible progress and have hope that [this] court ruling will impact future development decisions in our town.”

Local reporting returns to Kent

By EMMA SPINDLER  
Special to The Millerton News

KENT, Conn. — The Town of Kent is set to regain its local publication, The Kent Good Times Dispatch, ending the 14-year hiatus of designated local reporting in the town. Under the new ownership of Kent News Inc., a local nonprofit, the publication will release an inaugural, online edition for readers and viewers on Thursday, Oct. 12, 2023. Kathryn Boughton, a former managing editor of The Lakeville Journal and last editor of the original Kent Good Times Dispatch, has accompanied the newspaper’s return and has joined the staff as its editor once again. Officially founded in 1952 by John and Jane Greene, The Kent Good Times Dispatch initially began as a project by a local Boy Scouts of America chapter, and named The Good Turn Daily. Fifty-seven years of dedicated reporting followed, making the news-

paper a staple in Kent and its surrounding towns. In 2009, then-owner The Journal Register Company closed The Kent Good Times Dispatch in the wake of the 2008 Recession, eliminating local reporting from Kent for nearly a decade and a half. In the wake of COVID-19, however, Kent residents banded together over Facebook to form Kent News Inc., the new publisher of The Kent Good Times Dispatch. The nonprofit was formed in 2022 by Deb Schlee, Carl Raab, Karen Chase and Andrea Schoeny. The initial group has changed and grown, now with a fully functioning board and contributing donors. The organization celebrated its first fiscal “birthday” on July 2, 2023, with cake and champagne as thanks. The first issue of The Kent Good Times Dispatch follows this achievement, and marks the start of a new beginning for the publication. The hiring of Kathryn Boughton by

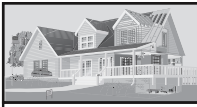
Kent News Inc. holds true to this, bringing editorial expertise to the new generation of newspaper production in Kent. As a lifelong journalist, Boughton’s first job out of college was at The Lakeville Journal. She worked at the original Kent Good Times Dispatch from 2001 until 2009, so her dedication to this vision is not unwarranted. She said, “I believe that what I write can illuminate difficult issues facing towns and facilitate grassroots efforts to improve our communities,” continuing, “I am thrilled that [The Kent Good Times Dispatch] is returning and look forward to being a part of this effort to restore local journalism to the town,

an endeavor I consider to be essential to a healthy society.” As The Kent Good Times Dispatch turns a new page with its Oct. 12 launch, the newspaper will remain online until further notice, citing that creating a publication with care is more valuable than creating one in print. In addition to publishing limited editions, The Kent Good Times Dispatch will publish a voter’s guide for the Kent municipal election on Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2023, as well as moderating a debate between the first selectman candidates on Friday, Oct. 13, 2023 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Kent Town Hall. More information can be found on the organization’s website, [www.kentgtd.org](http://www.kentgtd.org)

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more than 160 years ago, the monuments were typically placed upon dry laid foundations and then sealed with either lead or sulphur. Johnson explained that the stones probably fell over facedown at least 30 years ago, which protected the inscriptions on the front. He also indicated that restoring a graveyard does not interfere in any way with the remains, which are buried below the frost line. When MCC personnel arrived, they put up the scaffolding and erected two toppled obelisks and two smaller gravestones initially believed to belong to the Simon Dakin family, founder of the Baptist church and burying ground. It turned out to be someone else: the Edward Reed family. Reed, born in 1802 in Salisbury, Connecticut, died on Halloween in 1853. He was a deacon and represented the Baptist church in the area.

His motto was “Religious duties first, and never to be neglected.” Next spring, more stones will be up righted by the Friends of Spencer’s Corners Burying Ground (FOSCBG), which will continue to map the site, and match names to stones—at least the ones that are legible. A rented LiDAR (light detection and ranging) mapping machine may survey the blank areas to discover the many suspected unmarked graves and hidden stones. LiDAR, also known as laser scanning or 3D scanning, has been used successfully to locate the buried sites of ancient cities by measuring and mapping objects that are hidden. The volunteer FOSCBG is urging everyone in the community interested in sharing information about those buried in the graveyard to speak to Rhiannon Leo-Jameson, director of the NorthEast-Millerton Library.



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As of Oct. 1, the State of Connecticut is now requiring an Affidavit of Compliance be completed at the time of closing for all residential home sales with regards to smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. The purpose of this Affidavit is simply to save lives and protect property. The requirements are different depending on the age of the house. The desired result is to have alarms near all bedrooms and that the alarms be interconnected, so that if one goes off, they all go off. Here is an excellent primer on the new law: [www.crameranderson.com/new-connecticut-smoke-carbon-monoxide-detector-affidavit/](http://www.crameranderson.com/new-connecticut-smoke-carbon-monoxide-detector-affidavit/) And here is a link to the new Affidavit form to be used: [www.ctrealtors.com/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/open-pdfs/legal/Detector-Affidavit-with-guidance-effective-Oct-01-2023.pdf](http://www.ctrealtors.com/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/open-pdfs/legal/Detector-Affidavit-with-guidance-effective-Oct-01-2023.pdf)



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FILM: EMILY EDELMAN

## FilmColumbia Brings Indie Cinema Upstate

“I love the lineup that we have,” said FilmColumbia Festival Director Calliope Nicholas of the festival’s 2023 offerings. “I love that we have so many films this year as far as award winners, Oscar nominations for a particular country... and we’ve got a great number of filmmakers that are coming in and doing Q&As.”

Friday, Oct. 20, will be the first of FilmColumbia’s 10 days of discussions, events and, of course, film screenings, most of which will take place at the Crandell Theatre, the home base of the festival since its beginning in 1999.

FilmColumbia is celebrating its 23rd year of curation by Co-Executive and Co-Artistic Directors Peter Biskind and Laurence Kardish, the former a film historian, critic and best-selling author, and the latter the senior curator emeritus for film and media at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City.

“It was interesting

with ‘Oppenheimer’ and ‘Barbie,’ just having the audiences come back into the theater and kind of enjoy being in the theater again,” Nicholas said. “It really does create a different type of mood as compared to watching television or streaming.”

The festival’s highly anticipated screening of “May December,” the latest from director Todd Haynes, came about “because we are honoring the producers,” said Nicholas. “‘May December’ has got some good buzz and we were really lucky to be able to bring that in on the first weekend.”

Producers Christine Vachon and Pam Koffler, who are also the founders of Killer Films, will be feted at FilmColumbia’s annual kick-off party on Saturday, Oct. 21. In addition to “May December,” which will culminate in a Q&A with Vachon, Koffler and award-winning producer, director and screenwriter James Schamus,



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who is also a Crandell Theatre board member, two other Killer Films productions—“Camp” (2003) and “I Shot Andy Warhol” (1996)—will be screened at this year’s festival.

“‘The Boy and the Heron’ is actually kind of a funny story,” said Nicholas of the festival’s Sunday, Oct. 22, screening of the latest from Academy Award-winner Hayao Miyazaki and Studio Ghibli. “One of our assistant managers, our tech guy at the Crandell Theatre, loves anime films and he’d been push-



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ing for this film. He kept contacting them and they finally came back to us and agreed to have us

screen it.”

Tuesday, Oct. 24, will feature “All of Us Strangers,” a love-story-turned-ghost-story in which the main character is visited by his parents, who were killed in a car crash when he was 12 years old. “That was one that we got in through the distributors,” Nicholas said. “A lot of this is just connections through our programmers [Kardish and Biskind] that talk and communicate with the different distributors.”

Most of FilmColumbia’s films have already debuted at other festivals. “[Kardish] ends up seeing some of the film festivals—he was up in Toronto earlier in September—and it’s through [Toronto International Film Festival] that he ends up making some recommendations, and then, of course, Peter,

through his connections, as well,” said Nicholas.

A favorite feature of the festival for many is the annual sneak preview, a film that almost always ends up being an Oscar nominee, and the title of which is never revealed before showtime.

FilmColumbia’s annual screenwriting panel with actor Scott Cohen and screenwriter Anastasia Traina, both Catham residents, is also “a really popular event,” according to Nicholas. “[Participants] bring in a few pages of a screenplay, a scene, and actors will read through it and there will be a discussion afterwards.” The event has proven to be so popular that, this year, Cohen and Traina have added a second session the following day.

Commenting on the influence of COVID-19 on the festival’s recent years, Nicholas said: “I think the silver lining is that COVID has kind of shown that having that collective experience is kind of an amazing thing.”

“The community coming together for a single moment,” she continued. “I think that’s unique.”

*FilmColumbia will run Friday, Oct. 20, through Sunday, Oct. 29, at the Crandell Theatre and Tracy Memorial Hall in Chatham, New York. For tickets, information and a full schedule of films, go to [www.filmcolumbia.org](http://www.filmcolumbia.org)*



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Irish actors Andrew Scott and Paul Mescal in a new film from the director of "45 Years."



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# Sharon Farmhouse Subject of New Design Book

Rizzoli New York, a leader in publishing stately, glossy tomes exploring architecture, interiors, and the decorative arts, has often sought inspiration for its magnificently photographed coffee table books in the rural countryside outside of New York City. In the past, Rizzoli has worked with Bunny Williams of Falls Village, Conn., on "Life in the Garden," Carolyne Roehm of Sharon, Conn., on "Design & Style: A Constant Thread," and Gil Schafer of Millbrook, N.Y., on "A Place to Call Home: Tradition, Style, and Memory in the New American House." Now, a new monolith released this fall focuses on the work of the 2023 Elle Decor A Listed multidisciplinary architecture and interior design firm Hendricks Churchill, founded by husband and wife team Rafe Churchill and Heide Hendricks. "Our Way Home: Reimagining an American Farmhouse," photographed by Chris Mottalini, takes an inside look into the couple's own renovated



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historic home, Ellsworth, a white clapboard that stands on what was once a 19th-century dairy farm in Sharon. It demonstrates the pair's exhaustive work for the most demanding and knowledgeable client possible — themselves. "With Ellsworth, it was important for us to

use the furniture that we had accumulated over our long relationship and different houses we've designed — our twentieth anniversary is coming up," Hendricks said at a launch event and Q&A for the book held at The White Hart Inn in Salisbury, Conn., on Oct. 5, hosted by Ob-



Heide Hendricks and Rafe Churchill are a husband and wife architecture and design team who have revitalized several historic Sharon homes.

long Books in Millerton, N.Y. She and Churchill were there in conversation with Jessie Sheehan, a cookbook author of "Snackable Bites" and "The Vintage Baker,"

whose home in Sharon was Hendricks' first project as an interior designer, kicking off her career. "With each one of these homes we've renovated for ourselves, there was

something unique to the property, and I would be very sentimental. It's really hard for me to move on, whereas Rafe is always looking ahead to the next one."

MUSIC: SALLY HAVER

# Crescendo Celebrates 20 Years of Choral Concerts



PHOTO BY STEVE POTTER

Crescendo will celebrate with a musical performance over the weekend of Oct. 28 and 29.

Crescendo, the early-music organization based in Lakeville, Conn., is offering the public a musical treat over the weekend of Oct. 28 and 29 called "Fantastic Baroque!" — a celebratory concert marking Crescendo's 20th anniversary that will feature festive Baroque music for chorus, soloists, accompanied by a period instrument orchestra. Attendees will hear some of the period's greatest masterworks, sacred polychoral motets, and oratorio excerpts, and choruses from some of the most famous Baroque operas. For these two concerts, the performers will be the Crescendo Chorus and Period In-

strument Orchestra, and will feature the following soloists: sopranos Christina Kay of New York City; Alicia DePaolo of Philadelphia, Penn.; countertenor Augustine Mercante of Philadelphia; tenor Gregório Taniguchi of New York City; and bass-baritone Anicet Castel, of Paris and New York City. The concerts will be directed and conducted by Christine Gevert, Crescendo's founding artistic director. The Crescendo Early Music Ensemble is an award-winning nonprofit founded by Gevert in 2003, when it began presenting concerts year-round in northwestern Connecticut, the Berkshires, and the mid-Hudson Valley of New York. The ensemble's instrumentalists and nationally recognized soloists who regularly collaborate with Crescendo bring the performances to a level comparable to that of the best musical ensembles in the country. Gevert, who is also firmly committed to education-

al outreach, has coached high school singers and young musicians in the area as part of the organization's Young Artist Program. She and chorus members visit local schools to work with and tutor interested students. Some of these talented youngsters are included in Crescendo's performances. In 2014, Crescendo won the prestigious Chorus America /ASCAP /Alice Parker Award. Gevert is currently the music director at Trinity Episcopal Church in Lime Rock. She holds a master's degree in organ and early music performance from the Hochschule für Musik und Theater in Hamburg, Germany, and a bachelor's degree in music theory from the Conservatorio Nacional de Chile. She has taught and conducted master classes in early music, harpsichord, and baroque vocal technique at the university level and numerous music festivals in Chile, Germany, and the U.S. In recent years, Gevert has given

solo harpsichord recitals at the Early Music Festival in Poland, the Wanda Landowska Auditorium in France, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, among other international venues. The 20th-anniversary concerts will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28 at 4 p.m. at Saint James Place, 352 Main Street, Great Barrington, and on Sunday, Oct. 29 at 4 p.m. at Trinity Church, 484 Lime Rock Road, (parking through Dugway Road entrance). Attendees will have the chance to meet the performers afterward at a brief reception. In the past, Crescendo's "special concerts" — of which this is one — have sold out, so early purchase of tickets online is encouraged at Crescendo's website: [www.crescendomusic.org](http://www.crescendomusic.org). Any unsold tickets will be sold at the door 45 minutes before each performance. These concerts are generously underwritten by the Arthur F. & Alice E. Adams Charitable Foundation. For these concerts, support has also been provided to Crescendo from CT Humanities (CTH), and the Department of Economic and Community Development, Office of Arts (COA) from the Connecticut State Legislature.

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At a recent gathering of readers of the paper, editors were asked about letters to the editor. Specifically the questioner wondered whether there was an outer limit to the number printed each week, beyond which we would not be able to publish someone’s letter because there were too many in the hopper.

The answer came back that we aim to publish all letters to the editor, and that we make every effort to make that happen. Sometimes an opinion column will have to go to make room for a letter that unexpectedly arrived at the 11th hour, but within the deadline.

The importance we attach to your letters is worth a little elaboration. While The Millerton News has been dedicated to serving its community for almost a century, our recent change to a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization adds a new dimension in our thinking. Besides allowing for tax-deductible contributions, becoming a nonprofit means much, much more.

The Millerton News is your newspaper, not only because it is distributed in your community, but also because you have the opportunity to have a stake in its survival. These are trying times for local newspapers as traditional revenues — advertising and circulation — come under pressure, consequently leading more and more local newspapers to consider the nonprofit model. Leonard Downie Jr., a former executive editor of The Washington Post and now a professor at Arizona State University’s Walter Cronkite School of Journalism, wrote last week about how the rebirth of local journalism depends on all of us. Those exact words were his headline on an opinion piece asserting that local news may not be dying, it may just be evolving. He points to the proliferation of nonprofit local and state news sites. We have them right in our backyard: The New Pine Plains Herald.

Another Washington Post alumnus, the late Robert Estabrook, who in 1971 retired from The Post as editorial page editor to buy The Lakeville Journal and then The Millerton News, also opined on the respect for letters to the editor. Almost half a century ago, on Aug. 25, 1977, he wrote the following:

“About Letters To The Editor”

Our feeling is that the letters column performs a very precious function. It is the place where readers can talk back, say what is on their minds, make suggestions and champion causes. Because we believe deeply in the importance of this interchange of ideas, our policy is to print all intelligible letters that do not appear libelous or offend good taste. We edit letters to confine them to a single topic, however, and we do not allow any writer to monopolize the Open Forum.

Still, some letters are too long for the most effectiveness. Occasionally a subject will warrant detailed treatment, but in many instances shorter letters are more interesting and better read. Since it requires a great deal of time to condense letters with the care they deserve, in self-defense we ask help from the writers themselves in keeping their epistles to reasonable lengths.

Veterans Park, one sunny Wednesday morning

The sun was bright in the sky, pouring down on Veterans Park last Wednesday, Oct. 4, as the wait began for someone to sit down on a nearby bench, whence a conversation might be struck.

It was 20 minutes before noon. The sidewalks along Main Street and Dutchess Avenue were mostly empty. A couple walked a dog. Two women exited a luxury automobile and strolled over to peruse the windows at Luxury Finds, which wasn’t open, then moved on to visit with a couple and a dog sitting in front of Irving Farm.

Trucks rumbled by, even three village highway vehicles that had been staged up by the newspaper office on Century Boulevard where some new asphalt was being laid.

Millerton was in its mid-tide. Small waves of activity on a midweek morning kept the easy pace going. A man I know rushed by, said hello, and crossed the street on his way to work at Irving Farm, which saw a regular stream of customers, many stopping to visit with friends, and others racing off to get back to work, bolstered by caffeine they sipped on the run.

EDITOR’S  
NOTEBOOK

John Coston

Sylvia Schultz, 85, approached. She smiled my way and sat on an unoccupied bench.

“The best spot in town,” Sylvia said, tilting her head right at the strong sun overhead. Her bench was given in memory of Samuel R. “Sandy” Berger, national security advisor to the president of the United States from 1997 to 2001, by the Berger family in 2016. The plaque says: “Millerton native who never forgot his roots.”

Sylvia lives on Indian Lake. She raised two daughters in Millerton, one of whom was circling in the car to pick up mom. Sylvia appreciates the Memorial Day ceremonies at Veterans Park, with its monument to veterans of World War I, World War II, Vietnam and Korea, and fondly recalls many celebrations here.

Sylvia was just making a stopover in the park, taking in a rejuvenating moment that can be added on to her 40 years of Millerton experiences.

When her daughter pulled up, Sylvia said goodbye. They headed westbound.

The sun was getting high. The village bell rang, loudly and with certainty 12 times. It made me think of Mayor Najdek, who once told me that she fields “so many” complaints about that bell. As I peered at the plaque on my bench, I saw that it is in memory of Mariley Najdek, mayor and trustee of the Village of Millerton and mother of Mayor Jenn Najdek. The bench was donated by Townscape in 2014.

A woman crossed Main and sat down at a shady table to check her phone and put on sunglasses. My phone buzzed. It was someone texting me not to forget to cover the Pine Plains Ag Fair this weekend.

Another woman approached, balancing her Irving Farm coffee cup in one hand, a doggie cup of water in the other, which also held the leash for Maisie, her golden doodle who was tractor-beaming to the park.

Judy Barber, 79, said she comes almost every day from Sharon to get coffee, sit in the park and walk the rail trail.

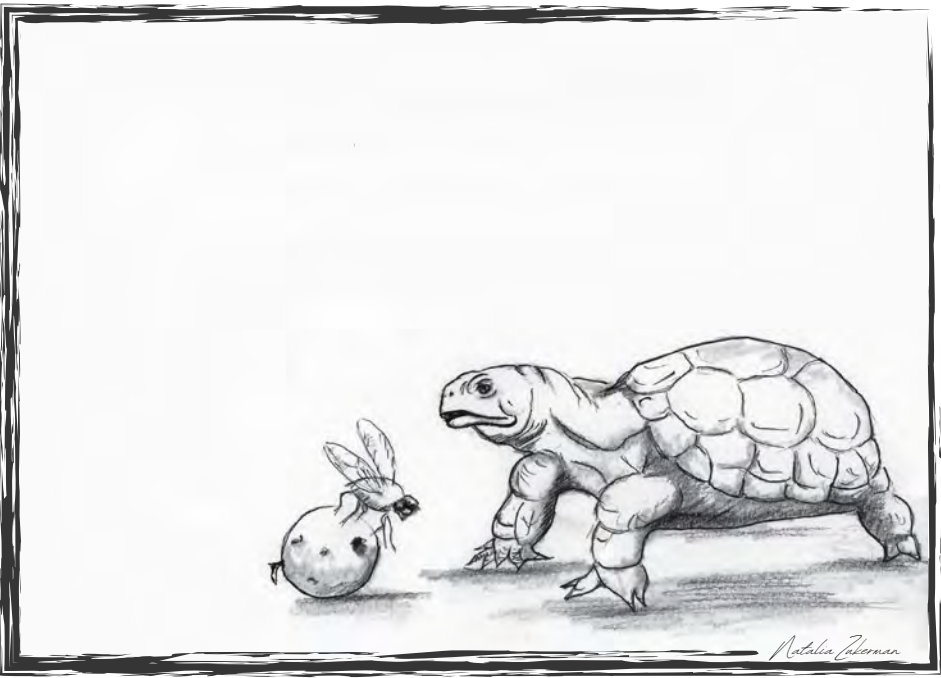
We chatted, and Judy commented that the world today needs more “personal touch,” meaning people should talk to each other.

It was now 12:40 p.m. Judy looked at her phone. She explained that her husband, Skip Barber, of Skip Barber Racing School fame, was participating in an online car auction that would end at 1 p.m. She said he’s very interested in one particular car.

“He’s bidding. I hope he gets it,” she said. “I’m not a car person.”

So ended our brief conversation in the sun in Veterans Park on a Wednesday morning in October. As I left, Judy was fast in conversation with another friend who stopped by the park for a minute.

John Coston is the editor-in-chief for The Lakeville Journal and The Millerton News.



“Yeah, yeah. Live everyday like it’s your last. Easy for you to say!”

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks for Amenia Free Library support

I would like to thank the many residents of Amenia who have recently signed petitions supporting the placement on the municipal ballot in November, for a proposition requesting additional annual funding for the library.

The funding increase requested under Proposition #3 will allow the library, in its new and expanded space, to meet the community’s needs for programs for all patrons, an increase in our operating hours, and additional print and digital materials that the public has been asking for. To meet our goals for community service, a part-time assistant needs to be added to our staff which will allow

us to increase our hours of operation. In the last year, everyone, including the library, has experienced an increase in costs. Fuel, electricity, cleaning services, insurance, books, materials, and supplies have all increased substantially.

Voters should be aware that NO taxpayer dollars were used for land purchase or construction of the newly expanded and renovated Library. Our expansion is the result of 25+ years of fundraising as well as a significant grant from the New York State Education Department. We have been blessed with the support of many generous donors, to whom I offer our sincerest thanks and ap-

preciation.

The funding would only be used for operating expenses — salaries, materials & supplies, programming for all ages, maintenance, and utilities. The increase requested (\$50,000) in Proposition #3, would result in a tax increase of \$14.01 for an average residence assessed for \$300,000 in Amenia...that’s about \$1.17 per month for expanded Library services which our community deserves.

We invite the public to preview our newly expanded library on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Members of the Board of Trustees and our Director will be happy to provide a tour and

answer any questions you may have. At 1:00 p.m., the Library and the Public will have a reception to honor our Trustee Emerita, Charlotte Murphy, who has served the library for more than 50 years. Call the library right away (845) 373-8273 if you would like to stay to honor Charlotte.

We have faith that you have seen the Board of Trustees as good stewards of the public trust, and will support our funding request, Proposition #3 on the back of the ballot, on Election Day, Nov. 7.

Alan Gamble  
President, Board of  
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Stella Isaza for Pine Plains Town Justice

Small towns such as Pine Plains do not always have lawyers willing to devote time to serving as town justices. Fortunately for our town, Stella Isaza is willing — and more than able— to do the job. Just because New York state does not require town justices to be lawyers does not mean that we should ignore the opportunity to elect a willing lawyer to the town justice position.

Clearly, a lawyer with 30 years experience as a lawyer is the best qualified candidate for the town justice position.

Stella, a 21-year Pine Plains resident, has a rich and varied legal back ground, obtained here in the Hudson Valley and is a member of the Dutchess

County Bar Association as well as the New York State Bar Association. Her extensive courtroom experiences include criminal defense, housing, family law and general litigation work.

Stella’s concern and commitment to Pine Plains is not new: she is an active member and past president of the Pine

Plains Lions Club.

We are fortunate that a busy lawyer such as Stella is willing to put the time and energy into sitting as a Pine Plains Town Justice. We should elect Stella Isaza, the most qualified candidate for the job.

Sarah Jones  
Pine Plains

Supporting Leo Blackman for Supervisor

I am writing to support wholeheartedly Leo Blackman’s campaign for Supervisor. I have know Leo since he first became a resident of

Amenia 20 years ago. He has always impressed me with his optimistic outlook and desire to make our town a better place. He has volunteered in

many ways to help his fellow citizens. He has long worked Fridays at the St. Thomas food pantry, where I am the garden coordinator, and designed the new building (at no cost) required by Covid. He has also dedicated many evening to workforce housing, wastewater, zoning and planning.

My neighbors and I were elated to have elected him to the Town Board two years ago. He cares about the needs

and hopes of all different residents of Amenia and has made a genuine long-time effort towards meeting them. He understands the broken promise of prosperity from Silo Ridge and is wary of more luxury developments. With his background in architecture and demonstrated commitment to our town, I trust him to lead us into the future and fully endorse him.

Marsha Kaufman  
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SHERIFF’S REPORT

The following information was provided by the Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office as the Harlem Valley area activity report for Sept. 28 - Oct. 4.

Sept. 30 — Deputies arrested one Mark J. Carlson, 17, for driving while intoxicated subsequent to a traffic stop in the area of 12 Smith St. in the Town of Pine Plains. Subject to appear in the Town of Pine Plains court at a later date.

Sept. 30 — Deputies responded to the area of 19 Lake Amenia Road in Amenia for a disturbance. Investigation re-

veals a disturbance between a father and his daughter’s boyfriend. Matter resolved without further police intervention.

Oct. 1 — Deputies arrested Manuel Monge-Quirindumbay, 42, for driving while intoxicated subsequent to a traffic stop on Route 22 in the Town of North East. Monge-Quirindumbay is to appear in the Town of North East court at a later date.

Oct. 2 — Deputies stopped a vehicle that was reported as being operated in an erratic manner on Route 199 in the Town

of Pine Plains. Investigation during the stop revealed that the vehicle’s operator, identified as one Joseph D. Singman, 30, was wanted by the Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, police department for several offenses related to forgery and possessing forged instruments. Singman’s privilege to operate a motor vehicle in the state of New York was also suspended. Singman was charged with aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle in the third degree and was also charged as a fugitive from justice. Singman was arraigned and remanded to the Dutchess County jail, where

he will wait for extradition to Pennsylvania.

If you have any information relative to the aforementioned cases or any other suspected criminal activity, please contact the Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office tip line at 845-605-CLUE (2583) or email dcsotips@gmail.com. All information will be kept confidential.

All persons arrested and charged are alleged to have committed the crime and are presumed innocent until proven guilty and are to appear in local courts later.

Help pack care kits for The Great Give Back

MILLERTON — Dutchess County libraries are collecting personal care items during the month of October to distribute to members of the community during The Great Give Back event. Items needed include toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, non-alcoholic mouthwash, soap, deodorant, hand sanitizer, razors, pads and tampons.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, from 1 to 2 p.m., the NorthEast-Millerton Library, 75 Main St., will assemble care packages including collected items for distribution at local pantries. Registration can be done online by going to nemillertonlibrary.org/calendar. For more information, contact the library at 518-789-3340 or info@nemillertonlibrary.org

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LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING - AMENIA FIRE DISTRICT#1- 2024 BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Proposed Budget of the Amenia Fire District #1 of the Town of Amenia, State of New York will be presented to the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Amenia Fire District, for its consideration.

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Amenia Firehouse, 36B Mechanic Street, New York 12501, in the Town of Amenia, State of New York on the 17th day of October, 2023.

Pursuant to Town Law 181.3(a), the Board of Fire Commissioners must hold a public hearing on the budget; make the proposed budget available to the public prior to the public hearing, allowing the public to comment on the budget at the public hearing. This public hearing must be held to allow maximum public participation in the hearing.

The purpose of the public hearing is to allow any person to be heard in favor of or against the proposed budget as it is submitted, or for or against any item or items contained in the proposed budget, and hearing all persons interested in the subject concerning the same.

That a copy of the proposed budget is available at the Office of the Town Clerk, Town of Amenia 4988 Route 22 where it may be inspected by any interested person during office hours.

Board of Fire Commissioners  
Amenia Fire District #1  
Dawn Marie Klingner  
District Secretary  
10-12-23

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AMENIA SNOW REMOVAL BIDS PERIOD 11/2/2023 - 5/1/2024

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids for Town of Amenia Wassaic Trail Snow Removal will be received until Noon on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at the Town Clerk’s Office, Town of Amenia, Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, NY 12501 opened and read at the Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22 on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Town Clerk’s Office during regular business hours, by calling (845) 373-8860 Ext. 125 or by emailing townclerk@ameniany.gov.

All bids must have proof of insurance for liability and property damage in addition to proof of Worker’s Compensation coverage.

All bids must also be

accompanied by a notarized non collusive statement and corporate bidders must file a corporate resolution with a corporate seal.

All envelopes must be clearly marked “Snow Removal Bid for Wassaic Trail 11/2/2023 to 5/1/2024”.

The Amenia Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Bids will be awarded at the scheduled Town Board meeting on November 2, 2023.

Dawn Marie Klingner  
Amenia Town Clerk  
10-12-23

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AMENIA SNOW REMOVAL BIDS PERIOD 11/2/2023 - 5/1/2024

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The Amenia Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Bids will be awarded at the scheduled Town Board meeting on November 2, 2023.

Dawn Marie Klingner  
Amenia Town Clerk  
10-12-23

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF AMENIA PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

that a Public Hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia on November 2, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia New York, regarding the proposed Local Law known as Local Law \_\_\_ of 2023 entitled “a Local Law of the Town of Amenia to Override the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal Year 2024 Established in General Municipal Law §3-c.”

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that

this Local Law would authorize the Town Board to adopt a budget for fiscal year 2024 that requires a real property tax levy, and to levy real property taxes, in excess of the tax levy limit pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c, if necessary.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any resident of the Town of Amenia shall be entitled to be heard upon said proposed Local Law at such Public Hearing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the proposed Local Law No. \_\_\_ of the Year 2023 is available for review and inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk during regular office hours, at Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, New York, and on the Town’s website at www.ameniany.gov.

Dated: Amenia, New York  
October 5, 2023.

By order of the  
Town Board  
Dawn Marie Klingner  
Town Clerk  
10-12-23

LEGAL NOTICE  
Notice of Formation of Chyrsanthemom, LLC. of Org. filed with SSNY on 8/31/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom

process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 6 Academy St., Pine Plains, NY 12567 Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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09-21-23  
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**HELP WANTED**

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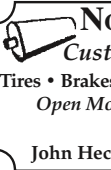
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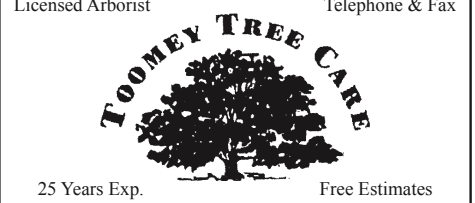
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