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Though they're anticipating the installation of smoother sidewalks, local customers have nonetheless been making their way up and down Main Street to visit Millerton's shops during the village's sidewalk project.

Sidewalks to be like new again

By **KAITLIN LYLE**
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MILLERTON — Between the blue skies and steady sunshine, the summer weather has cooperated for the village of Millerton to move forward with its long-anticipated sidewalk replacement project. Starting Monday, May 16, the sidewalk project aims to replace a little over 1,000 feet of sidewalk on the south side of Main Street, starting at the head of the Harlem Valley Rail Trail to the corner of

Park Avenue. To ensure businesses will be able to keep welcoming customers into their stores during the project, the project's contractors have installed metal ramps with side rails to create access to the businesses. Since the concrete is weather-dependent work, Village Mayor Jenn Najdek was unable to give an exact timeline for when the project is completed. Hopefully if the weather cooperates and all goes well, she said the project will be "substantially completed by the holiday."

Facebook group works to Save the Millerton Police Dept.

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MILLERTON — A different kind of harvest has sprouted up in the village of Millerton and town of North East since Memorial Day than one typically sees in the northeastern Dutchess County community.

It's a crop of more than 200 lawn signs calling for local support of the part-time Millerton Police Department (MPD), which is facing possible dissolution. The Village Board recently proposed Local Law B; if it's adopted and ultimately passed by a mandatory referendum and future special election there will no longer be a local police force — but there will still be police coverage.

That's because the village is considering hiring the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) to protect and patrol Millerton — but



PHOTO BY JANET MANKO

This lawn sign in front of the CVS on Route 22 in Millerton in support of keeping the Millerton Police Department intact is one of more than 200 that may be seen while traveling through the village of Millerton and the town of North East, courtesy of the Save the Millerton Police Department Facebook Group.

only the village — not the town of North East. Police services for those citizens would have to be sorted out by the Town Board.

If hired, the DCSO would set up a substation where the current MPD is located at the Village Offices on North Elm Avenue (Route

22). A single deputy would serve during each shift, with three shifts rotating in the village 24/7, covering areas the board deems necessary. Residents and business owners have been invited to submit their thoughts on where patrols are most needed.

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BOE bids farewell to Martin Handler after nine years

By **KAITLIN LYLE**
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PINE PLAINS — Beyond the acclamations offered for his journey north to Oneida County, both Pine Plains Superintendent of Schools Martin Handler and the Pine Plains Board of Education (BOE) felt the sadness accompanying Handler's retirement from the

Pine Plains Central School District (CSD) at Handler's last BOE meeting on Wednesday, June 15.

Handler began his career as superintendent of schools for the Pine Plains CSD in July 2013, and announced his decision to retire from the district last May. Following Handler's official retirement on Thursday, June 30, Pine Plains Director of Curriculum and Instruc-

tion Brian Timm will step into the role of superintendent of schools on Friday, July 1.

As well as overseeing his final BOE meeting last Wednesday, Handler was also recognized as one of four Pine Plains retirees that had a book purchased and donated to the district libraries in their honor.

See **FAREWELL, A10**

Avian flu remains a concern in the Hudson Valley

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HUDSON VALLEY — The highly pathogenic avian flu continues to cost an enormous amount of money and caused a great deal of fear in the United States, and right here in the Hudson Valley. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), the first case of human H5N1 avian flu in the United States was first reported on April 28. The first reported case to involve a human was reported in China on April 26 and involved the H3N8 strain.

By the second week in May, the avian flu had already killed 37.55 million poultry in the U.S., and spread to 34 states, including New York.

As of June 1, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack said he is willing to appropriate more funds than he initially believed necessary to continue the fight the deadly disease.

An initial \$130 million was approved to give to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) to do so. By late April he added another \$263 million to those funds and at the end of May he added gave another \$400 million to the Commodity

Credit Corporation (CCC), an agency run out of APHIS. In total that brings the government's investment in fighting this disease to \$793 million.

The CCC funds several programs, such as the Farm Service Agency and the Agricultural Marketing Service and the Foreign Agricultural Service; up to \$30 billion may be borrowed from the U.S. Treasury if needed

With spring now here and summer on its way, more people are spending their free time hiking, gardening, and bird watching.

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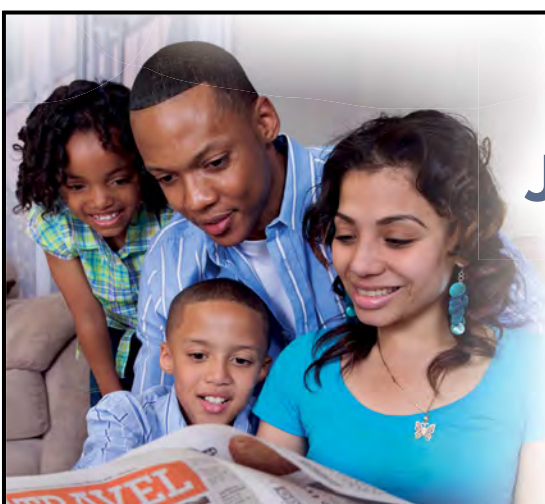
These chickens are strong and healthy, but their keeper remains on the lookout for the avian flu to make sure the flock remains so and does not catch the highly pathogenic avian flu.



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Combining safety with fun, young cyclists were invited to take part in the bicycle obstacle course set up in the Webutuck Elementary School parking lot as part of the Bicycle Rodeo & Safety Clinic.

A bike rodeo and safety clinic

By KAITLIN LYLE
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MILLERTON — In preparation for a summer of cycling, young riders were invited to bring their bikes over to the Webutuck Elementary School parking lot on Wednesday, June 15, for the Bicycle Rodeo & Safety Clinic. Organized by the Webutuck PTA and sponsored by the Millerton Police Department (MPD) in partnership with the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) and the New York State Police, the clinic welcomed children of all ages between 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

As well as learning bike safety, attending children were offered the chance to be fitted for bike helmets, have their loose biking equipment tightened and take part in a bicycle

obstacle course. In addition to Webutuck PTA President Anna Kall and Treasurer Leah Sprague, the clinic welcomed Bill Johnson from the Dutchess County Traffic Safety Board; MPD Sergeant Dave Rudin and Officers Mike Veeder and Tyler Carley; DCSO Deputies Bill McKay and John O'Brien; and NYS Trooper Pete Gallagher in attendance.

"It's about their feeling confident and learning skills," Johnson said as he watched the children zoom around the parking lot atop their bikes, "and most importantly, it's about them having a bike helmet that fits them. We focus on kids and teach them early... just to have them out, ride with their friends, build their confidence level and learn some skills."

Climate fight front and center

By KAITLIN LYLE
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MILLERTON — Local residents were inspired to get involved in combating the climate fight after tuning into Jennifer Metzger's presentation "Green the Grid & Electrify Everything" on Thursday evening, June 9.

Organized by Climate Smart Millerton and the NorthEast-Millerton as a belated Earth Day event, the presentation was arranged over Zoom at 6:30 p.m.

Thrilled to talk about a subject she was deeply passionate about, Metzger started by relaying her experience in fighting the climate fight for the last three decades.

"It's going to take all of us working together at all levels — individual, local, state on up — to address the climate crisis and make the kind of changes we need to make," Metzger said. "The solutions exist — we just have to implement them."

Metzger explained the "Green the Grid & Electrify Everything" has been developed by New Yorkers for Clean Power, whose campaign is to "shift New York State to a clean energy economy as quickly as possible." As she talked about fossil fuels and their damaging impact on the climate, environment and public health, she dove into how the state's fossil fuel dependence has big costs, such as public health costs, the costs of clean-up from fossil fuel infrastructure spills and leaks and the costs to the economy from sea-level rise, extreme heat and severe storms. In fact, Metzger said a recent analysis commissioned by the New York State Energy Research & Development Authority and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation estimates that the costs of continued reliance on fossil fuels will exceed the costs of shifting to a clean energy economy by \$90 billion

by 2050.

As far as how the state will get to a clean energy economy, Metzger shed a light on shifting to energy efficiency based technology and beneficial electrification and making sure all these technologies are powered by clean renewable energy rather than by fossil fuels. These, Metzger said, are the basic elements of New York's Draft Climate Plan, which is currently open for public comment until Friday, July 1, and she emphasized that it's important for the public to weight in since the plan is "the blueprint for achieving climate goals."

Metzger explained an analysis was done for the state for the climate action plan process, and after looking at different scenarios for meeting its goals, the conclusion that surfaced across the scenarios was that New York needs to electrify one to two million homes with heat pumps and replace three million gas vehicles on the road with electric vehicles by 2030.

In terms of where the state's emissions are coming from, she said the leading sector of emissions comes from buildings, followed by transportation, electricity, waste, industry and agriculture. Metzger then proceeded to break down how New Yorkers can shift to energy efficient technologies and practices in each sector as well as key proposals for each sector as outlined in New York's Draft Climate Plan.

Tilly Strauss, from town artist to town clerk

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NORTHEAST — It hasn't been easy to get North East Town Clerk Tilly Strauss to take half an hour to sit still for an interview. In fact, she's been so busy working at Town Hall that it had to be tentatively scheduled months in advance. That's not a bad thing, according to Strauss, who took over as the town clerk after former Town Clerk Gail Wheeler resigned last year.

"It's always busy... I love it, it's like an amazing place," said Strauss. "There's a lot always going on; it's always pretty diverse, it really is like being a helper for the community. People just need to have access, to have answers about government, to link them to offices and different bureaus."

Strauss was appointed to fill the post in September 2021. While she doesn't know why Wheeler resigned after serving only a partial term (Wheeler had also been town clerk years prior), she did say "Gail left in the office in great condition. I'm thankful, it was very well organized."

Strauss had two years to serve on Wheeler's unexpired four-year term.

A registered Democrat, she said she'll seek a cross-endorsement from both the Democrats and the Republicans this November for the one remaining year of the unexpired term. Then, in 2023, she plans to run for a full four-year term.

"I think that it's really important to keep it an elected position to answer to people and service them. It's important to have it be impartial," said Strauss. "As clerk to the Town Board you have to make

sure things are done ethically and according to law, to follow their decisions and keep the records, and checks and balances."

Strauss also said, as the records keeper, she believes it's important to track and direct Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) requests, and "to have somebody elected by the people watching over the process."

The town clerk's office also issues licenses and permits for births, marriages, hunting and fishing, handicap needs, deaths/burial transit and dogs.

An artist by training and trade, becoming the town clerk "was kind of a lark, but I'm open to doing new things," said Strauss. In fact, she was named the town of Amenia's Town Artist in 2009, and created "a banner with a huge paper mâché that was carried as the town marched behind it" across the Walkway Over the Hudson in Poughkeepsie that year.

She described her artwork as "whimsical, and I like bright colors." She paints in acrylics because she paints so quickly. It's a family trait, evident by the family nickname Pic-tor Clerimus, Latin for "the swiftest painter," dating back to 1400s.

Strauss said she is especially happy to be living and working in North East, as her grandfather came to town in 1936 and started a dairy farm.

While she didn't grow up in town she did raise her two sons on her family farm with her ex-husband, along with chickens and turkeys. And while it's no longer a dairy farm, she and her father, retired veterinarian Julian Strauss, are now making



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Tilly Strauss has worn a number of different hats in her lifetime: artist, teacher, writer, and always mom. She has been the town clerk for the town of North East since September 2021; she said it's a job she loves and plans to run for the one-year unexpired term of former Town Clerk Gail Wheeler this November.

maple syrup there.

Strauss left the area for 10 years but said "it's nice to come back and have this position. I'm running into all these people and it's nice to come back and get to know your community again; it's fun. It's a lovely area."

As far as her favorite part of being town clerk, it was obviously difficult for Strauss to decide.

"I love it all," she said. "I love it when the hunters and fishermen come in because they have great stories, it's a lot of fun. But I also really like it when couples are getting married, it's very sweet. I also like when a new person comes to town. I tell them go to the library and get a library card, it's a great resource. I can't pick one thing. I also like doing genealogical research records — the old books smell so good."

Strauss didn't want to neglect to mention her coworkers and those who come to Town Hall.

"Also the people in the office are so nice, everybody is fun and sunny and helps each other out," she said. "It's a good environment. I like it. I think the town supervisor is doing a good job and the Town Board is nice; they're all good people. And I'm impressed with people who show up at meetings; I wish more people did. We have some real passionate people in this community."

Clearly, Strauss should be counted among them.

The town clerk's office hours are Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Deputy Town Clerk Marcey Wheatley is at Town Hall daily, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The North East Town Hall is located at 19 North Maple Ave., Millerton.

For more information, email Strauss at townclerk@townofnortheastny.gov, call her at 518-789-3300, ext. 603 or go to www.townofnortheastny.gov.



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A resident shared their blood on June 16.

Give a pint, get a pint

By KAITLIN LYLE
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MILLERTON — Following on the heels of World Blood Donor Day on Tuesday, June 14, the NorthEast-Millerton Library opened its annex doors to host a Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, June 16. Open from 3 to 7 p.m., local donors walked into the blood drive intent on giving a pint to help someone in need. As a reward for their selflessness, presenting blood donors received a voucher redeemable for one prepackaged pint of ice cream or gelato at any Stewart's Shops.

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- Nancy Heaton, of the Foundation for Community Health, is a CT rural healthcare expert. She is prepared to convene stakeholders.

Since then we have learned:

- The dreadful statistics around these closures and watched as 2 hospitals on the west side of the state ended many services.
- There are as many solutions as there are states who are experiencing this problem.
- CT does the bare minimum required by Federal Law in support of rural healthcare access.
- Nuance needs more money to operate the services we need.

Let's band together for the welfare of our community, ask the Governor and all our elected officials to find a path forward for access to healthcare in all the rural communities of CT.

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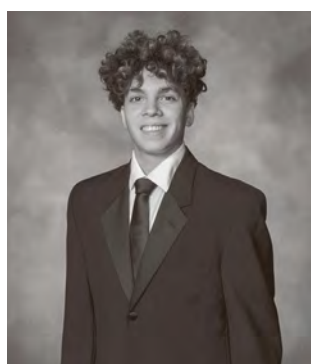
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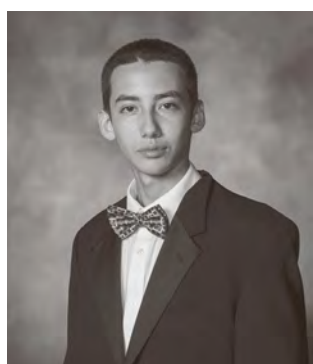
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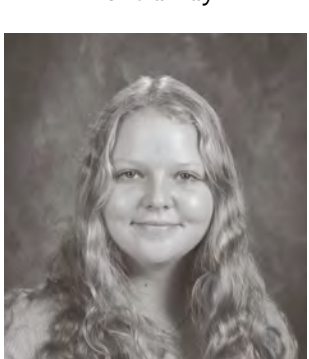
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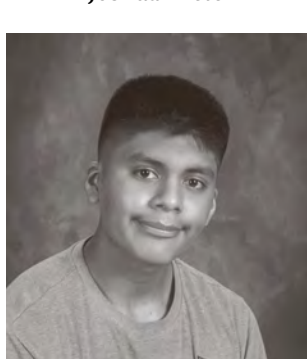
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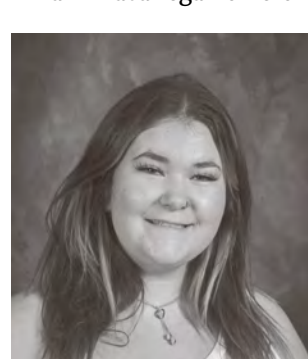
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Jacob Zampko

Maplebrook graduates 11

By **KAITLIN LYLE**
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AMENIA — The 11 graduates among the Maplebrook School Class of 2022 couldn't have asked for a more beautiful day to celebrate their commencement among friends, family and faculty on Saturday, June 4. Starting at 2 p.m., two sets of students graduated at the school's commencement ceremony, including six graduates from the Academy Program and five graduates from the Institute of Collegiate and Career Studies.

Earlier that day, the school held its annual awards ceremony; several merit scholarships and special awards were distributed at the graduation ceremony in the afternoon. After turning their tassels, the graduates were warmly received by more than 200 classmates, friends, faculty and family members at the ceremony's coffee and cake reception.



Above, From left (in back), Maplebrook School graduates Lucas Zabrocky, David Ogbecchie, Alex Zarvou, Gus Colon-Rodriguez and Tim Magee toasted their commencement alongside their friends and fellow graduates (from left, in front) Trip Gibbs, Jackie McCabe, Kaylee Armusewicz, Elton Kwok and Jack Willis.



Left, following the graduation ceremony, the 11 Maplebrook School graduates were congratulated on their achievements by friends, family and faculty members during a coffee and cake reception.



PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

Dividing into four groups of students, WES fourth-graders took off down the field with a soaking wet sponge in hand in a race to drain the water from the sponge into a plastic bottle at the Field Day sponge station.

Students celebrate school year's end at Field Day

WEBUTUCK — As an annual end-of-school-year tradition to celebrate the kick off to summer, Webutuck Elementary School (WES) students took to the fields behind the high school for their annual Field Day, on Tuesday, June 14.

Running from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., WES students were divided by their classes. They were quite organized as they arrived at Field Day wearing T-shirts that reflected which color their class had been designated for Field Day this year. The Webutuck PTA provided all of the colorful T-shirts worn by students for the day.

Out of a total of 13 stations, this year's Field Day encouraged the young students to take part in an obstacle course, an art station, a javelin/discus throw, a ring toss, a relay, a soccer dribble/shot relay along with many other fun and fairly exhausting activities.

Water stations were made available on the field to keep students hydrated throughout the morning and afternoon.

Webutuck families were invited to attend Field Day to watch the students and enjoy the festivities from the sidelines.

— Kaitlin Lyle



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From left, Maplebrook School graduates Gus Colon-Rodriguez, Elton Kwok and Lucas Zabrocky celebrated their commencement under the summer sun.

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Ardys Mae Carter Walrath

NORTH CANAAN — Ardys Mae Walrath of North Canaan, died on January 4, 2022, at Noble Horizons. She was 100 years old. Born on September 5, 1921, in South Haven, Michigan, Ardys was the first daughter of Alvah H. Carter and Edith Romans-Carter.

The Carters eventually settled in Cedar Falls, Iowa, where Ardys began taking piano lessons at the age of 7. She studied throughout her school years working at a drug store in Cedar Falls earning money to take piano lessons with Dr. Louis Crowder, who then taught at Iowa State Teachers College (now University of Northern Iowa). Her father traveled extensively during Ardys' childhood for work, often taking her with him. She credits these experiences with instilling in her a love of travel.

In the early 1940s the Carters moved to Perry, Iowa, where Ardys met the love of her life, Ray M. Walrath. They married on July 23, 1944, while Ray was in Basic Training preparing to be deployed to Italy as navigator on a B17 bomber in WWII. Their first child, Larry Carter Walrath, was born while Ray was overseas. After the war, the young family lived in Ames, Iowa while Ray earned his college degree in chemical metallurgy. Their second child, Pamela Jo Walrath Sunderland was born in Ames. In 1954 Ray accepted a position at New England Lime Company-Nelco Metals in North Canaan, moving the family to Falls Village and, in 1956, to the house on Killawee Street in North Canaan. Their third child, Penelope Rae Walrath Cole, was born in Connecticut.

Ardys began accompanying singing groups when she was in the eighth grade and had her first job as a church musician while in high school. She would continue both activities throughout her life. Ardys was the organist and choir director for the Falls Village Congregational and Methodist churches from 1955 to 1966, after which she became the music director for the Canaan United Methodist Church, a job from which she retired, twice. After her first retire-

ment Ardys created an ecumenical singing group, the Harmoniques, who gave at least 2 concerts a year and sang for special occasions. Ardys also taught private piano lessons for many years.

Ardys joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in Cedar Falls, Iowa when she was twelve. She remained active in the Methodist Church for the next 88 years, taking part in youth activities, attending church camp, and later, teaching Vacation Bible School, serving on multiple committees, singing in choirs, directing the music, becoming a lay speaker, and working tirelessly with the women's organizations of the church. She went to the United Methodist Women's School of Mission several times, becoming involved in the organization on both the district and conference levels as an officer and enjoyed teaching the courses sponsored by UMW on the many different peoples, faiths, and cultures of the world.

Ardys and Ray traveled extensively across the US. Packing up their van they would head for parts west to visit their far-flung family and friends as well as every National Park, National Monument, National Recreation Area, Historic Park, Memorial and Site, and Scenic Trail they could find.

Ardys lived a full life, one of much love, laughter, faith, and discovery. When physical travel became more difficult you could always find her with a book in her hand as she traveled with authors such as Louis Lamour, Tony Hillerman, and Diana Mott Davidson. She never stopped learning and caring about her family, her friends, and this world of ours. She is survived by her daughter and husband, Penny and Ted Cole of Golden, Colorado, 10 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren.

Celebration of Life service to be held July 9, at 11 a.m. at the Canaan United Methodist Church, Canaan. Reception following at the family home.

Donations may be made in her name to UMCOR-Global Ministries or to the National Park Foundation.

OBITUARIES

Allison J. 'Al' Andrews

MILLERTON — Allison J. "Al" Andrews, 71, a lifelong area resident died peacefully on Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at Sharon Hospital in Sharon, surrounded by his loving family. Mr. Andrews had a thirty year career with New York State retiring in 2006 as a locksmith from the Taconic DDSO Campus in Wassaic.



Born December 29, 1950, in Albion, New York, he was the son of the late William Miller and June Reetz (Miller) Jenks. He was a 1970 graduate of Webutuck High School. He immediately entered the United States Army during the Vietnam War and served our country from 1970-1972 when he was honorably discharged from the United States Army. On November 24, 1973, at the Millerton Methodist Church, he married Beth Lynn Crawford. Mrs. Andrews survives at home in Millerton. Mr. Andrews was a life member of the Millerton Fire Company and served as Fire Chief from 2000-2005. He also served as fire company treasurer for many years and held many other firematic offices throughout the years. He was a life member and Past-Commander of the Millerton American Legion Post No. 178 and served as an American Legion Commander of Dutchess County. He was a past member of the Millerton Gun Club and enjoyed hunting and fishing. In his spare time he enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren

"working" and wood working and completing jigsaw puzzles in addition to being an avid reader.

In addition to his loving wife Beth, Al is survived by two daughters, Amy Slater and her husband Nick of Millerton and Carolee Andrews and her companion Jim Murphy of Millerton; three grandchildren, Holden and Camden Slater and Allison Breen all of Millerton, his brother-in-law David and sister-in-law Rosemary and several nieces and nephews and many dear friends and his dog Emma Lou. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Roger A. Miller and two sisters, Donna Kaplan and her longtime companion Sal Carubba and Esther Gray.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday, June 18, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton. The Millerton Legion Post No. 178 and the Millerton Fire Company will conduct services during visiting hours. A funeral service will be held at 12 p.m. at the funeral home. Pastor William Mayhew will officiate. Burial with standard military honors will follow at Irontale Cemetery, Route 22, Millerton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Millerton Fire Company, P.O. Box 733, Millerton, NY 12534 or Millerton Legion Post No. 178, 155 Route 44, Millerton, NY 12546. To send an online condolence to the family, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com

Pierre-Alexander deWindt Low

SHARON — Pierre-Alexander deWindt Low, age 27, of Greenwich, died June 6, 2022, at his family's farm in Norfolk. He was the son of David N. Low and Dominique G. Lahaussais.

Pierre-Alexander was born April 3, 1995, in Greenwich, Connecticut. Pierre-Alexander graduated from Amherst College in 2017. He was diagnosed with a rare cancer, thymic carcinoma, in January 2020. Pierre-Alexander faced his disease with fortitude and grace, continuing to travel to favorite places, including San Francisco

and Corsica (France), and to spend time with his many friends. Easter Weekend, 2022, he was able to enjoy a special weekend skiing Alta with a close friend.

He is survived by his grandfather, parents, uncles, aunts and cousins including his extended family in France, and his many friends.

A memorial service will be held at the Church of Christ, Congregational in Norfolk, on Friday, June 24, at 12 p.m. All other services are private. The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

Memorial Service

Marian Schwaikert

A memorial service for Marian Schwaikert will be held at St. John's Church in Salisbury at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 2. Those unable to attend may view the service online at St. John's Episcopal Church at www.youtube.com/watch?v=6c2DqkrqTAG

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Week of June 26, 2022

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Lakevillemethodist@snet.net

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Summer benefit guests were given a taste of what lay within the Maxon Mills' 2022 Summer Exhibition "A Tournament of Lies" when they encountered the horse figure stationed on the grass beside the Maxon Mills.

Summer benefit lit up Wassaic

By KAITLIN LYLE
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WASSAIC — The front deck of the Maxon Mills was abuzz with summertime vibes last weekend as The Wassaic Project hosted its annual Summer Benefit on Saturday, June 18. From 5 to 7 p.m., area residents, donors and proud supporters of The Wassaic Project came out to the Maxon Mills dressed to impress and thrilled to celebrate the summer over wine, hors d'oeuvres and a guided tour of The Wassaic Project's

2022 summer exhibition, "A Tournament of Lies."

Along with celebrating 15 years since The Wassaic Project's journey first began, The Wassaic Project's co-founders Jeff Barnett-Winsby, Bowie Zunino and Eve Biddle honored Laurie Simmons, a groundbreaking artist and advocate for emerging artists, as the benefit's guest speaker. Benefit guests were also invited to bid on the generous array of items featured in The Wassaic Project's online auction until Sunday afternoon, June 19.



From left, Jennifer Marchand and Tanja Craft raised a glass to the 2022 summer season from beneath the shade of the tent set up on the Maxon Mills' front deck.



PHOTOS BY KAITLIN LYLE

Local residents and patrons of the arts toasted the start of summer on the front deck of the Maxon Mills at The Wassaic Project's annual Summer Benefit last Saturday, June 18.

A celebration of the life of **Bettie L. Snyder** will be held at the Sharon Playhouse, Bok Gallery on June 26, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.
Refreshments will be served after the ceremony.

Few weigh in on Wassaic Park, vice chair calls out HVN

By KAITLIN LYLE
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AMENIA — Looking to introduce change in the hamlet of Wassaic to benefit the local community, the Amenia Recreation Commission (ARC) invited Wassaic residents to its meeting on Thursday, June 9, to share their thoughts on Wassaic Park. A news brief was even printed in last week's Millerton News.

The 7 p.m. meeting was at Town Hall auditorium; of the five ARC members, only two attended, as did five community members.

To begin, ARC Vice Chairman Paul Winters explained the Wassaic Arts Foundation (WAF) owns land near Gridley Church in Wassaic, across the street from The Wassaic Project's Maxon Mills seven-story former grain elevator at 37 Furnace Bank Road.

Wassaic Park, also known as Borden Park, is located behind the old Borden Condensed Milk Factory.

During its fact-finding survey, Winters said the ARC learned many parents are concerned about sending their children to Wassaic Park, as it's secluded and known as a location for illicit activities.

As a solution, he explained the WAF offered to give the hamlet the land near Gridley Church for \$1 a year.

Asked later why the WAF would give up land for so little money, Winters replied, "They would like to see some change in the town."

The idea, Winters explained last Thursday, is to move the Wassaic playground out of the center of the hamlet and onto the land near the church. The ARC hoped to propose the concept at the Town Board's meeting on Thursday, June 16. He said that's why the ARC wanted input from Wassaic residents at its meeting on the 9th.

Amenia has worked with the architectural firm, Parkitects. Town Supervisor Victoria Perotti said one thing that was recommended for Wassaic Park was creating an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant path to the stream to access fishing.

Regarding public parking, Winters said since Amenia will likely relocated its Town Garage, it believes the current garage location on Borden Lane would be a great place to create parking. Winters added the ARC is seeking ways to create parking to help make Wassaic Park more accessible.

Inviting residents to share their thoughts, Winters said, "We need to know what the community would like to see... We've never had a solid idea... of exactly what the community would want."

So far, Winters said a lot of people have shown interest in having a dog park. Perotti asked if the ARC had seen the August 2020 presentation by Town Board members Damian Gutierrez and Vicki Doyle, in which they solicited ideas from the public about what they want at Wassaic Park. Perotti added she would send the commission information from Parkitect, which provided the town the playground equipment for Wassaic Park.

One resident spoke, noting her children love fishing; she suggested having fishing available at Wassaic Park.

Since Beekman Park on Route 343 in Amenia is dedicated to softball and baseball, Winters asked how important it is for the ARC to "continue to create baseball at Wassaic

because the kids can actually get a bicycle, ride the Rail Trail and come into town and play baseball if they want to."

He added the commission believes there's enough space at the 12-acre Wassaic Park for a multi-use park where the land could be opened up for fishing, a dog park, a small baseball field that could also be used for soccer and a volleyball and/or a basketball court.

According to Winters, "some of that land is utilized for the town Highway Garage... only a small section is utilized as a park, with large area still wooded."

The multi-use area could all be possible, he said, if the playground is moved to the center of the hamlet near the chapel.

"I would've hoped there'd be more than the three that showed up," said Winters when later asked how he felt the meeting went. "It's all about showing up."

He added the ARC will be asking the Town Board to enlarge the commission so it has a better chance of achieving a quorum at its meetings, since so few members tend to attend. Winters added the commission plans to present a plan the Town Board can act upon within the next six months to a year for Wassaic Park.

Residents hoping to share their thoughts about Wassaic Park may contact the commission at pwinters@ameniany.gov.

Winters added there will be a special Recreation Commission meeting this Thursday, June 23, at 7 p.m. at Town Hall "to discuss the fact that the Recreation Department in Amenia was originally established as a Commission rather than a Committee and what that means."

Plus, said Winters, "other important items will be voted on, encouraging those interested in attending so 'the community can receive proper information rather than what appeared this week in the Hudson Valley News."



PHOTOS BY KAITLIN LYLE

Returning to the high school for the tail end of their parade, this year's graduates at Webutuck High School were greeted with applause and congratulations by their teachers, fellow students and Webutuck faculty members.

Class of '22 has parade with sights set on Graduation Day

WEBUTUCK — With Graduation Day fast approaching, the Webutuck High School (WHS) Class of 2022 embarked on a parade in their caps and gowns for the entire district on Tuesday afternoon, June 14.

Beginning at 12:30 p.m.,

graduating seniors gathered in the WHS gymnasium. Prior to the parade, WHS Principal Katy McEnroe asked seniors to name a staff member who made a difference in their schooling. On the day of the assembly, the staff members chosen presented the gradu-

ates with their caps and gowns.

Dressed in green and white, the graduates began marching in two straight lines at 2 p.m. through the high school hallways and made their way through Eugene Brooks Intermediate

School before crossing the street to Webutuck Elementary School.

En route, they were greeted with applause and congratulations from the staff, faculty and Webutuck Warriors of all grade levels.

— Kaitlin Lyle

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following information was provided by the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office (DCSO). All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Dover domestic dispute

Tuesday, June 7, Deputies responded to 6491 Route 55 in the Town of Dover for a boyfriend/girlfriend domestic

dispute.

The matter was investigated without further incident.

Cooking oil stolen

Wednesday, June 8, Deputies responded to the Round Three restaurant at 5523 Route 22 in the Town of North East to investigate a reported larceny of cooking oil.

Theft of cooking oil from

local restaurants is on the rise, and reports have increased in the past couple of years.

Restaurant owners have been known to call the smelly, greasy oil "liquid gold," as a case of the material can go for as much as \$50 today versus the \$17 or so it went for a year ago.

The case is under investi-

gation.

DWI/DWAI arrest made at courthouse

Thursday, June 9, Deputies responded to the Pawling Courthouse at 160 Charles Colman Blvd. in Pawling for the report of a female who arrived at the court to apply for an Order of Protection against her roommate.

The court staff became concerned that the woman may have been under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol. An investigation at court resulted in the arrest of Lisa Jacobs-Nalakian, age 54, who was arrested for DWI 1st offense and DWAI drugs.

Jacobs-Nalakian was released with tickets to appear in court at a later date.

Report crime tips

Anyone with any information relative to the aforementioned criminal cases, or any other suspected criminal activity, should contact the DCSO tip line at 845-605-CLUE (2583) or email dcsotips@gmail.com. All information will be kept confidential.

The Millerton News will publish the outcome of police charges. Contact us by mail at P.O. Box 625, Millerton, NY 12546, Attn: Police Blotter, or send an email, with "police blotter" in the subject line, to editor@millertonnews.com.

Summer reading gets a start

By KAITLIN LYLE
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AMENIA — Kicking off their summer reading with an end-of-school tradition, the students at Webutuck Elementary School (WES) were invited to take out their books and spend time reading in the classroom on Friday, June 17.

Though Reading on the Lawn is WES's typical tradition, WES staff and students hit a few snags in planning for this year's Reading on the Lawn. Originally scheduled for Thursday, June 16 at 9:15 a.m., the program was postponed to Friday, June 17, due to inclement weather.



PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

Daniel Hart's fourth grade class at Webutuck Elementary School opted to read "Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer" by Megan McDonald to kick off their summer reading last Friday, June 17.

On Friday, June 17, WES made the decision to switch from reading on the lawn to reading in the classroom due to the wet grass and the

presence of gypsy moths, and WES teachers were invited to have their classes start reading at whatever time was convenient for them.

WASSAIC IN BRIEF

Peace Sanctuary helps youth handle grief

In the wake of the recent mass shootings in Buffalo, and Uvalde, Texas, the World Peace Sanctuary is offering ways to help local youth deal with their grief and to help connect with their peers and the adults in their lives.

Families may find ways to help their children through a number of online programs provided through the sanctuary, listed below.

- Creative Response to Conflict at www.crc-global.org;
- "Talking to Children About Violence: Tips for Parents and Teachers," at www.nasponline.org;

- "How to Talk to Children About School Shootings," at www.savethechildren.org;

- "Supporting Educators to Rise Stronger After a Traumatic Event"; "Guiding Students and Families Through Grief"; "For School Leaders, a Time of Vigilance and Caring"; "How School Should Really Talk About Safety"; "Why Social Bonding Is a School-Safety Priority"; "Can SEL Reduce School Violence?" "WEBINAR: Equipping Educators with Effective Violence Prevention and Crisis Response Strategies," all at www.ascd.org.

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PINE PLAINS/AREA

Math teacher Allison Beaudet recognized for teaching excellence

By KAITLIN LYLE
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PINE PLAINS — Though comfortable working behind the scenes to inspire students to approach math with a positive attitude, seventh-grade math teacher Allison Beaudet was nevertheless proud to learn she was honored for her teaching excellence by the Mid-Hudson School Study Council (MHSSC) last month.

The Pine Plains Central School District (PPCSD) website, www.ppcsd.org, posted the Mid-Hudson School Study Council annually honors those who excel in the education field.

Beaudet was recommended for the honor by her principal at Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School, Tara Grieb. Grieb submitted a letter praising Beaudet's experience in the PPCSD made her an ideal choice for the

council.

"Allison is great and a true asset to the district," Grieb said. "She is always looking to help others, is a leader among her peers and serves the district in a variety of ways. It was fun sharing the good news with her as she had no idea I had nominated her. It was a great day!"

Indeed, Beaudet said Grieb presented her with the letter announcing her honor in front of her students. Recalling how she opened the letter in front of her class, Beaudet said it was both very exciting and very unexpected.

She was hired by the PPCSD in the fall of 2003, which means Beaudet has been teaching seventh-grade math in Pine Plains for the last 19 years. She said she loves her job, especially her students.

"They're enthusiastic," she said. "They're just en-



PHOTO SUBMITTED

A seventh-grade math teacher at Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School, Allison Beaudet was recognized for her teaching excellence by the Mid-Hudson School Study Council in a ceremony held on Thursday, May 12.

ergetic; they keep you on your toes."

There are also challenges teaching math, which Beau-

det acknowledged few students like. She said she tries hard to change that negative attitude toward the subject and encourage her students to get excited about geometry, angles, pre-algebra and algebra.

She strives to make math fun and engaging and remind them they can learn from their mistakes.

Reflecting on nearly two decades of teaching at Stissing Mountain, Beaudet said she loves teaching in a small district where the staff is like a family and the teachers know their students and their families inside and outside the classroom.

She also appreciates how the staff has "each other's backs and we all work together to make the best impression on the students [and] has an impact on their lives."

Of the recent honor, Beaudet said, "It's a huge accomplishment and a great recognition, feeling you're putting in your years, that I'm making a difference and I am being recognized."

Beaudet was among 12 teachers in the region recognized by MHSSC for excellence in their respective fields. A ceremony was held in Rockland County on Thursday, May 12, followed by an awards ceremony.



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Celebrating his success with his family, Anthony Cordato, center, was awarded the Most Outstanding Cupcake award for the men's category and the People's Choice Award at this year's Cupcake Grange.

Dedicated writers keep Zooming their words

By CAROL KNEELAND
Special to The Millerton News

PINE PLAINS — While COVID-19 has caused a number of events and activities to shut down, it has actually helped some organizations — the Pine Plains and Hillsdale Writing Groups — to continue to maintain a membership it might not otherwise have.

Throughout the years, members of the writing group have become friends forming a family-like connection. Despite that unity, the close-knit group continues to welcome new members. All that is required is a commitment to write, to share and to follow the structure already in place.

For more information on the Pine Plains program, call the library at 518-398-1927.

Cloud herself, an award-winning writer, fresh off the Portland, Maine, debut of her latest work, "Sabina," the musical adaptation of Willy Holtzman's Off-Broadway production of the same name.

Cloud said the web allowed members who have moved away to continue to participate. It also made it easier for others who might not want to go out at night to join in the activity.

She said at this point the group has become, in effect, something of a fan club. It always supports one another as members cheer on each others' accomplishments.

About half of the dozen members participate each Wednesday at 7 p.m., with each writer having up to 10 minutes to read a contribution.

Comments — always positive in nature — then follow. Criticism is not permitted.

Cloud, the former Pine Plains town supervisor and a teacher at Goddard College in Plainfield, Vt., said the approach has allowed for a comfortable sharing of words — something not always easy to accomplish.

Contributions range from poetry to fiction to journal entries. Cloud noted that all members have had work published and that four of those members are writing books.

share about 10 pages each week as they progress through their manuscripts.

In addition to their regular meetings, the group has presented its work to others in the community as the library has hosted well-received pre-pandemic reading nights at the library. It's a practice the group hopes to continue into the fall.

Writers interested in passing on stories and other material are also welcome to join a Memoir Writing Group at the Roe Jan Library the first Thursday of each month from 5 to 7 p.m.

The NorthEast-Millerton Library in cooperation with the Pine Plains Free Library and Scoville Memorial Library in Salisbury, Conn., offers a virtual Teen Writing Club Fridays from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Register at agallagher502@gmail.com.

Heads of other libraries in the Harlem Valley and surrounding area have indicated that while they might not currently have writing groups, they would be happy to consider hosting one if volunteer leaders were to step forward.



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE STISSING CENTER

Classical piano at Stissing

PINE PLAINS — Among the artists featured in this summer's Chamber Music at The Stissing Center series, the Pine Plains community was dazzled by the talents of pianist Mishka Rushdie Momen as performed at The Stissing Center on Sunday, June 12 at 4 p.m.

Performing pieces typically heard in a music salon in 18th Century Berlin, Momen let her fingers dance across the piano keys as she performed works by Mendelssohn, Bach, Beethoven, Chopin and others for her audience's entertainment.

— Kaitlin Lyle

How sweet it is!

COPAKE — For one sweet summer afternoon, the Copake Grange was transformed into the Cupcake Grange for a fundraiser organized by the Friends of Copake Grange to benefit the Grange on Sunday, June 12.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., talented bakers from around the region were invited to enter their best cupcakes in the Grange's annual baking

competition. Local residents were the beneficiaries, as they were invited to buy, taste and then vote on their favorite cupcakes.

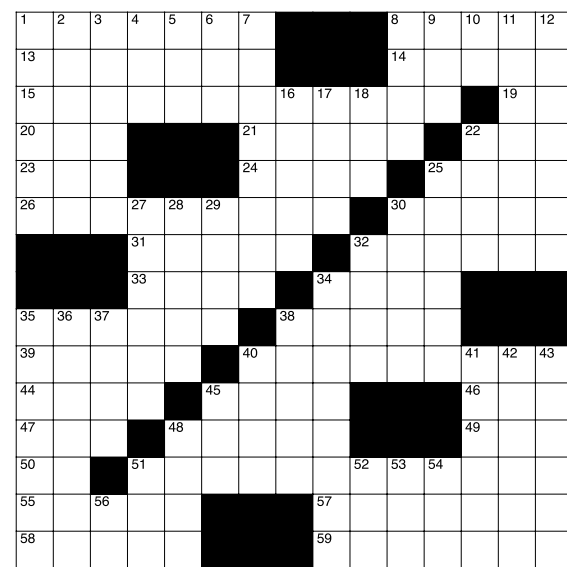
With 25 entrants participating in this year's competition, a total of 568 cupcakes were sold at the Cupcake Grange, helping to raise a tasty, sum to help the community organization.

— Kaitlin Lyle

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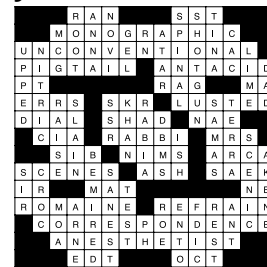
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- 13. Deep regret
- 14. Rogue
- 15. Took without permission
- 19. An alternative
- 20. After B
- 21. Partner to "flowed"
- 22. The best day of the week (abbr.)
- 23. Helps you hear
- 24. Egyptian river
- 25. Lake __, one of the Great
- 26. Make free from bacteria
- 30. Indigenous peoples of central Canada
- 31. Sanctuaries in Greek temples
- 32. Most unclothed
- 33. NJ senator Booker
- 34. Tibetan lake
- 35. Desecrate something sacred
- 38. John __, English educator 1467-1519
- 39. Obtains in return for labor
- 40. Views
- 44. Rugged cliff
- 45. Not quiet
- 46. Body part
- 47. Newt
- 48. German city
- 49. A way to save money
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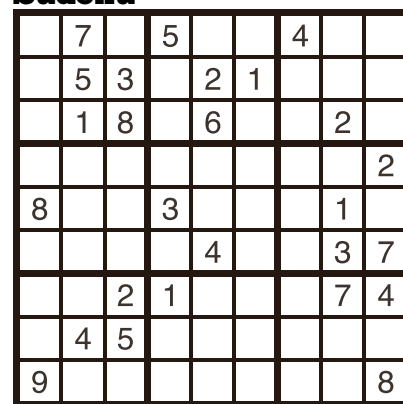


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- 25. Print errors
- 27. The sport of engaging in contests of speed
- 28. Ones to look up to
- 29. Stringed instrument
- 30. Gives whippings
- 32. Type of tie
- 34. Make more concentrated
- 35. Die
- 36. Part of a winter hat
- 37. Young men's club
- 38. Bathrooms need it
- 40. U.S. president
- 41. American novelist
- 42. Take into custody
- 43. Hurts
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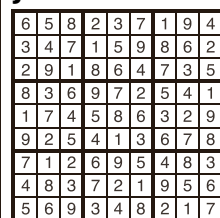
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Rod & Gun Club golfs strong at benefit

By KAITLIN LYLE
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COPAKE — Ready to raise money to keep the club running and aid Taconic Hills graduates with their future endeavors, the Craryville Rod & Gun Club welcomed individuals and teams to Undermountain Golf Course for the club's annual 2-Person Scramble Tournament on Saturday, June 11.

According to the event flyer, proceeds from the annual tour-

namer "help the club provide hunting and shooting courses to the public and to support and fight for our 2nd Amendment rights." In addition to the funds that go toward paying the club's operating expenses to keep it running, a portion of the funds raised at the tournament go toward providing a scholarship through Taconic Hills Central School District in Craryville, N.Y., for a graduating senior looking to attend college in an environmental or trade pro-

gram. Priced at \$85 per person, the tournament included 18 holes of golf on the Undermountain Golf Course in Copake, a cart lunch, putting contests, prizes, raffles and 50.50 prizes, beverages and dinner. Registration for the tournament and lunch were both held at 12 p.m., followed by the shotgun start at 1 p.m. A chicken BBQ followed the tournament at 5 p.m.

This year's scramble welcomed a total of 36 participants.

Among the winners recognized at the tournament, the Craryville Rod & Gun Club congratulated Kolby Clegg and Trevor New as the tournament's first place winning team.

Though he was unable to disclose how much money was raised in total, Craryville Rod & Gun Club Vice President William Hunt said of the scramble, "It's a good time — we really enjoy having it at Undermountain."



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Members of the polo team Jujubrook toasted their victory with the coveted Stissing Cup victory on Sunday afternoon, June 5.

Polo players take to the fields at Mashomack

PINE PLAINS — The polo fields at Mashomack Polo Club in Pine Plains were burst into action earlier this month under the pounding sensation of galloping horses, when the club kicked off the month of June with practices and games on Friday, June 3, through Sunday, June 5.

Among the games played during the first weekend of the month, Mashomack hosted the Stissing Cup Handicap

Final at 11 a.m. and the Stissing Cup Final at noon on Sunday, June 5.

Both competitions brought plenty of action among men and ponies as the polo team Buena Vista/CRG defeated The Polo School in the Stissing Cup Handicap Final, with a score of 7-5.

Meanwhile, team Jujubrook beat Dazos Polo in the Stissing Cup with a final score of 5-2.

— Kaitlin Lyle



A hiker joined the Housatonic Valley Association (HVA) to go in search of a local waterfall recently, and learn about some of the local natural resources within the Housatonic River Watershed.



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Paddlers enjoyed themselves on a recent paddling trip on the Housatonic River Watershed with the Housatonic Valley Association (HVA), one of many outings those who participate with the environmental agency.

Housatonic Valley Association Explore-a-thon offers trails and local brews

WASSAIC — The Housatonic Valley Association's (HVA) inaugural Explore-a-thon kicked off Wednesday, June 1, and runs through Thursday, June 30, with the goal of getting people outside to appreciate the Housatonic River Watershed and raise awareness about supporting environmental health.

People can register anytime throughout the month and venture out solo or as a team anywhere throughout the 2,000 square-mile, Tri-state watershed. While there is no central gathering location, Explore-a-thon registrants may get together with each other by participating in various hikes, nature walks or outdoor activities offered by other community organizations. All events are listed on the Explore-a-thon website.

There are also several competitions like most miles hiked, run or biked, best selfie or best team name. Prizes include a weekend canoe experience for two on the Housatonic River, Patagonia and REI gear, SingleNest Hammocks, a six-month CSA with organic fruits and vegetables and more.

All proceeds will go toward HVA's critical work in protecting the waterways, lands and wildlife in the Housatonic River Watershed.

"With so many people hitting the trails or meeting up with a through-hiker on the Appalachian Trail in northwest Connecticut and Berkshires, it's a great time to double the miles for anyone registered with Explore-a-thon who logs a run, hike or bike trip on a trail," said HVA's Executive Director Lynn Werner. "This event

is the perfect way to have fun outdoors while lending a hand for clean, cold rivers and the woodlands and wildlife habitat so essential for a climate-ready future here in the Housatonic Valley."

People can also support Explore-a-thon by making a donation or attending a partner brewery event.

To learn more about Ex-

plore-a-thon and register, go to www.hvatoday.org.

About HVA

HVA is uniquely committed to achieving climate resilience and environmental health across the entire Housatonic River Watershed, for this and future generations.

HVA works with key partners to restore and protect

lands, waters, and wildlife. Spanning just under 2,000 square miles, the Housatonic watershed stretches from the Berkshires in western Massachusetts and the Taconics in eastern New York, including in Wassaic, through western Connecticut and south to Long Island Sound.

Learn more at www.hvatoday.org.

Happy feet to be found at Dover's Senior Line Dancing class

By KAITLIN LYLE
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WINGDALE — Topping the medley of arts and crafts, Bingo, dance and other exercise programs, the town of Dover invites local seniors to start their week with a spring in their step by stopping by the Senior Line Dancing class offered every Monday morning underneath the American Legion Post 1949 building.

Open to local seniors ages 55 and up, the free program is held every Monday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. under the Post building, located at 1797 Route 22 in Wingdale.

Leading seniors through the side step is Jill Weiss, owner of the dance studio, JK Shuffles, in New Milford, Conn., which specializes in line dancing.

As a longtime teacher of line dancing, Weiss said she's been teaching in Dover for about two years and marveled at how



PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

With instructor Jill Weiss coaching them through the steps, those enrolled in the Dover Senior Line Dancing class got their groove on underneath the American Legion Post 1949 building on Monday morning, starting at 9:30 a.m.

the town's Senior Line Dancing class is "growing by leaps and bounds."

Regarding her teaching methods, Weiss explained, "The way to learn line dancing is by learning the names of the steps, but we learn that by learning different dances — and we dance to everything."

Asked the benefits of joining a line dancing class, Weiss named exercising the body and the mind, learning balance and posture and learning how to dance as prime examples.

Above all, she said, it's fun and the dancers spend a lot of time laughing with one another.

At the class visited on this

day, there were at least 20 people attending, which is very much the norm each week, according to Ann Matthews, who runs the Dover Senior Center with Venna Curro.

"It's open for new people every week and we actually have grown tremendously," Matthews said.

Weiss added that the class has all levels of dancers in attendance, from novice dancers to people who have been dancing for years.

The Senior Line Dancing class has an open door policy and invites anyone in the

Dutchess County area to join.

In terms of COVID-19 precautions, Matthews said class attendees are required to be vaccinated or to wear a face mask.

In terms of welcoming people into the class, Matthews remarked, "The Senior Center is really unique that way where there's very little red tape — just come and dance."

For more information on the line dancing classes, seniors are encouraged to go to www.doverrecreation.com or to go online to the "Town of Dover Seniors" Facebook page.

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MPD *Continued from Page A1***Facts and figures**

The village is only 0.6 square miles, whereas the town is 43.7 square miles. Mayor Jenn Najdek and her trustees have argued the MPD spends much of its time patrolling the town when the village funds the majority of the MPD's budget.

The MPD budget is partially funded by the town, which contracts with the village annually. It pays about 20% of the police force's overall \$90,000 budget; that amounted to \$26,500 in 2022.

The village's 2022 police contract expired on May 31. Najdek said "there have been times in past that we've continued to operate without a contract, so this isn't saying we're not going to work on this. The tricky thing is working with town because we're on different fiscal cycles."

The village's fiscal year runs from June 1 to May 31 whereas the town's fiscal calendar runs from Jan. 1 through Dec. 31.

Najdek said in the "near future" the town and village "will get together with our attorneys to work out a contract of sorts."

If the village abolishes the MPD, the DCSO would only patrol the 0.6-square-mile section that comprises the village; the town would need its own contract with the sheriff's office or another agency for police services.

Local Law B

The Village Board introduced Local Law B on May 24 with its attorney, Victoria Polidoro, present. She explained then the new law is

very similar to the original, designed to dissolve the MPD.

The mayor explained on Friday, June 17, why the board opted to have a new law penned in lieu of pushing Local Law A through, which was never adopted.

"Because Local Law B is subject to a mandatory referendum and skips the petition process," she said. "It goes directly to the ballot if it's adopted. It goes directly to the ballot and then it's voted on by registered voters of the village of Millerton."

The mayor further explained that after the board schedules the requisite public hearing, and if it adopts Local Law B, it would have to post its plans to adopt the law in The Millerton News (its official newspaper). A special election would then have to be held within 10 and 60 days from when the legal notice is published.

Community feedback

Residents and business owners have been weighing in on the idea of disbanding the MPD ever since the idea of contracting with the DCSO was first presented by the village.

A village workshop was held on March 29; Acting Sheriff Kirk Imperati was on hand to speak about the services offered by the DCSO. The public was encouraged to attend and ask questions.

The village spent weeks reviewing all of those public comments and at meetings held since.

"After the public hearing and further discussion, enough people had come to

the public hearing and the majority of the board talked about it and thought, let's have our attorneys draft Local Law B," said Najdek, who added she has no idea when the board will move forward with passing a resolution for the new local law. "Nope, that's a hard 'no.' One of the things happening now, the board has a lot going on. We're gearing up for our reorg meeting, we're in the middle of grant season — we have tons of grants we're applying for — there are many things happening. So one of the things is to take a pause. I think the board on the whole needs to take a pause on this."

Save the MPD**Facebook Group**

Not everyone is pleased about the prospect of there no longer being a local police force, which is a service not all communities enjoy. That's why some community members from the village and town formed the Save the Millerton Police Department Facebook Group.

The group has even gone as far as getting hundreds of lawn signs made, which may be ordered by contacting the group via its Facebook page or by calling or texting one of its leaders, Brian Wahl, at 609-932-1224. Signs promoting the group have been posted throughout the community.

The signs started popping

"We're ready for a petition — we have it — and if that's the way the board wants to go, we'll do it."

Mike Veeder, MPD Officer-in-Charge

up around the Memorial Day holiday on May 30.

Najdek has said one of the main reasons for wanting to do away with the MPD is due to the enormous concerns about liability if anything goes wrong while a police officer is on duty.

At this time, the village is already involved with three lawsuits. Potentially, the mayor said, if there were a costly lawsuit involving a police incident gone wrong it could bankrupt the village.

If Millerton decides to contract with the DCSO, the sheriff's office would take on all of that liability, removing "100%" of the worry from the village, said the mayor.

MPD 'loves' support

MPD Officer-in-Charge Mike Veeder said on Wednesday, June 15, he and his force are very appreciative of those in Millerton trying to save the department.

"We love the support, we're very, very blessed to have all the support we have from the community," he said. "There's a great deal of support for us and we appreciate [it]."

As far as what he learned from the public hearing process when the Village Board

was trying to get Local Law A approved, Veeder described it as a learning process.

"There were things brought up that we can do better," he said, adding if Local Law B gets pushed through and the board leans toward abolishing the MPD yet again, the officers might make a plan of their own. "We're ready for a petition — we have it — and if that's the way the board wants to go, we'll do it."

Stolen signs

Some of the Save the MPD lawn signs posted have recently been reported stolen. Though there's no word on who's responsible for the thefts, word of the stolen signs has made it to Village Hall and to the MPD, according to the Facebook group.

Najdek said she saw the group posted about the thefts on Facebook but didn't know any more about it. Other than that, she said she preferred not to comment on the group's campaign to save the MPD, other than to say that "Everyone is entitled to their opinion."

The mayor added, "One of things that the village realizes in the village narrative, and we talked about this publicly,

is we have not come out with our executive summary of this process yet, and that's something that has to be worked out."

Still get county & state coverage

If the village decides to contract with the DCSO and abolish its part-time force, the service would be in addition to the county-wide coverage the sheriff's office already provides to all 22 towns and villages throughout Dutchess 24/7/365. Millerton/North East are included in its Zone 6.

Millerton/North East are also provided coverage by the New York State Police (NYS) Troop K out of Salt Point 24/7/365. Both services are paid for through taxes.

Public vote will be needed

As the village attorney explained on May 24, Local Law B is subject to a mandatory referendum and contains language that it shall be voted on at a special election.

At this point of the year, Polidoro said that it would have to be done during a special election because it will be too late for the village's general election, which was held on Tuesday, June 21, from noon to 9 p.m. at the Village Offices at 5933 North Elm Ave. (Route 22). Yet it's too far from the General Election coming in November.

FAREWELL *Continued from Page A1*

Elizabeth Kolbert's book "Under a White Sky: The Nature of the Future" was purchased and donated in Handler's honor.

During the meeting's second public comment section, the public commended Handler for wearing a lot of hats over the years: going above and beyond his role as superintendent of schools, Handler was praised for his work on the district's athletic fields and for stepping in as a school bus driver.

"It's been a pleasure, and I've enjoyed doing all of those things," Handler said in reply.

Speaking on behalf to the BOE, BOE President Anne Arent said that when Handler took over nine years ago, the Pine Plains CSD "was not at all what it is today." To that point, Arent reminisced how the district's academics were at the bottom of the county and how there were unions without contracts, budgets that kept failing and a lack of community support.

"When you arrived, you never once balked at the challenges we threw in front of you," Arent said to Handler. "Instead of being upset... you just rolled up your sleeves, you got busy."

Throughout his nine years in the district, Arent praised Handler for creating new learning opportunities (such as the district's one-to-one computer initiative), resolved contracts with the unions and immersed himself in community events.

"You wanted to understand what our district needed and you did it," she said. "I want to thank you personally for everything you've done the last nine years to make our district the shining star that it is."

"As your friend, I want to thank you for all your support and encouragement," Arent said, "... and most importantly, thank you for watch-



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Pine Plains Superintendent of Schools Martin Handler (in center) celebrated his imminent retirement from the Pine Plains Central School District at his last Pine Plains Board of Education (BOE) meeting on Wednesday, June 15, alongside (from left) BOE members Joe Kieran, BOE Vice President Amie Fredericks, Chip Couse, Heidi Johnson, BOE President Anne Arent, Jim Griffin and Jean Stapf.

ing all of our children, thank you for caring for them, thank you for loving them...As you leave Pine Plains for the Great North, please, please know you are leaving our community better than you found it and we are truly grateful."

Reflecting on his final BOE meeting, Handler admitted he had mixed feelings.

"There were many kind words said, but I also have a sense of loss," he said. "I have been a superintendent of schools for 35 years and it will feel very different not having those responsibilities."

Asked how he feels about watching his last class graduate from the district, Handler said he will speak to them at the graduation ceremony on Saturday, June 25, at 10 a.m. in the Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School auditorium.

"They are a very special group of young people," Handler said of this year's class. "Despite all of the challenges of the pandemic, they have managed to show excellence in academics, athletics and the arts. I will always remember this group fondly."

AVIAN FLU *Continued from Page A1*

Most people seem to enjoy looking for the ubiquitous robins and many keep their feeders are restocked with birdseed and their bird baths filled with water. But as bird-watchers hope to see plenty of their feathered friends, be it birds, the occasional duck, goose, owl, eagle or hawk the government and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) are warning that foul may not be healthy.

To put bird enthusiasts' minds at ease, though, know that the highly contagious bird virus is not considered a threat to humans. So far, just one human being has been reported to have contacted the H5N1 strain of the avian flu. That patient was a farm hand in Colorado who experienced mild symptoms and was reported to have recovered from the flu in about two days.

However, for wild birds in the Hudson Valley, for farmers in the region and for residents who keep small flocks of fowl in their backyards, the avian flu is often fatal. Once a bird becomes ill and a strain of the disease is detected, any birds that have been exposed must be euthanized, including entire flocks.

The DEC has confirmed that the highly contagious bird virus was found in Dutchess County as well as other New York counties as early as February of this year. The highly pathogenic strain found in domesticated flocks and wild birds is known as HPAI, and is spread by migrating birds, most notably gulls and shorebirds, as well as ducks, geese and others.

Commissioner of the State Department of Agriculture and Markets Richard Ball advised New Yorkers who are raising chickens or other poultry to avoid attract migrating wild birds, geese or ducks to their property.

Also, be aware that the virus can be carried on one's

shoes, clothes, in one's car or on the tires of one's vehicle.

Staying alert and aware is key to avoiding the spread of the disease by poultry inspectors and others during inspections or when visiting farms. Wearing shoe coverings or disinfecting shoes can help to stem the spread as well.

Symptoms common in wild birds include: apathy; difficulty breathing; leg/wing paralysis; a twisted neck, head tilted at an angle; walking in circles; tremors; uncoordinated movements; difficulty standing; difficulty arching its back. Other symptoms of the avian flu to check for if one keeps fowl include one's flock not eating, discoloration and strange head movements. Check daily, and if a problem arises, have an expert conduct a test.

Co-Director of Cornell Wildlife Health Labs Krysten Schuler tracks wildlife disease. She's hopeful the disease may burn out as it's done in the past. Schuler explained HPAI follows a seasonal pattern and said typically by the start of June, the virus dies out.

However because some birds don't migrate, that can make it difficult. Signs of dead ducks, geese, bald eagles, herons, owls, hawks and turkey vultures are red flags and should be reported to the DEC for tracking. The DEC may be reached at 845-356-3098.

Among the bird fatalities in New York attributed to the current outbreak of avian flu thus far, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), include nine bald eagles, as a Cooper's hawk, a flock of snow geese and two flocks of pheasant (one in Dutchess County).

The Cornell Cooperative Extension in Millbrook recommends homeowners remove any wild bird feeders to reduce the chances of transmission between wild and domestic birds.

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DAY TRIPS: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

In a Topsy-Turvy World, the Highland Games Bring a Taste of Tradition

For most people, it won't make much difference that this year's Round Hill Highland Games will be slightly different than they are in a normal year.

First of all, who really knows what normal means in a COVID-19 world.

And second, how can you really use the word "normal" when you're talking about a day-long event at a race track that is dedicated to bag piping, throwing curling stones and tossing wood cabers the size of telephone poles.

"This year the athletic events are going to be a little smaller than usual," said event organizer Cathy Sutherland (who was in quarantine with COVID at the time of this interview, just in case anyone thinks the pandemic is over).

Happily, it isn't illness that's taken the top caber tossers and shot putters away from these, the 99th annual Round Hill Highland Games (the

games have been at Lime Rock Park in Salisbury, Conn., for about the last five years). The top competitors will be away at the U.S. Strongman Nationals that weekend.

Really, though, part of the charm of the Round Hill Games is the efforts of newcomers and amateurs to learn, with seriousness and determination, how to spin and throw heavy lead balls on chains and how to heave a lead shot putt from their shoulder.

It isn't just burly Scotsmen in kilts taking part in these shows of strength and grace; the participants are unexpectedly diverse, including many women and many people of different colors and cultures, all joined together by the patterns of their tartans.

So don't worry that the top national caber tossers won't be at Lime Rock Park this Sunday, June 26. The gates open at 8:30 a.m. and activities continue until 4:30 p.m.

The schedule of



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events is a little bit loose-y goose-y but mid to late afternoon is an excellent time to go and see the pipe band competitions (my favorite). In the morning, there are individual pipers and drummers who are performing, and being judged. In the afternoon, though, you can witness the truly lovely and inspiring spectacle of the pipe and drum bands

marching in formation, clad in their dressiest tartans and twirling their tasseled drum sticks.

At the end of the day, around 4 p.m., all the bands will come together for a mass parade.

Although the piping is my personal favorite part of the Highland Games, there is more (much more!) to do.

There will be demon-

The Round Hill Highland Games return to Lime Rock Park in Salisbury, Conn., on Sunday, June 26, with caber tossing, a 1-mile kilted run and many other exotic delights.

strations of Scottish arts and culture, including live music and Highland dancing. Members of the Norfolk Curling Club will have a tent on the grounds, and will bring their portable stones, so visitors can try a hand at curling.

There will be a variety of libations, including iced teas from Harney & Sons of Millerton, N.Y., and craft beers from Great Falls Brewing Co. in North Canaan, Conn.

There will be a whiskey tasting; you can either come and purchase individual samples, or pay a flat fee and

attend an educational talk about how to drink whiskey properly.

Food will be served alongside the whiskey, and there will also be food trucks at the park.

"There won't be any haggis this year," Sutherland said, with regret, referring to the classic Scottish dish of sheep innards stuffed with oatmeal.

"There is a supply chain interruption and we can't get sheep stomachs," she explained.

Which takes us back to our original point: Our world continues to be abnormal, but the Highland Games are not exactly normal anyway — and yet they are rooted in centuries-old traditions.

Come on down to Lime Rock Park on Sunday, June 26, and be transported to another place and time. Learn more and order tickets at www.rhhg.org.

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A Bloody Good Bloody Mary Mix

The history of the Bloody Mary cocktail is vague, with no one really certain how it got its name or who invented it in the first place.

But one thing we do know is that Salisbury, Conn., native Andy Williams has invented a particularly delicious base mix for the cocktail, which is now being sold at the LaBonne's markets, including the one in Salisbury.

Williams has been working at area bars

since 2001, starting when he was 16 at The Boathouse in Lakeville, Conn., when it was still owned by Danny O'Brien. Williams is now on duty at Lakeville's Black Rabbit Bar and Grill on weekends, where he serves up his very tasty tomato-based beverage with or without vodka (the tamer version is, of course, known as a Virgin Mary).

The perfect Bloody Mary mix took about a decade to perfect, Williams said. It has nine ingredients, including tomato juice and celery salt (and the requisite stalk of celery — no one seems to know how that cocktail tradition got started either, in case you're wondering).

He's very specific about his vodka — he likes to use Tito's, which adds some smokiness to the drink.



PHOTO BY CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

Come taste Andy Williams' award-winning Bloody Mary mix at LaBonne's market on June 25, where the mix is now being sold in bottles.

Other ingredients include citrus juices, A1 sauce, Worcestershire sauce, horse radish and Tabasco — but Williams promises that he's found a happy balance between too hot and not hot enough.

The ideal Bloody Mary, he said, is one that can help cure you of a hangover without scorching

your windpipe.

One ingredient you will not find in a Williams Bloody Mary: filet mignon.

"I've been to many competitions where there will be an entire steak in the Bloody Mary."

Williams sticks to more modest garnishes: a pimento-stuffed green olive, some fresh citrus, perhaps a cocktail onion.

"And if it's for a contest, sometimes I'll add a couple of grilled shrimp."

The mixture is popular enough that LaBonne's (where Williams is also an employee; and in his spare time he does a blog called Simply Sports) is now selling the mix at all its stores.

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Blues Project Is Back, and Taking it on the Road

Out of the ashes of Blues Project — one of the most influential bands of the mid 1960s — rose another amazing and influential band of that era: Blood, Sweat & Tears, started by Blues Project founding members Steve Katz and Al Kooper.

Katz and Kooper remained with BST for its early glory years (including the band's performance at the original Woodstock). They then went their own ways, though the band continues to tour — with all new and much younger members.

"It's essentially a tribute band now," said Steve Katz, politely, sitting in his music studio/home office in Kent, Conn., where he lives with his wife, the ceramic artist Alison Palmer.

Make no mistake: Katz isn't sitting around at home strumming his (many) guitars and talking about The Good Old Days. He keeps busy, making music, doing live solo shows (where he feeds his audience's nostalgia for the exciting early days of rock and roll in Greenwich Village). He recently wrote a well-received autobiography, "Blood, Sweat and My Rock & Roll Years."

And now he's getting his old band back together — but that band is Blues Project, not Blood Sweat & Tears. Katz still speaks weekly with Blues Project drummer Roy Blumenfeld, who now lives in California. More than a half century after they first began making music together, they decided that now was the time to do some live shows and record an album.

The new Blues Project band also includes Chris Morrison (vocals and lead guitar), Ken Clark (piano and vocals) and



PHOTO BY CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

Steve Katz, a founding member of Blues Project, can still spend all day noodling around with his guitars in his home studio in Kent, Conn. His band, Blues Project, returns this summer with a concert June 25 and a new album.

Scott Petito on bass. All three are younger than Katz and Blumenfeld — but old enough to have experienced live music in a pre-computer age.

Referring especially to the drum machines that have added a more machine-made element to music, Katz said, "Drum machines lack soul. Today's records lack soul." He isn't talking about soul as a musical genre; he's referring to the spontaneous magic that occurs when a bunch of musicians come together on a stage or in a studio and unexpected things just ... happen.

Blues Project itself is largely electric, not at all an unplugged throwback to the early days of American roots music.

Rob Buccino, who writes about music for Compass arts and entertainment, described the band as, "anchored (like Cream) in high-volume cover versions of blues classics. Blues Project was also among the first bands to blend jazz themes with rock instrumentation, an early forerunner to jazz-rock fusion, at a time when psychedelia/acid rock was washing over the country."

The new Blues Proj-

ect began touring last year, and they will meet up in a couple weeks at Petito's recording studio in Woodstock, N.Y.

True to the roots of Blues Project, the plans for the album are not exactly set in stone.

There is no definite list of songs. All the musicians are coming up with ideas; some of the final choices will probably get made on Saturday, June 25, at 7 p.m. when the band is doing a live gig at The Falcon in Marlboro, N.Y. (www.liveatthefalcon.com).

No one is overly stressed out about what the album will eventually become. Part of the fun of Blues Project and of live music in general, Katz believes, is the unique chemistry that happens when a bunch of musicians get together.

"I'm as curious as anyone else might be as to what will happen," Katz said happily. "That's the thing about Blues Project: We never know how it will turn out, but we know it will be fun."

Buccino agrees that this fluid approach to making plans lies deep in the DNA of Blues Project.

"They were among the first 'jam bands,' inspiring others to break out of the then-dominant 3-minute popular song mold," he said.

Also true to the legacy of Blues Project, much of what the band plays will be electric — but not all of it, Katz said, noting with understatement that, "We're pretty eclectic."

Blues Project will continue to tour this year, primarily in the Northeast. A West Coast tour is a possibility next year.

And this October, there will be a new album — pressed on CDs.

"CDs still seem like a new thing to me," Katz sighed. He assumes the album will eventually become available on streaming.

The band is also using a modern innovation to raise money for studio time: They need \$12,500 and have started a Kickstarter campaign. Anyone who would like to contribute can go to www.kickstarter.com/projects/bluesproject/the-blues-project-the-new-album-and-tour.

...Bloody Mary

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There will be a tasting at LaBonne' in Salisbury on Saturday, June 25, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The mix costs \$9.99 for 32 ounces (enough for about five Bloody Marys).

Look for it at the store in the front cooler, next to the fruit juices. It sells out quickly. Williams said he generally makes eight or nine bottles every Thursday.

"I make it in small batches, so you can taste the freshness. "Once you taste

it," he promises, "you will never want to try another Blood Mary mix."

You can place individual orders for the mix by calling Williams at 860-318-5800.

And as for the history behind his signature drink, Williams subscribes to the idea that bartender Ferdinand Petiot mixed the first Bloody Mary in Paris at what would become Harry's Bar. The drink debuted in 1921, which Williams notes is 100 years ago.

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Del Snook stood in front of a painting he made of man and man's best friend, one of many wonderful pieces of art currently on display at The Fountains.



Fountains artist Ed Schurig painted a serene scene of a lighthouse overlooking the water, on display now at the Millbrook senior living facility.



The artwork senior Len Weiss created at The Fountains is as inventive and imaginative as someone a fraction of his age might dream up.

Art is in full bloom at The Fountains

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE
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MILLBROOK — April is an unpredictable month in terms of weather, but it definitely is the symbol of spring. Artists at The Fountains in Millbrook, inspired by

Director of Community Life Lisa Rieckermann, recently saw their creativity blossom after two long years of COVID fever, and came up with an idea for an art show called "Just Spring."

It features 13 talented senior artists; the show opened March 20, the first day of

spring. The Fountain's regularly-scheduled annual show, "Expressions," has been on hold since the pandemic and this is the first art show since COVID hit. Rieckermann is hopeful "Expressions" will return in June 2022.

Art teacher Ellen Metzger O'Shea has added to her stu-

dent's inspiration. The result is a series of artwork that for the most part brings to mind warmer climates, gardens, seascapes and wildlife, including more than one charming scene of cows grazing in a sun-filled meadow.

O'Shea has taught art throughout her life, including in the local Arlington and Wappingers Falls school districts. She is also a respected artist herself.

They have the tools

Residents at The Fountains have access to a well-equipped studio with glorious natural lighting, and, of course, O'Shea. Some of the residents there have dabbled in the arts as a hobby over the years while pursuing various careers.

Others have never picked up a paint brush or a pencil in their lives, until arriving at The Fountains.

The art they now produce at the retirement community is impressive. It sometimes mirrors their life experiences, places they have been, people they have met, pets they have loved.

Among the works on exhibit there includes a painting of a lighthouse by Ed Schurig. Born in New Jersey, Schurig came to the Hudson Valley by way of IBM 54 years ago, where he was a senior buyer for the firm.

He moved to The Fountains last December, and makes full use of the studio to continue the painting he has loved to do since the age of 22. He has two other pieces on display.

Ted Kerhulas, a retired sales executive for Intercontinental Hotels and MGM, is also a long-time artist.

He began painting while in grammar school in California, his home state. It remained a hobby while he pursued his career, moving from Charleston to other spots before landing in New York.

He prefers outdoor themes, and while he has exhibited his work before, this is first showing at The Fountains.

Del Snook is a dog lover, and his artwork often share that fact. Two paintings in the show are self-portraits with his dog Maggie; another is of a therapy dog who visits The Fountains.

Snook, originally from Iowa, has lived at The Fountains for three years; his son and his family live in Lagrangeville so Snook has plenty of company to come and admire his work.

Many talents

Leon Nesis is a retired surgeon as well as a prolific painter. His artwork was featured in an exhibit at the Millbrook Library recently. His paintings reflect a great love of the outdoors, from ocean scenes to charming country displays.

Len Weiss is a fixture at The Fountains' art studio,

and his talents are varied. He paints, he carves wood and recently he has taken up carving bark.

Weiss' work has been featured three times in the annual Watermark calendar, including in 2022. (The Fountains is managed by Watermark Retirement Communities.) His work graces the walls of The Fountains.

His wife, Terry Sawall, has also had her work exhibited, so art is something of a family occupation.

Shirley Ferneke has several of her pieces in the current Fountains' show. "Golden Days," an acrylic painting portraying an old gentleman enjoying a country walk with a child, was chosen for the 2022 Watermark calendar as its image for the month of September.

Other artists in "Just Spring" include Fountains' residents Sue Lischke, Chet Wojtecki, Rosalie Geiger, Polly Polzella, Lee Andrews, Mary Kay Blasi and Jackie Montgomery.

For more information, call 845-677-8550 or go to www.millbrook.watermarkcommunities.com; The Fountains is located at 79 Flint Road, Millbrook.

The Millbrook Library, meanwhile, will be hosting an art exhibit early this summer featuring residents from The Fountains. Many of the artists from the current exhibit will be at the opening, where people will get a chance to talk with them about their work.

Traditional tree planting at Alden Place

MILLBROOK — On Wednesday, June 15, the current second-grade class from Elm Drive Elementary School went up for orientation to Alden Place Elementary School so students could learn what to expect when they start the new academic year in the fall at their new school.

Each year, the Millbrook Central School District has the incoming students plant a new tree at Alden Place CSEA Unit Vice President Julie Ruuge.

The trees have been generously donated for the last three years by Patrick Murphy, owner of Millbrook Gardens.

This year's tree was a lovely flowering plum tree, which symbolizes "perseverance and hope, as well as beauty thriving in adverse circumstances," according to www.thepresent-tree.com.

— Whitney Joseph



PHOTO BY JULIE RUIGE

Alden Place CSEA Unit Vice President Julie Ruuge shared "Fun news from Millbrook," in the photo above on Wednesday, June 15, when Elm Drive Elementary School students from the current second-grade class attended orientation at Alden Place Elementary School and planted a flowering plum tree at the school they'll attend in the fall.

BOE remembers Uvalde victims, talks staffing

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE
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MILLBROOK — Board of Education (BOE) President Perry Hartswick for the Millbrook Central School District (MCSD) opened the Tuesday, June 7, meeting with a moment of silence to remember the 19 students and two teachers who died after a mass shooting in Uvalde, Texas. It was a somber moment.

He then spoke of happier moments, recognizing the high school's volleyball team and congratulating this year's valedictorian David Sager and salutatorian Molly McMorris.

Retirees were also recognized: teachers Frank Fiorenza for 25 years of service; Dawn Harkenrider for 35 years; Georgia Herring for 33 years; Karen Outwater for 22 years; Susan Scaglione for 24 years; Kyle Shoemaker for six years; and monitor James Outwater for 10 years; He also thanked BOE member Paul Tobin, who is leaving the board after nine years of service.

The consent agenda was passed, accepting the minutes and actions of the last meeting. A resolution approving the BOE's acceptance of the results of the May 17 Annual Meeting was passed. It included Proposition 1 (the MCSD's 2022-23 budget), with 227 voters voting in favor or the measure and 63 voters voting against it; candi-

dates were also elected to the BOE on that date, including incumbents Perry Hartswick, with 227 votes and Jennifer Carnecchia, with 224 votes and newcomer Dena Ghobashy, a write-in candidate, with 87 votes.

Business taken care of

Approval was given to revise the 2021 Capital Outlay Project work order prepared by Ferrari & Sons. Modifications were made to the Door Access Control System; \$8,129.32 was added to the contract amount; modifications were also made to the Fire Alarm System in the amount of an additional \$6,570.96.

Approval was given for a continuation of the district's Reserve Fund.

The board approved the following agreements: Healthy Kids; the Anderson Center for Autism and Educational & Management Services, Inc.; the Anderson Center Consulting; and Astor Services for Children and Adults.

Service agreements were approved between the MCSD and Karen Finnerty for occupational services; Drs. Andreas Smoller and Nelson Jose Dorta, neuropsychologist for assessment and evaluation; Sylvan Nakkab of Ivy Rehab Network, Physical Therapy and Rehab Professionals; a health service was also approved for with for two students to go to the Spackenkill district for a cost of \$2,392.98

from Sept. 21 through June 30.

The BOE announced that several new teachers have been appointed for probationary periods, including: Alexander Garcia; Katherine Wimmers; Kerri Martin; Ana Nyarady; Melissa Betts; and Allison Webb.

School Superintendent Laura Mitchell that the eSports program has had an excellent first season, with the Rocket League Team taking second in the finals.

The Millbrook Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) has arranged an appreciation luncheon for the MCSD staff for all the work they do to support students, as well as special luncheons for district bus drivers, facilities staff, food service personnel and teachers/staff at each school building.

Vacancies need filling

There are nearly a dozen vacancies in the district, said the BOE, and interviews are being conducted. Those openings are in various departments from administrative to maintenance.

School districts have been alerted of their 2022-23 grant allocations, and work has already begun on next year's applications, due in August.

There's a new tradition to look forward to, the end of the year staff BBQ, thanks to the Millbrook Education Fund (MEF), which is funding the event.

Deputy Superintendent Caroline Hernandez Pidala

said applications are now being processed for the Summer Scholars program. At press time, 39 students had already expressed interest in participating this summer, which is consistent with the previous two years of enrollment.

The BOE encouraged all parents of students with disabilities to participate in the survey about parent communication. The MCSD does not see the results — they are desegregated by SUNY Potsdam and MCSD will receive a summary.

The next BOE meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, June 21, 7 p.m., in the middle school cafeteria. Meetings may be viewed on YouTube; go to www.millbrookcsd.org for more information.

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What will come next for our graduates?

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

— Eleanor Roosevelt

The dreams that occupy our minds upon graduation, whether from elementary or high school, college or post graduate study, are often defined by the education and experience of the previous few years. We can envision what might come next in our lives as informed by what we have seen and understood about life before.

As each new experience overtakes us, renewed awareness should pull us into a new and exciting future, if education has done its job. For those who are graduating this year, a large part of their recent school lives included dealing with the pandemic and its far-reaching consequences. They were inevitably more isolated since 2020 than they had been before, and generations before them had been, whether they were in school or working remotely.

Even when they were together in the buildings, the students needed to be masked and distanced during the school day for a good portion of that time. Still, they were surely able to find new ways to learn about each other and academics, sports and after school programs like theater and musical performance, as evidenced by achievements reported in this newspaper in all those parts of their school lives at Webutuck, Pine Plains and Millbrook Central School Districts.

Besides the pandemic, once schools reopened more fully, there has also been the threat and reality of gun violence within the nation's classrooms. For students and their families, this has made the end of the school year all the more difficult and fraught with anxiety, not only here in the Harlem Valley but across the country. As if there weren't enough happening already to create anxious moments for American children of all ages.

But now stepping into their next life adventures will give students new sets of challenges, which will include those same triggers for life anxiety, but will also give a chance for real change. What will be needed is courage to face those changes and exert control over them whenever possible. We all need to take hope in action, such as that which has made the pandemic less of a threat to the general population with vaccines available widely and to all age groups.

Here's to a future with good change, for all this year's graduates. Belief in beneficial transitions, based on both dreams and careful thought, can be the catalyst to make them happen.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Handler will be missed by many

Over the last nine years, Pine Plains Central School District has benefited from the strong leadership of superintendent Dr. Martin Handler. When he began his tenure in the summer of 2013, our district's academic standing was one of the lowest in the county. Labor negotiations were at a standstill with two of our three unions, and the community had shown its displeasure with the district by voting down the budget in prior years. Within months of starting his new role. Dr. Handler had settled the outstanding contracts with the unions and put himself out in the community so that he could hear from residents. Perhaps most importantly, he advocated heavily to the board for a 1:1 initiative, which put electronic devices in the hands of every student in our district. Pine Plains led the county in creating this program, and it benefited our students immensely during the pandemic. It has taken time, but our district is now in the top third academically in the county, thanks to Dr. Handler's guidance throughout the years.

What many people don't realize about Dr. Handler are just how much he does for both the district and the community at large. He is a

certified bus driver who has stepped up on multiple occasions to drive students when we are short-staffed. He refereed the modified soccer teams for several years when there weren't enough referees. He has been the voice of the varsity football team throughout his tenure, announcing all the home games. He volunteered countless hours of his own time to certify staff, students, and the public in CPR. He is a member of both the Pine Plains Lions Club and the fire department rescue squad. Most important, he makes a point of knowing his students, and goes out of his way to try to make their lives better.

In a few short weeks, Dr. Handler will be moving out of the area to be closer to his grandchildren. His departure is going to leave a hole in our community that will be felt by many, but especially our school district for whom he gave so much. On behalf of the Pine Plains Central School District Board of Education, I would like to say congratulations to Dr. Handler on his retirement. We will miss you.

Anne K. Arent
President, Board of Education
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Remodeling for aging-in-place

The best ideas for Golden Living columns often come from our readers. In this case, it was a friend of the Office for the Aging (OFA) who read a recent Golden Living column on preventing home improvement scams targeting older adults looking to remodel their homes with an eye toward aging-in-place, who asked:

"What's aging-in-place?"

It's a simple question, with an answer that could easily fill more than one Golden Living column.

We'll try to be brief.

When older adults are asked where they'd like to live out the rest of their lives, the most common answer we see is they'd prefer to stay in their own homes.

It could either be the home they've known all their adult lives, or a smaller home tailored to their evolving needs as older adults.

If their five kids are grown-and-flown, maybe their two-story, six-bedroom house is a bit much and they'd like to downsize. Or maybe it's still the right house if the right updates are made.

We've noticed three related trends relating to aging-in-place: families making space in their homes for older relatives; grown children returning home after college to live with parents and/or grandparents; and single parents sharing their home with their own parents.

Even for the healthiest older adults, aging will take a toll on physical abilities. Issues with vision and mobility tend to be the areas of greatest concern, so it follows that most remodeling projects should take those issues into account first.

Aging-in-place on a shoestring

Your list of things to improve is long, but money is short. Even for those with ready money, finding a repu-

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Todd N. Tancredi

table contractor with the time to take on your work can be a lengthy process. Finding the available materials can be chancy given supply-chain issues. What to do in the meantime?

If you're comfortable as a do-it-yourselfer, start with the simple things that are within your skillset and budget. If a doorknob is sticking, maybe this is the time to replace it with a lever-style door handle. Comfort-height toilet seats can improve a bathroom's safety and ease of use.

Aging-in-place with style

A common early criticism of home safety products was that they looked "institutional" rather than matching an individual's preference. That's no longer the case. As home safety merchandisers see the growing opportunity in the aging baby boomer market, they've started offering a far wider range of products that are both ADA-compliant as well as stylish.

And keep in mind...

Rebuilding Together Dutchess County (www.rt-dutchess.org; 845-454-7310) offers qualifying older adults a Rebuilding Day program for large-scale home repairs necessary to maintain a safe and healthy living environment. The program's application window opened June 1 and runs through August. Applications received during this time are considered for service in 2023.

Golden Living is prepared by Dutchess County OFA Director Todd N. Tancredi, who can be reached at 845-486-2555, ofa@dutchessny.gov or via the OFA website at www.dutchessny.gov/aging.



PHOTO BY JAMES H. CLARK

Water running

Unemployment nonsense

Let's start with numbers. Currently, the government U.S. unemployment rate stands at 3.6% with a total of 6 million people in that percentage. The number of job openings is currently 11 million.

At first glance, that means there are almost two jobs for every unemployed person. Aha, you scream, that proves people are lazy and don't want to work! And, indeed, if you watch that one news channel, that is exactly what they are claiming on behalf of their believers. And, stupidly, no one explains the truth in these numbers.

First, the unemployment rate is calculated by the government to only include people who are out of work, seeking work and especially those who are available to start work within a few weeks. This definition does not include the people who may want to seek work but don't want to return to underpaid, poorly supported, menial work.

However, the term "unemployment" for most people means all people who are not working; meaning they could be or should be. The popular definition doesn't take into account people who are outside of employment either by sickness, injury, removing themselves from the employment market, students, child rearing, care for others (for example an ill parent), disability and those who have taken early retirement. In other words, the government definition of "unemployment" is much more narrow than the public's understanding.

Next, you have to look at the number of people who have removed themselves from the employment market which is estimated to be an additional 7 million over the past year. More than half of Americans who lost their jobs in the pandemic and remain unemployed are now (Fox) "no longer interested in returning to work." Really? You think they don't work? How do they feed themselves and their families? Here's how: it is estimated that 400,000 new businesses were started over the past year. And Forbes estimates that only 20% of new businesses were incorporated (for example, if

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Peter Riva

you're a gardener you don't need to have a corporation). That means as many as 2 million new small businesses and jobs were self-created over the past year. Assuming that may mean two people per new business, you can see why the unemployment official rate is so low - simply put the 8.5% unemployment rate at the beginning of 2021 dropped as people found work (not necessarily jobs in a government definition) and dropped from the list of those seeking employment via the government. And, what's worse for industry, many people so enjoyed being away from the control of a company during the pandemic, they have struck out on their own...leaving the industrial and the jobs' market looking to fill 11 million jobs.

Every person who has ever worked knows that the way you are employed and paid is critical to your acceptance of that job offering. And, currently, many industries paying minimum wage have not realized that people cannot survive on such low pay—and during COVID they saw there was a better way, a more liberating way forward: get your money back from the government from all those tax dollars you paid out and find something better for your family and your self-esteem.

So, how do we help those American industries? The way America always has: paying workers more and treating them better as well as immigration. The economy cannot recover, expand and prosper out of the doldrums we find ourselves in unless we find workers for those 11 million positions currently going begging. Industrial employment standards and immigration laws both have to be updated for America to prosper once again.

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

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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, June 29, 2022 at the North East Town Hall, 19N. Maple Ave., Millerton, NY at 7:40 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the application of NML Wilds LLC and NML Farm LLC for a Lot Line Adjustment on Tax Parcel #7171-00-475093 located at Route 199, Millerton, NY in the A5A Zoning District of the Town of North East and Parcel #7170-00-232833 located at 136-144 Skunks Misery Road, Millerton, NY in the A5A Zoning District of the Town of North East.

The above application is open for inspection at the Town Hall or via email. Please request a copy by emailing the Planning Board office at pb@townofnortheastny.gov or calling 518-789-3300, Ext. 608. The application is also available on the Town website for inspection.
 Persons wishing to appear at such hearing may do so in person or by attorney or other representative. Communications in writing relating thereto may be filed with the Board at such hearing. Dated: June 16, 2022.

Dale Culver
 Chairman,
 Planning Board
 06-23-22

Legal Notice
 Charisse Colvin MD, Psychiatrist PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 1/25/22. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 827 St Rt 82 Suite 10-175 Hopewell Junction, NY 12533. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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