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This little boy found a special Easter surprise, arranged by the Stissing Mountain girls varsity soccer team.

## Stissing soccer players hide eggs for little ones

PINE PLAINS — The Stissing Mountain girls varsity soccer team egged local homes as part of its “Egg My Yard!” Easter fundraiser. Families living within the Pine Plains Central School District were able to register for candy-filled eggs to be delivered by the team in their yards over select weekends for an early Easter egg hunt.

The night before the scheduled hunt, members of the soccer team hid the eggs to be discovered the

next morning.

The first two weekends of egg hunts were held at the end of March and early April, raising about \$500. The remaining egg hunts are Saturday, April 16, and Sunday, April 17. To book a hunt, call or text 914-456-5822.

All proceeds will benefit the soccer team. Come Easter weekend, the girls will be egg-sra busy hiding eggs.

— Kaitlin Lyle

## Millerton has sheriff talk at meeting on hiring deputies

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MILLERTON — With the future of police services possibly shifting gears in Millerton, the Village Board held a special workshop on Tuesday, March 29, with the Dutchess County Sheriff’s Office (DCSO) present to speak about the services it could

provide the village.

In addition to the entire Village Board and Dutchess County Acting Sheriff Kirk Imperati being present, nearly 50 residents from both the village and town came to the 6 p.m. meeting in the NorthEast-Millerton Library Annex. (Recordings are at www.villageofmillerton.net and on the “Town of North East New York”

YouTube channel).

**DCSO breakdown**

Imperati and other DCSO officials outlined services the DCSO would provide if the village decides to dissolve the part-time Millerton Police Department (MPD) and instead contract with the Sheriff’s Office for police services.

First, though, the Imperati said the DCSO is “450 [deputies] large, has a Corrections Division as well, and a \$500 million budget that I’m responsible for.”

He also emphasized the strong relationships his department has with the many communities it serves. He noted all deputies, whether full or part time, must be Dutchess County residents.

The acting sheriff, who took over following the death of Sheriff Adrian “Butch” Anderson last October and is running for the office this November, said the DCSO is invested in local communities. It wants to bridge the gap between community and law enforcement, he said, point-

## Millerton mayor on dissolving MPD

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MILLERTON — Following the Tuesday, March 29, special Village Board workshop that focused exclusively on what it would look like if the village dissolves its part-time Millerton Police Department (MPD) and contracts with the Dutchess County Sheriff’s Of-

fice (DCSO) for police services, The Millerton News spoke with Mayor Jenn Najdek.

MPD Officer-in-Charge Mike Veeder did not return multiple requests for an interview.

Dutchess County Acting Sheriff Kirk Imperati attended last week’s meeting to provide

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## Millerton News exclusive with developer Will Guidara

# New plans shared for Second Mountain at Migdale Castle

By JUDITH O’HARA BALFE  
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MABBETTSVILLE — For those who thought the plan to transform the former Migdale Castle — built by steel tycoon Andrew Carnegie for his only daughter back in 1927 — into a luxury spa hotel with gourmet restaurants and other top-notch amenities was dead, think again.

NYC restaurateur, author and Kingston resident Will Guidara is still chasing his dream to develop the estate located on roughly 350 acres in the Town of Washington (TOW) hamlet of Mabbettsville. He reached out through his publicist to The Millerton News last week to share his newest plans for the application he had withdrawn from the TOW Planning Board in March 2021.

“Since announcing our plans last March, we’ve focused on listening to local feedback and refining our proposal in response to

what we heard,” stated Guidara. “That work is still ongoing, but we’ve made a number of changes that we’re excited to share. At its heart, our project is designed to breathe new life into a historic Millbrook building and bring jobs and investment to the area — while preserving its character and history.

“We look forward to continuing our conversation with Town of Washington residents as we craft our new proposal,” he added.

In early February 2021, TOW residents first heard about the application made to the Planning Board by the holding company Janet’s Farm LLC for Guidara’s project. He was interested in purchasing Migdale Castle for the project, named Second Mountain.

The estate was put on the market by the Wildenstein family, valued at \$14 million.

The resorts he compared Second Mountain to in other states later that month before the Town

Board easily cost visitors \$10,000 for a nice, relaxing weekend. There’s no word that’s what Guidara intends to charge at his hotel, once done, especially now that he is making changes for a smaller footprint.

Of course, initial plans called for the Migdale estate to be converted into a luxury hotel with two restaurants, glamping facilities, guest cottages, an indoor pool and spa, hiking trails, tennis courts and other amenities, according to the original application.

That application immediately became a hot topic at Town Board meetings and around the community. Some of the above features have since changed, said Guidara.

For one, he no longer intends to include glamping on site. Nor did he mention in last week’s interview any outdoor amenities except tennis courts, and the indoor spa and pool, if included, would only be for

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Migdale Castle, shown above, sits on roughly 350 acres off Route 44 in the Mabbettsville hamlet of the Town of Washington. The original application by Will Guidara created such a stir in the community last year that it was ultimately withdrawn. Guidara has since redrafted his plans, and shared those plans in an exclusive with The Millerton News.



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# Mother-daughter duo give plucky talk on history of hair care

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MILLERTON — Keen to expose the astonishing lengths people would endure to perfect their bodies, Grounded Goodwife mother-daughter duo Ehris Urban and Velya Jancz-Urban disclosed the history of plucking, waxing, tweezing and shaving with their virtual lecture, “Hair Today, Gone Tomorrow,” on Tuesday, March 22.

It was the second lecture in the duo’s “three-part herstory unsanitized series.” The final talk, “Don’t Sweat the Small Stuff!” will offer a history of body odor through the ages on Tuesday, April 12. The 6:30 p.m. lectures are all via Zoom and hosted by the NorthEast-Millerton Library (NEML).

As they traversed the eras, Urban and Jancz-Urban covered the standards for body hair and the outrageous treatments used to rid the body of it.

In ancient Egypt, pubic hair was considered uncivilized and would be waxed off using a mixture of oil, sycamore juice, gum and crushed bird bones.

While shaving one’s head to wear a wig was acceptable, going bald was not. Egyptian women had methods of trying to stimulate hair regrowth, such as boiling a dead porcupine in water and leaving it

on their scalps for five days.

Since cats were considered holy animals, the Egyptians would shave their eyebrows in mourning when a cat passed away.

Because hairlessness was considered a sign of class, Roman women would use tweezers, pumice stones and depilatories to achieve their desired degree of hairlessness.

Urban and Jancz-Urban revealed Queen Elizabeth the First pioneered the idea of removing facial hair. By completely plucking her eyebrows and shaving her hairline, she not only created the illusion of a larger forehead and elongated face, but also drew attention to her breasts.

While Elizabethan women tried revolting methods of facial hair removal — including soaking bandages in a mixture of ammonia, walnut oil, vinegar and cat feces — women in the 1600s and 1700s would shave and replace their eyebrows with fake eyebrows made from mouse fur to achieve fashionably bold, black eyebrows.

From Thomas Jefferson’s claim that facial hair on women likened them to hogs to newspapers throughout the U.S. describing superfluous hair as “the greatest disfigurement of female beauty,” facial and body hair on women was reviled throughout the cen-



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**Once deemed by American newspapers as “the greatest disfigurement of female beauty,” women were willing to submit their bodies to a variety of dangerous treatments that promised to get rid of superfluous hair.**

turies.

The mother and daughter said some believed the modern era of hair removal was encouraged by Charles Darwin’s 1872 book, “Descent of Man,” which claimed homo sapiens have less body hair because mates with less hair were more sexually attractive.

As Darwin’s ideas be-

came more popular, medical and scientific experts in the 1800s began linking hairiness to disease pathology, lunacy

and criminal violence, though these dangerous conceptions applied more to women’s body hair than men’s.

“So making women think they had to be hairless to be considered worthy of attention was a way of controlling their bodies and themselves through shame,” Urban said.

In 1913, the American Medical Association Journal reported women afflicted with heavy hair growth became embittered, melancholy and resentful and “often patients asserted death was preferable to the life of embarrassment they had to live.”

Harper’s Bazaar would later become the first women’s magazine to publish hair removal ads. As arms and legs became more exposed, Gillette unveiled the first women’s razor in 1915.

The presenters explained hair removal was encouraged through three different agencies — the women’s fashion industry, the men’s hair removal industry and the women’s magazine industry — all knowing they could profit from female consumers.

As fashion began to directly influence how women

groomed themselves, Urban and Jancz-Urban highlighted how dangerous hair removal products and treatments could be throughout history.

With the introduction of the first bikini in 1946, the standard for women grooming their pubic hair was set and later reinforced by Playboy Magazine in the 1950s.

While many feminists turned their backs on hairless bodies in the 1960s, waxing centers and spas began offering extensive waxing options in the late 1980s.

Jancz-Urban recalled how actress Julia Roberts sent shock waves through pop culture when she revealed her hairy armpit at the premiere of “Notting Hill” in 1999, and how flaunting body hair would become a trend among women on social media during the next two decades.

Based on their research, the mother-daughter duo revealed that today in the U.S., 1 in 4 women under age 25 maintain consistent and complete removal of their genital hair, while the average American woman will spend \$10,000 U.S. dollars in her lifetime to remove her body hair.

## Millerton library continues to make reading fun for young ones

MILLERTON — The NorthEast-Millerton Library (NEML) announced the return of its Rainbow Trail in March to help its young readers get into the St. Patrick’s Day spirit. It was just another example of the many activities the library holds for little ones to encourage a love of reading at a young age.

For the Rainbow Trail, local children were invited to follow the colorful ribbon to its end, where there was a pot of gold waiting. That’s where prizes were awaiting.

NEML staff also decorated the children’s section for St. Patty’s Day by placing green shamrocks with jokes in select books. The playful library workers offered shamrocks and crowns for children to decorate at the Make-N-Creat Craft Station; they set up



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**Aerial O’Halloran, 3, explored the Rainbow Trail made available to young readers in the children’s section of the NorthEast-Millerton Library on Thursday, March 17.**

a Scavenger Hunt; they also put aside some St. Patrick’s Day-themed books for young readers with just a wee bit of

extra luck wished to them as they opened the pages of their new books.

— Kaitlin Lyle

## Serino’s mobile offices to be held around the Harlem Valley

By **WHITNEY JOSEPH**  
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HARLEM VALLEY — State Senator Sue Serino (R-41) and her staff will be traveling throughout the Harlem Valley this spring to visit constituents with questions about state-related matters and assist them on site with specific casework.

Serino’s office has released the schedule of her upcoming mobile office tour. She will be at the following locations on the dates listed below.

Monday, April 11, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., at the Dover Plains Library at 1797 Route 22, in Wingdale.

Tuesday, April 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the Millbrook Library at 3 Friendly Lane, Millbrook.

Tuesday, April 12, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., at the Pleasant Valley Library at 1584 Main St., Pleasant Valley.

Wednesday, April 13, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the Pine Plains Free Library at

7775 South Main St., Pine Plains.

Thursday, April 14, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the NorthEast-Millerton Library at 75 Main St., Millerton.

“I govern by listening, and as we look forward to truly rebuilding in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, input from our neighbors has never been more important,” said Serino in a press release, adding that knowing how difficult it can be for some of her constituents to visit her district offices in either the west end of the county in Hyde Park or the southern part of the county in Putnam Valley encouraged

her to host the mobile office hours throughout the Harlem Valley once again.

The state senator noted holding such events in the past has allowed her to “connect” with residents and better “address their needs.”

Those who would like to speak with Serino must RSVP. To do so, contact her district office at 845-229-0106.

If a resident is unable to attend one of the scheduled events but still in need of assistance with a state-related matter, they are advised to call the senator’s Hyde Park office at 845-229-0106 or email serino@nysenate.gov.

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### MILLERTON IN BRIEF

#### Easter Egg Hunt at Gun Club April 16

The Millerton’s annual Easter Egg Hunt will be returning Saturday, April 16, at the Millerton Gun Club at 12 Gun Club Road in Millerton.

Organized by the Millerton Gun Club, the Millerton American Legion Post 178 and the Millerton Fire

Company, there will be hayrides down to the Gun Club at 10:30 a.m. with wagons loading at the Millerton firehouse at 24 Century Blvd.

The egg hunt is free of charge and will begin at 11 a.m. Hot dogs, soda and other snacks will be served after the hunt.

#### Pokémon Club

The NorthEast-Millerton Library is hosting a Pokémon Club on Thursdays from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m.

This program is open to children ages 8 and up.

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## Freshtown offers curb side service, employee ownership

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AMENIA — Freshtown Co President and Chief Operating Officer Noah Katz wants shoppers in the Harlem Valley to know his Amenia grocery store is once again offering its curb side food service, a program it began a decade ago but put on hiatus during the height of the COVID pandemic due to supply chain issues.

"There were too many out of stocks, but then we turned it back on about a year ago," said Katz, who said Freshtown's Foodtown On The Go allows customers to shop online and then pick up their orders curb side at the Route 22 store, every day of the week (except holidays).

The supply chain issue is no longer the challenge it was for Freshtown earlier during the pandemic, according to Katz.

"We use multiple vendors so we have an easier time overcoming any supply chain issues, and things are easing up," he said, adding the curb side service is a great way for shoppers to get their groceries who are still hesitant to spend a lot of time around other people right now.

"It's terrific, many people use it. We just get a steady business, a lot from people that are concerned potentially about COVID," he said.

One benefit, said Katz, is that Freshtown doesn't alter the prices for online shoppers.

"You're charged the same price as if you're shopping in the store," he said. "Other companies raise their prices for people shopping online; it's very common."

There's a nominal flat fee

of \$6.99 to use the same-day service, which Katz said is also very helpful for people with mobility issues.

He said he and his brother and partner, Dan, implemented the service 10 years ago as part of their constant effort to stay ahead of the curve.

"We are always keeping our company moving along with industry trends," he said. "Whether it's the technology we offer in our stores, or we just remodeled the Amenia store last year and increased lots of food service items, kitchen items, our fresh foods, the deli area or offering the newest ideas. It never ends."

They've been operating Freshtown in Amenia for the past 20 years (previously called Foodtown), with another dozen stores stretching from NYC to Long Island to Westchester and Putnam Counties, all the way to Delaware.

Recently, safety has been their primary focus.

In fact, Freshtown made national news for being the first store in the U.S. to implement specific COVID safety protocols to protect its workers and customers. They entailed enforcing social distancing, installing Plexiglas at the registers, sanitizing, wiping surfaces, etc., all of which were very detailed.

"We have very strong food safety standards for cleanliness, sanitation, with a lot of policies and procedures in place in our company to keep food safe and customers safe," said Katz, noting Freshtown posted its procedures online for businesses across the country to access for free.

When asked if his stores took a financial hit during the

past two years, Katz was diplomatic.

"I'll say it this way, I'm glad that COVID is winding down, hopefully, and that the world is getting back to normal. It was very disruptive to people."

He added his company "Takes every dollar that everybody spends in our stores seriously and we value every customer who shops in our stores. We're grateful for them and we want people to know that."

He said the same goes for the people who work for his company.

"They're the heroes; they showed up and kept everybody fed."

Which is why he said he was excited to share some other news. While Katz and his brother continue to helm PSK Supermarkets, the company that runs Freshtown supermarkets, as of last year, Freshtown became an employee-owned company.

"That means the employees own the company; they receive stock every year that accumulates over time and they are the owners of the company," he said, adding the Amenia store has between 40 and 50 workers.

"We've always had the best employees you could have, and we saw how hard everyone worked during COVID and always considered making the switch to becoming an employee-owned company," said Katz. "These are hard-working people in our store... that became the tipping point to switching over."

For more information on Foodtown On The Go, go to [www.foodtown.com](http://www.foodtown.com) or call 845-373-9155.

## Students focus on classic art form during World Poetry Day

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WEBUTUCK — If one were to walk by Webutuck High School (WHS) English Language Arts (ELA) teacher Jenna Garofalo's classroom on Monday, March 21, they would have found her senior Dutchess Community College (DCC) English class entranced.

The students were organizing their ideas into original poems in celebration of World Poetry Day, which fell on the 21st this year.

As to what inspired her to assign the interdisciplinary art/ELA lesson, Garofalo said the class just started a new unit. She wanted to challenge them while celebrating the classic art form. Incorporating different styles of poetry into the lesson, Garofalo said the objective was "to use our knowledge of poetry and our enjoyment and appreciation for all art forms in order to create our own poetry and art."

An enthusiastic teacher, Garofalo often comes up with innovative and dynamic lessons for her students.

"I also want to get the message out that poetry doesn't have to be hard," she said.

As she watched her students craft their poems and critique each other's work, the ELA teacher said, "Sometimes it's best to get back to our basics, to practice those social skills. [We're] kind of getting back to our roots with a paper and pencil assignment."



PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

**A senior at Webutuck High School (WHS), Samantha Meehan explored blackout poetry for the World Poetry Day lesson assigned by teacher Jenna Garofalo.**

Students had a choice of poetry forms to explore: name poetry (acrostic poetry) where the first letter in each line is used to spell out a word or phrase; blackout poetry, where a page from a magazine or book is used to blacked out lines and create poetry; and free verse.

Those who chose free verse poetry watched a film by Brazilian photographer Sebastião Salgado to explore different cultures. Garofalo hoped it would inspire them to appreciate different cultures and art forms.

"It brought light to a multitude of crises," said student Joaquin Broughton. "Having a voice is power, and poetry is a form of self-expression; there's an infinite amount of ways to describe yourself through poetry. Self-expression is one of the things that makes us human."

Classmate Samantha Mee-

han agreed, adding she enjoyed learning about different forms of the art.

"Poetry is one of the things I enjoy reading," said Samantha. "You have to have the creative imagination and mind-set to put it together."

The students dove head-first into their poetry lesson, and finished it by their class the next day. While Garofalo originally wanted to hang one long poster of poetry on the wall outside her classroom, she said a student suggested having individual projects form a collage of student poetry along the wall instead.

Garofalo said her eighth-grade class did a similar assignment for extra credit. She was pleased many of the students were exposed to poetry for their first time.



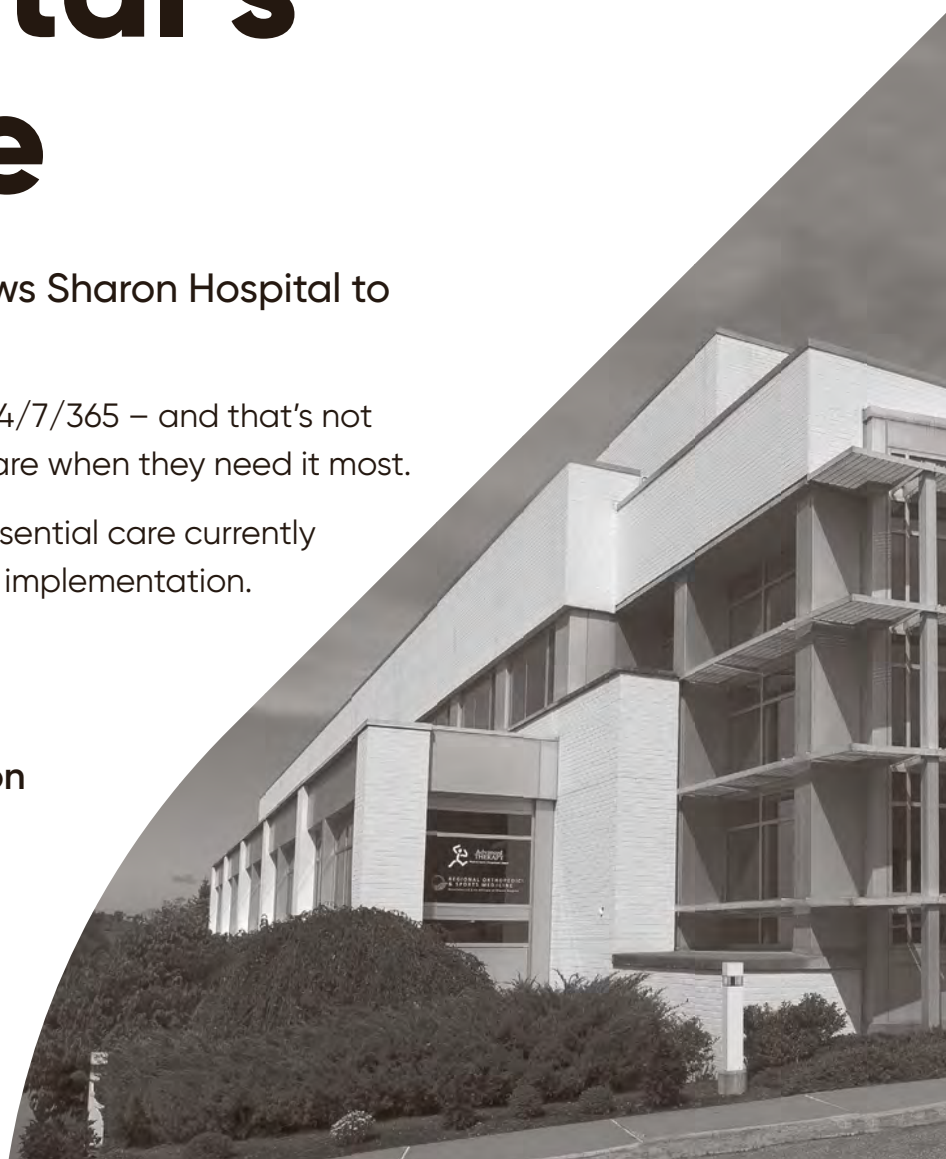
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## OBITUARIES

### Harry William 'Bill' Flint

LAKEVILLE — Harry William "Bill" Flint, 83, a lifelong area resident died peacefully at his home in Lakeville on March 27, 2022, with his loving family at his bedside.

Bill had a nearly 60 year career in the automotive business. In the early 1960s he worked as an automobile mechanic for John Fallon's Used Cars in Salisbury. In the late '60s he worked for Ike's Auto Body Shop in Torrington, where he specialized in autobody repair and towing. Bill then went on to manage the auto body shop at Dutchess Auto in Millerton for many years.

In the early '80s Bill established his own auto body, towing and recovery business on South Center Street in Millerton and aptly named it Bill's Auto Body. After several years and much success he needed a larger building to serve his growing client base, he sold the South Center Street location and moved to North Center Street also in Millerton. Bill retired in 2018 after operating his business for nearly 40 years.

Born May 20, 1938, in Sharon, he was the son of the late Harry "Bill" and Hannah (Liner) Flint. He attended school locally. On August 10, 1972, in Baltimore, Md., he married Dorothy Ann Green, a loving marriage that lasted 50 years. Mrs. Flint survives at home in Lakeville. In his spare time Bill always enjoyed his lawn sales, collecting all sorts of things, going to auctions in Kentucky and having breakfast with the guys at the Round Tuit in Millerton.

He will be dearly missed by his loving family and many friends.

In addition to his wife, Dot, Bill is survived by his daughter, Jamie Flint and her companion Delos Luther III, his daughters, Nila Flint and her companion Ray, and Theresa Westlake and her husband Donald; his son, Douglas Flint and his companion Teri; two brothers, Francis Flint and his wife Arlene and Bruce Flint and his wife, Denise; his sister, Gloria Arsenault and her husband Philip; his sister-in-law, Ginny Dawson; nine grandchildren and several great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews and friends. Bill is also survived by his beloved dog and devoted companion "Abby." In addition to his parents, Bill was predeceased by his son, Harry William Flint, Jr. and two brothers, David Flint and Charles J. Flint, Sr.

There are no calling hours. Graveside services and burial will take place on Friday, May 20, 2022, at 11 a.m. at Irontdale Cemetery in Millerton. Pastor William Mayhew will officiate. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salisbury Volunteer Ambulance Service, P.O. Box 582, Salisbury, CT 06068 or the Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Litchfield County, 30A Salmon Kill Road, Salisbury, CT 06068.

Arrangements by the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton, NY. To send an online condolence to the family, please visit [www.conklinfuneralhome.com](http://www.conklinfuneralhome.com).

### Gary A. Hoffman

COPAKE — Gary A. Hoffman, 69, of Copake, died peacefully at home on March 22, 2022. Gary was born on March 22, 1953, the son of the late Harry A. and Ida E. Hoffman.

He was a graduate of Pine Plains High School, and spent his years after as a self-employed carpenter, a profession in which he was talented and enjoyed. When not working, Gary was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying the spoils of nature and the wildlife that inhabited it.

Gary is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Jamie and Melissa Hoffman, his

daughter, Nicole Hoffman, one sister, Mary Ella Wesley, numerous nieces and nephews, as well as three grandchildren whom he adored: Megan, Mason, and Samson.

He was predeceased by his parents, one brother, Harry B. Hoffman, and two sisters, Helen Swart and Erna Miclette.

There are no calling hours, and arrangements are under the care of the family and Peck and Peck Funeral Home of Copake. To share a favorite memory, or to leave a message of condolence please visit [www.peckandpeck.net](http://www.peckandpeck.net).

### Raymond Gordon Shine

SHARON — Raymond Gordon Shine, age 80, died February 1, 2022, at Charlotte Hungerford Hospital in Torrington.

Ray was born March 17, 1941, in Yonkers, N.Y., the son of the late Gordon and Rose (Feddo) Shine. He graduated from Sacred Heart High School.

He retired following a long career in machine tool sales and next spent several years selling real estate. His hobbies included photography, fishing and firearms.

He is survived by partner Patricia Cusick of Torrington, son Christopher Shine and daughter-in-law June Zhan of Irvine, Calif., daughter Sharon Shine and partner Mark Sweeney of Sharon, daughter Michelle O'Sullivan and son-in-law James O'Sullivan of Goshen, three grandchildren: Andrew Shine, Amelia O'Sullivan,

Andrea O'Sullivan, sister Maureen and brother-in-law Peter Peloso of Moneta, Va.

A graveside service will be held at the Hillside Cemetery in Sharon on Saturday, April 23, at 11:00 AM.

Arrangements are under the care of the Kenny Funeral Home in Sharon.

SHARON — Jayne Peterson Larsen passed away peacefully on April 4, 2022, in her home in Vernon with her husband, Ron, by her side. She was 81 years old.

Jayne, daughter of the late Melvin and Marie (Aakjar) Peterson, was born in Sharon and attended Housatonic Valley Regional High School, where she excelled in theatre, clubs, and friendships. She was voted "Ideal Little Sister" for her graduating class of 1958.

An irrepresible soul, Jayne was well known for her generosity of spirit, quick wit, and passion for life. With her faithful "Ronny" by her side, Jayne was up for any adventure — from pulling her kids out of school and moving to Europe for six months in the 1970s, to purchasing two time share units at their beloved Trapp Family Lodge, to vacationing two weeks every year at the Cape with her grandkids at her cousin's vacation home. Any opportunity to

see the world, sample cuisine, and meet people would see the luggage come out (and Jayne was amazing at packing suitcases!).

Jayne never met a stranger, and regularly welcomed international travelers Ron brought home from work, family both local and abroad, and friends her children brought home for holidays, all the dear friends she felt them to be. There was always room in her home, at her table, and in her heart. When her daughter came home with an exchange student in need of a home for a year, Jayne and Ron welcomed Mieke D'hooge into their family, cementing a friendship that continues through the next generation.

Jayne's jubilant spirit led to many madcap stories, which entertained friends and family for years: during a summer working in Cape

Cod with a cousin, she was nearly bombed at the SS James Longstreet when the charter fishing boat wouldn't start; she stopped traffic in downtown Rockville dressed as a nun so she could visit a dear friend in the hospital; she laid down in a Boston intersection to re-enact a scene from the revolutionary Boston Massacre so Mieke could get a picture.

Holidays were always an event when Jayne was cooking — she showed her love for everyone through cooking. From picnics in the summer to epic cookie making at Christmas, Ron was frequently heard to exclaim, "Too much food!" But friends and family always benefitted, sent home from the feast with "leftovers," and Ron's coworkers always appreciated the hundreds of cookies that appeared in the breakroom. Her wit, her joy, and her baking

will be missed by all.

She is survived by her loving husband, Ron, son and daughter-in-law, Eric and Nina Larsen of Las Vegas, daughter, Britt Rothauser, twin grandchildren, Kat and Haley Rothauser, and exchange daughter Mieke van der Velpen-D'hooge and family of Leuven, Belgium, as well as a brother and sister-in-law, John "Pete" and Ruby Peterson of Sharon and nieces, Lynn Peterson Kent and Lesa Peterson Rein, and their families.

In lieu of flowers, donations for the Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Foundations would be appreciated. The family would like to express their overwhelming gratitude to the Visiting Nurse and Health Services of Connecticut for helping Ron with hospice care. There will be no services, as Jayne preferred parties, but the family will have a picnic in her honor over the summer — and, of course, there will be "too much food!"

### Jayne Peterson Larsen



### Caroline A. McEnroe

AMENIA — Caroline A. McEnroe, a longtime resident of Amenia, passed away on March 28, 2022, at Sharon Health Care Center.

Born in the Bronx, she was the daughter of Patrick and Annie Marie Fay. On April 16, 1955, she married William T. McEnroe, who predeceased her on March 21, 1998. Mrs. McEnroe was a longtime parishioner of Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia.

Mrs. McEnroe is survived by two daughters, Colleen McEnroe and her husband, Philip Evans, of Bethesda, Md., and Peggy Ann McEnroe of Amenia, and two sons, Patrick McEnroe and his wife, Lisa, of Rhinebeck, N.Y., and Kieran McEnroe of Amenia. She is also survived by a sister, Agnes Redmond and her husband, James; and seven grandchildren, four nephews

and five nieces.

In addition to her parents and husband, Mrs. McEnroe was predeceased by a brother, John Fay; two sisters, Marion J. Fay and Teresita Fay, RSHM and her grandson, Gavin McEnroe.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 2, 2022, at Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia with Rev. R. Kent Wilson officiating. Burial followed at Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Amenia.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Immaculate Conception Church, 4 Lavelle Road, Amenia, NY 12501 or the Cardinal Hayes Home for Children, PO Box CH, Millbrook, NY 12545-0140. To send the family an online condolence, please visit [www.hufcutfuneralhome.com](http://www.hufcutfuneralhome.com)



### Patricia Van Wagner Martorell Swanson

LAKEVILLE — Patricia Van Wagner Martorell Swanson, 91, of 125 White Hollow Road of Lakeville, died peacefully at home at 8:35 pm, Monday, March 28.

Patricia was born at home in Sea Cliff, N.Y., on October 17, 1930, to Harry and Milda Van Wagner.

She was predeceased by her husbands, Thomas Martorell and Rollind Swanson as well as her siblings Meryl Seymour, Paula Holmes, Anita Crean, Harry "Davy" Van Wagner and Sandra Van Wagner Cowan.

She lived a humble, modest, and peaceful life and enjoyed spending time with her family, daughters: L. Joy Martorell, Lynn Martorell Gumbert,

Cindi Breen and Penni Martorell; and her sons-in-law Bob Green, Charlie Gumbert, Craig Norton, Robert Breen and Jack Hendrick. She leaves six grandchildren: Seth and Jason Green, Taya Norton, Taylor Hendrick, Michael and Savannah Breen; and one great-granddaughter Bailey Twing, as well as many nieces and nephews and friends of the Sheffield Kingdom Hall.


She will be remembered for her love of babies and children, shared cups of tea, and her loving kindness.

Services will be private and held at a later date. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to a charity of choice.

For another obituary, see Page A6

|  <b>Worship Services</b><br>Week of April 10, 2022   |  |
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| Call ahead or visit websites for updates on remote or in-person services.   |  |
| <b>The Congregational Church of Salisbury, U.C.C.</b><br>30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT<br>Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!<br>Online worship, Sundays at 10:00 a.m.<br><a href="http://www.salisburyucc.org">www.salisburyucc.org</a><br>Sharing God's shalom: Wholeness, harmony, justice, and joy!<br>(860) 435-2442  | <b>Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon</b><br>9 South Main, Sharon CT<br>Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 A.M.<br>Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker<br>All welcome to join us<br>860-364-5260<br><a href="http://www.christchurchsharon.org">www.christchurchsharon.org</a>  |
| <b>St. John's Episcopal Church</b><br>12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT<br>Rev. Paul Christopherson<br>SUNDAY SERVICE<br>10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II)<br>In-Person and on You-Tube<br><a href="http://www.stjohnssalisbury.org">www.stjohnssalisbury.org</a><br>860-435-9290   | <b>St. Thomas Episcopal Church</b><br>40 Leedsville Road<br>Amenia Union, NY<br>SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30<br>IN-PERSON AND ONLINE<br>Visit our website for links<br>Rev. AJ Stack<br>845-373-9161<br><a href="http://www.stthomasamenia.com">www.stthomasamenia.com</a><br>A Community of Radical Hospitality   |
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| <b>The Sharon United Methodist Church</b><br>112 Upper Main Street, North End of Sharon Green<br>Touching Lives - Lifting Spirits<br>10 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery Care<br>No Sunday School in Summer<br>Pastor Sun Yong Lee<br>860-364-5634<br><a href="mailto:sharonumc5634@att.net">sharonumc5634@att.net</a>   | <b>The Lakeville United Methodist Church</b><br>319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039<br>9:30 a.m. Worship Service<br>9:30 a.m. Sunday School<br>"Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors"<br>Pastor Joy Veronesi<br>860-435-9496<br><a href="mailto:Lakevillemethodist@snet.net">Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</a>  |
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| <b>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church</b><br>656 Smithfield Valley Rd.<br>Route 83, Amenia, NY<br>Services every Sunday 10 a.m.<br><a href="http://www.thesmithfieldchurch.org">www.thesmithfieldchurch.org</a><br>21st Century Theology in an Historic Building  | <b>Sharon Congregational</b><br>25 Main Street, Sharon, CT<br>Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.<br>Visit our website <a href="http://sharoncongregationalchurch.org">sharoncongregationalchurch.org</a> for current online Bible studies and Sunday services<br>Join us in our fellowship hall for in-person Bible study, Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m.<br>Contact us at 860-364-5002 or <a href="mailto:info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org">info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org</a>   |
| <b>SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA PARISH</b><br>860-927-3003<br>The Churches of Sacred Heart, Kent St. Bernard, Sharon St. Bridget, Cornwall Bridge<br>HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE<br>Monday<br>9 AM Mass, Sacred Heart<br>6-7 PM Confessions, Sacred Heart<br>Tuesday<br>9 AM Mass, Sacred Heart<br>Wednesday<br>9 AM Mass, Sacred Heart<br>Holy Thursday<br>7 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper, St. Bernard<br>Good Friday<br>10-11 AM Confessions, Sacred Heart<br>3 PM The Passion of the Lord, St. Bridget<br>Holy Saturday<br>7:30 PM The Great Vigil of Easter, Sacred Heart<br>Easter Sunday Masses<br>10 AM - St. Bernard<br>10 AM - St. Bridget<br>10 AM - Sacred Heart | <b>All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church</b><br>313 Twin Lakes Rd., Salisbury, CT<br>Divine Liturgy Sunday at 9:30 A.M.<br>Please see church website for calendar and Holy Week schedule of services.<br>Rev. John Kreta<br>860-824-1340<br><a href="http://allsaintsofamerica.us">allsaintsofamerica.us</a>   |
| <b>Canaan United Methodist Church</b><br>2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT<br>11 a.m. Worship Service<br>"Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors"<br>Rev. Lee Gangaware<br>860-824-5534<br><a href="mailto:canaanct-umc.com">canaanct-umc.com</a><br><a href="mailto:canaanctumc@gmail.com">canaanctumc@gmail.com</a>   | <b>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall</b><br>Join our intimate Episcopal service via Zoom Sundays at 9:00 a.m.<br>Email Rev. Mary Gates at: <a href="mailto:mngates125@gmail.com">mngates125@gmail.com</a><br>for an invitation to the Zoom service<br>If you don't have a computer you can participate via phone.<br>We hope you will join us!  |

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PINE PLAINS/AREA

# Ancram's town wide property reval has begun

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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ANCRAM — After being delayed a year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the town of Ancram launched the month of March with a town-wide property reassessment with the intent of creating fair and equitable assessments at 100% of market value.

Ancram's last reval was in 2008, and while the town originally planned to have data collected last year and the reassessment done this year, town Supervisor Art Bassin said COVID-19 got in the way.

Since its last reassessment, Bassin said property values have changed and the town's equalization rate has been slipping.

"We figured it was probably time to schedule this," he said, adding Ancram made arrangements with Columbia County to have the county assist with the reassessment process.

As far as how reassessments work, Bassin said the process "equalizes all properties for current market value so every taxpayer is treated fairly and home properties are assessed as close to market value as can possibly be done."

"It's not an exact science, but over a period of time, valuations tend to change depending on the kind of property and the kind of market," he explained.

A postcard was sent out to town property owners to notify them of the start of the reassessment.

Noted in the postcard, property owners were informed the reassessment would be conducted in accordance with Sections 301 and 305 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, and that data collectors for Columbia County Real Property would conduct field work

by visiting each property in Ancram to update and photograph the town's property inventory.

With the data collection phase kicking off Tuesday, March 1, the goal is to have the data collection completed by October.

As was noted in Bassin's February e-newsletter, data mailers will be sent to each property owner in the fall with a listing of their inventory; owners will be able to return the mailers with corrections if necessary.

Asked whether residents should expect their property values and taxes to go up or down, Bassin said, "Property values are what they are in the real world. There's a market value for property and what the revaluation does is it establishes the current market value for each property in the community."

"It's possible some properties will go up; it's possible some properties will go down," he said, "but the purpose is to set each property value at market value based on comparable sales."

Next March, revised property valuations will be mailed to property owners and will be included on the 2023 tax roll and applied to the September 2023 school tax bills and the January 2024 combined town, county, fire district and library tax bills.

Property owners with questions about their revised property values can discuss them with the assessor by appointment in March and April 2023 and can opt to attend Grievance Day late next May if they want to contest their newly assessed values.

Residents may direct any questions about the reassessment to Ancram Assessor Rene DeLeeuw at ancramassessor@gmail.com or by calling 518-329-6512, ext. 204.

# FRIENDS of Library hosts art show

PINE PLAINS — Embracing spring's arrival, the FRIENDS of the Pine Plains Free Library orchestrated a community art exhibit so local artists could show off their talent. Artists of all abilities were invited to submit their work to be exhibited in the Pine Plains Free Library throughout the upcoming month.

With "Welcome to Spring" the chosen theme, local artists submitted watercolors, oils, acrylics, inks, pastels and mixed-media paintings to the exhibit.

An opening reception was held at the library on Friday, April 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. There was art, live music, food and good company to enjoy, all of which brought a rush of joy to those celebrating the exhibit.

As viewers admired the vibrant artwork on display, a guitar player from the Mid-Hudson Classical Guitarists Society set the scene with a medley of classical selections.

Featuring 17 artists in all, Brenda Burtin, organizer of the art show and FRIENDS secretary, said the majority of artwork was curated from Pine Plains.

The show will remain up through the month of April.

— Kaitlin Lyle



Above, from left, Brenda Burtin, organizer of the "Welcome to Spring" art show welcomed community members to the opening of the community art exhibit on Friday evening, April 1, along with Pine Plains Free Library Director Alexis Tackett. Right, local artist Richard Trachtman posed in front of the paintings he had on display at the FRIENDS' art show.



PHOTOS BY KAITLIN LYLE

## AREA IN BRIEF Stanford Grange Penny Social

STANFORDVILLE — The Stanford Grange #808 will host a Spring Penny Social on Saturday, April 9, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. (strictly enforced); calling begins at 7 p.m.

There will be penny prizes, a \$1 table, homemade baked goods, theme baskets, a 50/50 drawing and door prizes. Spring and Easter items will be featured. The Grange Youth will sell refreshments. Proceeds will benefit continuing maintenance for the Stanford Grange Hall and the Scholarship Fund.

For more information, call 845-868-7869 or 845-868-1700.

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# Young Writers' Contest rules

PINE PLAINS — The FRIENDS of the Pine Plains Free Library invites students in grades sixth through 12th residing in or attending school (public, private or home-schooled) in the Pine Plains Central School District to submit their writing to this year's Young Writers' Contest.

Contest categories include fiction (short story), poetry and nonfiction; nonfiction is divided between creative nonfiction (memoir, autobiography, true life experience) or academic nonfiction.

For ninth through 12th grade students to be considered academic nonfiction, students must submit a works-cited page; students in grades sixth through eighth don't have to submit a works-cited page.

Students may enter all three categories but may only enter one submission per category. Entrees must include the title of the work on each page; type the manuscript in 12-point font with 1-inch margins at top, bottom and sides; type the title in 14-point font, centered; and use one side of the page only.

No double-sided manuscripts will be accepted, and

all manuscripts should be double-spaced.

Poetry should be centered on the page.

Manuscripts shouldn't exceed 10 pages, and students are asked not to include their name on any page but to put the title on each page.

The submission deadline is Friday, April 29. Students must submit their entry or entries via an email attachment to friendsofthepineplainslibrary@gmail.com, and submit a second file attachment that includes their name, title of work, number of pages, their teacher's name and grade and the category of their submission.

Teachers will be notified of the contest's winners and honorable mentions, and the list will be sent for publication to The Millerton News.

Manuscripts will be archived in the Pine Plains Free Library and Stissing Mountain Library and may appear in the school district literary magazine.

First prize is \$100, followed by \$50 for second prize, \$25 for third prize and certificates for honorable mentions.

Questions about the contest may be directed via email to friendsofthepineplainslibrary@gmail.com.

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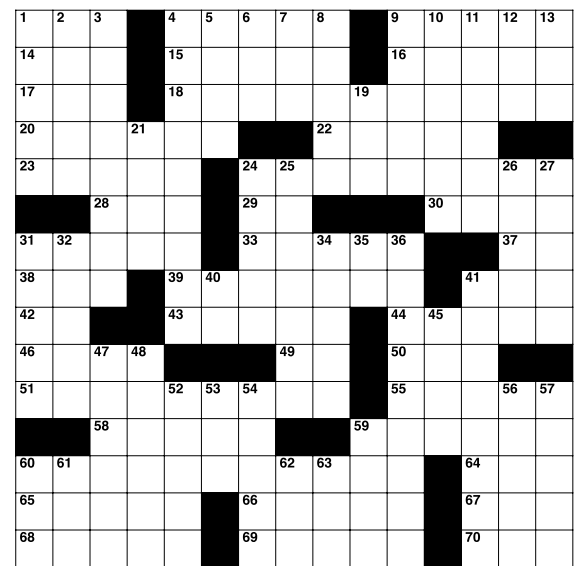
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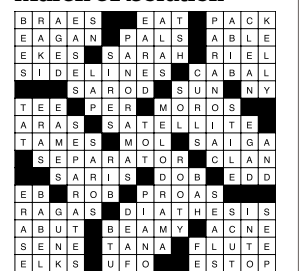
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4. Celebrations
9. Pulpits
14. Pin
15. Rare laughing
16. Parts of the circulatory system
17. Financial term
18. Pearl Jam frontman
20. Cores of vascular plants
22. Strong sharp smell or taste
23. City in S. Korea
24. One from Damascus
28. Short message at the end of an email
29. It cools your home
30. Towards the mouth or oral region
31. Intestinal pouches
33. Boys and men
37. The 12th letter of the Greek alphabet
38. Former CIA
39. A way to arrange
41. Body cavity
42. The Great Lake State
43. A type of seal
44. Stop for a moment
46. Ancient kingdom
49. Of I
50. White clerical vestment
51. Songs to a lover
55. Prices
58. Sun-dried brick
59. Where to park a boat
60. One who values reason and knowledge
64. Partner to feather
65. Sailboats
66. Actress Zellweger
67. Type of screen
68. Country singer Haggard
69. Puts together in time
70. When you hope to arrive

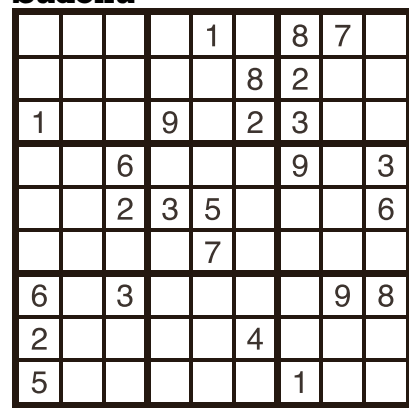


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11. Auction attendee
12. Characterized by unity
13. Soviet Socialist Republic
19. Way to analyze video (abbr.)
21. Nonclerical
24. Tree resin
25. The academic world
26. Khoikhoi peoples
27. Infer from data
31. Arrives
32. Apart
34. Takes on cargo
35. Beloved Hollywood alien
36. Takes apart
40. Dorm official
41. Secondary or explanatory descriptor
45. Relating to wings
47. Speaker
48. Situated in the middle
52. Loop with a running knot
53. Alaska nursing group (abbr.)
54. Beloveds
56. Establish by law or with authority
57. Border river between India and Nepal
59. Millisecond
60. Revolutions per minute
61. They —
62. ESPN broadcaster Bob
63. A place to stay

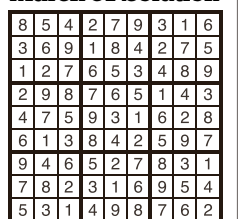
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SPORTS

# Undermountain Golf Course hopes to help nonprofits make a lot of green with tourneys

By CAROL KNEELAND  
Special to The Millerton News

COPAKE — Local nonprofits hoping to score some green will be looking for supporters to register for a number of upcoming tournament fundraisers at the Under Mountain Golf Course in Copake, which will provide both fun and profit for groups interested in some friendly competition.

Owner and General Manager Trish MacArthur, who said the limited slots for the season are already filled, noted the program is a way of providing a helping hand to worthy groups in the area while also providing the golf course with steady stream of income throughout the season.

Undermountain fronts the costs, which are then deducted from entry fees. The remainder of the expenses are then split between the course



Carol Dean, left, and NorthEast-Millerton Library Treasure and North East Councilwoman Lana Morrison braved scorching heat and threatening storms to participate in the first Millerton vs. Amenia Libraries Golf Tournament on Aug 13, 2021.

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and the sponsoring group.

Organizations register their own players with the help of the amiable MacArthur, usually a few weeks before the tournament dates with the play normally set for foursomes. The space is strict-

ly limited so golfers hoping to participate should check with their chosen group.

The friendly competition leads to bragging rights, generally with a coveted trophy heading home with the victor, and perhaps an article in The

Millerton News (be sure to email us at editor@millerton-news.com with photos!).

Each tournament is capped with a meal chosen by the organization, often a barbecue featuring hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, or, starting this

year, pulled pork thanks to a recently-obtained smoker.

A schedule for the shotgun starts with a list of the organizations that will be looking for players has already been posted online for the nine-hole executive yardage course.

Some of the local organizations registered and hoping to raise funds for their good works include the Roeliff Jansen Community Library, the Ancram Fire Company, the Amenia Fire Company, the Salisbury Winter Sports Association (SWSA) and the NorthEast-Millerton (NEML) and Amenia Free Libraries' Battle for Books, in addition to at least another dozen or more from around the region.

"We're really looking forward to it," said NEML Library Director Rhiannon Leo-Jameson. "Last year all the slots were filled. Everyone had a really good time, and it was nice for the library to supplement our funding."

The two libraries ended up splitting \$1,600 between them.

"We've even been toying with the idea of learning to golf ourselves so we can participate," noted non-golfer Leo-Jameson, laughingly enjoying the camaraderie with Amenia Free Library Director Victoria Herow. "The trophy is currently sitting on the mantle at the Millerton library, and we're hoping to bring it back. But whatever happens, it's just a fun game."

The popular course, located at 274 Under Mountain Road in Copake, kicked off the season last week on Friday, April 1. It's open to the public and also offers junior clinics, mixed leagues, men's and women's leagues and memberships. Carts are available but not required.

For more information call the pro shop at 518-329-4444 or go to www.undermountaingolf.com.

# Chillious brings expertise, experience to South Kent

By HUNTER O. LYLE  
Special to The Millerton News

KENT, Conn. — After years of coaching at elite schools like Villanova University and the University of Connecticut, Raphael Chillious, who built a program that has since produced national rankings and National Basketball Association (NBA) All-Stars, is back at the helm of South Kent School basketball.

Even during his formative years with basketball, Chillious knew he was interested in more than just playing. In fact, while playing at Lafayette College, Chillious was able to coach his former high school team.

"Every coach I played for always said, 'You're going to be a coach,'" Chillious said. "I always knew the game better than I could play it. I always took a deeper interest in more than just showing up to practice. I wanted to know everything I could about the game."

Chillious had his first opportunity as a coach at the University of Victoria in Victoria, British Columbia, in Canada. At the time, Chillious was a graduate assistant coach under the



PHOTO BY HUNTER O. LYLE

Coach Raphael Chillious subs out Dylan Edwards, a senior, during the last home game of the year for the South Kent Cardinals.

prolific Canadian coach Guy Vetric, who had just won the 1997 Canadian Intercollegiate Sport (CIS) National Championship.

"We were warming up for a preseason game and the game is about to start, and [Vetric] is sitting in the bleachers," said Chillious of his first time acting as head coach. "I asked him if he was going to coach the game and he said, 'No, you are.' He threw me into the fire and it was awesome."

After a year at the University of Victoria, Chillious took

his first job as head coach at West Nottingham Academy in Coloma, Md., where he coached for three years before arriving at South Kent in 2003 as the basketball head coach and co-athletic director.

"At that point, [South Kent] did not have big-time basketball. The head of school knew he wanted to be good at basketball, but there was a lot of stuff that wasn't in place that had to be put in place," Chillious said. "The first thing I did was establish what our culture was."

During the next five years,

Chillious took the Cardinals to the top tier of the New England Preparatory School Athletic Council (NEPSAC) conference each year, even making a NEPSAC Championship appearance in his second year at the reins.

One of the reasons the Cardinals were so successful was due to Chillious' ability to scout prospective players, predicting their development and fit within his program. Chillious recruited multiple future NBA players, such as Jack McClinton, Dorell Wright, Dion Waiters and 2016 Most Valuable Player candidate Isaiah Thomas.

"A lot of college coaches, especially at the highest levels, get so conditioned to look at ready-made guys, and they can't see where they could be. I think that's the advantage of coming from the prep school ranks," Chillious mused. "You see kids that look like Bambi — long arms, big hands, athletic — they don't know how to play yet, but you can forecast where they will be."

During his 12-year absence from South Kent, Chillious took coaching positions at various high-level basketball programs, starting in 2009 with the University of Washington, where he served under Lorenzo Romar until 2012. From there Chillious coached at Villanova University under Jay Wright for one season before returning to the University of Washington. In 2017, Chillious was a part of Kevin Ollie's coaching cabinet at the University of Connecticut before heading to East Carolina University from 2018 to 2020.

"I think the number one thing you learn is you learn what you believe in, what you value as a coach, because ev-

ery staff you're on has different philosophies of how the game is supposed to be played," Chillious said. "I think I was able to add to my toolbox in a great way."

In 2020, Chillious was welcomed back to the South Kent School, where he resumed his role as head coach, while also becoming Associate Director of Athletics and Director of Basketball.

"[South Kent basketball] is kind of like my baby. You feel like you got something started and you try to help any way you can. Obviously the best way I

can help is by being here and building it again," Chillious said.

This season, Chillious led the Cardinals to a 17-13 record, becoming the No. 3 seed in the NEPSAC AAA Tournament and making it to the semifinals.

After more than 20 years of coaching, Chillious said his role at South Kent is much larger than the wins and success he has found over the years.

"What [South Kent] signifies to me is a place where I can come and help young men reach their dream, both on the court and off the court," Chillious said.

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## OBITUARY

### Paul Eugene Roy Jr.

NORTH CANAAN — Paul Eugene Roy Jr., age 81, of North Canaan passed away on Friday, March 25, 2022.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Barbara Jean (Cruikshank) Roy on October 3, 2017. Paul was born on July 20, 1940, in Winsted, the son of the late Paul Sr. and Nancy Roy of Winsted. Paul had three brothers, Guilio, Louis and Fred and one sister Rose.

In 1962, Paul moved to North Canaan and married Barbara. Paul was a master mechanic at Phil Joseph Chevrolet, Morgan Motors, Arnie's Arco and Village Auto. He also worked at Becton Dickenson. Paul retired from the Town of North Canaan in March of 2021, completing 23 years with the town highway department.

To those that knew him, he was known as the Mayor of North Canaan, even though he never held the position.

Paul was dedicated to the Town of North Canaan. He served as an umpire to the Little League baseball for many years, completed 46 years with the Canaan Fire Company, 43 years with North Canaan Volunteer Ambulance, and he was a wrecker service operator for several auto repairs shops in town and served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Connecticut Railroad Historical Association. Paul was a lifetime member of the FFA Housatonic Valley Chapter in Falls Village. Paul would help any community member any time.

He leaves behind his children Robert Roy of Goshen and his wife Deborah and their children Christina and Benjamin; Jenifer Serna of North Canaan and her husband David and their children Stephanie and Jessica and Emily Minacci of North Canaan and her husband William and their children Brooke, Ashlee

and Jonathan William Paul. Paul was predeceased by his oldest son Paul Eugene Roy III of Lakeville. Paul III had two children, Paul E. Roy IV, of Melrose, Mass., and Nicole Roy, of Lakeville.

His graveside memorial will be on April 23, 2022, at 11:00 AM, at the Carlson Cemetery on the corner of Moses Meade and Canaan Valley Roads in Canaan Valley. There will be a celebration of Paul's life at the Bitterman Center in North Canaan directly following the memorial. All are welcome to join the family and friends in the memorial and celebration of Paul.

In lieu of flowers or food please make memorial donations in honor of Paul to North Canaan Volunteer Ambulance, P.O. Box 178, North Canaan, CT 06018 and/or Canaan Fire Company 4 East Main St., North Canaan, CT 06018.

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ing to how the DCSO has tried to become more community-involved.

"Our job is to help people, our job is to be there for people and that's what we want to continue to stress."

He also spoke of the range of available DCSO resources.

"When you get the Sheriff's Office, you get the entire Sheriff's Office," he said, whether that means regular patrol officers, detectives, its crime scene division, its crime patrol, its community liaison — all at no additional cost.

**Trustees question sheriff**

Once the DCSO finished its presentation, Mayor Jenn Najdek allowed questions from the Village Board first.

Trustee Dave Sherman posed the first question, asking if it was possible for the DCSO to increase its police presence in Millerton and North East, with additional patrols in the Harlem Valley.

Imperati said the DCSO has a substation on Route 22 in Amenia; if the village hires them they will set up a substation in Millerton and assign patrols to the Millerton-North East area.

Sherman asked how the substation would be arranged. Imperati said the Village Board would have to work with the county's Department of Public Works (DPW) and Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro to arrange a contract for a Millerton substation, adding it would be manned 24/7 in three shifts.

The substation would replace the current MPD in Village Hall on Route 22.

The mayor asked for all questions at the workshop to be posed by village residents and business owners only. She requested town residents hold their questions on how the town will deal with police services for the North East Town Board meeting set for Thursday, April 14, at 7 p.m. at the North East Town Hall at 19 North Maple Ave.

Najdek further explained the town of North East cur-

rently contracts with Millerton for police services, paying roughly 20% of the overall annual cost.

With the village's police contract set to expire on Tuesday, May 31, she said the board has been reassessing whether it makes sense to continue to fund and insure the MPD.

**Residents ask questions**

During the next half hour, village residents posed sharp questions to Imperati and his colleagues; the mayor and her board continued to do so as well.

Peter Greenough asked DCSO representatives about their major concerns in the village; the response was theft and drug sales and use.

Former Mayor Debbie Middlebrook asked about how deputies will be supervised; she was told each shift would be supervised by a lieutenant or sergeant.

Village Trustee Alicia Sartori inquired about the type and frequency of training done by the DCSO.

DCSO Chief Deputy Detective Sgt. Jason Mark responded.

"We train every month with firearms and have refreshers on different items. It's so important, and we understand it's important to stay on the cutting edge and important for police to stay current. We have body cameras that go into place this year, which was a long-term project..."

Mark added that Imperati's motto is, "Be better today than yesterday, be better tomorrow than we are today."

On that note, the acting sheriff said, "Our ultimate tool in the tool box is discretion. We don't have to arrest people; we get them the help they need. If, ultimately, we have to arrest an individual, yes, that's what we do. But our job is to help people. That's what we stress."

**Liability a major point**

Ed Stillman asked about liability.

"Currently, if anything unthinkable happens, and we're exposed to liability, that falls on the village, regardless if in the

town or village," said Stillman. "If we contract with the DCSO, we would absolve ourselves of liability?"

"Correct," replied Imperati. "The county would take it on."

The mayor later stressed that point.

"It would take the liability off the village," said Najdek. "It would be just about the exact same coverage [as we have with the MPD now] and they will have a substation here, but with zero liability [for the village]."

Christine Bates asked if the DCSO will continue to report on local crime and safety to the Village Board as the MPD has done for years. She also asked if the DCSO knows when its presence will be most needed.

Imperati replied that a liaison, likely one of the deputies who lives locally, could report to the Village Board.

**Cost always a concern**

Former MPD Officer-in-Charge Dave Rudin, who now works as a patrol officer on the force, thanked the acting sheriff and other deputies for coming and asked about cost.

"Can you speak to how much the contract is for the village of Pawling and how many hours a day [you patrol]?"

"It costs \$190,000 a year for eight hours day, seven days week, plus additional patrols during the summer for Lakeside Park, etc., and during the holidays when people are shopping and on weekends for parking enforcement, etc.," said Imperati about the sheriff's coverage in Pawling.

Rudin followed up and asked if Millerton contracted with the DCSO for the same number of patrols, if Imperati had "done the numbers yet?"

Imperati did not provide those figures.

**What's next**

If the village does contract with the DCSO, Najdek said the Village Board will have to introduce a local law to dissolve the MPD, subject to a permissive referendum. However, she said the contract will be dependent upon whether the local law moves forward.

**NAJDEK** *Continued from Page A1*

details of what the DCSO provides to municipalities that hire its deputies to provide patrols, in addition to the 24/7 coverage the county provides for all of its eight zones. Millerton is in Zone 6, along with the towns of North East, Pine Plains and Amenia. For full coverage of the meeting on the 29th, see the front page.

**Existing coverage**

Najdek cleared up a few points, including that the current sheriff's substation on Route 22 in Amenia would remain in place even once deputies set up a new substation at current MPD headquarters in the Millerton Village Hall.

She also said the change would not impact coverage currently provided by the New York State Police (NYSP), paid for through state taxes.

"I do know that when a call is dispatched it's through 911; they don't dispatch to a particular department, they dispatch to the closest office," said Najdek. "And even though we would have dedicated coverage involved [from the sheriff's office], we would still have dedicated officers patrolling their zones from both the DCSO and NYSP."

If the village decides to contract with the DCSO, it would be for one deputy per shift in Millerton. That's in addition to whatever deputies are patrolling for DCSO Zone 6 patrols at that time.

"They would be patrolling and doing the things we ask them to do just in the village of Millerton," said Najdek. "Some people say, 'I always see the MPD drive by my house. The DCSO doesn't do that.' Well, we can give them a checklist of things to do during their shift, like walk Main Street three times during a shift; drive by houses on South Center Street three times during a shift; check on businesses during a shift. No matter what you do, you're not always at the right place at the right time."

**Costs**

The cost, which Imperati referenced at the workshop in

terms of what it costs the village of Pawling, is hard to pin down, said the mayor. That's because she doesn't know yet how many hours the village would require, exactly what services will be needed, etc.

What she does know is the Village Board hopes to stay within its \$90,000 annual police budget, keeping in mind it received \$26,500 from the town of North East in 2022 for its yearly police contract, which it will no longer be paid if the MPD were to become extinct.

"Out of the \$90,000 we pay for police, we don't have a clear idea of how much time the MPD spends in the village versus the town," said the mayor. "So how this new way would work would be just for the village, but we would like to leave enough wiggle room out of the \$90,000 to put towards, I think, learning to find the sweet spot in terms of hours per week and shifts per days that are busiest in the village."

The board also wants to leave some room in the budget to hire extra patrols for special events and during busier seasons, like the summer.

Other factors weigh in, said Najdek, like that senior deputies at the DCSO, who earn higher pay, get offered extra assignments first. Those include manning substations like the one that could be created in Millerton, which means more money from village coffers.

However, because the MPD recently purchased two new vehicles, the village wouldn't have to pay the DCSO a fee to use county vehicles, thus saving it some money there.

The mayor said the board has done a cost analysis, adding up administrative fees, shift differentials, savings on insurance now spent to cover MPD officers and against potential lawsuits, plus uniforms, bullets and other expenses to get a baseline cost of what contracting with the DCSO might be.

**Liability**

"I don't know the percentage, but not having a police department, I'm sure reduces our risk as a village to liability," she said. "It completely wipes that out entirely, our risk to exposure."

Liability was the motivating factor, said Najdek, to considering a switch in the first place. After going through three recent lawsuits, two of which are still pend-

ing, she said "I think it 100% makes sense for the village to contract with the DCSO... If something out of control happened here and there was a [really bad] lawsuit, I don't know how we, meaning the village and taxpayers, would pay for it. We would be in debt for sure."

**Community involvement**

Najdek said she was encouraged by the turnout at the workshop meeting of nearly 50 residents, many of whom asked thoughtful questions of the acting sheriff and Village Board.

"It's not a small issue, we've had a police department for probably over 50 years, so it's not a small issue," she said. "So it was good to see a turnout of new faces, regular faces and all of the faces, it really was."

She added the "only thing I wish I would have done differently, is I wish I would have left stack of my business cards at the sign-in table, in case people have questions."

**Still time for questions**

But it's not too late. Any village resident who would like to speak with Najdek about the possible dissolution of the MPD or the hiring of the DCSO may call her cell phone at 845-705-5601 or email her at [fnajdek@villageofmillerton-ny.gov](mailto:fnajdek@villageofmillerton-ny.gov) or stop by Village Hall at 5933 North Elm Ave. (Route 22) during office hours.

For more information or to watch a video recording of the March 29 workshop, go to [www.villageofmillerton.net](http://www.villageofmillerton.net).

**Next steps**

The issue was on the agenda for the Village Board's Monday, April 4, workshop meeting, but a decision was not made at that time. A public hearing is being planned for Wednesday, April 13, at 6 p.m. at the Millerton American Legion Post 178, as the Library Annex was booked that evening. At this time, Najdek said the April 13 meeting will not be virtual, but the village is hoping to record it to post on its website at a later date.

As the full board is not expected to be present on the 13th, she expects a vote will be taken on the issue at the next regular Village Board meeting scheduled for April 18, provided the full board is present.

If approved, a local law would have to be passed to dissolve the MPD, subject to a permissive referendum. If there are no glitches, the DCSO could have a substation in Millerton by June.

**MIGDALE CASTLE** *Continued from Page A1*

guests only and therefore not impact neighboring residents.

Guidara appeared at numerous Zoom presentations in 2021 with the Town Board, TOW Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA). He needed ZBA approval for a Zoning Overlay District for his original project to proceed.

**Community concerns**

Some of those virtual meetings drew nearly 200 attendees — quite possibly a town record — as the project quickly became controversial.

In fact, two different residential groups formed to protest Second Mountain; both groups hired attorneys to fight the application.

Immediate neighbors said they didn't want their pristine woodlands altered, and that such a large project would change the quaint character of the village. They also claimed Second Mountain was not in accordance with the TOW's Comprehensive Plan (CP).

Some in town said they were overwhelmed by the sheer size and opulence of Guidara's plans, and feared an increase in traffic, noise and light pollution.

Others were concerned about its impact on the town's water supply, its production of waste and that it would disturb the local environment.

**Others see bright side**

Yet some in the community said they favored the project, citing its economic advantages, the number of tourists it would attract to the town and village and the number of jobs it would produce locally.

**Application and CP**

Washington Town Supervisor Gary Ciferri had received a letter from Joshua Mackey, an attorney representing Guidara, on Feb. 18, 2021. The attorney requested the town amend the CP to allow for a zoning overlay district and that it permit hospitality uses in the restricted zone and in the CP.

By April 8, 2021, Ciferri announced he had received another letter from Guidara's attorneys rescinding the previous petition for the overlay district that would have allowed the mixed-use zone of the property.

Mackey argued that after hearing from the community and various boards, it seemed the only path toward approving the project demanded the TOW have an opportunity to amend its CP, which was passed in 2015.

A moratorium was ultimately passed by the Town Board to halt all further review of the Second Mountain application or any others seeking to create hospitality uses until the CP could be reviewed, and possibly amended.

**CPRC survey results**

A Comprehensive Plan Review Committee (CPRC) was ultimately formed, consultants were hired, a survey conducted and an Open House held this February.

The results indicated that the current CP does support hospitality uses. The consensus was that residents prefer smaller rather than larger facilities; the environment

must be protected; hospitality businesses must not adversely impact residences and should fit in with the town's rural character. It was also agreed that emergency services should not be compromised, nor should anyone's safety or security be threatened by such uses in town.

**New project details**

Guidara addressed some of these issues with The Millerton News, stating that the new project is much smaller in size than the original application for Second Mountain, with 77 hotel rooms rather than 95.

The accommodation structures are also fewer, down from 77 units to 40 units. Only one new residence is planned, for the Guidara family.

Parking will be moved deeper into the property, though the tennis courts will remain where they are.

The developer said he reached an agreement with the current owners of Migdale Castel to extend the purchase contract as his team moves forward.

The \$60 million overhaul to the estate is expected to create 130 new jobs in addition to construction jobs. Guidara also noted that improvements will increase the property value, thereby increasing tax revenue for the TOW.

"The project fits under existing zoning provisions with modifications" and does not require an "overlay district," he added.

The applicant is working with Chazen Companies for its environmental and engi-

neering designs and details, as well as for environmental and land-use issues.

**Mitigation factors**

The town's aquifers and water supply will not be impacted by the project, he added, and all wetlands and related species will be protected and preserved. The project managers plan to have waste treatment equipment on site to properly dispose of all waste, as well, to deal with residents' concerns.

Also wanting to address concerns about traffic, Second Mountain reps said there should be minimal impact on local roads as the site is located off Route 44, which can easily accommodate vehicles. Additionally, Migdale is set far from neighbors, is surrounded by hilly terrain and is not visible from the road, also mitigating concerns about additional noise and light.

**TOW response**

When called on Thursday, March 31, Washington Town Clerk Mary Alex relayed she's heard nothing new about the Second Mountain project recently. Same went for Ciferri. Zoning Administrator and Building Inspector James Finley also said he had no new information to share.

**Soon enough...**

Guidara said he plans to make his new plans public and available to the TOW, its residents and any interested parties so there can be future discussions. Soon he plans to submit a new application to the TOW so the project can start to move forward through the official channels.

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## Gretchen Mol Dreams Of Sharon Playhouse

The celebrated actress Gretchen Mol bought a house here in the Tri-state region three years ago, shortly before the beginning of the pandemic, at a time when there was still theater/film/television work to be done in New York City.

Driving back and forth between City and Country, she recalls, she would pass the big red barn in Sharon, Conn., that is home to the Sharon Playhouse.

"I used to drive by it and think, 'Someday ...'" she said.

It would be easy to think that Mol is kidding, but in fact she is not. A native of Connecticut, she had done community theater when she was growing up and understood both the importance and the fun of it.

But shortly after she arrived here, COVID-19 arrived as well, and often as she drove through Sharon she would see an empty parking lot at the theater.

### MORE THAN JUST MUSICALS

The pandemic did not completely shut down Sharon Playhouse, thanks to extraordinary efforts from its two leaders, Robert Levinstein and Alan M-L Wager, who left the theater at the beginning of this year.

The two indefatigable impresarios continued to organize outdoor events that audiences could watch from their cars and from lawn chairs in the parking lot.



IMAGE COURTESY IMDB

And before they left, they made an important investment in continuing the playhouse's legacy of education in theater arts. They hired Salisbury, Conn., native Michael Kevin Baldwin as the Sharon Playhouse director of education; he is now also the associate artistic director, working with Interim Artistic Director Justin Boccitto.

Pre-pandemic, Baldwin had been out in the wider world, teaching and performing. He is clearly delighted to be back in the Northwest Corner, working at Sharon Playhouse. As director of education he instituted a Performing Arts Residency at Indian Mountain School in Lakeville, Conn.— which is where he met Gretchen Mol.

In spite of her beauty and fame (many will know her as the tragic Gillian Darmody in the HBO series "Boardwalk Empire"), Mol is extremely humble and just folks. She connected nicely with Baldwin (as most people do) and even ended up taking theater and dance classes at the playhouse.

### MEANWHILE, IN BROOKLYN

Next to enter the scene is Andrus Nichols, who is a native of New York City but had lived here in the Tristate region for many years before moving back to the city and cofounding a theater company called Bedlam and then another company called The Coop. The Coop is where these disparate strands begin to come

**Actress Gretchen Mol (a star of HBO's "Boardwalk Empire") returns to the stage with a reading of Kate Hamill's adaptation of "The Scarlet Letter," at Sharon Playhouse on Saturday, April 16.**

together.

A cofounder of the Coop with Nichols was playwright/actress Kate Hamill, who has gained some fame and a great deal of respect for her modern adaptations of classic novels for the stage. Just before the pandemic, she introduced a 21st-century version of Nathaniel Hawthorne's "The Scarlet Letter."

Nichols did a first reading of the play at the Red Bull Theater in 2020.

Of Hamill's version of the story of Hester Prynne, Nichols said, "Kate loves complicated women, and all of her adaptations are inherently feminist. She digs into the struggle that women have historically navigated to protect their own identities and truths under the weight of immense societal pressure and expectation about the way they are to behave."

"In the case of 'Scarlet Letter,' Kate was also clearly interested in American 'original sin,' in guilt, shame and the dangers of repression."

### THE UPSIDE OF COMMUNITY

In a sense, "The Scarlet Letter" is about what happens when there are too few people living in

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**CLASSES:  
CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER**

## Who Says School Can't Be Fun?

Many sages have noted that school, and youth, are wasted on the young. As adults, out in the world, it seems to many of us that it would be an unparalleled joy to be able to take a class in something, sometime, somewhere with smart teachers, interesting classmates and a compelling topic.

To have two teachers who are exceptionally fun and funny would just be cream on top.

Such will be the case this spring as the Taconic Learning Center offers a handful of classes, in person at Geer in North Canaan, Conn., and Noble Horizons in Salisbury, Conn. and also on Zoom. Particularly enticing is a Zoom class called "Frick and Frack in the Theater," taught by Macey Levin and Tom Gruenewald.

I first met Macey Levin many years ago when he was teaching a one-day seminar about a favorite playwright of mine, Neil Simon. Macey was a lively, funny and engaging instructor and I have remained in touch with him ever since, enjoying and admiring many of his theater productions, particularly with his Aglet Theater Company.

Tom Gruenewald has also been involved in Aglet productions, and in a gamut of other theater activities, from acting to directing, from Shakespeare

to opera to musical theater.

Join the duo for what will undoubtedly include rapid-fire improvisation and a look behind the theater curtains in their new Taconic Learning Center class.

Macey explains that, "Frick and Frack are any two people who are closely linked in some way, especially through a work partnership or strong friendship. The origin is from a famous partnership of Swiss comedy ice skaters, whose stage names were Frick and Frack. Their association lasted so long, and they were at one time so well known, that their names have gone into the language as slang or a reference to two people who work well together or get along great."

But of course a multi-week class must offer more than just gags and camaraderie. This class will also offer tips and guidance on everything from auditions to getting along with directors.

The class meets on Zoom on Mondays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. beginning April 18.

There is no individual class fee; students sign up for a \$60 annual class-pass from Taconic Learning Center and can then take all the classes they want. Registration is required. To get details and find out what other classes are offered, go to [www.taconiclearningcenter.org](http://www.taconiclearningcenter.org).

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## ...Gretchen Mol

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too close quarters in a small town as they begin imposing their wills on each other. And yet the genesis of a new production at Sharon Playhouse this month is very much about the beauty of what can happen in a small town when everyone works together.

Nichols has returned to the Northwest Corner and is now living in Sharon and teaching classes at Sharon Playhouse, in addition to continuing to do television and film work in New York.

Baldwin, who has known her for many years through the Tri-state region theater network, invited her to join the Sharon Playhouse Artistic Committee. Conversations about what Sharon Playhouse could be, in addition to a beloved center for fun musical theater, led to the idea of doing some staged readings of interesting new work.

Nichols suggested "The Scarlet Letter." Baldwin contacted Gretchen Mol, who is truly excited to be part of the production — even though she is now working in Los Angeles on a Showtime television version of the 1980s

trendsetting film, "American Gigolo." She returns home on weekends, and will be Hester Prynne in the staged reading at The Bok at Sharon Playhouse on Saturday, April 16, 7 p.m.

Mol then invited her friend Tim Blake Nelson to join the fun. Nelson is a character actor who has enlivened many films by Joel and Ethan Coen, including the recent "The Ballad of Buster Scruggs."

Baldwin and Nichols recruited two other new Northwest Corner residents to fill out the cast: Sarah Steinmetz and Pun Bandhu.

It perhaps goes without saying that the 100 tickets available for the reading sold out almost immediately. But the success of this first foray into expanding what Sharon Playhouse can offer to the community will definitely inspire future experimental offerings.

*Tickets are now available for the 2022 Sharon Playhouse season. Sign up for emails to learn about future special projects at [www.sharonplayhouse.org](http://www.sharonplayhouse.org).*

## Workshop on How To Graft Fruit Trees

Kent Memorial Library in Kent, Conn., once again hosts Justin Potter for a demonstration of "gentle top grafting" of fruit trees: adding scionwood of one variety onto a well-established tree of another variety, but without the major surgery involved with standard top grafting.

Potter has added more than 100 varieties onto three apple trees since 2018. Participants in the workshop will be able to see grafts of different ages, where on the tree they worked well and where they didn't and learn some things that Potter had to learn the hard way.

This program is in Kent but not at the library, and will be held outdoors.

It will be held on Tuesday, April 12, at 10 a.m. The rain date will be Tuesday, April 19.

To register, go to the library website at [www.kentmemoriallibrary.org/gentle-top-grafting-with-justin-potter](http://www.kentmemoriallibrary.org/gentle-top-grafting-with-justin-potter).

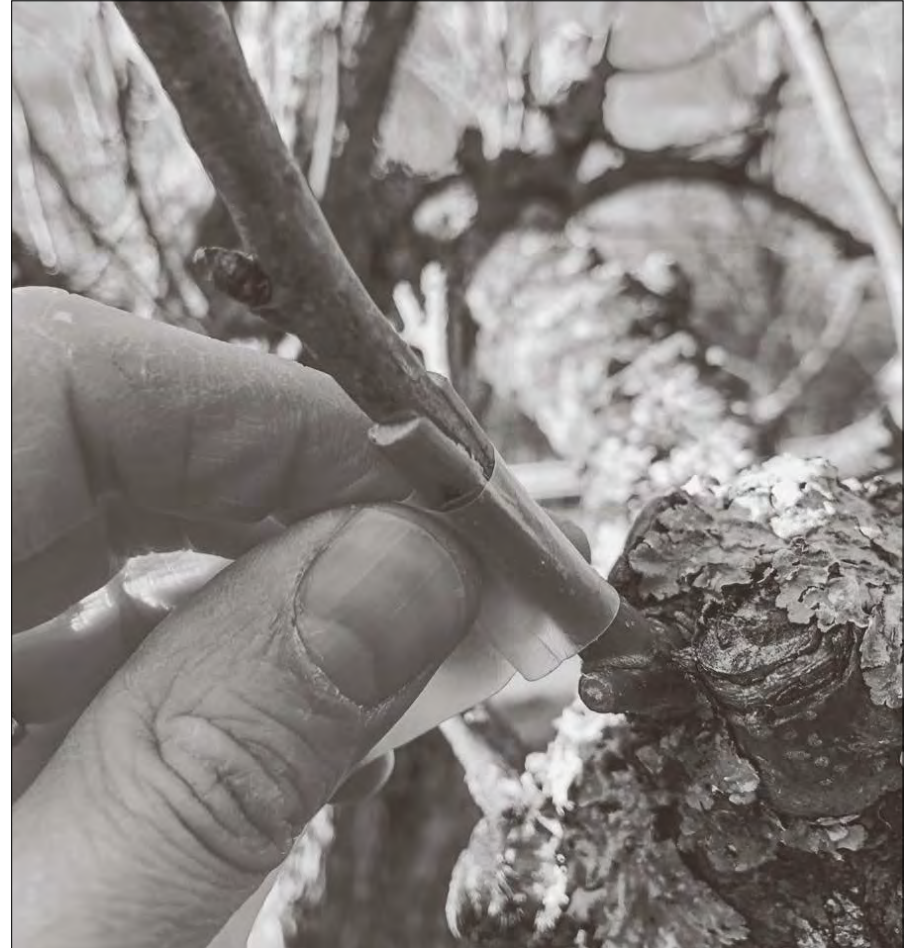


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Forget the tale of Johnny Appleseed: The modern and more reliable way to make new fruit trees is through grafting.

### POETRY: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

## The Glass Is Full, It Is Half Full And It Is Broken

For Sharon Charde, poetry isn't just a journey within or an artistic experiment in the uses of language and form.

It's also a deeply therapeutic activity, one designed not only to explore her own emotional depths but also to help others do the same.

As both a therapist and a poet, much of her career has been spent helping others who don't have a voice, or can't express their own trauma and joys without help.

A previous collection of poems featured the work of young incarcerated women, called "I Am Not a Juvenile Delinquent."

A new collection of work just by Charde, who is a resident of Salisbury, Conn., is called "The Glass Is Already Broken" and focuses on her own journey out of grief.

Charde's son died 35

years ago and much of her life since then has centered around her efforts to find a way to continue in a cruel world.

Every poem in this series, she said, reflects the words of Thai meditation master Ajahn Chah: "Do you see this glass? I love this glass. It holds the water admirably. When the sun shines on it, it reflects the light beautifully. When I tap it, it has a lovely ring. Yet for me, this glass is already broken. When the wind knocks it over or my elbow knocks it off the shelf and it falls to the ground and shatters, I say, 'Of course.' But when I understand that this glass is already broken, every minute with it is precious."

Find Sharon Charde's collection of poems, "The Glass Is Already Broken," at Oblong Books and Music in Millerton, N.Y.

## TRI-CORNER CALENDAR

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### ART

**The Clark Art Museum.** 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. [www.clarkart.edu](http://www.clarkart.edu)  
DRAWING CLOSER: STILL LIFE, April 8, 11 a.m. to noon.

**MASS MoCA.** 1320 MASS MoCA Way, North Adams, Mass. [www.massmoca.org](http://www.massmoca.org)  
Decolonizing Creative Practice Retreat: Urgency w/ Haus of Glitter, March 26 & April 9, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### BOOKS

**Oblong Books & Music.** 26 Main St., Millerton, N.Y. [www.oblongbooks.com](http://www.oblongbooks.com)  
Local Book Launch: Samantha Hunt, THE UNWRITTEN BOOK: An Investigation, April 8, 6:30 p.m.

**Scoville Memorial Library.** 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. [www.scovillelibrary.org](http://www.scovillelibrary.org)  
Library Book Group led by Claudia Cayne, April 9, 4 to 5 p.m. (online).

### KIDS

**Hotchkiss Library of Sharon.** 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. [www.hotchkisslibrary.org](http://www.hotchkisslibrary.org)  
Encourage a Young Writer Day, April 10, noon to 3 p.m.

### MOVIES

**Four Brothers Drive-In Theatre.** 4957 NY-22, Amenia, N.Y. [www.playeatdrink.com](http://www.playeatdrink.com)  
Morbis and Sonic the Hedgehog 2 Double Feature, April 8 and 9.

**The Moviehouse.** 48 Main St., Millerton, N.Y. [www.themoviehouse.net](http://www.themoviehouse.net)  
Morbis, now playing. Sonic 2, opens April 8. Mothering Sunday, opens April 15.

### MUSIC

**Crescendo.** Lakeville, Conn. [www.worldclassmusic.org](http://www.worldclassmusic.org)  
Mientras me abraza (While she hugs me)—Baroque, Latino, and Folk Fusion — Lakeville, CT, April 8, 6 p.m.; Great Barrington, MA, April 9, 4 p.m.

**The Egremont Barn.** 17 Main St., South Egremont, Mass. [www.theegremontbarn.com](http://www.theegremontbarn.com)  
The Round Up! Featuring Lavender Country, Paisley Fields and More!, April 8, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.; Reliant Tom with opener I Am Snow Angel, April 9, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

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**Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center.** 14 Castle St., Great Barrington, Mass. [www.mahaiwe.org](http://www.mahaiwe.org)  
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EDITORIAL

Millerton board gets A-plus for openness

Governments are constantly striving for transparency these days — especially when it comes to tough topics dealing with issues like whether a community should do away with its own local police force and instead contract with the county sheriff's office.

That is the exact dilemma the Millerton Village Board is facing right now, as it weighs the pros and cons of continuing to budget \$90,000 a year for the part-time, nine-member Millerton Police Department (MPD). The alternative would be to dissolve the village force and hire the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office (DCSO), which would install a substation where the MPD is currently housed at Village Hall with one deputy per shift, for an as-of-yet unknown fee (but ideally within the existing \$90,000 annual police budget).

Of course, there are still a number of details to confirm, but many were hashed out before nearly 50 community members, the mayor and full Village Board, Acting Sheriff Kirk Imperati and a number of DCSO representatives — all of whom attended a special village workshop at the NorthEast-Millerton Library Annex on Tuesday, March 29.

Seeing so many people from the community show up to hear why the village is interested in contracting with the DCSO and learn how the acting sheriff believes his office can improve policing in Millerton was incredibly encouraging. So, too, was listening to all of the very thoughtful and intelligent questions from those in the audience.

Mayor Jenn Najdek wisely asked that only village residents pose questions, as the transition from the MPD to the DCSO would only be for police services within the village.

She explained the town of North East's contract for police services with the village is due to expire on May 31. If the MPD dissolves, the town will not have a reason to renew its police contract with the village. That means the village would lose the town's fiscal contribution toward financing its yearly \$90,000 police budget.

The town typically pays about 20% of Millerton's annual police budget; in 2022 it paid \$26,500 for the MPD to patrol in North East (up \$500 from 2021).

Najdek suggested town residents attend the North East Town Board meeting on Thursday, April 14, at 7 p.m., if they have questions about how the town plans to handle policing if the MPD is disbanded.

The hour-long workshop on the 29th was orderly; people were respectful and everyone gave the acting sheriff and his cohorts a chance to say their piece.

It was a great example of open government. Throughout this difficult period of figuring out how to best plan for Millerton's future police services, the Village Board has been transparent, showing accountability while fostering democracy and inclusivity. We applaud the mayor and her board for their openness.

In fact, in a follow-up interview with this editor, the mayor said her only regret was forgetting to leave her business cards so those who attended would have her contact information. She wanted to make sure village residents know that whether they favor the switch to the DCSO for local police coverage or not, she is available to answer their questions.

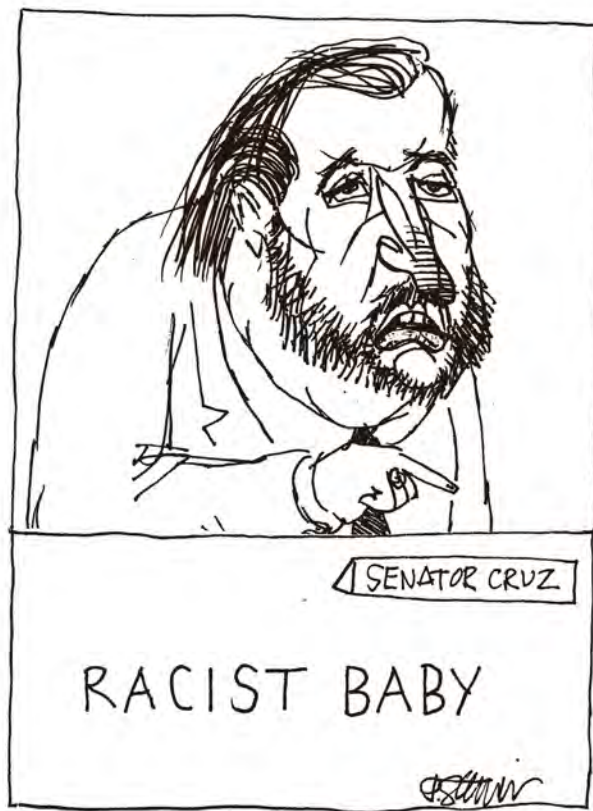
"I'd be willing to speak with anyone who is opposed to this," she said. "I also know sometimes from talking with some people, they just believe that the local police is better no matter what you tell them and how you explain it; they will never change their minds. It may just be the principle of it."

"At one time I heard the argument, 'We're already paying for [those services] in county taxes,'" added the mayor. "Sure. We already pay to the county for the Sheriff's Office, Fire Investigation Team, the Drug Task Force Team, their own internal affairs; we certainly already pay for that, but we don't currently pay for someone dedicated to our village."

However, at the end of the day, Najdek tried to see both sides of the coin.

"I don't want to spend time trying to convince anybody," she said. "People should be making their own decisions on it, and make decisions based on the facts."

For more on the workshop presentation by the Millerton Village Board and DCSO, be sure to read this week's front page.



Millerton meeting with sheriff appreciated

On Tuesday, March 29, the Millerton Village Board hosted a public presentation by the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office. As the Board considers shifting from managing a part-time police force to contracting the Sheriff's office for police services, it was important for me to be informed on the matter, and I am glad I attended.

I was impressed with the presentation given by Acting Sheriff Kirk Imperati. In addition to an overview of everything they do, he spoke about how they work with the communities where they have similar contracts, the department's high standards of training, the accountability of a separate department to investigate complaints against the Office or its Deputies and their focus on community relations — there are a number of Sheriff's Deputies that are our neighbors in Millerton and North East. They'd even put a new Sheriff's substation in at Village Hall.

For me, the most compelling

argument for such change might be understanding details of liability. Currently the Village is solely liable for any actions by the police, from an accident that's an officer's fault to excessive use of force — that's all on the Village, the Village's insurance and ultimately, the Village's taxpayers. And there are currently three such lawsuits pending against the Village!

If the changes were made to contracting the Sheriff's Office for policing services, all that liability would shift to the county, and no longer be the sole responsibility of the Village.

I want to extend my thanks to the Village Board, and especially our Mayor, who have clearly worked hard to create solutions to make responsible policing sustainable, while assuring that we wouldn't see a reduction in valuable emergency coverage and protection.

Ed Stillman

Millerton

The steep, real costs of streaming TV

There is an environmental impact with all streaming services that you may not be aware of. Watching one hour of, say, Disney+ or Netflix, requires energy for that transmission. Those little wires you attach to your TV are fed a stream of electricity with the TV signal. Electricity needs to be produced, handled and streamed to your home.

So, with that one hour of steaming you have to calculate an equivalent of driving your normal car about 300 yards. Sounds like very little usage until you multiply it up, say four-plus hours a day, 365 days a year = 438,000 yards or 248 miles. If you're doing 20 mpg, that's the same equivalent of pollution from 12.44 gallons of gas. Just for that one TV.

In the USA, streaming accounts for 26% of all TV watching in 122,400,000 homes — or 31,824,000 homes that stream. Amount of CO2 emissions from those streamers per year? The emission from an equivalent of 395,890,560 gallon of gas, or 7,775,290,598 pounds of CO2.

A Boeing 737 produces/emits 198 pounds of CO2 per hour at 480 mph. So, the streaming TV CO2 emission for the USA is the equivalent of 39,269,144 hours of flying at cruise, which is a distance of 18,849,189,328 miles for a 737-passenger jet.

Just to help you understand this number, pre-COVID, the steaming CO2 emission was about 2.5% of all commercial flights in the USA. Once

A VIEW FROM THE EDGE

Peter Riva

you add in out-of-office and schoolwork with video conferencing in 2020 and 2021, internet streaming and connectivity to homes across the nation that probably pushed to 10% of CO2 emissions of the total aviation industry and the equivalent of 800 million gallons of gas.

Some good news needs to be factored in here. Modern electronics and server technology is, in 2022 compared to 2018, twice as efficient already — and getting better every month.

What needs to be watched, however, is that those 90,576,000 homes currently not streaming will, eventually, all hook up and stream TV content.

And let's not forget that schools, once kids are used to tablets and connectivity, are not about to go backwards either. An argument can be made that even with the minor per hour pollution of streaming TV users are polluting less than driving to a movie show, but all the studies conclude that once households get streaming service, their hours of consumption goes up — way up. In addition to which, the above calculations do not account for multiple TV sets in use at the same time.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

There's strength in Sharon Hospital's transformation

I write today in support of Sharon Hospital's proposed consolidation of critical care services into a progressive care unit (PCU). I have been a physician practicing internal medicine, hospital medicine, and hospice and palliative medicine in the Sharon Hospital community for nearly 23 years. Over that period, I have witnessed, firsthand, dramatic changes in America's health-care system.

When I arrived at Sharon Hospital in 1999, we had a very busy intensive care unit. This was one of the reasons I chose to relocate to this community. I enjoyed working in critical care, especially in procedural medicine. Although I was never board certified in critical care, I spent much of my residency training in critical care units and as chief resident I spent three months as ICU attending physician at Jacobi Medical Center of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. I felt capable of caring for critically ill patients at Sharon Hospital with the support of our local teams.

Over the years, however, standards of care have changed and now it is most appropriate for critically ill patients to be cared for by board certified critical care physicians. In addition, the physical facilities required to care for critically ill patients have evolved and these standards have changed as well. Our hospital is well equipped to care for most ill medical and surgical patients, and even some critically ill patients. For those patients requiring a higher level of intensive care, we will continue, as we have, to transfer those patients to the most appropriate healthcare facility.

We used this approach successfully during the COVID-19 pandemic, when Nuvance Health's hospitals shared resources and moved patients around the system to facilities that could best serve them.

We selected Danbury Hospital and Vassar Brothers Medical Center to cohort severe COVID patients requiring highly specialized care. In exchange, other system hospitals, including Sharon Hospital, received non-COVID patients, COVID patients of lower acuity and, unfortunately, those not expected to survive who received compassionate end-of-life care.

Sharon Hospital's proposed PCU will allow us to maintain our current level of clinical services, with increased coordination and efficiency. Maintaining all patients on a single unit will increase synergy, which will benefit patient care and reduce practitioner burn-out as we continue facing a national exodus of professionals from the healthcare system. We expect this change will boost recruitment and retention of competitive positions. The unit will also be modern and well-equipped, allowing us to better utilize space and resources to offer advanced progressive care services, including short-term mechanical ventilation and continuous cardiac monitoring while also maintaining our ability to stabilize and transfer patients needing more advanced care.

The proposed PCU at Sharon Hospital is one example demonstrating how we can adapt to the changing healthcare landscape, while remaining strong in serving our community. This consolidation will help Sharon Hospital maintain its strength and grow as a vibrant community hospital. I urge the community to continue visiting [www.nuvancehealth.org/sharonhospitaltransformation](http://www.nuvancehealth.org/sharonhospitaltransformation) for accurate, up-to-date information regarding Sharon's Hospital transformation.

Mark J. Marshall, DO, MA, FACP, FHM  
Vice President of Medical Affairs, Sharon Hospital  
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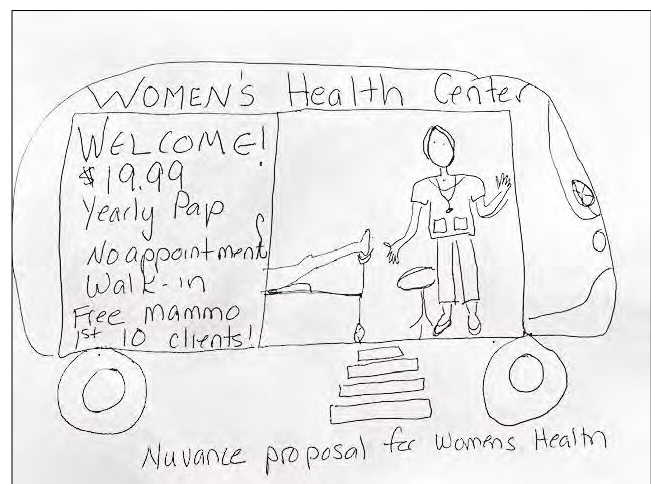
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CARTOON TO THE EDITOR BY DR. CORY KALSER OF LAKEVILLE, CONN.

# MILLBROOK

## Village Board meets

# Ambulance sale earns \$79K, budget hearing is April 13

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE  
judithb@millertonnews.com

MILLBROOK — The March meeting of the Millbrook Village Board opened at 6 p.m. at the Millbrook firehouse.

Mayor Tim Collopy asked for a moment of silence in honor of recently-deceased Frank Viacava, a retired member of the Millbrook fire department and former assistant chief.

Collopy then moved onto general business, including the monthly report from Fire Chief Ted Bownas, for the month of February. There were three motor vehicle accidents reported; one vehicle fire; and two structure fires.

There were 41 EMS calls logged; 38 with NDP; and two with the MFD Rescue Squad; Mutual Aid was provided to the fire department twice; and EMS was provided twice; Mutual Aid was received once by the fire department and twice by EMS.

The Millbrook Police Department (MPD) gave its monthly report for February next. That included six traffic tickets issued; eight disabled vehicles assisted; six assists with the New York State Police; two assists with the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office; seven assists with the Millbrook fire department; 16 assists with Millbrook EMS; two shifts providing security at the Town of Washington

Court; five responses to the Millbrook Central School District along with 14 school security checks.

Highway Department Supervisor Bob Collacola gave his February report. His crew removed downed tree limbs on Maple and Haight avenues; installed a new Tree City sign for the village; repaired pot holes and catch basins.

The department also repaired a sander in house and worked on a drainage repair at Bennett and Exmore streets.

Four snow events were reported since the last Village Board meeting, totaling 16 for the winter season.

Village Clerk Sarah Witt gave her report, first sharing news on certificates issued by the Building Department: eight building permits; five Certificates of Occupancy; two Certificates of Compliance; and three Municipal Searches. The total in Building Department fees for February came to \$1,040.

Witt also put on her treasurer's hat and gave the report for that department, which can be seen online, at [www.villageofmillbrookny.com](http://www.villageofmillbrookny.com).

### AT&T wants added antennas

The mayor reported that AT&T has requested that antennas be added to the water tower. It's being discussed with Delaware Engineering to ascertain if doing so would impact the infrastructure.

Collopy said that the fire

department's older ambulance was sold for \$79,000, which will be deposited into the Apparatus Reserve. The sole purpose of that fund is to be used to purchase the next vehicle for the fire department.

### COVID tests; turkey vultures

The board noted there are masks and COVID test kits reserved at Village Hall.

The USDA visited Millbrook on Saturday, March 20, to assess the problem of turkey vultures and to make recommendations for dealing with the issue.

### Budget update

The village budget is being worked on by the mayor, the board and department heads, to be ready by May.

The mayor said he will post all relevant information about the fiscal plan in the village's April newsletter for the public to review prior to the mandated public hearing on the budget. That hearing is planned for the next Village Board meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, at 6 p.m. in person at the firehouse.

The Village Board plans to vote on the budget at that meeting; the budget will then go into effect on June 1.

Village meetings may be seen live on Cable Access Channel 22 and are also posted shortly afterward on YouTube. For more information, go to [www.villageofmillbrookny.com](http://www.villageofmillbrookny.com).



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Jazz singer and violinist Teresa Broadwell traveled from the Albany area to perform at the Millbrook Library, courtesy of the Millbrook Arts Group and its three-part spring concert series, on Saturday, March 26. Roughly 70 people attended the well-received performance.

# MAG concerts continue to jazz up the Millbrook Library

MILLBROOK — The second concert in a recent three-part series sponsored by the Millbrook Arts Group (MAG) was presented at the Millbrook Library on Saturday, March 26, much to the pleasure of the Millbrook community.

It welcomed jazz singer and violinist Teresa Broadwell, who has performed extensively throughout the Northeast and has opened for artists such as Stan Getz, Jon Hen-

dricks and many others.

Broadwell has also made several popular records that have been well received by fans and the music industry alike. She moved to the Capital region in the early '80s, and has since performed at jazz clubs as well as on the radio and on television. Broadwell is also a regular at music concerts and jazz festivals.

The 70 or more people who attended her most recent performance at the li-

brary said they would happily attest to her skills, and they were very grateful to MAG for bringing Broadwell to the Millbrook Library for their listening pleasure.

The third and final concert in MAG's spring series is scheduled for Saturday, April 30, at 5 p.m. and will feature flamenco guitarist Maria Zemantauski, again at the Millbrook Library at 3 Friendly Lane.

— Judith O'Hara Balfe

# Cary Institute teaches how to identify trees by telltale clues

By LEILA HAWKEN  
Special to The Millerton News

MILLBROOK — If you are going to get to know any tree and perhaps give it a hug, you might want to start by knowing its name.

During a fast-paced program titled, "Tree Identification for Beginners," three naturalists joined to teach the basics of getting to know tree names. They don't all look alike, and they can be easily differentiated if you know how.

The webinar, presented on Wednesday, March 23, was sponsored by the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies. It assembled a panel consisting of Cary wildlife biologist Mike Fargione, and ecologist Julie Hart and social scientist Brian Straniti, both of the Dutchess Land Conservancy.

"Trees thrive in communal relationships, like humans," Straniti said, noting that they need connectivity with each other and their forest environment.

Just as humans live longer when their roots go deep within their communities, so do trees, Straniti added.

Early spring is a good time to look closely at a tree's branches to see whether branch buds are alternating or opposite each other, whether on either side of the twig facing each other, or staggered along the twig. Those are clues toward identification.

Other clues are overall shape, distinctive bark, leaf shapes and seeds such as acorns and pine cones. To simplify the process, there

are reliable publications that provide step-by-step keys to identification.

Smartphones have also stepped up to offer a highly recommended free app named SEEK, developed by iNaturalist. Snap a photo of bark, leaf or seed, and your phone will do the rest. SEEK is safe for children who want to explore the outdoors on their own and it will also identify animals, insects, plants and fungi.

A virtual walk — led by the three panelists in area woodlands — allowed program viewers to encounter familiar trees. There are three types of oaks likely to be found in the local area: white, red and chestnut oaks, viewers learned.

An observer can tell much from looking at the tree as a whole and then zooming in for a closer look. Start with its silhouette, then move in to see the features of its bark, its leaves, its seeds or cones.

You will find that sugar maples and red maples feature opposite leaves along their twigs.

The virtual tour paused at

northern red oaks that can grow in height to more than 100 feet, American beech, black cherry, birches that can be paper, white, black or yellow. To identify a birch, always look at the bark.

Then there is the beautiful American sycamore, usually found in wet areas, remarkable for having different bark types on the same tree.

Trout fishermen know that trout streams may harbor trout because nearby hemlocks provide cooling shade.

Recent generations have seen the white ash tree taking over the spaces vacated by the once-thriving population of elm trees, but now the emerald ash borer insect is devastating the ash trees, Fargione reported.

Hart observed, "Evolution is a journey, not a destination. We don't know everything."

The Cary Institute grounds are now open to visitors to enjoy its trees and walk its trails in Millbrook. More activities and nature walks are planned for the coming months. To learn more, go to the website at [www.caryinstitute.org](http://www.caryinstitute.org).

## STATE POLICE REPORT

The following information was provided by the New York State Police (NYS) Troop K in Salt Point. All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

### Copake man arrested for child pornography

On Monday, March 14, the NYS in conjunction with the Columbia County District Attorney's Office arrested 82-year-old James Blass of Copake for Posses-

sion of a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class E felony.

After receiving a law enforcement tip, Investigators determined Blass was in possession of child pornography.

Blass was issued an appearance ticket and he was scheduled to return to the town of Copake Court on March 28.

### Crime Watch

If you or someone you know has been the victim of

a crime, or you suspect criminal activity, send an e-mail to [NewYorkStatePoliceCrimeWatch@crimetip@troopers.ny.gov](mailto:NewYorkStatePoliceCrimeWatch@crimetip@troopers.ny.gov). 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](mailto:editor@millertonnews.com).

# Millbrook Library collects items for Ukrainian war victims in need

MILLBROOK — Courtney Tshalis, the director of the Millbrook Library, said she was so moved by what Ukraine is experiencing right now while under attack by Russia, that she wanted to help. She wanted to somehow get the library and the Millbrook community involved.

Tshalis got in touch with Dutchess County Departments of Emergency Response and Public Works, which were working with the not-for-profit Afye Foundation, which "collects unused medical supplies and equipment from throughout the New York metro area and gives them a second life," according to its website, [www.afyefoundation.org](http://www.afyefoundation.org). The state is working with Afye to collect the much-needed items for Ukraine and the now 2 million refugees fleeing the war-ravaged nation.

Tshalis set up a station to collect donations from the community at the library in March. People donated flashlights and batteries; diapers; deodorant; shampoo; face masks; hand sanitizers; health supplies; and personal hygiene items.

The feedback was great, said Tshalis, who personally delivered the donations to the



PHOTO BY JUDITH O'HARA BALFE

This photo shows a number of donations made by residents of the village of Millbrook and the town of Washington to the Millbrook Library, which Library Director Courtney Tshalis dropped off in Poughkeepsie at the end of March. The Afye Foundation in Yonkers was then going to ship the items to war victims in Ukraine.

J.C. Penney site at the Galleria Mall in Poughkeepsie. From there the items were taken to the Afye Center in Yonkers for shipment to Ukraine.

Tshalis said she was touched by community's response to the library's plea for donations, and not at all

surprised by the generosity of Millbrook residents, noting they always come through in times of need.

Dutchess County likewise held a large supply drive for Ukraine just last week, with great results.

— Judith O'Hara Balfe



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## DUTCHESS COUNTY



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Volunteers from around Dutchess County joined together to collect thousands of donated items for the AFYA Foundation, which were driven down to the nonprofit's Yonkers headquarters last week in preparation to be shipped to Ukraine.

# County joins international nonprofit to help Ukraine

POUGHKEEPSIE — Dutchess County held a successful supply drive for the war victims in Ukraine with the AFYA Foundation in recent weeks. According to a county press release, "items were collected at the former JCPenney at the Poughkeepsie Galleria as well as at donation boxes located at the four Dutchess County DMVs. In total, 36 large pallets of goods were donated."

The thousands of supplies were packed to be shipped on Tuesday, March

29, with volunteers making the collaborative effort possible.

The county expressed its thanks to its departments of Emergency Response and Behavioral and Community Health for coordinating the effort, and to dedicated volunteers from its Medical Reserve Corps of Dutchess County for collecting, sorting and packing all of the donations.

It also recognized Arnoff Moving & Storage, which has a local branch

in Millerton, for donating hundreds of shipping boxes.

Dutchess County Clerk Brad Kendall, of Dover, also set up collection boxes at DMV offices throughout the county.

The county also thanked McCollister, which provided the truck that drove the donations to AFYA's headquarters in Yonkers. From there, the items will be shipped to Ukraine and distributed to those in need.

— Whitney Joseph



## LEGAL NOTICES

### Legal Notice

A+M Flower Co. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 2/21/22 online. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 3054 Church St. Pine Plains, NY 12567. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Trustees of the Village of Millerton on April 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., at the Millerton Legion Hall, 155 Route 44., Millerton, New York to hear all interested persons regarding Local Law A of 2022 entitled A Local Law to abolish the Village of Millerton Police Department and Replace with Contracted Services.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that copies of said proposed Local Law are available for review at the Village Hall, 5933 North Elm Avenue, Millerton, New York and at the village website, www.villageofmillerton.net

All interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard in person or by directing comments in writing to the Village Board of Trustees, 5933 North Elm Avenue, Millerton, New York, 12546.

By order of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Millerton dated April 4, 2022.

Kelly Kilmer  
Village Clerk  
Village of Millerton  
04-07-22

### LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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Dawn Marie Klingner  
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