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## Celebrating schools and community

From left: Eugene Brooks Intermediate School ninth-graders Emma Bailey and Darryl Avery and eighth-grader Anthony Macagnone pose with 'sub all over' teacher Gail Virtuoso at the Webutuck Central School District's Community Day, on Saturday, May 13. For more, see page A5.

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## Toymaker crafts project to have toy-lending library

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE  
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MILLBROOK — Imagine a toymaker with a shop deep in the woods, a mystical place where the most wonderful toys are made — strange beasts, cows with wings, yellow zebras with blue stripes and orange duck feet. There are elephants with wings, eagles that catch fish, dragons and multicolored caterpillars, all with moving parts.

There is such a place, and it is full of toys created by local artist Kardash. His studio is in Stanfordville, in a site he has called home for more than 40 years. On the property are some pieces he sculpted, but the toys came about when he started creating them for his son, and now his 6-year-old grandson. Other children have also been recipients of his creations.

Kardash realized that even the most beloved toys are outgrown, and he had the idea of creating a means by which toys could be borrowed at libraries, played with, and returned so other children could enjoy them, just as they do with



PHOTO BY JUDITH O'HARA BALFE

Kardash in the building that houses many of his toys, deep in the woods of Stanfordville. This summer he will be at the Millbrook Library, helping children create puzzles of their own and encouraging them to take puzzles out of the library on loan, much as they do with books.

books. Take Out Toys was born.

Kardash has created a project involving other local artisans and children to help in the first phase of the program, which is creating puzzles. They are constructed from recycled magazines and books that

are then glued to plywood panels and cut into freeform pieces, making puzzles.

This enables all sorts of subjects to become puzzles, from history

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## Pine Plains

# Solar, Stewart's, cannabis dominate May 10 meeting

By ELIAS SORICH  
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PINE PLAINS — At the Pine Plains Planning Board meeting on Wednesday, May 10, the Carson Power solar project proposed for 454 Bean River Road made significant headway. The board also considered an application for the expansion of the Pine Plains Stewart's Shops location, and scrutinized the proposed cannabis manufacturing project.

Carson Power representative Andrew Gordon and Matthew Allen of Saratoga Associates gave a presentation of a number of items requested from the board. Included among them was a proposal to convert the forests set to be felled by the project into 57,000 board feet of lumber, the estimated \$11,000 value of which would go directly to the town. This would avoid a requirement to pursue a timber permit.

Allen also gave a detailed visual presentation of the viewshed impact that the proposed project would have on homeowners in the region, and used comprehensive 3D modeling to present the board with a realistic portrait of what the solar panels would look like from 13 different locations throughout the area.

The board indicated that the presentation had gone a long way to provide the full range of information the members need to make their State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) evaluation, which will either send the proposal to the town board, or further delay the application.

Having received a determination from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) that the proposed project would have "no impact" on box turtle and Northern

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PHOTO BY JOHN COSTON

## Between innings

Catcher Benjamin Coon takes a big drink during an inning break on Saturday, May 13, at Eddie Collins Park in Millerton in a Minors game between Webutuck Little League Savarese Septic Service and Taconic Little League Cardinals. For more photos, see page A5.



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## OUR TOWNS

# Wastewater project moves forward, public hearing set

By **EMILY EDELMAN**  
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MILLERTON — At its meeting on Thursday, May 11, the North East Town Board voted to accept petitions for the formation of a town wastewater district and set a public hearing.

The formation of a wastewater district can be done in either of two ways, and the town chose to utilize what is known as the petition method, in which a petition is presented to the town by the property owners within the proposed district who represent at least 50% of the assessed value of the district. The town has received petitions from property owners representing more than 75% of the assessed value of the parcels in the proposed district.

A public hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, at 6 p.m. in the NorthEast-

Millerton Library Annex, 28 Century Blvd.

Town attorney Warren Replansky is hoping to have a draft form of an intermunicipal agreement between the Town of North East and the Village of Millerton for the sewer system ready prior to the meeting.

Senior project manager Erin Moore of engineering firm Tighe and Bond, which has been engaged by the village and town to map out the sewer system, will be in attendance at the meeting.

Assessor Katherine Johnson noted that the 2023 tentative roll has been published and is available for inspection in her office, the town clerk's office, and on the town's website at [townofnortheast.gov/assessors-office](http://townofnortheast.gov/assessors-office)

The website also includes documents and information about what assessment is as well as a list of residential sales in the last few years.

Johnson will hold additional office hours leading up to Grievance Day on Wednesday, May 24, held by the Board of Assessment Review from 3 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Appointments are preferred and forms are available on the town's website.

Complaints and paperwork should be submitted before May 24 to the Board of Assessment Review, 19 N. Maple Ave., P.O. Box 771, Millerton, NY 12546. For more information, contact assessor Johnson at 518-789-3300 ext. 605 or [assessor@townof-northeastny.gov](mailto:assessor@townof-northeastny.gov)

In an update regarding the purchase of the former Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses at 5603 Route 22 to be used for the new Town Hall, Town Supervisor Chris Kennan said the town is waiting for the attorney general's office to approve the sale, which must be done in New York state any time a religious group sells a building. Kennan is hoping to close on the building before the town board's June meeting.

Kennan also said that engineers from PVE Environmental Services would be visiting the town's long-closed landfill to assess its condition and whether or not it is still emitting methane in preparation for possibly permitting a solar array on the site.



PHOTO BY DEBORAH MAIER

Millerton Police Sgt. Dave Rudin, Officer Julia Phillips and Chief Joseph Olenik at Webutuck Community Day, May 13.

### Millerton police back on the job

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

MILLERTON — According to Chief Joe Olenik, the Village of Millerton's new police chief, the Millerton Police Department is back on the job. The weekend of Saturday, May 6, and Sunday, May 7, the village was patrolled from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. during the weekend days, and 5 p.m. to midnight on Saturday and Sunday nights.

According to Olenik, "Sunday night Sgt. Veeder arrested two individuals wanted out of Poughkeepsie and they were also charged with possession of heroin, needles, crack and criminal impersonation."

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### Choir commences comeback

From left, the Rev. Thomas Fiet, pastor of Lyall Memorial Church, and Daniel Michael Koch, music director, in front of the Millbrook Community Festival Choir at a concert on Sunday, May 14, at Lyall Memorial Church. The choir, composed of 27 singers and accompanied by a piano and a

trumpet, performed 'Evening Songs,' interspersed with six various readings.

For many years, Lyall Church has hosted musical events, which came to a halt with the onset of COVID-19. However, the choir was back for the Christmas concert in December 2022. The 'Evening

Songs' concert was its second comeback appearance. There were probably close to 75 or more in the audience, and after the concert, refreshments were served and fellowship was encouraged. The concert was free, but a collection was taken, and donations were greatly appreciated.


### Amenia food pantry seeks morning volunteers

POUGHKEEPSIE — The Poughkeepsie helpers who load the food for St. Thomas's Food of Life Pantry in Amenia Union are looking for two strong volunteers who can provide "tons" of help

transferring food to a delivery van two Monday mornings a month from 9:15 to 9:45 a.m.

The work is done at the parking lot at Dutchess County Community Parking Lot D, Cottage Road, Poughkeepsie.

If you can lend a hand and are up for a workout for your muscles and your heart, call Danny Hutnick, Pantry Manager, at 845-232-1461 or email [dhutnick@stthomasamenia.com](mailto:dhutnick@stthomasamenia.com)




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The Irondale Schoolhouse in Millerton will open for the season on Saturday, May 27.

### Irondale Schoolhouse set to open May 27; seasonal events planned

MILLERTON — The Irondale Schoolhouse will open for the season on Saturday, May 27, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Built in 1858 and originally located in the hamlet of Irondale, the building was moved in 2013 by the Friends of the Irondale Schoolhouse to its present site at 16 Main St., at the head of the Harlem Valley Rail Trail.

Opening Day visitors are invited to celebrate with cookies and lemonade, take photographs and participate in a tour of the schoolhouse, ring the bell, write messages

on the blackboard, and view a short video about the history of the schoolhouse.

Regularly open to the public 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through October, the schoolhouse will host a variety of events this season, including a schoolmarm visit in June; Beebee the Clown in July; an ice cream social on Saturday, Aug. 12; and a Halloween party Tuesday, Oct. 31.

For more information on the schoolhouse's history and upcoming events, go to [irondaleschoolhouse.org](http://irondaleschoolhouse.org)

# Cary talk: What can be done to take stress out of the soil?

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MILLBROOK — There's a lot of talk about stress in our lives, and stress a lot of other items, but "Stressed out Soil"? That's another story, and was the topic of discussion on Thursday, May 11, at Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies between Cary President Josh Ginsberg and Cary scientist Jane M. Lucas.

Cary Conversations hosted its second in-person forum since the pandemic and attracted a good-sized audience. It was also livestreamed so those who couldn't attend could watch from home. Who knew so many people had dirt on their minds? But the topic is current, important, and the focus of research by Lucas.

Changing climate, higher temperatures and livestock antibiotics can all create havoc on soil. Microbiotic communities can be found in almost all environments and are important because they

have a critical role in nutrient cycling.

Discussing the focus of her work, Lucas was able to take a highly complicated topic, replete with some rather complex ideas and wording, and make it understandable to those who don't have a scientific background, but do want to be involved in ecology and saving our planet.

The importance of her work lies in the fact that soil is everything; 95% of our food comes directly or indirectly from soil. Healthy soil is a protector from inclement weather and can protect our waterways. It can store more carbon—twice as much, in fact—as trees or plants. Healthy soils are also a source of antibiotic discoveries.

The research to find microbial life in soils runs the gamut from tropical forests to farmlands, and to determine what the impact is on the soil, how it is being dealt with by people, and even by livestock and things such as weather. Threats include pesticides,

herbicides, fertilizers, erosion and loss of biodiversity. It is estimated that global soil loss is equal to 30 soccer fields of soil every minute.

In examining "Stressed out Soils," Lucas has laid out 80 plots on grasslands at Cary. They will be exposed to various conditions like moisture, drought conditions, temperature changes, and having different antibiotics introduced to them.

Current research also involves livestock, such as how livestock practices can shape antibiotic resistance. Antibodies are used in raising livestock to prevent the spread of disease and to build bigger animals. On a global scale, about 80% of antibiotics are used in raising livestock.

When animals are injected with biologically active compounds, what happens to the environment? Field studies and the use of new molecular tools allow Lucas to examine how livestock antibiotics affect soil microbes, soil carbon storage, nitrogen cycling, and the rise of antibiotic resistance.

Lucas holds the belief that agriculture, the environment and public health are all linked together, so she believes in the "One Health" approach. To those in Dutchess County—with so many farms, even homes that grow some of their own food or raise a few animals—it can be extremely important because this is still an agricultural community.

In the immediate area, there are farms, vineyards, orchards, fruit, vegetables, fresh meat, dairy products,

and eggs.

If the soil microbiome is healthy, it affects the plants that grow, keeping out pests and protecting against drought. It can ward off pathogens or kill them, helping the plants to defend themselves. It also is a carbon sink, keeping atmospheric carbon in hand.

Like human biomes, unique and passed from mother to child, soil biomes have their own compositions depending on type of soil, plantings, region, and other factors. Balance and healthy conditions are important in both soil and human health.

Some of the means by which one can keep soil from becoming stressed is through rotating crops. This can help even in a smaller garden, because different plants need and take different nutrients from the soil. By rotating crops or plants, different nutrients will remain in the soil or return to the soil.

Composting is another source of keeping soil healthy. In composting, nutrients go back into the soil instead of becoming gases in landfills.

Keeping land covered with mulch, cover crops or deep-rooted plants and grasses does much to keep soil healthy. Using fewer chemicals on lawns and plants promotes health.

There is a connection between the soil microbiome and our own gut microbiomes, as they have approximately 73% common microbes. We take in microbiomes through food and drink, and some we ingest from the soil indirectly.

## Amenia park design project divided in two parts

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AMENIA — Ready to present a proposed design that envisions the Town Hall grounds becoming a more welcoming community space called the Town Green, the Amenia Recreation Commission voted unanimously at its regular meeting on Tuesday, May 9, to present that portion of the recreational enhancement project at its next meeting.

Updated drawings of future proposed recreational uses of the Town Hall property will be presented at a public meeting on Tuesday, June 13, at the Town Hall, beginning at 7 p.m.

Responding to public comments heard at the Tuesday, March 21, commission meeting, the original plan drawings for the Town Hall property have been revised by landscape architect Jane Didona of Didona Associates, Danbury, Conn. She will attend

the June meeting to describe design features and hear residents' comments.

Because design plans for Wassaic Park involve recreational development of both public and private land, the legal issues are more complex and awaiting opinion from the town attorney, recreation

commission Chairman Paul Winters, explained.

To continue momentum of public involvement in the five-year recreational enhancement plan, the commission decided to divide consideration into two parts and present the Town Hall plan first.



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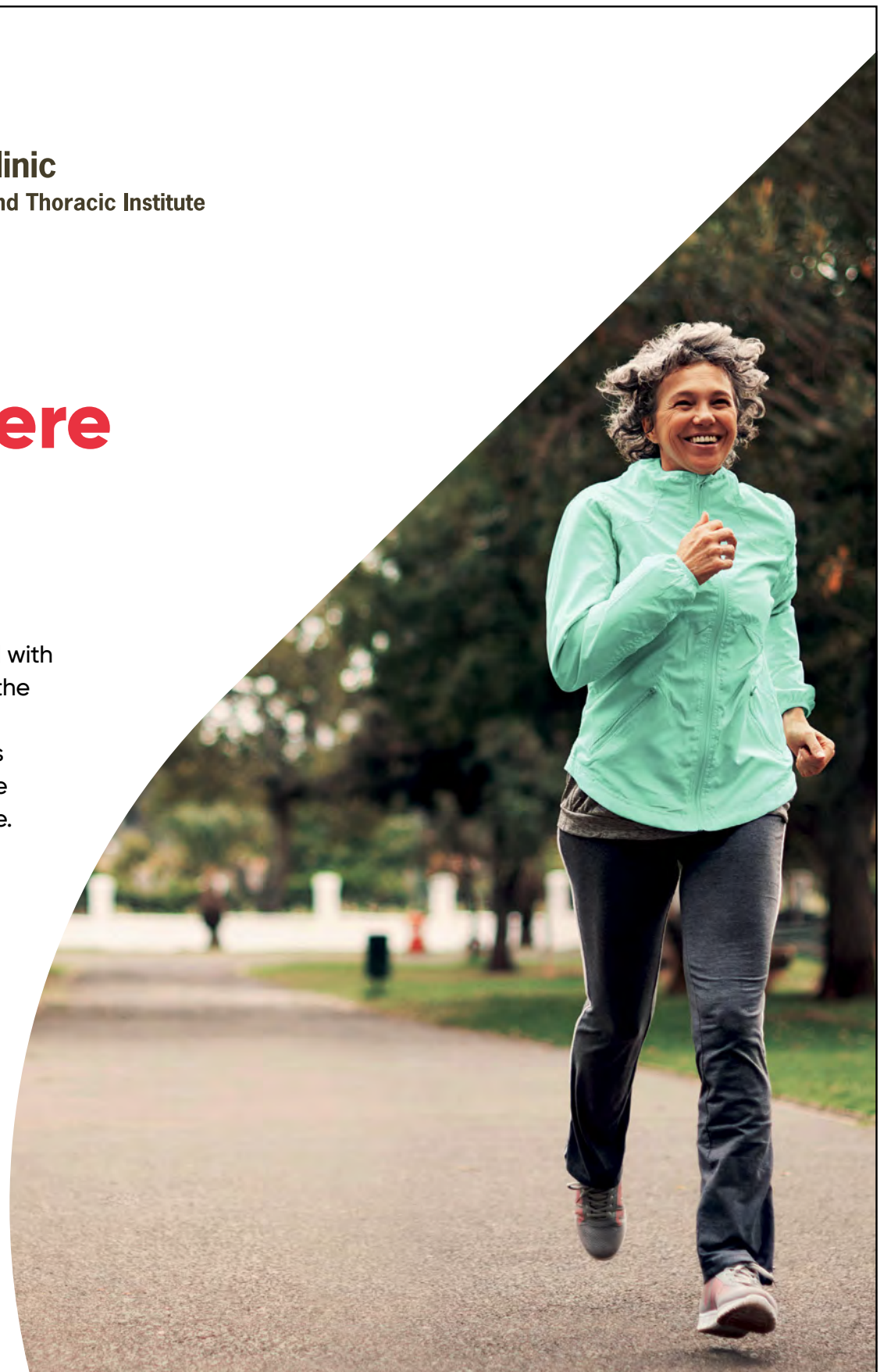
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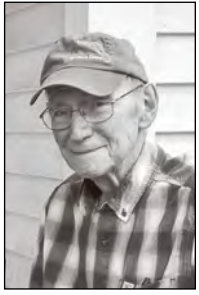




OBITUARIES

Richard James Lindsey

KENT — Richard James Lindsey was born on Jan. 24, 1940, and raised in Milton, a community in Litchfield. He was the son of the late James Herbert Lindsey and Signe Lawson Lindsey. He passed away peacefully at his home in Kent on April 25, 2023, with his wife of 45 years, Charlotte Irving Lindsey, by his side.



ing used and rare books. Upon his retirement from Kent School, he and Charlotte moved to Cutler, Maine, and he opened a bookshop, Eastern Maine Books, selling used, rare, and out-of-prints books in Machias, Maine. Dick had wanted to live near East Machias where his father was born and raised.

Known as Dick, he graduated from the University of Connecticut in 1963 with a degree in Business Administration and Accounting and an MBA degree from Hartford University in 1976. Dick left service in the United States Army as a Captain, having served in the Finance Corps in Fairbanks, Alaska, at Fort Wainwright, 1963-1964, and at Fort Greeley, Delta Junction, Alaska, 1964-1965.

Moving back to Kent, Dick continued sharing his love of books by opening a shop, Richard Lindsey, Bookseller, on Main Street where he and Charlotte resided in their loft on the second floor.

Dick had three children from his first marriage: Katherine Lee Dunn, Mount Dora, Florida; Jennifer Love Lindsey, Eustis, Florida; and James Herbert Lindsey III, Candler, North Carolina. His stepchildren were William Tobin III (Terry), Navarre, Florida; Elizabeth Tobin, West Cornwall; Constance Hedden (Don), West Cornwall; Melissa Makris, Kent; and Polly Goddard (Andy), Harwich, Massachusetts. He enjoyed multiple grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Dick will be remembered as a kind, thoughtful, intelligent man who served his country and his community in the same way his served his family — with deep commitment requiring no fanfare or accolades. For many years he served locally as Treasurer for the Veterans Memorial Committee, Kent Historical Society, Chamber of Commerce, and Kent Memorial Library. He was an avid fan and often owner of old cars, preferably a Packard, and was co-chair of the Annual Kent Car Show Committee. He had a passion for photography, and of course, reading. The Lindseys were also members of an area Unitarian Fellowship.

While employed as Business Manager and Assistant Treasurer of Kent School, Dick often spent weekends increasing his late father's business of buying and sell-

A private service will be held in July. In lieu of flowers, donations in Dick's memory may be made to: Veterans Memorial Committee, Kent Town Hall, P.O. Box 678, Kent, CT, 06757 or Kent Historical Society, 4 Studio Hill Road, Kent, CT, 06757.

The story of the very first veterans' group

By RILEY KLEIN  
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NORTH CANAAN, Conn. — The fight for veteran's rights is one that has persisted throughout the history of the United States. To acknowledge this ongoing effort, North Canaan's town historian, Kathryn Boughton, gave a presentation at the Douglas Library on the original veterans' association in the nation on Friday, May 12.

Membership of this post peaked in the 1890s with 50 members.

Following the conclusion of the Civil War, the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) was formed. This groundbreaking organization that championed veterans' assistance was the first of its kind.

In addition to supporting their fellow veterans, the GAR also honored gravestones each year on Memorial Day.

Boughton informed the group of 20 attendees that the GAR first formed in Illinois in 1866. She called it, "the most significant social welfare organization of the 19th century."

"Memorial Day evolved out of the Civil War," said Boughton. "This was the big day for the post here. They would go around and they would mark the graves."

Boughton explained that many veterans of the Civil War struggled with the same challenges that face veterans today and that the GAR existed to alleviate those burdens. Living with permanent disabilities, mental health challenges and financial difficulties all fell under the purview of the GAR.

Over time, activity in the group faded as the initial group of veterans aged.

"The veterans felt very much isolated in this pool of complacent citizens," said Boughton. "The only other people that they had to talk to that understood what they had gone through and could help them were other veterans."

"Membership weaned through death, disease and disinterest. By 1918 only four to eight veterans were showing up for meetings," said Boughton.

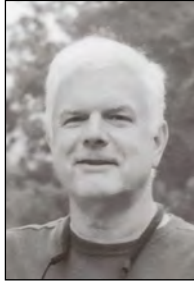
In North Canaan, 100 men were sent to fight in the Civil War and 25 of them came home with life-altering injuries. In 1883, the Colonel David Cole GAR post was established to offer support.

"Then we reach the end in 1933. The last two members of David S. Cole's GAR turned over the entirety of the post's cash reserves, some \$97, to the newly formed American Legion," said Boughton. "Within months, both were dead. Their last duties had been performed."

The group met weekly at the old town hall's armory.

James Curtiss

NORFOLK — James Curtiss, 65, of Norfolk, passed away May 7, 2023.



Born on Dec. 13, 1957, in Sharon, Jim was the son of the late James and Theresa Nielsen Curtiss. He graduated from North-western Regional #7 and began his career in construction, learning his trade from both his father and his late uncle, Francis Curtiss, who he fondly thought of as a second father.

he always did his best to help anyone in need.

He is survived by his two sisters, Catherine Dauphinais of Norfolk, and Theresa Harrington (David) of The Woodlands, Texas. He is also survived by six nieces and nephews, Brian, Meghan, Kathryn, Andrew, Parker, and Lauren and by three great nieces.

There will be a graveside service at St. Mary's Cemetery on May 20, 2023, at 11 a.m. Kenny Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made online to A Good Dog Rescue at www.agooddogrescue.org.

OUR TOWNS

Murder and mayhem revisited in new book

By JOHN COSTON  
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Margery Metzger

FALLS VILLAGE, Conn. — Margery Metzger had been a social worker and mediator in her professional career, and about five years ago began a life of retirement in Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

During a book talk on Saturday, May 6, at the David M. Hunt Library, Metzger talked to a small group about her second career as a true crime writer.

Metzger's book, "Hidden Demons" (WildBlue Press, 2023), is a tale that will jog the memories of anyone living the southern Berkshires of Massachusetts in the mid-1990s.

write this book," Metzger said. "It came in dribs and drabs. It was not easy to get the information."

The subtitle, "Evil Visits a Small New England Town," is a precis for the main topic of her book.

The book is a trove of detail about the crimes, the people involved and the investigations.

On Jan. 7, 1994, dread descended on Berkshire County, when a group of horrific crimes came into focus more or less all at once. On that day, the trial began for Wayne Lo, a student at Simon's Rock College of Bard in Great Barrington, who had gone on a campus shooting spree with an assault rifle he had easily purchased locally with no questions asked.

The attempted kidnapping of the young girl had repercussions for the investigation. In a short time, police started to pursue a suspect who was linked to the disappearance of a young boy who earlier had vanished from a strip mall in Pittsfield.

Prosecutors would later come to see that the Simon's Rock murder and mayhem was a precursor to today's school shootings.

Metzger narrates how authorities ultimately linked a man, Lewis Lent Jr., a serial killer, to cases of other disappeared children.

Metzger also chronicles two other events on that same day. First, two young girls were accosted by a man in the dressing room at the local pool. Then, a 12-year-old on her way to school in Pittsfield was approached by a man with a gun who tried to kidnap her right off the sidewalk.

"Law enforcement and the judiciary did a wonderful job," Metzger said. "The important thing is that justice was served."

"It took me five years to

Aside from its retelling of crimes committed, with elaborate detail in some cases that is included in explicit confessions, "Hidden Demons" serves as a solid historical record of people and events that occurred in this otherwise idyllic Berkshire Hills town in the mid-1990s, especially the story of the capture and conviction of a serial child killer.

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Walter C. Hall

KENT — Walter C. Hall, 86, of Kent, passed away May 13, 2023, at Geer Village in North Canaan. He was the loving husband of the late Carol O'Brien Hall.

Walter was born Oct. 13, 1936, in Torrington, the son of the late Donald and Mildred (Edwards) Hall. Walter graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School with the class of 1954. After graduation he attended Henry Abbott Technical School in Danbury. Upon completing technical school Walter married Carol on May 19, 1956. He was a carpenter, who early in his career worked with Joe Gawel construction in Kent; then partnered with John Grusauski; and eventually

became an independent and self-employed carpenter.

He is survived by a sons, Donald Hall and Sue Sherman of Torrington; Richard and Nicolette Hall of Enfield; Stephen and Cheryl Hall of Tennessee, Katherine (Hall) and Nathan Totten of Kent; 12 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren. Walter is preceded in death by his daughter Elizabeth Ann Hall, sisters Elenor and Donna, daughter-in-law's Diane Hall and Linda Hall.

A private grave site service will be held at Good Hill cemetery in Kent. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kent Volunteer Fire Dept. The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

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Ryder Charpentier of the Taconic Cardinals hits a single on Saturday, May 13, at Eddie Collins Park in a game against the Webutuck Minors team Savarese Septic Service.



PHOTO BY KELLY MILANO

Anthony Russo pitches for Webutuck on Saturday.

## Community celebrates at Webutuck High School



Matthew Enes, 11, demonstrates his karate routine, which began with a knife in each hand. In the background are Jaylinn Bauza, 8, Mercedes Brito, and Jason Bauza.



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Mauricio Garces, left, with Adriana Villarreal and Luis Villarreal, pose in the midst of a lineup of fancy cars at Community Day on Saturday, May 13.



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### Coach talk

Webutuck Coach Chris Milano makes a visit to the mound to talk with Cody Deister during a Webutuck Minors game Saturday, May 13.

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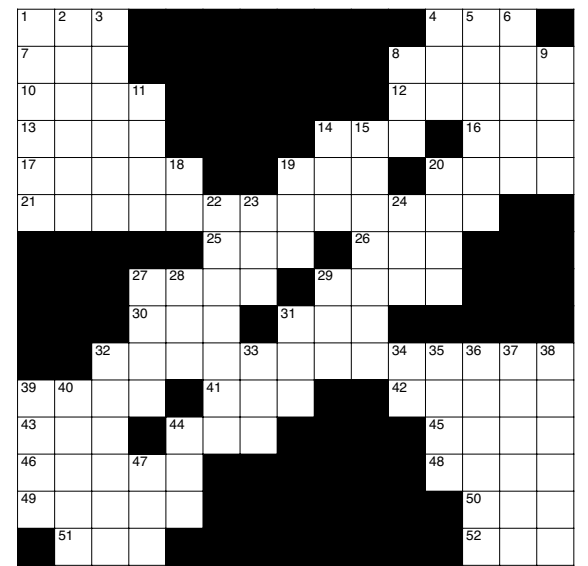
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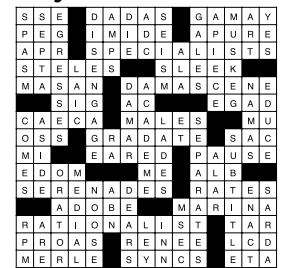
### CLUES ACROSS

- Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- Chinese philosophical principle
- Branch
- Jewish spiritual leader
- Slang for requests
- "So Human An Animal" author
- Rocker Billy
- British Air Aces
- Type of tree
- "Tough Little Boys" singer Gary
- State attorneys
- Goddess of fertility
- Localities
- Beloved singer Charles
- Clue
- Ridge of jagged rock below sea surface
- Helsinki neighborhood
- Farm resident
- Ocean
- Where ballplayers work
- Unable to hear
- Cool!
- Cape Verde capital
- One point north of due east
- Kilo yard (abbr.)
- Middle Eastern nation
- It yields Manila hemp
- People operate it (abbr.)
- Regenerate
- Not healthy
- Chinese sword
- Mild expression of surprise



- Systems, doctrines, theories
- Stony waste matter
- Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
- Hostile to others
- U.S. State
- Not wet
- Something one thinks up
- Where beer is made
- Clumsy person
- Belonging to us
- Canadian flyers
- Greek goddess of the dawn
- Snakelike fish
- Unhappy
- Fruit
- Not good
- Zero degrees Celsius
- Goo Goo Dolls' hit
- Crawls into the head (folklore)
- Legally responsible
- Move in a playful way
- Regarded with deep affection
- Partner to flowed
- Native American tribe
- Head honcho

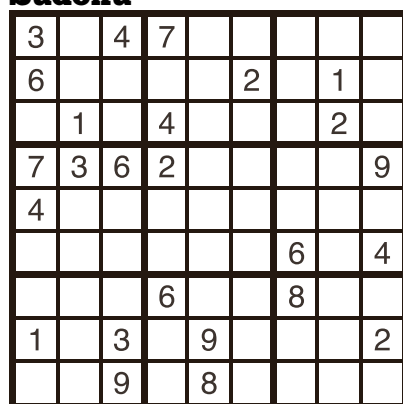
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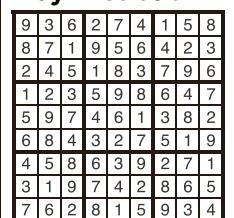
### CLUES DOWN

- Unit of angle
- Headgear to control a horse
- Clots
- Follows sigma
- A woman who is the superior of a group of nuns
- Greek units of weight
- Radio direction finder (abbr.)

### Sudoku



### May 11 Solution



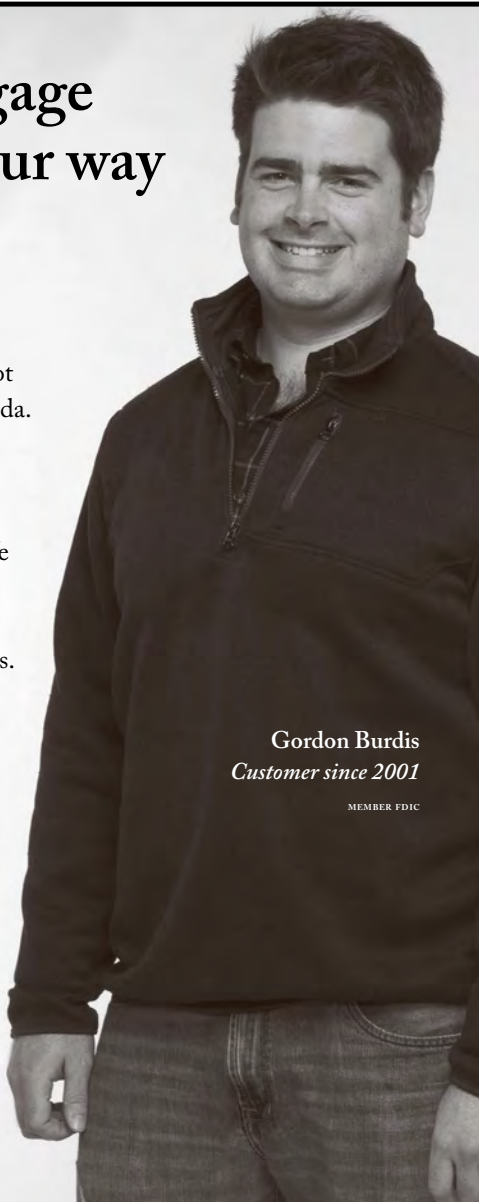
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From left, Kardash with Helen Hamada, showing some of the puzzles being created for Take Out Toys, which is set to begin on Saturday, July 1, at Millbrook Library.

to various cultures or different interests. Some of the puzzles were actually done from drawings made by 3- to 8-year-old children, but the puzzles are for young people of all ages.

Take Out Toys will be part of the summer program at the Millbrook Library designed for children of various ages, called All Together Now. Starting Saturday, July 1, Kardash will meet with children on the lawn at the Millbrook

Library from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a display of images of the puzzles, and children and their parents can choose a puzzle to borrow, take home, solve and then return.

Tables will be available so children can play with the puzzles while at the library. There will also be an easel and blank plywood for those youngsters who want to get creative and join in making the puzzles, using markers

and paints. The creation will then be cut into puzzle pieces by Kardash, and it will be available on the next Saturday.

Take Out Toys is self-funded by local artisans; after the summer program ends, the puzzles will become part of the library's permanent collection.

His love for children has led this Armenian artist, author and sculptor — who has had an installation in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine

and whose sculptures have been captured by photographers from around the world — to want to share his love of art and creativity with the area's children this summer. He hopes the idea of Take Out Toys will entice other libraries as well.

To learn more about Millbrook Library programs or to register for a particular program, go to millbrooklibrary.org or call 845-677-3611.



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Members of the band Everything Else, from left: Cary Marks, Joe Karlick, Cliff Chapman, Wayne Tucker, Tim O'Leary and Pat Falciano. With the sound system manager in front of the band and music lovers all around, Millbrook's Franklin Avenue rocked a little bit British on Saturday, May 13, in front of George T. Whalen's Insurance Agency.

## British Invasion on Franklin Avenue?

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE  
judithb@millertonnews.com

MILLBROOK — People shopping along Franklin Avenue on Saturday, May 13, were treated to a little more than good weather and Millbrook hospitality: They also had music, much of it from the era of the British rock invasion of the 1960s, interspersed with songs from this side of the pond such as "California Dreamin'" by the Mamas and the Papas and Roy Orbison's "Pretty Woman."

There were a few people dancing; many people brought chairs; and the sidewalk in front of George T. Whalen Insurance, as well as the surrounding area, was populated with music lovers who were bobbing their heads and tapping their feet

to the tunes.

The first concert of free music, dubbed Spring Fling, was presented by the Millbrook Arts Group (MAG). The band Everything Else played with great energy from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with just a few short breaks. Coming out of LaGrange and advertising themselves as "The British Invasion Experience—and Beyond," the group sported a sign claiming they were on the "Virus Recovery Tour."

MAG will be presenting these free Saturday outdoor concerts on Franklin Avenue in front of Whalen's Insurance as well as the regular summer concert series on Saturday evenings during the summer. MAG recently sponsored Poetry Month in Millbrook, and will be a part of the Upstate Art Weekend in July.

**MEETING** *Continued from Page A1*

long-eared bat populations, all that remains for Carson Power and the planning board is to receive word from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on habitat impact.

According to Frank Fish, a consultant to the Board from BFJ Planners, pending that information and the creation of an application appendix that includes Allen's visual presentation, "the record is nearly complete" on the application. The board will hold a final public hearing for the project on Saturday, June 10, at 10:30 a.m. at the Pine Plains Free Library, 7775 S. Main St.

A long and heated discussion of the CEEN Properties change of use application ensued, which would see the former dairy barn at 2775 Church St. used, in part, for dry goods cannabis manufacturing. A prolonged back-and-forth between the board, town attorney Warren Replansky and Wesley Chase, who was representing the applicants, revolved around the incomplete state of the application, the confus-

ing approval process from the nascent Office of Cannabis Management, and the convoluted nature of the ownership of the involved businesses.

A public hearing was set for the project on Wednesday, June 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Pine Plains Town Hall, 3284 Route 199.

The board also granted a request from the Stissing Center (TSC) to extend the use of a temporary roof the building has in place while it prepares for renovations. Executive Director Brett Bernardini and Doug Larson, lead architect on the TSC's renovations and director of architecture and design at Larson Architecture Works, provided a comprehensive site plan update for the renovations, which the board approved in 2016, and received updates on in 2018 and 2022.

The project is set to begin in September or October, and will take an estimated nine to 12 months to complete (see

the "Stissing Center renovation in the works" from the March 30 edition of the Millerton News for more details).

As the last item of business, the board began consideration of an application from Stewart's Shops for the proposed construction of a 4,000 square-foot store at the current Pine Plains Stewart's location. Stewart's was granted a setback variance for the project from the town's zoning board of appeals on April 24, though the official resolution has not yet been accepted.

At the request of the board, Stewart's will provide the board with the alternative site plans it developed

that would comply with Pine Plains' 2019 Comprehensive Plan. Planning board Chairman Michael Stabile made note of the fact that Stewart's had received approval for purchase of additional land from the planning board last year under the explicit understanding that it had no plans to expand its store.

Stabile indicated that if Stewart's had been more upfront with its plans, the board might have been able to advise the company more thoroughly.

Additional updates and discussion of the Stewart's expansion will occur at the board's next meeting on Wednesday, June 21.

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### Master Gardeners to hold spring plant sale

MILLBROOK — Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County will hold its Master Gardener spring plant sale Friday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, May 20, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the front lawn of the Dutchess County Farm and Home Center, 2715 Route 44.

The sale will feature a variety of annuals, perennials, vegetables and herbs, which are all grown by Master Gardener volunteers. Volunteers will be present at the sale to answer gardening questions and help with plant selections.

The sale will be held rain or shine. For more information and a complete list of available plants, go to ccedcmg.wordpress.com or call 845-677-8223.



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Clockwise from left, Rod Christensen, Carl Andress and Michael Kevin Baldwin.



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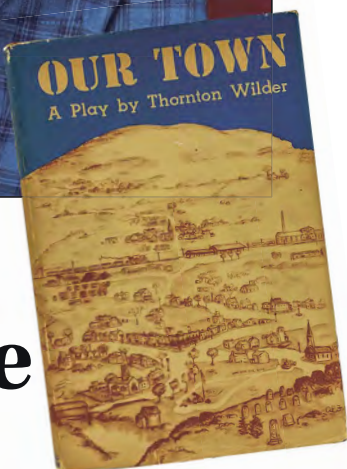
## Our Town Stage

Up in the Berkshires and its surrounding areas, the start of summer means the start of summer-stock theater. Before the curtains of the Sharon Playhouse in Sharon, Conn., officially open at the end of June with the Elizabethan-set musical comedy "Something Rotten!" the nonprofit community theater will host a one-night reading of "Ms. Holmes and Ms. Watson, Apt. 2B" starring Lauren Ambrose and Gretchen Mol on May 26. Ambrose, who starred last year in Sharon Playhouse's staged reading of David Adjmi's comedy "Marie Antoinette," recently wrapped up the M. Night Shyamalan-produced Apple+ series "Servant"

and currently stars in the Emmy-nominated Showtime series "Yellowjackets." Mol was recently the special guest at The Moviehouse in Millerton, N.Y., for the theatrical release of the Sundance film "Palm Trees and Power Lines."

Written by Kate Hamill, "Ms. Holmes and Ms. Watson" is one of the playwright's many adaptations of classic literature, which have included a feminist revision of Bram Stoker's "Dracula" and a well-reviewed production of Jane Austen's "Sense and Sensibility" with the Bedlam Theater Company in New York City.

"We asked both Lauren Ambrose and Gretchen Mol if they wanted to do a series



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of readings, and they came back and said they wanted to do something together, which was great fun," said Carl Andress, The Playhouse's new artistic director, who will oversee the reading. A producer and director of both stage and screen, Andress, who now lives with his husband in Kent, Conn., is embarking on

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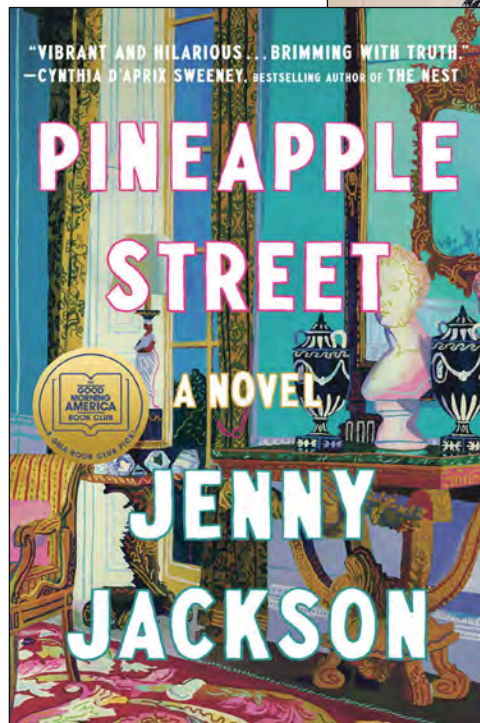


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**BOOKS: ALEXANDER WILBURN**

## A Wealth of Inspiration

Sasha is in trouble. In Jenny Jackson's debut novel "Pineapple Street" the thirty-something has moved to the "fruit district" of the pricey Brooklyn Heights neighborhood in New York City, just below Orange and Cranberry Street, via a seemingly benevolent real estate windfall. Her husband's generationally-wealthy WASP parents have absconded their four-story limestone and left the property to the newlyweds. The caveat being of course, that Sasha's in-laws can drop by anytime, leave all their belongings there, and keep a watchful eye over the former-family home to ensure nothing changes. After all, who would want to remodel their oh-so-nautical decor? In Jackson's comedy of manners, money, and marble countertops, inheritance always comes with strings — and relatives — attached.

A Vice President and Executive Editor at

Alfred A. Knopf, Jackson, like her characters, is a resident of Brooklyn Heights and used her downtime during the pandemic to put her observations regarding the borough's less than sympathetic 1% class to use as she penned her first novel.

"When we were all shut down, and we weren't going to parties, and we weren't going out to lunch, and we weren't meeting, I felt this weird, psychic backlog of energy," Jackson said to Salisbury, Conn., based novelist Helen Klein Ross during an author talk at The White Hart Inn, also in Salisbury. "I wanted to make someone laugh, have some harmless gossip, and do the fun, intellectual flirting that you do in the real world as an agent when you're trying to make exciting things happen. Writing 'Pineapple Street' became an act of wish fulfillment."

Jackson's work is part social fantasy — for every nightmare scenario, there is still plenty to envy — and social commentary on the familial grip on wealth. "I think Millennials are

in a very unique and strange position. The Baby Boomers are going to be passing down \$68 trillion to their children and grandchildren. This is an unprecedented level of inherited wealth," Jackson said. Despite the limitations set by the financial hardships that the majority of the Millennial generation has faced by living through two national recessions during their prime earning years, a select few are set to inherit so much family money that Forbes reported that they will become (by the average, not the median) the richest generation in American history.

"The way tax structures are arranged in America means that these dynastic families are going to be responsible for keeping a good portion of that \$68 trillion passed down to their immediate descendants. The scale of the inheritance is brand new. And Millennials have seen income inequality increase in a way the previous generation haven't. They are more versed in the nuances of it. I see people younger than me grappling with questions about wealth disparity that I didn't in my twenties and thirties."

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*Wedding Cake IV* by Nikko Sedgwick

### Escher String Quartet

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### Art Openings

The Re Institute in Millerton, N.Y., will open with two shows on Saturday, May 27. "Material Sustenance" will feature work by Frank Jackson, Tom Woldenberg, Jonathan Fabricant, and Russell Steinart, while work by painter Nikko Sedgwick will be on display in the downstairs gallery.

### Simon Winchester

Joe Donahue, host of NPR's "The Book Show," will interview author Simon Winchester on his new book "Knowing What We Know," as part of The White Hart Speaker Series on Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m., at The White Hart Inn in Salisbury, Conn. Register is through Oblong Books at [www.oblongbooks.com](http://www.oblongbooks.com)

### ART: LEILA HAWKEN

## The Private Rooms of Painters

The local art scene was well represented at the opening of the latest juried exhibit at the Sharon Historical Society in Sharon, Conn., on Saturday, May 13. The show is titled "A Room of One's Own."

At first look, each piece of art interprets the show's title from a vastly different perspective, but the sense of community felt among the artists and friends who gathered in celebration brought the show together. The historical society gallery had become a room belonging to the town.

Fifteen artists had submitted a total of 27 works to the exhibit that was judged by Jack Geary of Millerton, N.Y., who moved the contemporary art gallery, simply called Geary, he owns with his wife Dolly Bross Geary, from New York City's Lower East Side to Millerton's Main Street in 2022.

Winning First Prize in the show was Colleen McGuire's "Still Life

with Fishbowl," an oil on wood panel, depicting an invitingly private home space containing an aquarium with two goldfish in the foreground.

"I'm very honored and appreciative of the historical society supporting local artists. When I learned the theme, I knew I had to enter this piece. It's a personal space," McGuire said.

The second prize went

to "Bath," an acrylic on wood panel painted by E. Tilly Strauss, and the third went to "Morning Milking," an oil by Wayne Jenkins.

The Crowd Pleaser award, by a vote of those in attendance, was won by Laura Polirer for her "Shoes," an acrylic on rag matboard.

On view at The Sharon Historical Society through July 7.



PHOTO BY LEILA HAWKEN

Juried show winner Colleen McGuire

## ...our town stage

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his first year with The Playhouse, along with Rod Christensen, the new managing director, who had previously been executive director and director of education at TADA! Youth Theater in New York City.

After the reading the team will have to kick into gear as rehearsals begin for the season's mainstage productions, which include the dueling exclamation points of "Something Rotten!" and "Oliver!" along with Thornton Wilder's classic, "Our Town," and John D'Agata and Jim Fingal's more recent "The Lifespan of A Fact." Known talents like Ambrose and Mol aside, it would seem the area has no shortage of would-be thespians to fill the ensembles.

"We were gobsmacked — we saw over 200 people locally between the adult and youth auditions," Andress said.

Michael Kevin Baldwin returns this year as the associate artistic director and director of education. In addition

to heading the Summer Youth Productions, he's overseeing the 20 young actors, from ages nine to 17, who will inhabit the roles of Fagin's pickpocketing band of orphans in the stage adaptations of Charles Dickens's classic novel.

"I have to tip my hat to Michael because he's training them very, very well at the beginning of their careers, if they want to continue in youth productions, or school productions, or even want to go professional," Andress said. "I just heard him say at the auditions, 'Put your hand on your heart and know you're all talented and you're all brave for being here because this is not an easy thing to do and it can be scary.'"

Baldwin added, "I also told them the personal true story of when I auditioned for 'Oliver!' at TriArts [the former incarnation of The Playhouse] when I was 13 and I didn't get cast."

Well-known productions like "Our Town

and "Oliver!" — which had a Broadway run, several revivals and a 1963 Best Picture-winning screen adaptation — cater to the Playhouse's family-friendly and admittedly conservative audience, as Christensen put it, but there's still room for the theater to experiment with more challenging work. "People do love the big razzle-dazzle musicals for sure, the nostalgic go-to's," said Christensen. "But there is an appetite for more niche theater, like the production of 'A Raisin in The Sun' last year, and perhaps 'The Lifespan Of A Fact' this September will fit the bill."

Outside of the staged reading, official casting announcements haven't been made public, but in the meantime, Baldwin could at least tease. "I'll go on the record and say, as someone who has been involved with The Playhouse for years, this is one of the most exciting seasons of talent that I've ever experienced."

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OUR TOWNS

# Farmers market to head outside

By CAROL KNEELAND  
Special to The Millerton News

MILLERTON — In a sure sign that summer is on the way, the Millerton Farmers Market, sponsored by the North East Community Center (NECC), is moving back on Saturday, May 20, to its outdoor home in Veteran's Park at the corner of Dutchess Avenue and Main Street after spending the winter months in the hospitable shelter of the Millerton United Methodist Church at that same location.

Hours will continue to run every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with many of the same vendors offering everything from fruits and vegetables to meat, cheese, breads, other baked goods and even prepared dishes, depending on what is available throughout the changing season.

The complete list of the 10 to 15 weekly participants is not available as of press time, as



PHOTO BY ELIAS SORICH

Andres Vialpando, left, and Niharika Vialpando, owners of NickyDi's Spices, serving pork dumplings at the Millerton Farmers Market during the village's Earth Day celebration on Saturday, April 22.

those interested in selling may still apply at [neccmillerton.org/farmers-market](http://neccmillerton.org/farmers-market) where the full listing will eventually be posted.

Director Paul Bengston said the first opportunities for sales will go to those whose products are "organic and

sustainable," but others are welcome, with some being "full-season" with others rotating in on a scheduled basis.

A community table will again be available for local not-for-profit groups, and special events will provide variety. "Well-behaved pets"

on leashes are welcome.

Bengston is overseeing the behind-the-scenes operation as the NECC seeks a new manager for the "day of" activities. Two paid food-access interns from the NECC teen program complete the market's team.

Among other duties, they help with the children's table and distribute the tokens that shoppers obtain through credit cards or the SNAP program and then use when making purchases from individual vendors.

SNAP, which stands for Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program, is managed through the Berkshire Agricultural Ventures Market Match and now provides dollar-for-dollar matches up to \$30 for a total of \$60, which helps make the healthful local products more accessible to all.

For further information, call Bengston at 518-789-4259.



PHOTOS BY JUDITH O'HARA BALFE

Painting of birds by Poughkeepsie artist Fred Fodora, currently on display at the Millbrook Library.

## Birds with an attitude, mainly

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE  
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MILLBROOK — The Millbrook Library has an exhibit on display by Fred Fodora that should appeal to bird lovers. Including many images of birds, the paintings are cheerful and reminiscent of summer.

According to Kristin Perkins, who is the library's adult programs coordinator: "Patrons and library staff alike have been cheered by Fred Fodora's paintings this month. With vivid colors and scenes of nature, they feel perfect for spring." They are lively, with greenery and colorful flowers, and the birds are a bit whimsical.

Fodora, who lives in Poughkeepsie, has been painting for more than 20 years. His favor-

ite subjects are nature, and all who live in it. Using acrylics on canvas or panels, he has painted portraits of children and pets, including dogs, cats, ferrets, birds and an iguana, selling well over 100 of them. He has had exhibits at the East Fishkill, Grinnell, Pleasant Valley and Stanfordville libraries.

On Saturday, June 10, at 4 p.m. there will be a reception for the opening of the next exhibit by LongReach Arts, which will run through July. LongReach Arts is an artists' cooperative in the Hudson Valley, active since 1982 when it was founded as Summer-Group. The artists are well-known and their works are represented both here in the U.S. and abroad.

The library will also be participating in the Upstate Art Weekend on Saturday, July 22, and Sunday, July 23.

# Millbrook has new deputy mayor; village traffic-code change approved

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE  
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MILLBROOK — Peter Doro is the new deputy mayor of the Village of Millbrook, appointed by Mayor Tim Collopy at the board of trustees meeting on Wednesday, May 10. Trustee Vicky Contino was thanked for her term of service in the position prior to Doro's appointment.

St. Joseph-Immaculate Conception Church asked for a public assembly permit for Sunday, June 11, at 1:15 p.m. for the procession in celebration of Corpus Christi. The procession will March up Franklin Avenue and then process back down Merritt Avenue. The permit was approved.

Climate Smart Resiliency Planning was one of the main topics of the meeting and a presentation on it came from Gillian Mathews, the natural resources educator at the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County (CCE). Mathews discussed the Climate Smart Resiliency Planning Tool (CSRPT), which asks questions about a municipality's hazard risk assessment.

Fire department President Matt Rochfort and fire Chief Dominic Boscardin announced that this year's fire department block party will take place on Thursday, July

6, Friday, July 7, and Saturday, July 8, in front of the Front Street Fire Department, with food, games, a bounce house, music, food and drink. The Dutchess County Volunteer Fireman's Convention Parade will be on Saturday, July 8, at 6 P.M.

Board of education (BOE) President Perry Hartswick was present, as much discussion has been taking place concerning traffic, parking and school buses, especially on Elm Drive and Alden Place. The outcome of the evening's discussion is that the mayor and the deputy mayor will work, with input from the

public, on proposals for solutions and then will be in touch with the BOE.

A public hearing was opened for any further input on amended proposals to the changes in the Village traffic codes. The changes from April's meeting per the traffic codes were a one-hour expansion of the on-street snow ordinance, making it no parking after midnight instead of 1 a.m..

The other was to reinstate the hours of no parking on Elm Drive back to 8:30- 9:30 a.m., and 3-4 p.m. The village attorney discussed the need for a SEQR resolution; that

done, a resolution was made to adopt the amended Village Code.

The next Village of Millbrook Trustee meeting is on Wednesday, June 14, at 6 p.m. at the Millbrook Fire Department, 20 Front St., or on YouTube.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### Legal Notice

Notice of Formation of RD Fab, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/23/23. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to RD Fab, LLC. 215 Perrys Corners Rd., Amenia, NY 12501. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Planning Board of the Town of North East on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at the NorthEast-Millerton Library Annex, 28 Century Blvd., Millerton, NY at 8:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the application of 182 Route 44 East LLC for Site Plan Approval for North East Ford - Building Addition on Tax Parcel #7271-00-739225 located at 182 Route 44, Millerton, NY in the BD-5 Zoning District of the Town of North East.

The above application is open for inspection at the TownHallorviaemail. Please request a copy by emailing the Planning Board office at [pb@townofnortheastny.gov](mailto:pb@townofnortheastny.gov) or calling 518-789-3300, Ext. 608.

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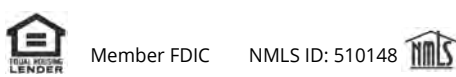
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EDITORIAL

Back to the library

This week The Millerton News is pleased to print a special section for readers that serves as a rich resource guide for our towns and villages. The supplement, included in this edition, comes with a focus on libraries in our communities, but it also provides a valuable and convenient listing of other resources.

The attention to libraries is our way of paying tribute to the outstanding service provided by our local libraries. But this supplement also offers a comprehensive listing of key services ranging from phone numbers for your town clerk to the names and phone numbers of your elected representatives, whether its local, regional, state or federal offices.

There are contacts for police and fire emergency services, and for health care services. We also provide information for historical societies, schools and colleges (both public and private), contacts for churches and synagogues. There are listings for parks and recreation and for your transfer station.

The supplement also contains an Advertising Index that provides a resource for the broad variety of business services in our region.

Of course the library numbers are in there, too. In an introduction to the Towns and Villages supplement, we note that the library today has become a community fixture, still a place where the traditional library users come to read, study, work and learn — on top of a long list of other offerings at today's modern library. But even more is happening at the library. In an online age, these buildings have become the meeting place to discuss important issues before the community.

"In the age of 24/7 social media communications, the online library is replacing some of the functions of the old public library. But it appears that actual public libraries are on the rise. New libraries are being built. Old ones are renovated. The primary need seems to be a place for increased social and community outreach — for gatherings of people, clubs and students," said Dr. Oliver Hedgepeth, a professor at American Public University, an online institution.

Our Towns and Villages supplement contains small profiles of 11 libraries in our Northwest Connecticut and Eastern Dutchess County locale. The brief write-ups are written by the staff of The Millerton News and The Lakeville Journal, whose bylines you will find familiar because these same correspondents also provide the main news and feature coverage for our readers week in and week out.

Each library has its own story to tell, whether its about a new addition or its hundreds of years of existence.

Read about these special places on the New York side of our border in Amenia, Millbrook, Millerton/North East, Pine Plains and Stanford. On the Connecticut landscape, we have reports on Canaan/Falls Village, Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury and Sharon.

National Library Week was celebrated in the last week of April. The theme this year was: "There's More to the Story." Aside from catering to readers with books, magazines, newspapers, CDs, book clubs, movie streaming and a litany of online resources, they also serve as gathering places, social forums for all age groups.

Please take a look at the Towns and Villages extra in this week's edition. It's a kind of library resource itself.



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Ready for summer

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Wildernesses destroyed

A VIEW FROM THE EDGE

Peter Riva

In the '60s and '70s, the leader of the capitalist, commercial, world, America, played a heavy hand in allowing a pristine wilderness to be opened up. Under the guise of bringing civilization and commerce to underprivileged people and gaining access to Brazil's untapped wealth, our senators and Dept. of Commerce committees approved, loaned the money for and patted themselves on the back for a series of developments in the Amazon rain forest: first the Pan-Amazon Highway, then the pipeline, next a massive dam, and, finally, a stream of under-privileged workers allotted jungle land for crop production.

By now, most of you reading this will know what a farce this turned out to be. The riches amounted to gold mines where slave labor and heavy mercury pollutants procure ore for a select few of Brazil's richest families and banks. The road cut through, divided and, importantly, allowed access to German, Japanese and American logging companies, stripping the rainforest of unique and non-replaceable species and habitat. The farming amounted to grassland that produces pestilence-ridden cattle at a steer per-acre rate that falls short of West Texas. The energy produced by one of the world's largest dams is devoted to industry on the coast, leaving the Indians, whose land was stolen, often without even a light bulb, although they were told they would be "uplifted" into the 21st Century.

The point is, even knowing the lies of the Amazon, knowing our governmental and industrial role in all this, we then had senior U.S. officials in the White House happily referring to a new jungle-cutting pipeline, this time in West Africa. Potential? Yes, for utter destruction, corruption and corporate greed. Under the guise of the World Bank and the World Trade Organization (you remember them, they refuse to allow members of the public access to their secret talks and plotting), Exxon Mobil, Chevron and Petronas (a Malaysian oil company) they agreed to spend \$3.5 billion building a pipeline from Chad through Cameroon to a coast supertanker depot at Kribi. The amount they set aside for environmental clean-up? \$1 million. Yes, it's a joke.

And so now comes the East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP), a \$4 billion proposal for a pipeline stretching from Lake Albert in Uganda, stretching 900 miles through pristine wildlife sanctuaries in Tanzania to the coast's Port of Tanga. Oh, and that part of Tanzania's coast? Home to the Dugong, sea-swimming crocs, and incredible coral reefs. Kiss them all goodbye. Who is paying for this pillage? China has a 35% stake along with the French company Total, 5% to Tanzania, and a 10% stake from the Uganda government.

Let's put aside the idiocy of allowing the threat of environmental degradation to transpire on the coast of one of the world's last great pristine marine ecosystems. Let's look at that pipeline. To make the path for the pipeline, you need to first cut down all the trees, bulldoze all the streams, ponds and migratory waterways and, not least, put down that all-important roadbed: concrete. Like a prison wall in an instant, gone will be millennia worth of paths, migratory routes and native, tribal, sovereignty. Do you honestly think the remaining ancestors of the slaves, east and west coasts of Africa, will have any rights or might when it comes to billions being spent?

The environment is a critical factor for all human life. However, once again, lobbied interests have secured the support from the last White House for a development that every scientist and environmentalist group has pronounced as fundamentally insane. In Alaska, the oil pipeline was made to go over, around and, in some cases, make way for migratory herds and yet it still causes environmental degradation. In a West Africa jungle or plains of East Africa, the danger is the worse, especially since such a roadway is a haven for two particular enterprises: poaching and logging. You can kiss the gorilla, black rhino, elephant, and chimpanzees of those regions goodbye.

Start booking a tourist visit of the hitherto private and secretive pygmy people, the Bagueli, who, like the American Indian, will be forced to dance for dollars. And you

can expect garden furniture and plywood made from the heartwood of old growth forests of the Cameroons. Like the Pan-Amazon highway, the feeder roads and total access to the "jungle" will follow in quick succession and the rape will be complete.

In case you are thinking this is good for the people of those nations, think again. Chad is known to have one of the most corrupt ruling families in Africa. Cameroon is not much better, nor are Uganda or Tanzania. Maybe some people will be employed as laborers during construction and, in their hard hats and uniforms, they will be the picture of new prosperity on TV.

In the Amazon, the same uniforms years later were cut into loincloths and the hard hats used as dinner bowls. It's all a matter of time. About the same time as the jungle groans its last unique breath, the workers will be poor again. The difference? The jungle that could always be relied upon to provide a sustainable living will have been pillaged, raped. So go ahead, enjoy your cheap gas. You are getting what you pay for: exploitation of the environment and new slavery for the ancestors of much of our silenced global population.

Peter Riva, a former resident of Amenia Union, now lives in New Mexico

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Molinaro and the nation's default crisis

Our country is facing a default crisis caused by Speaker McCarthy's bill that would allow the federal government to pay its debts (as Republicans have voted to do whenever their party controls the White House) only on the condition that drastic budgetary cuts be made. Those cuts would mean slashing funds for: nutritional assistance for poor mothers and infants, cancer research, air traffic control, Head Start and other educational programs, and processing Social Security Claims.

Most Americans do not support defaulting on our country's debt — causing widespread economic hardships. And I do not believe that most Americans support Speaker McCarthy's holding our country's economic stability hostage so that he can ram through budgetary cuts that would satisfy his most extreme right-wing supporters (on whom he depends to maintain his speakership) but would have a devastating effect on so many people — especially seniors, children and other vulnerable Americans. As District 18 Congressman Pat Ryan has said: these cuts "are just cruel, and they would have catastrophic consequences for American families."

Yet Congressman Molinaro, while acknowledging that the debt ceiling must be raised in order to avoid a default, voted for McCarthy's bill, justifying fair "negotiation" with the White House. This position is irrational on its face: if the debt ceiling must be raised, it is irresponsible to agree to do so only on certain conditions. Doing the right thing means doing the right thing — whether or not one gets something in return.

Amy Rothstein  
Pine Plains

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OUR TOWNS



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346 South Amenia Road in Amenia was built in 1975 and purchased in September 2021 for \$399,000. In 2022 the house was gutted, transformed and modernized to make it an energy-efficient smart home. Listed at \$1,495,000 in October 2022, it sold quickly for \$1,400,000.

# Recent property sales in the towns of Amenia and Washington

The Millerton News will periodically publish a listing of residential real estate sales in eastern Dutchess County. Below is a listing of residential real estate sales in the Town of Amenia during April, and the Town of Washington during March and April 2023.

**Town of Amenia April 2023**

346 South Amenia Road for \$1,400,000, 2 bedrooms/2

bathrooms/2 half-baths, sold on April 6

3465 Route 22 for \$225,000, 2 bedrooms/2 baths, sold on April 25

**Town of Washington March and April 2023**

1033 Shunpike for \$700,000 farmhouse on 10 acres, 5 bedrooms/3 baths, sold on March 28

979-9814 Shunpike for \$1,300,000 on 21 acres, 4

bedrooms/2 baths, sold on March 31

632 Route 343 for \$1,895,000 on 7 acres, 3 bedrooms/3 baths/2 half-baths, sold on April 17

April residential sales in the Town of Amenia and

March and April sales in the Town of Washington sourced from Mid-Hudson MLS.

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