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Located on Church Street (Route 199) next to Peck's Market, many customers will be sad to say goodbye to one of their favorite community hubs, the Pine Plains Platter, when it shuts down on Sunday, Sept. 26.

Community heartbroken over closure

# **Pine Plains Platter to** shut down for good

By KAITLIN LYLE kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

PINE PLAINS - For many local residents as well as visitors to Pine Plains, the thought of driving into town one day and seeing the Pine Plains Platter permanently closed seems unimaginable, given how the

Platter's owners/landlords, its manager and staff and its clientele, that thought will soon become a reality as the business is going to shutdown for good come Sunday, Sept. 26.

Established at 2987 Church St. (Route 199), next to Peck's Market, The Platter is housed on the street level of a building owned by Jack and Irene Banning, who purchased it in 2012. While the pair owns The Platter, it's been run for the past few years

# Veteran, politician, family man, Kyle Van De Water, found dead at 41

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE judithb@millertonnews.com

MILLBROOK - When Kyle Van De Water was pronounced dead at Vassar Brothers Medical Center in Poughkeepsie Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 7, at the age of 41, the Millbrook community he devoted so much of his adult life to lost many things. It lost a former village trustee and town volunteer; a respected lawyer; a military veteran, former JAG attorney and current Army reservist; and a former U.S. Congressional candidate. Most of all, though, it lost a family man. Van De Water was husband to

his wife, Melissa, and father to a set of triplets born in 2009, Thomas, Lincoln and Annabelle, and another son born in 2014, Levi.

Van De Water, who was born in Rhinebeck and raised in Poughkeepsie, was discovered Sept. 7 shortly after noon at the Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery by two Town of Poughkeepsie Police Officers after reports of a "man down" were called in.

Van de Water was found to be unconscious with a gunshot wound; officers reportedly performed CPR and other measures at the scene in

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Kyle Van De Water

# **Millerton Food Festival promises** a village-wide feast Sept. 18

### By KAITLIN LYLE kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON - Come Saturday, Sept. 18, area residents and visitors are invited to bring their appetites to the village of Millerton where they can satisfy their hunger with an allday, village-wide food festival.

Organized by the Millerton Business Alliance (MBA) and spearheaded by Main Street Magazine, the first-ever Millerton Food Festival will run from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., coinciding with the hours of operations for many of the village's businesses.

Throughout the day, festival-goers are guaranteed to discover culinary treats while having a blast at every corner of the village, whether they want to decorate cookies at the Irondale Schoolhouse; dine on barbecue on the lawn of The Millerton Inn; savor a potluck among friends at the North East Community Center; check out the slew of activities featured at North East Ford or the expanded food offerings at the Millerton Farmers Market; or even see what their favorite local eateries have

available.

A complete list of participating festival vendors can be found online at www.millertonnewyork.com as well as a description of what kind of tempting fare each vendor will be offering.

Along with sinking their teeth into the sweet, the savory, the salty and the specials offered by the village's eateries and festival vendors, those who attend this inaugural festival will have the chance to expand

cafe has flourished these last few years as a hub for the community, not to mention a place to get some great home cooking. Yet to the disappointment of practically everyone — The

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# Land use moratorium passed Washington Town Board opts out of pot businesses

**By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE** judithb@millertonnews.com

cannabis law, held midway through

WASHINGTON - The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Washington (TOW) Town Board was held on Thursday, Sept. 9, at Town Hall. It began at 7 p.m. when Deputy town Supervisor Stephen Turletes opened it in lieu of town Supervisor Gary Ciferri, who was absent. The main event was a public forum on the

the meeting. **Miscellaneous matters** 

Before jumping into the cannabis law, a donation of \$10,000 from John S. Dyson to help with the review of the town's Comprehensive Plan was accepted.

Two appointments were made: one for Justice Court clerk, of Kathy

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# More required from applicant to excavate Boston Corner farm

#### **By WHITNEY JOSEPH** editor@millertonnews.com

BOSTON CORNER - Despite excavator and project applicant Fred Schneeberger lessening the impact of his excavation plans for Langdon Hurst Farm and resubmitting his Site Plan Review and Special Use Permit (SUP) to the Ancram Planning Board on Thursday, Sept. 2, bringing the amount of soil and gravel to be removed from the site down from 25,000-cubic yards to 20,000-cubic yards, some of those opposing the project are far from satisfied.

#### Less, but still too much

"It's still a lot, still more than is necessary," said Carol Falcetti, who "I think the simplest thing is, this is not farming," Larry Stockl, Ancramdale resident

has lived next to Langdon Hurst Farm with her husband, Norman Osofsky, a former farmer himself, for decades. "Basically, it still flattens the land, and when that happens you look at the other hills there and say, 'Well if it must be flattened there's the possibility they'll come back and ask that the other hills be flattened.' This way they're just taking it down to the ground. To me it appears to be more of a mining operation than an agricultural need... which is why we're

so active in opposing it."

"It's not a mine, and it's sad that the town, not the town but some individuals in the town, are confusing it with such," said the farm's owner, Anthony Palumbo Jr., who leases it to John Langdon. "The DEC [Department of Environmental Conservation] said it's not a mine; it's not classified as a mine; and I'm not going in with the intention of it being an active mine."

"You can't just go in with a bulldozer and take the knoll and grade it down, mixing soil with gravel; you can't take a bulldozer and level the property off," explained Planning Board Chairman John Ingram. "Once

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# MILLERTON

# Town Board votes not to allow commercial cannabis joints

By KAITLIN LYLE kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

NORTH EAST — After taking into account the community's thoughts and concerns during the mandated public hearings, the North East Town Board voted to approve two local laws opting out of allowing cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site lounges in town at its board meeting on Thursday, Sept. 9.

Former Governor Andrew Cuomo had set a Dec. 31 deadline for municipalities to decide whether they would permit such businesses. Those that opt out by that date can choose to opt in at a later time, but if no action is taken by year's end both will become legal with no ability to opt out in the future.

The board met at 7 p.m. in the NorthEast-Millerton Library Annex; the public hearing on the local law to opt in or out of commercial cannabis retail dispensaries was scheduled for 7:20 p.m. In addition to the Town Board, about a dozen people attended. Once the latest town business had been addressed, town Supervisor Chris Kennan opened the public hearing.

Before listening to public comments, Kennan reminded the board that it voted to opt out of permitting cannabis dispensaries and lounges in town at its meeting on Aug. 12. The board was also reminded by Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky it can opt in at a later date. If the town opts in, Kennan said the town may not use its zoning powers to prevent dispensaries or lounges from opening in town. As the town is looking for more information on how dispensaries and lounges will be regulated, Kennan said it was really about "keeping options open for the town."

As the public hearing's first speaker, resident Meg Winkler said she supported

opting out, though he said he would support marijuana dispensaries in town in the future, pointing out the potential avenues for creating additional tax revenue in town.

Resident Ray Nelson said he was opposed to dispensaries and lounges in town. Based on research he's done about the negative impacts of cannabis, he said he didn't see how the town would benefit from having such establishments. Though he understood it would be "one more business bringing in tax revenue," Nelson said, "there must be some other business that we'd prefer to have... so my vote is no."

As there were no other comments, the hearing closed at 7:30 p.m.

Replansky suggested the board open the next public hearing for the local law regarding marijuana lounges and then do a brief environmental review for the law, as required.

The second hearing opened at 7:31 p.m., and all three individuals who spoke at the first public hearing again shared their thoughts.

Should the town decide to opt in, Winkler said she was against smoking lounges in the town and village.

Cooper said he was for more research on dispensaries and felt on-site lounges were where they "really get into the cultural fabric of the town and the risks that come into play."

Once that hearing closed, Replansky said that while there's a good argument to make that local laws on dispensaries and lounges will conceivably not impact on the environment, he prepared the environmental impact statement (EIS) under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) process and recommended the board adopt a negative declaration indicating the laws will have no adverse environmental impact. The board unanimously approved the negative declaration. The board noted both local laws to opt out of the commercial marijuana businesses are subject to permissive referendums based on New York State's new marijuana law passed in March, called the Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act (MRTA). The MRTA legalized adultuse recreational marijuana; New York approved medical marijuana in 2014. There's a 45-day period during which a referendum can be filed; if a referendum is filed the board will have to hold a special election. After further discussion, the board unanimously adopted the two local laws opting out of permitting either marijuana dispensaries or lounges.

# Fire Company celebrates Annex, its history, members and their service

By KAITLIN LYLE kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON — It was a long time coming to unveil their new Annex, but the Millerton Fire Company finally did so, inviting the community to tour the structure and learn more about the company's history and need for volunteers at its Open House on Sunday, Sept. 12.

Running from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., the road to the Annex and firehouse, located at 29 and 24 Century Blvd., respectively, was closed off to motorists. The volunteer members of the Millerton Fire Company were busy greeting residents and local and county leaders, sharing the fire district's history.

Members also educated those who stopped by about the company's history thanks to various memorabilia and an impressive scrapbook collection compiled by longtime member Bernie Silvernail.

Popcorn was popped, Tshirts were sold to support the fire company and children wore red plastic fire helmets, perhaps dreaming of one day volunteering themselves.

Following a prayer honoring the 20th anniversary of 9/11, Millerton Fire Company President Lenny Morrison shared what they've done over the years in terms of funding, equipment and apparatus. He said that from 1942 to 2019, the Millerton Fire Company had spent \$277,661.40 on equipment.

Looking at another layer of history, Fire Chief Jason Watson said the Millerton Fire Company became North East Fire District in 2004 with a starting budget of \$151,000. Today, he said they're up to \$422,000.

"It's not been easy," he said, "but with hard work and dedication we've been able to do many things around here to keep the community members safe."

Watson detailed the various purchases of firetrucks and other essential equipment as well as the change in membership and other milestones, like the start of the junior firefighter program. All of this, he said, couldn't have been

done without the cooperation of

the company and the fire district

working together to accomplish

goals. Today, Watson said there

challenges that have been over-

come throughout the years, not-

ing their biggest challenge has

been keeping up with changing

the district's aim to provide the

best equipment to keep mem-

bers safe so they could protect

get the best that we can with the

means that we have," Valyou said.

"I think overall we've been able

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"We try to work together to

Nevertheless, he said it was

Fire District Chairman Stephen Valyou talked about the

are 460 active members.

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## to stay ahead."

Offering a commemoration and appreciation to the company on behalf of the town, North East town Supervisor Chris Kennan said one of his goals as supervisor is to help keep the community unified, and he praised the fire company and fire district for being a unifying force. Dutchess County Legislature Chairman Gregg Pulver (R-19) explained it was incumbent on every fire company member to recruit volunteers, "because we need it, ladies and gentlemen, we need that service in our community... It's the most gratifying thing you can do for your community."

Taking the microphone in hand, Morrison announced the dedication of plaques that would be hung on the company's equipment in honor of members past and present. Truck 51-13 was dedicated to the company's Truck Committee (which included Morrison and nine other members) while Truck 51-11 was dedicated to past members Bob McGhee and Gary Fenn, both of whom have passed away. The tanker was dedicated to Dick DeWitt, Willie Oles, Russell Palmer, H. Lee Miller and Howard Brusie Jr., and the rescue truck was dedicated to John and Lou Schultz and Dave VanDebogart. The brush truck was dedicated to Tony Piscitello while the Tahoe was dedicated to former Rescue Squad Captain Walter Bernitt.

The utility truck used for traffic control and pulling the company's ATVs was dedicated to Silvernail, whom Morrison said has 71 years of active service in the company. The ceremony's audience gave Silvernail a standing ovation.

Surprising the company, Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro announced the county's 2022 budget will now allow fire companies to apply to



PHOTOS BY KAITLIN LYLE

From left, Millerton Fire Company President Lenny Morrison, with help from Fire Chief Jason Watson, announced the dedication of plaques to be hung on the company's fire equipment in honor of company members past and present.



From the end of a firetruck's ladder, an American flag was hung and could be seen swaying above the Annex where the Open House was held Sunday afternoon, Sept. 12.

the Municipal Investment Grant Program and that he and Pulver worked to add \$1 million to the pool to help volunteer companies county wide. On behalf of all those who call Dutchess County home, Molinaro thanked company members past and present.

At the ceremony's end, the community was invited to take a tour of the new Annex, enjoy live music and other activities, and learn more about volunteering.



the town's opting out at the moment until more information about state regulations becomes available.

Should North East decide to allow dispensaries, she inquired how they'll be regulated in town versus in the village of Millerton.

As far as zoning, Winkler said she'd love to see dispensaries if they were in places with high traffic, such as in the Irondale area or south of the village on Route 22. If it was ever possible, she said she'd like to have dispensaries located off the farms that grow cannabis.

"I think that would be a nice connection for people to understand where it's coming from," Winkler said.

Like Winkler, resident Griffin Cooper said that because of the uncertain nature of state regulations at this point, he supported the town

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# AMENIA



Just What the Doctor Ordered

PHOTOS BY KAITLIN LYLE

Grasping battered tomatoes in their hands, Tomato War participants popped up from behind hay bales to lob juicy red ammo at their opponents.

Dressed from head to toe in a nurse's uniform, Alena Davids invited Tomato War guests to come enjoy a fresh Bloody Mary under one of the main tents set up on the field.

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The Wassaic Project celebrated another festive Block Party on Saturday, Aug. 28, with a live music performance at The Lantern, which featured the talents of Pangari and the Socialites.

# Artists hold block party for community

WASSAIC — Coming up at the tail end of August, the hamlet of Wassaic was brimming with summer entertainment as The Wassaic Project artists collaborative hosted its second Block Party of the season on Saturday, Aug. 28.

The party was held at the seven-story Maxon Mills building in support of The Wassaic Project's 2021 Exhibition, "If You Lived Here, You'd Be Here By Now." The first block party was held on July 24.

From noon to 8 p.m., the party offered extended gallery hours at Maxon Mills and featured videos at Gridley Chapel.

Throughout the day, The Wassaic Project offered a full range of festivities for people of all ages and interests, from a Collage & Cocktails program at The Lantern and a scavenger hunt for children to an exhibition tour with artists talks and live dance performances on the Gridley Chapel lawn.

The night came to a vibrant end with live music at The Lantern by Pangari and the Socialites and outdoor videos projected onto the exterior walls of Maxon Mills.

— Kaitlin Lyle

# SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following information was provided by the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office (DCSO). All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. sponded to the Sunoco at 123 Route 44 in the town of North East for a report of counterfeit currency being issued.

The complainant allegedly

# Tomato War warriors head into battle to contribute to good causes

**By KAITLIN LYLE** kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

WASSAIC — Deep in the hamlet of Wassaic, happiness was only a tomato's throw away at the fifth annual Tomato War, which benefited two great causes, was held on Saturday, Sept. 11.

Running from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., this year's Tomato War was held on a large field at 365 Tower Hill Road. The Tomato War raised money to benefit the students and schools of Kulen Outreach, the educational organization that fundraiser's organizers, Philip Mactaggart and Gordon Elliott, established in Northern Cambodia to help the less-fortunate rural communities gain access to a full education.

One goal for this year's Tomato War was to raise funds for the second and final phase of the Siem Reap Campus, which will allow them to reach their ultimate goal of housing 100 students there. Another goal was to raise money for the Scholarship Fund of the Millbrook Early Childhood Education Center (MECEC), closer to home.

"Our goal is to provide highquality early childhood education to everybody in the Millbrook community and the surrounding areas," MECEC Executive Director Anne Garcia said.

Asked about partnering with the Tomato War's organizers to help both MECEC and Kulen Outreach, Garcia said, "I think the idea behind this event is to think globally, act globally," adding that along with reaching out to meaningful causes on a global scale, it's equally important to help in one's

#### own backyard.

The scent of a ripe summer's afternoon — in this case, tomatoes warming under the sun could be detected from the fields the moment Tomato War guests parked their cars. Soon enough, the juicy red ammo could be spotted — boxes and baskets of ripe tomatoes ready to be thrown at opponents in a modified game of Capture the Flag were sitting ready for the taking. Throughout the day, remnants of the day's battles could be found scattered on the grass in a pulpy mess.

"Everyone's turned up," said Philip Mactaggart with pride. "We sold out this year, and we've got beautiful weather. Tini did a beautiful job organizing; we've got amazing food coming and we've got amazing auction items."

Checking in at 10:30 a.m., participants received a black or red satchel (depending on their team) and a commemorative crisp white T-shirt, most of which were quickly splattered bright red with signs of the fierce battle. With the Children's Tomato War scheduled at 11 a.m. and the Adult's Tomato War at noon, there were plenty of activities to keep guests entertained. There was face painting and a cowshaped bounce house for children and a Bloody Mary bar and hors d'oeuvres for adults.

At 1 p.m., guests sat down for an exquisitely catered lunch cooked on tables beautifully prepared by Tini Cochran. They were also invited to partake in a live auction featuring a lineup of prizes, including two nights in Napa Valley; seven nights in Corfu, Greece; and the Royal Enclosure at the 2022 Royal Ascot race week, a prize Cochran assuredly said cannot be bought.

One hundred percent of the proceeds raised from the Tomato Wars and the live auction will benefit both the Kulen Outreach Siem Reap Campus Phase II and the MECEC Scholarship Fund.

To see photos of Kulen Outreach's Siem Reap Campus, go to www.tomatowarmillbrook.com.

Vendor & Craft Fair, Penny Social WASSAIC – Area resi-

AMENIA — The Amenia Lions Club is holding its Community Classic Car Show at Four Brothers Drive-In Sunday, Sept. 19. Proceeds will benefit the COVID Community Relief Fund.

# **AREA IN BRIEF**

# Lions Community Ve Classic Car Show Fa

#### Domestic dispute while driving

Monday, Sept. 6, Deputies responded to the area of 3480 Route 343 in the town of Amenia for an erratic vehicle complaint.

The investigation revealed it to be a domestic dispute occurring in a vehicle that was on the road.

The investigation was completed without incident.

#### Warrant arrest

Tuesday, Sept. 7, Deputies arrested Charles W. McGuire, 28, on an Arrest Warrant for Burglary in the 2nd Degree out of the Town of Amenia Court.

McGuire was arraigned at the Town of Amenia Court and released to the supervision of a probation officer.

The subject is to return to the Town of Amenia Court at a later date.

#### Larceny reported

Friday, Sept. 10, Deputies responded to 35 St. George Road in the town of Dover for a reported larceny of a bracelet.

The investigation is ongoing. **DWI arrest** 

Saturday, Sept. 11, Deputies arrested Terry Conrath, 51, for a DWI subsequent to a traffic stop on Route 22 in the town of Dover.

The subject was released and is to appear in the Town of Dover Court on a later date.

#### **Reported larceny**

Saturday, Sept. 11, Deputies responded to the Tractor Supply store in the Freshtown Plaza in Amenia after a reported larceny of a backpack leaf blower.

The investigation is ongoing. Warrant arrest

#### Tuesday, Aug. 31, Deputies arrested Ashley M. Jankowski, 39, on a town of Amenia warrant for burglary in the second degree.

Jankowski was arraigned in the Town of Amenia Court and remanded to the Dutchess County Jail.

**Counterfeit complaint** Friday, Sept. 3, Deputies rereceived a fake \$100 bill during a transaction that took place at the business.

# Aggravated harassment complaint

Saturday, Sept. 4, Deputies responded to 3404 Route 343 in Amenia for an aggravated harassment complaint.

The investigation is ongoing. **Report crime tips** 

# Anyone with any information

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

The Millerton News will publish the outcome of police charges. Contact us by mail at P.O. Box 625, Millerton, NY 12546, Attn: Police Blotter, or send an email, with "police blotter" in the subject line, to editor@ millertonnews.com. The car show will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain or shine. There is a \$20 onsite registration fee.

The car show is free to the public.

There will be music to listen to, food to snack on and raffles to win.

COVID-19 safety rules will apply and face masks will be required.

Got news? Send news and photos to editor@ millertonnews.com dents are invited to drop by the Vendor & Craft Fair plus Penny Social sponsored by the Wassaic Fire Company Auxiliary on Saturday, Sept. 25.

Held at the Wassaic firehouse, located at 27 Firehouse Road, the social will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a 50/50 raffle and refreshments will be available for purchase. There will be a winter coat

drive for the whole community at the social as well.

Vendors are wanted for the event. The cost for a 6-foot table/space is \$25 and setup is at 9 a.m. on the day of the event.

To reserve a spot, contact Michelle Winters at 845-235-9326 or email winma11@optonline.net or contact Carol Corrow at 845-891-6863 or email carolcorrow@gmail. com.





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# **OBITUARIES**

# Lt. Colonel James T. Aspbury Jr.

MILLBROOK — Lt. Colonel James T. Aspbury Jr., 84, passed away peacefully on Aug. 28, 2021, at the New York State Veterans' Home at Montrose.

He was born in Far Rockaway, Queens, on April 21, 1937, the son of the late Helen (Mulholland) and James T. Aspbury Sr., and grew up in Millbrook.

After completing high school, Jim enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, 2nd Pioneer Battalion, and served in an expeditionary force dispatched to Beirut, Lebanon. He subsequently attended and graduated from St. Bonaventure University in Allegany, N.Y., and was commissioned in the Marine Corps from January 1966 through March 1969, serving two tours in Vietnam (Platoon Commander, 3rd Combat Engineer Bn., 3rd Marine Division and Engineer Officer, Battalion Landing Team 1st Bn. 6th Marine Regiment) and as a Company Commander, 1st Infantry Training Regiment at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

During his active duty Jim was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with Two Bronze Stars, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Presidential Unit Citation and a Pistol Sharpshooters Badge.

After his honorable discharge Jim enjoyed a long career in the Marines Reserve, serving at different times as a Logistics, Assistant Operations and Intelligence Officer and participating in exercises in Camp Lejeune, Norfolk, Va., Norway and the United Kingdom, among others.

A longtime resident of the Upper East Side of Manhattan and better known to family and friends as "Knocko," he was the life of the party, known for his generosity and renowned for his love of movies and film trivia, good Italian food and the New York Giants.

extra in New York-based films and can be seen in the background of the 1976 Best Picture

Jim is survived by his sister, Helen Anne (Aspbury) Ballantyne; his brother, Herbert Aspbury; his nieces, Jessica Gerber, Pamela Byrne and Leslie Ballantyne; his nephews, Matt and Peter Aspbury; and numerous great-nieces and -nephews as well as a large extended family who raise a glass in his memory.

held on Friday, Oct. 15, at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph-Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Millbrook, with inurnment to follow immediately thereafter.

Donations in Jim's memory are requested to Toys for Tots (www.toysfortots.org).

To leave a message of condolence, go to Allen Funeral Home at www.hudsonvalleyfuneralhomes.com.

# J.C. Webb

loss of treasured resident, J.C. Webb, 92, who died peacefully on August 29, 2021 in the Swiss chalet-style home he built overlooking the valley. He and his beloved wife, Gloryann, lived in Smithfield for 50 years before she predeceased him in February of 2020.

Neighbors and friends will remember J.C. for his mechani-

Jim occasionally acted as an Oscar winner, "Network."

A memorial service will be

Valley of Amenia mourns the as President of the Smithfield

Valley Association, the Smithfield Cemetery Association, and President of the Webutuck School Board. He was a loval attendant of the Smithfield Church, contributing to its upkeep and its turkey and ham suppers for 40 years. He was a member of the Amenia Historical Association

# **Rebecca** Davis

KENT — Rebecca Davis, 70, of Easton, Md., and Berwyn, Pa., died Sept. 5, 2021, after a courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by her loving family.

Rebecca was a light in the lives of so many with her optimism, compassion, grace and generosity. She devoted herself to helping others and was the epitome of a caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend.

She was a dedicated and beloved teacher of English literature, mentor to many educators, and an active member of the Episcopal Church.

For the past 20 years, she held the positions of Dean of Faculty and Chairman of the English Department at the Haverford School. Earlier in her career, Rebecca taught at the Kent School, Green Farms Academy and Virginia Episcopal School.

Additionally, she served as a member of the board of trustees for Boys Latin Charter School of Philadelphia, Pa. She graduated

<u>Memorial service:</u>

WASSAIC - Carmen J.

"Skip" Lopardo, 80, of Wassaic,

passed away Sept. 9, 2021, at his

#### from St. Margaret's School and Goucher College; she earned advanced degrees from Johns Hopkins University and Middlebury Bread Loaf School of

English. She was born on Nov. 8, 1950, in Kent to Otis Benson and Charlotte Cohn Davis and is survived by her husband of 44 years, Bancroft Gherardi "Gary" Davis III; her daughter, Julia Maslin Davis of Raleigh, N.C.; her son, Christian Chandler Davis and his wife. Elizabeth. of Washington, D.C.; her grandchildren, Caroline, John and Cash; her sister, Alexandra Davis DiPentima and her husband, Anthony, of Kent; and her brother, Joshua Davis and his wife, Lisa, of Arlington, Mass.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18, at The Church of the Redeemer in Bryn Mawr, Pa., at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to The Haverford School, American Cancer Society or the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

# Adrienne King

SHARON — Adrienne King

She attended the Cooper

Union School of Art in New

York City, but she left the school

to join the U.S. Navy Reserves

WAVES (Women Accepted for

Voluntary Emergency Service)

and worked as an Aviation Ma-

chinist 3rd class for two years

in Pensacola, Fla., in the early

Harry King, whose home was

in Sharon, and she married him

Navy in aviation mechanics and

retired after 22 years of service.

passed away of heart complica-

losses with the help of friends,

Harry passed away in 1970.

It was there that she met

Harry pursued a career in the

Their only child, Craig, also

Adrienne managed these

was born on Oct. 5, 1921, to Rob-

ert and Wilda Webber in Flush-

ing, N.Y.

1940s.

in 1946.

tions in 1975.

many from the Congregational Church of Sharon.

Her only sister, Morrell Webber Swart, served in missionary work in Africa for over 40 years.

Adrienne served the church as secretary for 35 years, enjoying the opportunity to connect with those families. Cheese Balls and hugs were her way of connecting with the children of the church, whom she dearly loved.

Adrienne moved to Selah, Wash., following a serious injury and lived the final years of her life there in the care of her niece, Merry, and her husband, Dr. Don Hill.

Adrienne died on April 15, 2021, at the age of 99.

A memorial service will be held at the Sharon Congregational Church on Saturday, Sept. 25, at 11 a.m. A graveside service will follow at Hillside Cemetery in Sharon.

Email obituaries to cynthiah@lakevillejournal.com



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and enjoyed his membership in the After School Boys Club,

AMENIA — The Smithfield tions. He served for many years

home in Wassaic. Skip owned and operated A-Line in Westbury, N.Y. Born on Aug. 20, 1941, in Nassau, N.Y., he was the son

of the late Jenny (Cello) and Joseph Lopardo. On Aug. 20, 2000, in New Preston, Conn., he married Susan Hannigan, who survives at home.

In addition to his loving

# Remove bird feeders, for now, to protect songbirds

John Bryant

There will be a memorial celebration to remember John Bryant,

formerly of Segalla Court, North Canaan, on Saturday, Sept. 18, at 2

p.m. at the Canaan Union Station/Great Falls Brewery event space.

Carmen Joseph 'Skip' Lopardo

The national and local Audu- Common Grackle, Blue Jay, bon organizations are asking European starling, American that all bird feeders be taken

wife, Mr. Lopardo is survived by three sons, Darren, Dean and Joseph Lopardo; two daughters, Danielle Casey and Michelle Merlo; a sister, Rose Verbeeck; and five grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Skip was predeceased by a sister, Rachael Eaton.

Funeral services will be private. To send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.

Robin, Northern Cardinal,

cal knowledge and problem solving skills-selflessly offered to neighbors in need-his quiet demeanor, wise counsel, and love of a good laugh at the end of a well-told story. An accomplished woodworker, mechanic and engineer, J.C. used his talents in countless ways to enrich the community, including building the pipe organ casing in the Smithfield Church, and renovating the Indian Rock School House in Amenia.

J.C. was born in Dimmitt, Texas, to sharecropper parents, Carl and Bertie Webb, the middle of three sons. Raised during the Depression at the height of the Dustbowl years, he worked his way out of poverty to graduate from Texas Tech with a degree in Physics. Migrating north to New York, he enrolled in Columbia University to study electrical engineering while working for Sperry Gyroscope. Here he met and married the love of his life, Gloryann Gall, of Ozone Park, New York, in 1954. Following two years obligatory service in the U.S. Army, he built a home for his family in Armonk, New York, while working for General Precision Laboratories. With a growing family of three children, he and Gloryann sought more open space and headed north, purchasing an old defunct dairy farm in Amenia. Over the next 20 years, he refurbished the farmhouse while working for IBM in East Fishkill. During his last years at IBM before retiring in 1985, he again set his sights on constructing a house, first tearing down the old dairy barn to repurpose its beams and siding into an exquisite and unique retirement home, boasting a beautiful view of the Smithfield Valley.

J.C. also contributed his time to many local institu-

responsible for renovating the Indian Rock Schoolhouse in Amenia.

J.C. was a dedicated provider for his cherished wife and family and served as a role model to many. Admired for his self-reliance, there were few things he couldn't take apart and make work better. He was an independent thinker, an avid reader, a conservationist, and a devotee of the Swedenborgian Christian faith. He was beloved by all whose lives he touched, in particular his care givers during his last difficult years for his unwavering grace and appreciation for their help. He will be missed.

J.C. is predeceased by his wife of 65 1/2 years, Gloryann, his older brother Marcine and wife Nita Lou, of San Angelo, Texas, all within the last two years. He is survived by his younger brother Tommie of Farmington, New Mexico, and his three children: Cindy Sieger of Escondido, CA, Dale Webb and wife Phyllis of Sheffield, MA, and Sharon Webb of Brooklyn, NY; and grandchildren: Tessa Sieger, Adam Sieger and wife Shawna, Joshua, Benjamin and Samuel Webb, and great grandson, Axel Sieger.

A joint memorial service for J.C. and Gloryann will be held at Smithfield Presbyterian Church in Amenia, date TBD. Contributions may be made in J.C.'s name to the Union of Concerned Scientists, American Friends Service Committee, or The Smithfield Church.

The family requests that donations be made in lieu of flowers

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546. To send an online condolence to the family please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com.

down for now, to protect songbirds from an "unknown affliction" that has been killing them in the South, the mid-Atlantic states and the Midwest.

"Although it seems as if it hasn't reached Connecticut yet, it's time to take precautions," according to an Audubon news release.

Audubon recommends five precautionary steps:

• Stop feeding birds and providing water in bird baths for the time being.

 Bring feeders and bird baths in and clean them with a 10% bleach solution. This includes hummingbird feeders.

· Avoid handling dead or injured wild birds. Wear disposable gloves if it's necessary to handle a bird.

• Keep pets away from sick or dead birds as a standard precaution.

The afflicted birds include

# 2021 Community Shred 'Drive-thru' Days schedule

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preciated.

MILLERTON – A Free Shred Day at the Salisbury Bank to help in the fight against identity theft, and a Food Drive to support local food pantries, as part of the bank's Community Days will continue in September and October for local residents and businesses.

Community Shred "Drivethru" Days are open to anyone at the locations listed below from 9 a.m. to noon.

• Saturday, Sept. 18, Millerton Branch, 87 Main St.

• Saturday, Oct. 2, Sheffield, Mass., Branch, 640 North Main

For the safety of all participants and volunteers the Bank has changed its Shred Days format to "Drive-thru," and established the following guidelines:

Limit four bags/boxes per

House Finch, House Sparrow, Eastern Bluebird, Red-bellied Woodpecker and Carolina Wren.

Many of the birds have been immatures, with swollen eyes and crusty discharges.

The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) advises that if you see a live bird with these symptoms, don't try to capture it. Contact a wildlife rehabilitator such as the Audubon Center in Sharon instead.

"If you find a dead bird with crusty eyes, take photos and keep track of the date and location. Dead birds can be reported to the DEEP database."

To dispose of dead birds, place them in a sealable plastic bag and discard with household trash. This will prevent disease transmission to other birds and wildlife.

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• If you feel unwell, please stay

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mix, peanut butter, mayonnaise,

ketchup, mustard and tomato

sauce. Household necessities

such as paper towels, diapers,

shampoo and soap are also ap-

identity theft, go to www.salis-

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For more information on

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area to be shredded by bank staff

reach the drop-off point

- Cynthia Hochswender

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# **SPORTS**

# Millerton donates skateboarding equipment to town of Amenia

AMENIA — With a unanimous vote of approval, the Amenia Town Board gratefully accepted skateboarding equipment donated to the town by the village of Millerton at its Town Board meeting on Thursday evening, Sept. 2.

The Town Board gathered in-person at Amenia Town Hall; the meeting was also live streamed on YouTube.

Millerton's donation of skateboarding equipment was listed as the first resolution on the board's agenda. Reading the resolution aloud, town Supervisor Victoria Perotti explained the equipment had been declared surplus by the village of Millerton on Monday, May 17.

The village of Millerton had

previously had a skateboard park at Eddie Collins Park on Route 22, one of the few in the region when it was first created.

The skateboard park was the brainchild of a number of local youth roughly a dozen or so years ago, who volunteered their time and energy along with local community leaders and members of the Village Board and the North East Community Center (NECC) at the time to help make their dream of creating a park for local skateboarders come true.

The skateboard park was recently decommissioned, as Eddie Collins Park is in the midst of a \$7 million renovation under the new name of the Millerton

Community Park. (For more on the park redo, go to www. tricornernews.com.)

Perotti explained at the Sept. 2 meeting that the donated equipment consists of one-quarter pipe metal ramp measuring 3-feet high, 4-feet wide and 5-feet long and one rail box measuring 1-and-a-half feet high, 4-feet wide and 20feet long.

The donation, Perotti said, is to be used by the Town Board and the Amenia Recreation Commission for recreation purposes.

Voting unanimously in favor of accepting the donation, the Town Board passed the resolution.

- Kaitlin Lyle

# Lady Warriors soccer fall to Mount Academy in debut game of season

**By KAITLIN LYLE** kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

WEBUTUCK - For their first game of the 2021-22 season, the Webutuck varsity girls soccer team competed against Mount Academy in a home game held on Tuesday, Sept. 7.

Kicking off at 4:15 p.m., the players were ready to put their training and talents to the test on the field behind Webutuck High School.

Competing for the Lady Warriors, Olivia Farnham scored a goal on a free kick

Meanwhile, Lark Gneiting and Madison Kaiser each scored a goal for Mount Academy, also in the first half both were assisted by Hilda Huleatt. Kelly Dunn scored a goal for Mount Academy with an assist by Alison Rimes while Alanna Maendel scored a goal with an assist by Jolene Waldner. Maria Gonzalez scored a goal for Mount Academy with no assist.

In the second half, Daisey Meier scored a goal for Mount Academy.

Playing keeper for Webuwith no assist in the first half. tuck, Emily Thompson made

team was led by Sid Stracher,

who had 12 carries for 105 yards.

Stracher also had a 50-yard

touchdown run and a 35-yard

Plains, Andrew Speedling had

68 yards rushing and scored on

a seven-yard run. On top of his

offensive work, Speedling led the

Pine Plains-Rhinebeck team's

defense with 12 tackles and two

Also competing for Pine

touchdown run.

13 saves while Shayna Kaiser made one save as Mount Academy's keeper.

By game's end, Mount Academy left the field the victor with a score of 6-1 over Webutuck, adding a win to its 1-0 overall season record.

'This year, we are still rebuilding with our youth and new players," said Webutuck Coach Mark Moren when asked his expectations for the Lady Warriors' 2021-22 season. "We are hoping to build on last year's success at the end of the season and continue to grow as a team."

Ramirez for Pine Plains-Rhine-

beck. Ramirez later recovered a

Meanwhile, Logan Lydon

made six tackles and two sacks

for Pine Plains-Rhinebeck and

Jake Wolfmann made an inter-

Rhinebeck beat Ellenville, 28-14.

By game's end, Pine Plains-

*— Kaitlin Lyle* 

fumble.

ception.

# Polo Club in Pine Plains. 'Gallop Poll' shows polo is a weekend fav

Brandishing their polo mallets, the Smithfield and Ellipse polo teams took off on their horses down the field as they competed in this year's Mashomack Cup Final at Mashomack

PINE PLAINS - The region's competing polo teams couldn't have asked for a better morning to test their strengths on the field by competing in the Mashomack Cup Final on Saturday morning, Sept. 11.

Mashomack hosted leagues throughout the weekend, as it does durings its polo season.

Beginning at 10:30 a.m., the final was held on Field #2 of the Mashomack Polo Club in Pine Plains with the Smithfield polo

team competing against the Ellipse polo team.

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Following an invigorating match on the field. Ellipse was declared the winner of this year's final with 8-6 over Smithfield. - Kaitlin Lyle

# Knowing a 'scrap-pah' when you see one

ut here in the boondock bleachers, calling a player "scrappy" is the equivalent of placing a halo around his head and putting a "Saint" in front of his name. If you see anyone disagree with that assessment, you can bet he was exiled from his field level box seat for being too snooty even for the folks sitting there sipping champagne and noshing on escargot.

I imagine that scrappy originally had something to do with the willingness of a junkyard dog to fight anything or anyone to a standstill for the merest scrap of something that looked like food. Players with that sort of intensity will get approving nods and pronouncements from any "bleach-

**BLEACHER** 

cheering" crowd. "Yessir, that boy is a scrap-pah, he is." Notice that this judgment, as all serious judgments should be, is uttered in something like a New England accent. You can always tell a "prop-pah" New England accent because everything that should end in -er always ends in -ah, or -aah if you're from Maine, thus making your pronouncement, no matter how full of bunk it happens to be, sound like home-spun, Down East, honest folk wisdom rather than the total rot it probably is. That doesn't mean, though, that the scrappy fellow in question is undeserving of his bleacher sainthood. In the case of the Yankee's Brent Gardiner, he may be the only one on his team who

dervalued throughout his amateur career. That didn't stop him, and now the 38 year old has spent a long career, ironically, with the Yankees.

In the first inning of a recent game with the Mets, he showed why he has been able to stay in the bigs. He hit a good pitch, hard, the other way, into the left field corner. The ball rattled around a bit, but Gardiner put the jets to his middle-aged legs and made it to third when just about anyone else would have been satisfied standing up into second. Aaron Judge, the next batter, grounded out to second, but with the Mets playing back, Gardiner scored easily.

The fact that the Yankees

**Pine Plains-Rhinebeck football team** kicks off 2021-22 season with a win

PINE PLAINS — The Pine Plains-Rhinebeck varsity football team recently kicked off the 2021-22 sports season on a triumphant note by beating Ellenville in an away game on Friday, Sept. 10.

The game was held at 7 p.m. at Ellenville High School. Although they only dressed 16 athletes that evening and had a very young team competing, Pine Plains

**VIEWS** Theodore Kneeland

Coach Rob Scott said, "This was a great way to start the season."

sacks.

Richie Lamping threw a 10-The Pine Plains-Rhinebeck yard touchdown pass to Gio

# **Millbrook LMC Basketball Clinics**

MILLBROOK - LMC Basketball Clinics will be held on Mondays at Guertin Gym at Millbrook Village Hall, at 35 Merritt Ave.

Through Sept. 27 for grades one through four, from 5 to 6 p.m.; for grades five through eight, from 6 to 7 p.m.

Oct. 4 through Oct. 25 for grades one through four, from 5 to 6 p.m. and grades five through eight, from 6 to 7 p.m.

Nov. 1 through Nov. 29 for grades one through four, from 5 to 6 p.m. and grades five through eight, from 6 to 7 p.m.

For further information, call 845-667-3419 or go to www.washingtonny.org.

# Annual Grace Golf Tourney Sept. 27

MILLBROOK - The Grace Episcopal Church Annual Golf Tournament will be held Monday, Sept. 27, this year, at McCann's Golf Club, with dining at Christo's Restaurant, both in Poughkeepsie.

The tourney will offer 18 holes of golf. There are two packages available, along with breakfast, lunch, a cocktail hour, dinner, music and a silent auction, all for \$175. The dinner, cocktail hour, music and auction cost \$125. Both include golf. The event is a fundraiser for the church.

Register now at 845-677-3069 or go to www. gracemillbrook.org.

Send news to editor@ millertonnews.com

# **SPORTS IN BRIEF** Softball fall clinics for young girls

PINE PLAINS - The Pine Plains Softball Fall Clinics are back in town, inviting players to get ready for another fierce season on the ball field.

The clinics are happening now and are held on Tuesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. They will run until Oct. 28.

Open to girls ages 8 to 12, the clinics are being held on the recreation ball fields, located at 28 Beach Road in Pine Plains.

Clinic attendees are asked to bring a glove, water and lots of energy.

To sign up, go to www. hello.familyid.com.

# **Orvis Game Fair** Weekend Sept. 18

MILLBROOK - On Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 18 and 19, the Orvis Sandanona Game Fair Weekend will return. Admission is free.

Orvis Sandanona is located at 3047 Sharon Tnpk., Millbrook. For more information, call 845-677-9701 or go to www.orvis.com.



PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

ers interested in learning more

about the Berkshire Roller Girls

can check out the group's "Berk-

shire Roller Girls" Facebook

page and their Instagram page

at @theberkshirerollergirls.

The Berkshire Roller Girls held its first skate of the season gliding along the Rail Trail back in March, starting from the Harlem Valley Rail Trail head in Millerton.

# **Rolling right along...**

MILLERTON – Though miles. Residents and roller skat-

based in Berkshire, Mass., the Berkshire Roller Girls couldn't have picked a better spot to skate than the Harlem Valley Rail Trail in Millerton earlier in the season.

As told by its members, the Rail Trail is a favorite spot for the girls' group, as many of them frequently prepare for the skating season - spring through summer — to spend on wheels.

First they would check to make sure their skates were secure, then they would take off down the trail rolling through Millerton right down to the



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Gardiner is a South Carolina boy who was undersized and un-

got blown out didn't matter to us in the bleachers. "Yessir, that boy is for sure a Scrap-pah." Too bad there's not a Delta variant to make it more infectious; the Yanks could use a solid case of scrappiness to push themselves into the post-season.

Millerton resident Theodore Kneeland is a former teacher and coach — and athlete.





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#### **BOSTON CORNER** Continued from Page A1

you remove a foot or two of topsoil, then you have gravel going on top of the soil."

#### **Excavation or mining?**

Falcetti has organized a large group of area residents who like her, don't want the knoll at the farm to be disturbed by excavators, or worse, what she fears, mined by Palumbo.

The Palumbo family has owned the Boston Corner farm in Ancram for the last 20 years.

They also own Palumbo Block Co. Inc., in Dover Plains, which produces gravel and concrete block. That muddies the issue, as it makes it appear to Falcetti and her group fighting the project to be Palumbo's primary reason for owning the farm. Palumbo says that couldn't be further from the truth.

"It's really sad our primary business is being dragged into the picture. I'm very passionate about agriculture," he said. "This is not only making it safer for John, but it's improving the drainage on the property and the farm as a whole. If the knoll is flatter, the drainage is better and the crops will get more even distribution of rainfall. We're doing it because of safety, but the secondary benefit is the whole

farm will be improved; the next farmer benefits, too."

# The opposition

Falcetti's group doesn't see it that way. They've petitioned the Ancram Planning Board numerous times since Schneeberger first submitted his application on May 5 on behalf of farmer John Langdon. Their argument is that the excavation would destroy Ancram's Scenic Overlay District (SOD) and is not permitted in that sensitive zone. Typically, they would be right, as gravel cannot be quarried in the SOD – except occasionally. Agricultural uses is one of the rare exceptions.

Schneeberger said the excavation is needed because the knoll in question is "steep enough you would have trouble getting [machinery] up and down." He described Langdon's farm equipment as "state-ofthe-art," and said it can handle rugged terrain.

He seconded that there are no plans to "mine" the farm, adding that when he first asked for permission to excavate, he was given it. He called last week's Sept. 2 Planning Board meeting "uneventful."

"Basically, we're sitting on

our hands; there's no earth shaking news," said Schneeberger. "We have a meeting the first Thursday of October; theoretically the board should vote on it at that meeting."

#### Not an agricultural use

Larry Stockl is a member of Falcetti's group opposing the project. He has also owned a horse farm with his wife in Ancramdale for the past 28 years and considers himself heavily invested in the town's future.

"I think the simplest thing is, this is not farming," said Stockl. "Ronny Osofsky from Ronnybrook Dairy is my neighbor; Barry Chase from Chaseholm Farm is my neighbor; and I am a farmer. From the first four sentences from John Ingram's mouth, when he said, 'This is a special ag exemption, we have to approve this - I am not a farmer and I don't want to get sued.' Oh, I smelled a rat the minute those first four sentences came out of his mouth."

Ingram, for his part, stressed prior to the Aug. 5 public hearing the application was not for a gravel mine. At that time he explained the application was for an agricultural use to level out the land to make it more suitable for farming."

After the public hearing closed on Aug. 5, the Planning Board continued dealing with the Schneeberger application. More needed for EAF

On Sept. 2, Ingram explained the board realized it had "a couple of issues it wanted the applicant to address on the Environmental Assessment Form [EAF] that were missing," which it asked the applicant to rectify.

The EAF is part of the required State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) process.

Those issues included adding the wetlands at the back of the 111-acre Langdon Hurst Farm previously left off of the EAF onto the form, "even though they would not be working near them," according to Ingram.

Additionally, the board wanted the long-eared bat, which the farm is a special habitat for, to be included in the EAF, said the chairman. He added the bats are "more likely to be found on west side of Route 22 than the east side... and no trees are coming down they're nesting in, so it's not going to affect the plan." However, Schneeberger was asked to include the species in

the application "so it's complete," said Ingram.

The board also asked for a stormwater prevention permit for the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), "even though it's not required by the DEC because of the type of project that it is, however... it's close enough to the wetlands that if there's any runoff [the board] wants it addressed," said Ingram.

"If there was heavy rain, during this process there's not going to be any vegetation on the soil, so that heavy rain could have a washout and mud could runoff on the land and you have to have fencing or other methods to control the runoff," he explained. "Regular commercial projects with an area over 1 acre typically require it. There was no requirement on the DEC's part for this, we just felt it may be good to do it anyway."

### Is the public being heard?

Some of those who attended the numerous public hearings and meetings in the hopes that the Planning Board would dismiss the application said they feared their concerns weren't heard

"We have no idea where they

stand on any of our comments," said Falcetti, adding she seldom saw the board members discuss matters among themselves.

"The whole purpose of the public hearing, the board understand the zoning, what's permitted and what's not," said Ingram, adding they're not allowed to enter executive session. "The purpose of the public hearing is to get input, each individual member makes their own determination based on what they hear. There's no discussion in private session; and there have been a number of questions raised by board members on various things... I think the board's dealt with everything in an open matter."

### Did you say Bog turtle?

There promise to be more issues raised at the October meeting, including the possibility that endangered species might be on the grounds of the farm, like the elusive Bog turtle.

According to Stockl, some in Falcetti's group know experts who may be willing to go on the record that "apparently the Bog turtle" has a habitat at the Langdon Hurst Farm, which is a speedy way to put the brakes on any project in New York State.

## **POT BUSINESSES** Continued from Page A1

Mauro, and one for data collector, of Michael Olivet.

An announcement was made that candidates are needed to run for volunteer board and committee positions, including the Planning Board and Conservation Advisory Council (CAC).

A presentation was made by resident Gail Bontecou pertaining to a piece of property north of Shunpike Road that she wishes to donate to the town for use by the public. Bontecou suggested it could be used as a hiking trail or as another outdoor resource, perhaps to promote wildlife.

#### Land use moratorium

A public hearing was opened regarding Local Law No. 1 to establish a temporary moratorium on certain land development applications that are pending or may be filed with the TOW.

No public comment was made; the board then voted to pass the moratorium.

both marijuana dispensaries and marijuana lounges. The vote was unanimous; a final decision must be made by Dec. 31.

### Back to town business

Highway Superintendent Joe Spagnola then gave his report, outlining what was done prior to and after the latest storm, Hurricane Ida. He had checked out South Road, restored after many weeks of it being closed due to an earlier storm. He said it is now open and in very good shape.

Board members agreed to get bids to clean and possibly repair the Town Hall gutter system; it was agreed the work will be executed as bids had been obtained. One company said it can start the work soon; most of the others could not begin the work immediately. The company that can begin immediately was chosen for the job.

Councilman Robert Audia said a new sump pump is needRecreation Department's summer season. Considering the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic he said it went well. He said rentals of Town Park facilities increased this year and that Recreation Director Chelsea Edson has an ambitious fall program planned with new ideas for the coming months. Trunk or Treating will be held at the Town Park on Saturday, Oct. 30, with a pumpkin painting event that follows. More details will be posted on the TOW website, www.washingtonny.org.

Town Clerk Mary Alex did not attend the Sept. 9 meeting, but Bookkeeper Lois Petrone submitted her report, which included information about the town's plans for their share of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds. The Town received \$163,332 in such funds and opened a new savings account with the money.

The funds will become revenue and the town will earn



#### Marijuana forum

The public forum then opened on the Marijuana Regulation & Taxation Act (MRTA), which legalized adult-use marijuana in New York State in March.

Former Governor Andrew Cuomo had set a Dec. 31 deadline for municipalities to decide if they would opt in or out of allowing marijuana dispensaries and lounges to operate; the state said it would only issue about 700 permits statewide.

Municipalities that opt out before the end-of-year deadline will be able to opt back in at a later date; but if no action is taken, both businesses will become legal and the decision will not be able to be changed later on.

Resident Nicole Drury spoke at the TOW public forum. She said she had some experience behind her as she formerly lived in Colorado and Utah, both of which have passed laws legalizing marijuana use, its sale and distribution. So far, 18 states and Washington, D.C., have legalized marijuana for those 21 and older.

"I encourage you to opt out, you can always opt in later if you wish to," said Drury.

She noted she's not against the use of cannabis, but that people can get it elsewhere and it could be detrimental to the quaint nature of the town. She added as a mother, she doesn't want her children to be exposed to the drug. She referred to research that it impairs driving and can lead to increased emergency room visits.

Resident Howard Schuman agreed with Drury's comments.

After a short discussion, in which the board weighed its options, including opting out now and opting in later versus opting in now without the ability to opt back in or opt out later.

Considering that, board members decided for now the town will opt out of allowing ed at Town Hall; he said it's an "emergency" situation.

**Board of Ethics, ARP funds** 

The board announced it needs to set procedures to establish a required Board of Ethics, and be sure the interests of its members are disclosed. A threeperson board was proposed; those interested in serving should send a resume and letter of interest to the Town Hall. Turletes talked about the

interest on it. The ARP fund is in response to the COVID-19 crisis, and meant to help communities deal with some of the revenue lost through the pandemic.

The next regular monthly meeting will be on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 6 p.m. Details for that meeting, including the Zoom link for it, will be on the town website.

# Scores galore at The Stissing Center

Music lovers filed into The Stissing Center (TSC) in Pine Plains for an unforgettable night, as The New York Theatre Organ Society collaborated with TSC to offer "Bach to Queen & Everything Between" on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 5. Originally scheduled for Aug. 22, the show was postponed due to heavy rain that day. The audience didn't seem to mind as it was treated to a performance by Nathan Avakian on the organ along with musicians Carl Hackert and James Fitzwilliam, vocalist Claire Avakian, trumpeter Eric M. Berlin and flutist Nancy Vanderlee. From Aaron Copland's "Fanfare for the Common Man" and Johann Sebastian Bach's "Toccata and Fugue in D" to Charles Williams' "Theme from 'The Apartment'" and Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody," the show offered something for everyone, no matter their musical tastes.

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**PINE PLAINS/AREA** 

# Stanford pays tribute to Sept. 11 victims 20 years later, promising to never forget

#### **By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE** judithb@millertonnews.com

STANFORDVILLE - Stanford Town Hall was transformed on Saturday, Sept. 11, into a 20year memorial tribute for the victims of the terrorist attacks on the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, as well as at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., and in a field outside of Shanksville, Pa.

The sloping green lawn in Stanfordville was filled with flags - 2,977 of them - each representing a person or K-9 life lost that day. The names of the victims were heard on a continuous loop tape made by local students and community members played throughout the day; the tape began playing by 8:46 a.m. that morning. A large sign at the foot of the hill proclaimed "Never Forget."

That evening a program was held at 7 p.m. with the Color Guard moving into place; the Color Guard had been stationed at the site all day. Town Supervisor Wendy Burton welcomed all.

Leading the program, Burton introduced the crowd of nearly 200 people to FDNY and Pine Plains Chaplain Larry Pariseau, who was an EMT on Sept. 11, 2001

When Pariseau learned the towers were hit, he rushed to help in the recovery. He lost his sister that day; she was at Trinity Church when the planes hit.

Pariseau worked tirelessly at Ground Zero; the experience changed his life. He gave up being an EMT and became a chaplain. He shared his story on Saturday and everyone listened, completely spellbound.

Pariseau spoke about those who died on 9/11 and later from illnesses related to the recovery work. He said race, religion, politics – nothing mattered at Ground Zero — they worked as one to clean up and to respect those who had perished.



**Firemen from several local** departments and the Stanford Fire Company No. 1 stood in front of thousands of flags at Stanford Town Hall on Saturday, Sept. 11. It was announced at the ceremony that this area will be called the Town Hall Hill Memorial Field. Below, flags were illuminated by candles and twin beams of light shone from above the Stanford Town Hall in tribute to those who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

He shared personal stories. They were compelling and touching. Some were heartbreaking. Clearly, the chaplain has also never forgotten that day or the days that followed. Twenty years later, he asked that we continue to remember also.

Burton announced that the green area below Town Hall will henceforth be known as Town Hall Memorial Hill.

FDNY Ladder 33 Capt. Dean Gihooley, brother of Stanford's own Dennis Gihooley, a first responder who died in 2019 of 9/11 related illness, read "My Brother Has Fallen."

Several local dignitaries were also at the ceremony. State Assemblywoman Didi Barrett (D-106) spoke about remembering our servicemen and women. She noted the high rate of servicerelated suicides and mentioned last week's apparent suicide of veteran Kyle Van De Water, just weeks after he withdrew from the 2022 Congressional race. (For more on Van De Water's death, read this week's front page.)

Barrett told the audience, "We can do better, we have to do better."

**Pine Plains wins three grants** 

U.S. Rep. Antonio Delgado (D-NY-19) spoke of everyone who helped in the aftermath of 9/11, and of the gratitude we all have for first responders.

"Yet 20 years later we find ourselves in pain," he said, mentioning the current pandemic and the 13 service members recently killed at the airport during the U.S. withdrawal from Afghanistan. "We have to find a way to fight this pain [and do it] with love."

State Senator Sue Serino (R-41) remembered the day after the attack and mentioned the unity it brought about in this country.

**Dutchess County Executive** Marc Molinaro stressed the need to remember the 9/11 attacks and to honor all those who fight for our freedoms - our veterans and our first responders – no matter the cost to themselves.

Two poems were read, "The Dash" poem, by Linda Ellis, was read by Pariseau, and Dutchess County Legislature Chairman Gregg Pulver (R-19) read, "My Name Is Old Glory," a poem written by Don S. Miller from the perspective of the U.S. flag, speaking to all the wars of the past, the lives lost and the glory and bravery of those who fight for freedom as bagpipes played softly in the background.

At the closing, the Color Guard presented arms. Each flag was illuminated by an electric candle, and two beams of light came from above the Town Hall representing the Twin Towers. The display brought gasps and some tears from the audience. As the lights glowed, the National Anthem was sung. The twin beams were brought from NYC for the event and have since been returned, but the flags and candles remained on view through the weekend.

Stanford Fire Department representatives Ed Zick and Evelyn Seipp organized the event with the help and cooperation from area fire companies, including Milan, Pine Plains, East Clinton, West Clinton, Pleasant Valley and Red Hook. The New York State Police and Dutchess County Sheriff's Office also took part.



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GREAT COUNTRY MUTT SHOW

# for major town projects

#### **By KAITLIN LYLE** kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

PINE PLAINS – Working on a number of projects designed to enhance quality of life and accessibility for residents and visitors alike, Pine Plains received financial support from the Municipal Investment Grant (MIG) Program of Dutchess County this month in the form of three very helpful grants.

The MIG Program awards funding on a competitive basis to entities with taxing authority, such as towns, villages and school, water, sewer and fire districts. The Dutchess County Government website, www. dutchessny.gov, explains priority is given to projects that "partner with other municipalities and authorities, develop shared services, align with the county's priorities and needs and create savings for taxpayers."

Pine Plains will now be able to develop a wastewater district; purchase all-terrain wheelchairs for town parks and trails; and build a wheelchair accessible playground at Stissing Lake's beach park. Having written the grant applications herself, town Supervisor Darrah Cloud said she was delighted.

"I am grateful and excited," she told her constituents in her Dear Pine Plains email newsletter on Sept. 10.

The town received \$32,600 to help it form a long-awaited wastewater district. Aligning with its efforts to install a septic system, Cloud said she decided to break down each component of the septic system project into parts (such as the sewer feasibility study and the wastewater district formation). The town is trying to fund every part at no cost to taxpayers.

Now that the final draft of the sewer feasibility study has been delivered, the town can focus on district formation, which Cloud said is "almost all legal fees," like mapping costs, engineer costs and possibly the cost of a surveyor.

On Friday, Sept. 10, Cloud said in her newsletter the town is currently negotiating for a location for a possible central septic system underground. A public meeting on the topic is will be held in the coming months.

"Suffice it to say, the town needs a system," Cloud wrote. "Right now, restaurants cannot open with enough capacity to be successful, and regular people can't open a new business due to the huge expense of the septic requirements by the Department of Health."

Pine Plains also received \$7,530 to purchase two all-terrain wheelchairs to be used by children and adults at its town parks and trails and the public beach at Stissing Lake.

Excited to learn residents who rely on wheelchairs can access local trails with these all-terrain wheelchairs, as well as the town beach and even go in the water, Cloud said, "That will open our gorgeous trails [especially Thompson Pond] to people who otherwise would not be able to walk it. Same thing with the beach, and we can roll somebody into the water in that, which would be a lot of fun."

Lastly, the town received \$70,000 to purchase and install a Bridging Pathways playground at the beach park at Stissing Lake. This playground, according to Cloud, is designed to be fully inclusive and wheelchair accessible and to provide "multiple and varied play components for all children to enjoy."

Asked about the timeline for these three projects, Cloud explained Pine Plains got half of the funds for the playground and will have to raise the rest of the money. She said the MIG award was a big boost for the town's fundraising campaign.

With the playground totaling \$140,000 overall, she said the town will be dependent on donations for the remaining funds until they can order it. After that point, the only expense will be determining the grounding the town wants to put underneath the playground.

To help contribute to the playground, residents are being asked to consider donating. Those who would like to do so may send a check for any amount to Madelin Dafoe, Town Clerk, P.O. Box 955, Pine Plains, NY 12567. Address the check to Town of Pine Plains and write "Playground" in the memo line. Checks may also drop by dropped off at Pine Plains Town Hall, 3284 Route 199; please and leave the check with Dafoe or with Alice Hanback-Nuccio.

Cloud, meanwhile, said she's about to order the all-terrain wheelchairs and that the wastewater district formation will probably take about another year to complete.

### Correction

In the Sept. 9 edition of The Millerton News, an article about the new Pine Plains' restaurant Champetre erroneously stated its capacity is limited by CO-VID-19 restrictions. Champetre's capacity is set by Dutchess County Department of Health, water regulations and the town's lack of a sewage system. We regret the error.

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by the very competent Christina Smith-Hedges, who had hopes of taking over the business.

"Our aim always was to provide a platform for some entrepreneur who would come in and manage the restaurant for us and become in a position to purchase the business then take over the lease and that's what we hoped would happen," Jack Banning said.

Over time, The Platter gained a following from the local and weekend communities. When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, Smith-Hedges said she and her staff did everything they possibly could to adapt, following all the safety rules and even picking up catering orders.

However, after spending the last several months trying to figure out how to keep operations moving forward, Banning realized they reached a point where it wasn't going to work out anymore and they had to pull the plug.

"This was obviously a tough decision all around: terribly disappointing for Cris, terribly disappointing for us and terribly disappointing for all of our customers," Banning said. "The story from our perspective is that this is something we felt we had to do at this time."

The business decision was especially difficult for Smith-Hedges, who had planned to purchase the building from the Bannings this fall. She said she'd gone into a meeting with Jack thinking it would be to talk about her purchasing the building. Instead, she said he rescinded the offer, saying The Platter was barely sustaining itself through the pandemic and that he didn't see things getting any better. Banning explained he and Irene had conversations with Smith-Hedges and thought they might be able to structure an arrangement to save the cafe.

With a limited staff carrying out the cafe's operations, the Pine Plains Platter has reduced its hours of operation and limited its menu for its last few weeks of business.

options were available to Smith-Hedges and what her skill sets were and determined there was no viable way to make the business succeed. Though the Bannings suggested The Platter close the week of Friday, Oct. 1, Smith-Hedges decided the Platter would close on Sunday, Sept. 26.

Notifying The Platter's employees of the closure, Banning said they provided everyone with five weeks' notice with the expectation that they'd provide generous compensation.

Smith-Hedges said it's now a guessing game, knowing how short-staffed she currently is. So far, The Platter's hours of operation have been reduced and the menu is limited.

Catching on to the news of The Platter's imminent closing, customers have said they are heartbroken at the thought of their favorite local cafe shutting down. Many have posted on social media their disappointment, others have contacted this newspaper.

"This is heartbreaking for the employees, a tremendous loss for the town and a special blow to weekenders who have only this one place to eat on Sundays," said Pine Plains resident Matt Finley.

"In this ever-changing world with much pain and uncertainty... we want to thank you, Cris, and your incredible team for creating this magical place in our community and in my life," said Santina Tirone, another loyal customer. "Your open arms, warmth and not to mention the incredible fresh local menu with be tragically missed."

Come Sunday, Sept. 26, at 10 a.m., Smith-Hedges said The Platter will hold a Peace Out Platter Party. As a token of her seven years at The Platter, she said she bought a book to compile all of the pictures under the table and the sticky notes customers have left there.

### VAN DE WATER Continued from Page A1

an attempt to save his life until the ambulance arrived. He was pronounced dead a short time later at the hospital.

The Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department released a statement last week saying Van De Water's gunshot wound was "reportedly self-inflicted." Other branches of the police are awaiting the report of the New York medical examiner Dennis Chute before confirming cause of death.

#### **Community remembers**

Van De Water served in Afghanistan for eight years. An attorney, he was in the Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corp in the U.S. Army from 2006 to 2014. He earned a Bronze Star, a Meritorious Medal of Honor and continued to serve as a major the Army Reserve JAG Corp. He also belonged to the Millbrook Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9008 and was an advocate for service veterans.

Having earned his law degree at Albany Law School after graduating from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, he joined the firm of Corbally, Gartland and Rappleyea, LLP, in Poughkeepsie where he was employed from July 2014 through February 2021. Recently he went into private practice.

"He was a war hero who put his life and well-being on the line," County Executive Marc Molinaro said in a statement about Van De Water. "We owe him, his family and all our brave service men and women everything for the sacrifices they have made."

Van De Water was appointed to the Millbrook Village Board in 2017 for one year. Mayor Tim Collopy, who debated Van De Water prior to the village elections in 2018 for a trustee position at the time, said he was saddened to learn of his former opponent's passing — who always had Millbrook's best interests at heart.

"Kyle was an active member of the Millbrook area," said Collopy. "As a village trustee, he provided a valuable perspective with his legal background. As a veteran he modeled the importance of giving back to the community where he lived. He will be missed by his neighbors and his friends."

#### Political life

Van De Water announced his second bid for Congress on July 7, again challenging incumbent U.S. Rep. Antonio Delgado (D-NY-19), whom he ran against in the last election. He later withdrew from the current race.

Delgado spoke of the man rather than the politician when he learned of his passing.

"I know he will be immensely missed, and I'm praying for all who loved him — his friends, fellow soldiers and family," said Delgado in a statement to the press. "Kyle's death is tragically felt not only on an individual level, but also nationally, as far too many veterans across our country are going without the support and care that their service to our great land undoubtedly necessitates."

Personal memories

Former Millbrook Trustee Brian Hicks remembered his friend's excitement about riding in a parade with his daughter.

"When he was asked as a trustee to ride in the Memorial Day Parade, Kyle asked if he could bring his daughter," said Hicks. "He was so proud, and wanted to share the experience with her, as she would be thrilled."

As far back as high school, those who knew Van De Water said he was exceptional. New York State Police Troop K Public Information Officer A.J. Hicks attended Spackenkill High School with him. "We played varsity soccer to-

Millbrook held services for Van

De Water, a former Vestry mem-

ber, regular churchgoer and ac-

tive member of the parish, at the

up by Lesley Frederick, Van De

Water's sister, in the name of

the Van De Water Family Fund.

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13, \$18,471 had been raised of the

a comment online expressing

her gratitude for not only the

donations but for the support

she's received since her hus-

all the love that everyone has

shown our family throughout

this time," she stated. "To see

we are not alone in a moment

like this is immeasurable. Noth-

ing has gone unnoticed and I

do not have enough words to

express how genuinely grateful

my children and I are for ev-

eryone's support. I know Kyle would be so happy to see how

many people truly cared for him

and our family."

"I am beyond grateful for

\$10,000 goal that was set.

As of Monday morning, Sept.

Melissa Van De Water wrote

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band's death.

A GoFundMe page was set

church on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

gether," remembered Hicks. "He was an outstanding guy, a great guy and a leader in sports. He always took the initiative and was the motivating force for the team. Even as the prosecuting attorney in Stanford, years later, he did the job with the utmost integrity. It's sad when we lose a valuable person like Kyle."

#### Help is available

Contact information for the National Suicide Prevention's 24/7 hotline at 1-800-273-8255 and its website at www. suicidepreventionlifeline.org have been posted multiple times since Van De Water's death.

So, too, has information for those in Dutchess County who are seeking local support. Those crisis services can be accessed by calling or texting the HELPLINE at 845-485-9700 or walking-in to the 24/7 Stabilization Center at 230 North Road in Poughkeepsie.

Veterans in need of emergency assistance may also contact the Veterans Crisis Line at 1-800-273-8255 and press 1. **Services held, fundraiser** 

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Attributing their decision to a combination of factors, he said they looked at the finances, what "Basically, the love I put into this place, I'm taking with me when I leave," Smith-Hedges said, "so the last day is going to be a hard day... honestly, I'm still upset ... but I've made peace with the decision."

Yet this might not be the end for the cafe as Banning said he and Irene want something to continue in that space that's "viable and provides the kind of environment that we think is right for this space. The Platter will survive in some incarnation. We're hopeful. We're sad obviously, but we're hopeful."

### FOOD FESTIVAL Continued from Page A1

their palates at the wine tastings hosted by Trotta's Liquors and Millerton Wine & Spirits.

Live bands will perform around town to provide a musical score for what organizers hope will evolve into an annual event for the village.

From the moment she first approached the MBA about the possibility of holding a food festival, Main Street Magazine founder, editor and owner Thorunn Kristjansdottir said Millerton's merchants were completely supportive.

"Everyone's very positive and excited to do this," she said, "and any excuse to bring people together, I think that's the fabric of this community."

Along with highlighting all of the food and drink establishments in town — or all of the "Millertoncentric" folks — Kristjansdottir grew excited in talking about how the Millerton Food Festival will highlight the outside food vendors coming into the village, including Lemongrass Grill, Momma Lo's BBQ, Cosmic Donuts and others. Information about where to spot these vendors on the day of the festival can be found online at www.millertonnewyork. com.

Through every step of planning the festival, Kristjansdottir said everyone involved in the process has been so supportive and excited, from the participating vendors to the retail shops that will be putting out tables and chairs to encourage folks to roam around the village while nibbling on some newly discovered culinary delights.

As far as organizers' expectations for this year's festival are concerned, Kristjansdottir said they hope people enjoy themselves thoroughly on Sept. 18. She's also hoping there's enough excitement and enthusiasm carried over into next year for the MBA to make the Millerton Food Festival an annual event. And she's thinking big. Who knows, she said, if all goes well this weekend and if the coronavirus is hopefully on it's way out, possibly the MBA can even make next year's Millerton event a larger festival.

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# COMPASS

Your Guide to Tri-State Arts & Entertainment



Damien Lewis, at far right, was one of the young stars of "Band of Brothers."

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# **Band of Brothers, Generation Kill: Thank You for Your Service**

f I asked you to name some great war movies, Lyou could likely rattle off a half dozen without much thinking. But TV does not dramatize war very often or very well. We do have Ken Burns' fine documentary "The Vietnam War," but I can think of only two miniseries worth mentioning here; each depicts a very different war.

# **BAND OF BROTHERS**

You have certainly heard of and possibly seen this classic, which many consider the best miniseries of any kind. Let me remind vou what makes it great and urge you make time to

again.

The story: Based on Stephen Ambrose's book of the same name, this 10-episode HBO show follows Easy Company of the 101st Airborne Division from jump training to the Normandy invasion to the Battle of the Bulge and to the liberation of Dachau.

The cast: Winner of an Emmy for outstanding casting, the main cast includes David Schwimmer as Captain Herbert Sobel, the flawed leader of Easy during training and Damian Lewis as Dick Winters, the company commander

watch it for the first time or who leads them in combat.

The production: Led by co-producers Tom Hanks and Steven Spielberg, the production is nothing short of astonishing (at a cost of \$125 million).

There are few more thrilling TV moments than the early episodes showing close to 100 C-47s taking off from England heading to Normandy, and then the night sky filled with flak and descending parachutes. This is a sight unlikely to be seen again; airborne troops are now delivered by helicopters rather than jumping from planes.

# **GENERATION KILL**

In March 2003, the U.S. launched a pre-emptive invasion of Iraq, beginning a war based on misinformation and lies. This in no way diminishes the courage and service of the men and women who fought in it.

Their story was told in a 2008 HBO miniseries about an elite Marine recon company heading north in the desert in their lightly protected Humvees, a trip marked by confusion and firefights.

In the final devastating episode they roll into Baghdad and are ordered to stand aside while civil conflict begins. Their in-

# **ARTES AND COMIDA** LATINA IN GREAT **BARRINGTON, MASS.**

Come to Great Barrington, Mass., for three weekends of Latin arts and culture, with Spanish-language films at the downtown Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center (Sept. 18 and Oct. 21) and an afternoon Festival Latino on Sept. 25.

The Sept. 18 film is the Disney film, in Spanish, about a young Chinese woman named Mulan who masquerades as a man so she can take her father's place in the Imperial Army.

The film on Oct. 21 is an Ecuadorian comedy called, "Dedicada a mi ex," about a lovelorn 21-year-old who thinks music might bring a broken relationship back to life. Tickets to these two films are free:

both shows begin at 6 p.m. Go to the Mahaiwe website for more information on reserving seats and on COVID-19 safety protocols, https://mahaiwe.org/.

The 25th annual Festival Latino of the Berkshires will be from noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25, rain or shine, at Green Park and Saint James Place on Main Street in Great Barrington. There will be dancing, music, educational/ cultural activities and, of course, food (but no alcohol).

Admission is free of charge and the festival is open to the public. To learn more, go to www.facebook.com/ festivallatinooftheberkshires or www. festivallatino.org.

# **GOSPEL FESTIVAL RETURNS TO HUDSON VALLEY SEPT. 18**

The second Hudson Valley Gospel Festival will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18, from 1 to 5 p.m. at Bowdoin Park in Wappingers Falls, N.Y., presented by Arts Mid-Hudson.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students with ID, seniors and veterans/active military. Children under 5 are free.

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terpreter says, "You took this country apart and you can't put it back together."

Generation Kill is notable for its authenticity and its dialogue, which is jumpy, profane, and laced with black humor. It was written by David Simon, creator and head writer of "The Wire." Marines love this show and say it's 80% on the mark.

Both shows are based on actual events and are honest in balancing heroism with the terror and violence of battle.

When you watch these shows together, as I did, you see the difference in production and tone, but the similarities are more striking. The weapons may have changed somewhat, but one firefight looks very

Flea Market on Saturday, open for self-guided tours Sept. 18 (rain date Sunday, as part of the Housatonic Sept. 19) from 8 a.m. to 2 Heritage Walks (housap.m. at the South Canaan tonicheritage.org/events/ heritage-walks). For more Meetinghouse, 12 Route 63, in Falls Village, Conn. information, call 860-824-

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Argazzi Art, 22 Millerton Road, Lakeville, Conn. www.argazziart. com

VICTOR MIRABELLI Without BOUNDARIES, Aug. 28 through Oct. 17.

Kent Art Association, 21 S. Main St., Kent, Conn. www. kentart.org Fall Juried Show, through Oct. 3.

MASS MoCA, 1320 MASS MoCA Way, North Adams, Mass. www. massmoca.org Open every day, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. FreshGrass Festival 2021, Sept. 24 to 26.

# BOOKS

#### **Hotchkiss Library of**

Sharon, 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. www. hotchkisslibrary.org Fall Discussion Series with Mark Scarbrough, Sept. 30, 10 to 11 a.m. (online).

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conr www.scovillelibrary.org **Exploring Heritage: Author** Talk with Julie Metz & Menachem Kaiser, Sept. 30, 7 to 8 p.m. (online).

# DANCE

Jacob's Pillow, 358 George Carter Road, Becket, Mass. www.jacobspillow.org **ONLINE EVENT: BALLET** COAST TO COAST, Digital Screening, Sept. 9 to 23 (online).

# KIDS

**Oblong Books & Music**, 26 Main St., Millerton, N.Y. www. oblongbooks.com Free Virtual School Visit: Jewell Parker Rhodes, PARADISE ON FIRE, Sept. 22, 9:30 a.m. (online).

# TALKS

#### The Salisbury Forum,

Salisbury, Conn. www. salisburyforum.org ERIK EDSTROM: "What Does Patriotism Mean, Anyway?" — a Zoom Webinar, Sept. 17, 7:30 p.m. (online).

#### **Conversations on**

the Green, www. conversationsontheareen.com Climate Change: Sunrise or Sunset, Sept. 26, 3 p.m. (online).

# THEATER

#### **Mahaiwe Performing Arts**

Center, 14 Castle St., Great Barrington, Mass. www.mahaiwe. org CALL FOSSE AT THE MINSKOFF, Oct. 15 and 16, 7 p.m.

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### **PRESERVES: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER**

# When You Can't Find Pectin, Try Gelatin for your Jam

his is the time of year when fruit is super abundant and when you want to preserve it in all its summery glory.

You don't *have* to make traditional jam to do so: You can freeze most fruit and then pull it out in mid winter to make a summery tart or pie.

But if you do make jam, I have learned that you need to plan ahead. I usually make one or two batches a year, maybe a marmalade in winter and some peach jam at the end of August.

I now know enough about canning and preserving to realize that at this time of year (even when there isn't COVID-19), it can be very challenging to find canning supplies such as packaged pectin and small jars that are suitable for making preserves.

I like to use Ball Liquid Pectin, which stores ran out of in about late August — long before I ran out of fruit that wanted to be preserved. As I ran around fruitlessly (haha!) searching for pectin, I began to wonder why no one just uses gelatin to make their fruit "gel" together.

I went online and discovered that people do in fact make preserves with gelatin. And when I tried it myself, I learned that actually, gelatin is absolutely the best and easiest way to make jam from fresh raspberries.

Using gelatin to make raspberry preserves has a couple advantages.

First, it allows you to use less sugar. When you use pectin, they insist that you use lots and lots of sugar and warn that if you reduce it at all, your fruit will make a lovely wet sauce but will not "jam" properly.

When you use gelatin, that's not a problem. You

can use as much or as little sugar as you like. I used a 2:1 ratio for my first batch (which was delicious) and used slightly less than that for my second batch (which was also delicious).

Another plus: gelatin allows you to cook the fruit more gently, which is helpful when you're working with something as delicate as a raspberry. To make real jam, you have to boil it hard before you put it in your sterilized jars.

Using powdered gelatin allows you to boil the fruit just long enough so the sugar melts. This lets you keep the berries intact; otherwise you end up with a lovely sweet liquid that is full of seeds but has no lumps of lovely berry bodies.

Careful readers will notice, however, the downside to this jam: You really can't preserve it. To do so, you'd need to boil it hard, which would destroy the berries and leave you (again) with a liquid full of seeds. This is a refrigerator jam, so you need to eat it within a month or so.

But because you're not using pectin to jell it, you can use berries from your freezer to make this jam. So I've put most of my berries in the freezer (be clever and measure out four cups of berries into each freezer bag) and will plan to make raspberry jam (with gelatin) all winter long.

If you don't want to use traditional gelatin, try seaweed-based agar agar.



PHOTO BY CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

Salisbury Family Services: CELEBRATING SALISBURY'S OWN

# **RASPBERRY GELATIN JAM**

Adapted from www.oureverydaylife.com

• 4 cups raspberries

- 2 cups sugar (or to taste)
- Juice of half a lemon (or less)

• 1 packet of powdered Knox gelatin (or agar agar)

Mash the berries only very slightly in a nonreactive (e.g. ceramic) saucepan, and bring them to a gentle simmer. Add 1/4 cup of the sugar, to help bring out the juices, and then take out a 1/2 cup of juice and put it on a small plate.

Turn off the heat under the berries. Put the juice in the refrigerator for about 5 minutes to cool it down, then About 5 minutes before the gelatin finishes setting, turn the heat back on under the berries and bring them to a boil, stirring gently so you don't break up the berries too much.

Add the remaining sugar and cook it for about 5 minutes, so it dissolves into the berry juice. Turn off the heat. Add the lemon juice and stir. Gently coax the set gelatin off the plate and into the berry mixture. Stir gently until the gelatin dissolves.

Spoon into jars or a bowl and put in the refrigerator for about two hours, until it sets. Stir it to keep the gelatin from A Clothesline Art Show and Sale

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sprinkle one packet of gelatin over the top of the juice. Let it set for about 15 minutes. getting too firm. You can add additional berries, if you like. This should last for about a month in your refrigerator.

# ...Streaming

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much like another, and for "boots on the ground," all wars must seem the same.

The most basic tenet of military training is to obey orders without hesitation or question. When it comes to war we are still back in the 19th century: "Theirs not to reason why, theirs but to do and die." But when we look away from the screen, we cannot help asking why.

Then we think of the enormous difference in the mission and the outcome of these two wars and the leaders who sent soldiers into battle: Roosevelt and Churchill and Bush, Cheney and Rumsfeld.



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# **MILLBROOK**

# lieu of Literary Fest

**By JUDITH** O'HARA BALFE judithb@millertonnews.com

MILLBROOK – Many people were let down when the Millbrook Literary Festival was canceled this May, and then more recently, Millbrook Community Day was also canceled. COVID has caused many cancellations, and though disappointed, most people seem to be understanding.

However, a different type of literary festival will take place on Saturday, Sept. 18, and all are invited to join in the fun of the 12th annual event, slightly modified.

Although there won't be the usual authors selling and signing their books on the Millbrook Library lawn, the day will be filled with other events, said Literary Festival Publicity Chair Sam Falk, some at the library and some at Merritt Bookstore, for children, teens and adults.

The main event is a Community Read.

The featured titles are four short books from Zen Master Thich Nhat Hahn's Mindfulness Essentials series: "How To Eat," "How to See," "How to Fight" and "How to Walk."

The books are available at Merritt Bookstore and the library for the discounted price of \$2 each.

The formal Literary Festival will now be a fall event. The Community Read seems the perfect replacement, for both the summer Literary Festival and the September Community Day.

Kira Wizner, owner of Merritt Bookstore said, "I'm really excited about this event. The books were chosen specifically. They're about being present in your day and increasing awareness, which is really what community is all about."

Starting with, for the youngsters at 10 a.m., Story Time with Miss Abbey, the some, who will read from her middle-grade trilogy, "Finding Langston." Children will also be encouraged to write

their own story or poem. Little ones will also enjoy meeting three professional people: a choreographer, a restaurant owner and a zookeeper, who will each read a story about their profession and talk about what they do.

Other activities will include making pinwheels and learning to write down one's own thoughts.

At the library, community leaders will head discussions for adults. At 10:30 a.m., Chef Gabe McMackin, from Troutbeck in Amenia; grower Ellie Brown, from Stonewood Farm; and writer and restaurant consultant Tarajia Morrell; will lead a talk on How to Eat.

Father Matt Calkins from Grace Church in Millbrook will join facilitator and author Cat Greenstreet in a talk about How to Fight.

A portion of the festival will be held at Merritt Bookstore.

At 11:30 a.m., Julie Hart of the Dutchess Land Conservancy and Columbia University adjunct professor Ralph Schmidt from the Earth Institute will give a talk on How to Walk.

At 1:30 p.m., also at Merritt Bookstore, Megan Brandow-Fallen, an art historian and history professor at City University of New York, and Adam Brandow, who studies the history of decorative art, design and material culture at Bard Graduate Center, will lead How to See.

The day promises to be full and exciting, and organizers hope participants will read the books and join in the fun and conversations.

The spirit of the Literary Festival, which began as a tribute to the late Scott Meyer, the former owner of Merritt Bookstore, by his wife and business partner, Alison, certainly lives on.

# Community Read in Village of Millbrook raises more than \$23K to repair tennis court

#### **By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE** judithb@millertonnews.com

MILLBROOK - Tennis anyone? Not if you live in Millbrook. That's because the tennis court located near Elm Drive Elementary School, long a favorite for people who love tennis and don't want to travel for a game, has been in a state of disrepair. In good times, two games can be played at once, enough, it seems to keep the community happy.

The village has repaired the court a few times in recent years to keep it open and community members satisfied, but these days, the entire surface needs to be redone.

That's why the village started a fundraising campaign a number of months ago, hoping for enough donations to meet the estimated \$25,000 cost to get the court in tip-top shape.

As of this May, Village Clerk and Treasurer Sarah Witt reported that \$10,824 had been raised. By the Village Board's July meeting, Witt reported that figure had jumped up to \$23,410.98.

Unfortunately, said the mayor, it looks like the price for the resurfacing the court had, too.

The work will not take place until next year, and the original cost of \$25,000 may now run as high as \$30,000. The village will get three quotes and pick the best one when it's ready to take the plunge.

The Village Board said it is grateful for each and every donation from the public, but hopes that more money will trickle in as it still needs to raise more funds to fix up the court.

The tennis court is set at the back of the school property, with residences across the street set well behind Maple Avenue, so there's a certain amount of privacy. There is no schedule per se, so players set up their own times and partners. The loose structure seems to suit most of the casual players who use it.

On an early Sunday afternoon this spring, a pair of players met for a game or two. Wesley Heilmann from Millbrook and Greg Kuhlman from Sharon, Conn., met, played and reflected a bit on where they were.

"We met here," said Kuhlman. That's how many games get set up.

When asked about schedules, he said, "Afternoons can get busy, but people tend to be decent and don't take advantage."

Heilmann agreed, adding that it's nice to have a court right in the community.

The court is for tennis only; skateboarding and other activities are prohibited, going back to the early 1990s, after The Tribute Garden bought the property from the Millbrook Board of Education.

There is no counter on the gate, so no one knows exactly



From left, Greg Kuhlman and Wesley Heilmann crossed racquets during a friendly game of tennis on the Millbrook tennis court this spring. The village is in the midst of a fundraising campaign as the court is in poor condition.

how many people use it. It is open to all village and town residents, free of charge; no I.D. is required. Sometimes a friend from out of town is invited by a resident for a game, but mostly it is used exclusively by the im-

mediate community.

Kuhlman also said that since COVID-19, the court seems to have gained in popularity, tennis being one of the few games where one is naturally distanced from their opponent.

# **\$50K donated for Comprehensive Plan review**

**By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE** judithb@millertonnews.com

WASHINGTON - The Town of Washington (TOW) held its August meeting on Thursday, Aug. 12, at Town Hall, in person and on Zoom. Town Supervisor Gary Ciferri called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

The first item on the agenda was to thank the Tribute Garden for a generous donation of \$50,000 for the review of the town's Comprehensive Plan, currently underway. The town is looking to determine the significance of the term "hospitality" within its borders, and how it will affect future business and zoning laws.

it, nor can they or other posters, notices, etc., be placed on poles, buildings or other places without permission authorized or required by law, and no notices may be posted prior to six days before the event and must be removed within three days after the event, etc.

Other discussion centered on legislative intent, penalties, fines, etc.

This law, while complicated and covering a very wide field of offenses, is needed for public safety and quality of life, agreed the board.

After Ciferri closed the public hearing on the local laws, they were passed.

The board will hold a public hearing to further discuss the comprehensive plan in Sep-



A Town Board meeting was held on Thursday, Sept. 9. For more on that meeting, read this week's front page of The Millerton News.



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children's programs will go until 2 p.m., all at the library.

Children's librarian Abigail Gallagher planned a full slate of children's activities including an all-day scavenger hunt in the library's children's room.

Another special event for kiddies includes a noon visit from author Lesa Cline-Ran-

Benefactors of the of the Community Read include: Arts Mid-Hudson, Friends of the Millbrook Library, Merritt Bookstore, Millbrook Tribute Garden Foundation, The Dyson Foundation and the Weeden Foundation.

For details and scheduling, go to www.millbrookliteraryfestival.org.



PHOTO BY ANETA MILLER

Father Hartley Bancroft III prepared to cut the cake that celebrated his formal installation as pastor at St. Joseph's-Immaculate Conception Church in Millbrook on Thursday. Sept. 9. He's been leading the church since January 2020.

# **Celebratory times at** St. Joseph's-Immaculate **Conception Church**

MILLBROOK - On Thursday, Sept. 9, New York Diocese Auxiliary Bishop Geraldo Colacicco, former rector of St. Joseph's-Immaculate Conception Church in Millbrook, oversaw the installation of Father Hartley Bancroft III as the pastor of the parish.

Father Bancroft came to the church on Jan. 1, 2020, and is already much beloved by the parishioners, having managed adroitly over the church during the CO-VID-19 pandemic.

More than 200 parishioners attended the evening installation during Mass for the 33-year-old priest, including his father, mother and godfather.

— Judith O'Hara Balfe

The second item was to name Debbie Wright secretary to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) at the rate of \$18 per hour.

A Zoom meeting will be scheduled to discuss an electric vehicle (EV) charging station at Town Hall.

Since the arrival of COV-ID-19, a number of residents have complained about furniture and other large items being discarded on the sides of roads and country lanes. The issue has been discussed at prior meetings. On Aug. 12, a public hearing was opened regarding Local Law Number 2, which will be known as the "Washington Litter Control Law."

Nine pages were devoted to the definition of litter, those who litter and fines and or other punishments for those who violate the law.

Litter was defined as animal or vegetable waste, such as one might find in kitchens, restaurants, food stands or picnic areas; furniture; household goods; any form of paper or wrapping; metal, wood, glass or plastic. In other words, litter qualifies as almost anything that is not disposed of properly. As stated in the town's definition, litter is anything that "tends to create a danger of public health, safety and welfare or tends to create blight."

Littering is prohibited in public places, from automobiles, parks, beaches and bodies of water. Littering is not allowed on private premises, including items for trash pickup before 5 p.m. on the day before scheduled pickup. It is unlawful to place handbills on windshields, or to be given to any person who doesn't want

### **Comprehensive Review**

The board next discussed a resolution to establish a temporary moratorium on certain land development applications that are pending or may be filed with the Town of Washington. This would enable the TOW to prepare and consider revisions to the Comprehensive Plan and is seen as a temporary stop-gap while the plan is under reconsideration before new zoning laws can be drafted.

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# **OPINION** THE MILLERTON NEWS **EDITORIAL PAGE B4** THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021

# **EDITORIAL** Food Festival has things cooking in Millerton

aturday, Sept. 18, promises to be a day to savor — and a day to pace yourself. Because on that day, Millerton is going to transform itself into a grid system of well, to be honest, we're not exactly sure of quite how many village blocks (let's face it, writing this we got a little too excited and a little too hungry to sit down and chart out the exact number of streets and avenues in the entire village, but trust us, there are a lot of them!) filled with the kind of culinary delights one's olfactory senses and gustatory system just isn't used to handling.

That's right, Saturday, Sept. 18, from morning till night (10 a.m. to 8 p.m.), will be the first-ever Millerton Food Festival. From everything we've seen and heard, it's going to be a doozy!

The Millerton Business Alliance (MBA) has spent months planning for the event, along with Main Street Magazine founder, editor and owner Thorunn Kristjansdottir (who also happens to head things up at the MBA). It was Kristjansdottir's brainchild to hold the festival in the first place. The merchants have been contributing lots of ideas also, as they're pretty excited about the festival, too.

So are the restaurateurs, who rather than feeling competitive with the food vendors and food trucks coming into the village for the special one-day affair, have been welcoming and inviting to all of those who are participating in this tourist-friendly event. That's really encouraging to hear.

There are so many great headliners coming into our quaint little northeastern Dutchess County dot on the map that day: Lemongrass Grill, Momma Lo's BBQ, Cosmic Donuts, Love Feast and more.

There will also be loads of activities to engage in throughout the village, including at the 1858 one-room Irondale Schoolhouse located at the Main Street entrance to the Harlem Valley Rail Trail, where kiddies can decorate cookies.

For more robust appetites, families can dine on barbecue on the lawn of the Millerton Inn, across the street from The Moviehouse (where you can catch a flick later that evening).

Another option, stop by the North East Community Center (NECC) to see old friends or make some new ones and enjoy potluck together.

Be sure to also visit North East Ford further out on the Boulevard District, where they'll be offering an assortment of family-fun activities.

Of course, what kind of Food Festival would be complete without checking out the seasonal offerings at the Farmers Market — especially when you have one as enticing as the weekly market put on by NECC? It includes farm-fresh produce, pasture-raised meats, local cheeses, baked goods and prepared foods. All of their vendors are local and use sustainable and ethical growing practice - how can you argue with that? The NECC Millerton Farmers Market is located at the Millerton Methodist Church, at the corner of Dutchess Avenue and Main Street; it will be open from 10



# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR **Tough to keep track** of IRC and its tasks

The creation of election districts for the Dutchess County Legislature by an independent (i.e. not controlled by a party) process is what the voters of Dutchess County want and what we voted for.

"Reapportionment" matters to all of us, however ungainly the term and however halting the progress of the Independent Reapportionment Commission (IRC).

It is difficult to cover the subject impartially. By definition, Republicans and Democrats are adversaries, and the commission is supposed to be independent.

do with the military, but rather

The bad and evil of our past

should be allowed to heal. There

is a great deal of good out there

However, the commission must operate in Dutchess County where both the executive and the Legislature are in the hands of the Republican Party.

The Millerton News has made a good faith effort to quote spokesmen (they were all men) from "both sides," but inevitably you give more prominence to what elected officials say, and they represent the ruling party.

It would not hurt to remind readers in each story of why we have an Independent Reapportionment Commission.

Laurie Nussdorfer Amenia

# Conklin responds to criticism about his column

I would like to remind Millerton News reader Roger Price regarding his comments to my opinion column of Aug. 19, that though my focus and column is entitled "Veteran's Corner," I do not always opine ONLY on

military and veteran matters. I have voiced concerns dealing with conservation, health care, charity, first responders and food pantry and food drive needs.

if you take a peek. Most of these have little to This country needs open and Millerton

with humanity.

honest minds, not people inciting anger through rhetoric. It's only going to get worse in the next few years, so let's try to stay calm and try to compromise. Larry Conklin

# The Pine Plains Platter will be greatly missed

I am so sad...

Our Pine Plains Platter is closing soon; a place that has been our gathering hub for many years.

The faces one "of us" ranged from the hazy-eyed teens for Sunday breakfast recap, fami-

lies giggling from near and far, community organizations meeting with agendas at hand, artists and musicians creating and expressing, local business staff and teachers rushing in for their lunch-break treats! Oh, and the weekend bikers revving-up parked in front, where admiring customers would gaze with intrigue.

In this ever-changing world with much pain and uncertainty... we want to thank you, Cris, and your incredible team for creating this magical place in

our community and in my life. Your open arms, warmth and not to mention the incredible fresh local menu will be tragi-

cally missed. I love you.

Ancram

Santina Tirone

# How to best deal with today's continuing crises

t has been years now that we all seem to be lurching from one crisis to another. On the anniversary of 9/11 we have a painful look back at that calamity and, if you stop and think about it, those scars, feelings and dread are bubbling away in your everyday life – how many of us wonder if a similar event is just around the corner? Similarly, as we try and get on top of COVID and desperately want to return to work, normal life and family gatherings, the nagging fear that we're still so vulnerable

# **A VIEW FROM** THE EDGE Peter Riva

In his waning years, I asked my father how he dealt with the WWII horrors he saw, how he dealt with the threats all around him? His response was, as I have since learned from many soldiers and survivors of major events, a road map for survival when the odds are beyond your control

teachers, made sure you knew it was not your responsibility, never a burden for you to carry because you didn't make it happen. Be aware? Sure. Want it never to happen? Of course. But spend every day worrying? What purpose would that serve?

"In the war, I could only control my surroundings, my immediate dangers. I never once thought of the larger aspect of the war, winning or losing... just survival for me and those next to me.

"I remember when we were

best advice I can pass on to all who read this column. Maintain a target of the two or three things that are important to you and work toward that, forget about anything that you have no control over: events, threats, unpleasant stressful conversations or even the nation's struggle with COVID. If you didn't create those problems, you have little chance of changing the huge picture, so stop worrying and stressing about everything. Concentrate on living for those targets that

a.m. to 2 p.m. during the festival.

Not only will locals of and visitors to Millerton get to enjoy all of that great gourmet gratification on Saturday, but all of the lovely local fare we are accustomed to will also be available — and regular readers of The Millerton News should be well aware of what a treat that is (even if many of us are spoiled from eating it so often by now).

We should count ourselves fortunate that we in the presence of such excellent culinary talents as those who chef at restaurants like 52 Main, Oakhurst Diner, Millerton Inn, Harney's & Sons, Taro's, The Dig and so many others.

We are relishing the upcoming Millerton Food Festival with great anticipation, as we do so many of the MBA's other great ideas. The merchants alliance has made such great strides in keeping this already vibrant village alive and well, especially now, during the pandemic, when it's needed more than ever. Kudos to them for doing such great work so consistently and so competently. Clearly, they really know how to get things cooking!

p.m., discussing increasing

fall injuries in the region. You

can see the full region-wide

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tion Week events at the same

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or the false bravado of being impervious to COVID – both these reactions carry a stressful anticipation: "What if I'm wrong?"

Mental security in life is all about not wanting events, planning, expectations to go horribly wrong. Yes, we all risk-manage daily situations, some are by habit like buckling that kid's seatbelt or telling yourself "Don't run with scissors." But with COVID, divisions in the country, international strife and threats, what can you say to yourself to reduce the stress — the stress of events you cannot possibly risk manage?

and beyond your estimation. His response was, typical of my father, to chose an event I had familiarity with and then bring the lesson home.

"When you were at school and they made you drill, ducking under your desk in case an atomic bomb was detonated... do you remember that?"

I explained I did, it was frightening.

'There was no reason for you to be frightened beyond that brief moment because what could happen would be sudden, unexpected and total. You didn't have any responsibility for what could happen. Your mother and I, and your told Germany surrendered it was a surprise out of the blue but never changed my need to control my small surroundings — a jeep, the captain I was driving, guys loaded in the back. The war may have been over somewhere, for someone, maybe Ike, but the responsibility I had was local, not away somewhere else.

"I never felt stress during those years by worrying about the war, I just kept my focus on what I had to do. Being a soldier is simpler than being a general, you don't have to stress about the bigger picture — you have a goal, a target to achieve and you focus on that. The rest is beyond your control."

bigger picture is perhaps the

you can affect and make better.

Want an example? Make your life and your family's life better by getting the vaccine and wearing a mask. How hard a target is that to achieve?

Unhappy with the political situation for democracy? Stop any fussing and make a mental note to absolutely, positively, vote in every election.

Worried about flooding in the next deluge of rain? Budget, save, buy a great gas powered trash pump and be ready.

Take small positive steps, be prepared for what is actually doable, and the stress will begin to fade away.

Writer Peter Riva, a former Not stressing about the resident of Amenia Union, now resides in New Mexico.

#### all begins on Wednes-GOLDEN day, Sept. 22. The Office for the Aging (OFA) LIVING marks the season change ev-Todd N. Tancredi ery year with Fall Prevention Awareness Week, Sept. 20 through Sept. 24, in coniunction with New York State stration at Bowdoin Park (85 Senator Sue Serino (R-41), Sheafe Road, Poughkeepsie). Lower Hudson Valley Falls The event runs from 11 a.m. to Prevention Network and Vas-2 p.m. Capacity is limited, so registration is required. Call sar Brothers Medical Center Trauma Department. 845-486-2555 to register. The week kicks off Other highlights of the with Community Panel week's calendar include: livestreamed on www.face-Wednesday, Sept. 22, 10-11 book.com/lhvfallprevention a.m. – Kovacs balance class on Monday, Sept. 20, at 3

with Hudson Valley Regional Community Health Centers, via Zoom; register by emailing drmarckaplan.gait@gmail. com or call 845-278-6930.

Friday, Sept. 24, 3 p.m. – finale, livestreamed on Facebook.

To find out more about Fall Prevention Awareness Week, contact Jill Bubel at jill. bubel@nuvancehealth.org or call 845-797-6768.

#### One month until **10-digit dialing**

The days of area-codeless

local phone calls will go away in Dutchess County on Sunday, Oct. 24. That's the day when 10-digit local dialing will become mandatory for all phones using the 845 or 914 area codes. Ten-digit dialing has been mandatory for a few years already, in the 518 area code that covers northeastern Dutchess County and regions to our north, along with the many area codes that cover New York City.

Fall Prevention Awareness Week is Sept. 20-Sept. 24

The change will apply to cell phones, landlines and VoIP systems. If you slip up and dial a seven-digit number out of habit after Oct. 23, you'll hear a recorded message asking you to try again and include the area code. Ten-digit dialing has been enabled since April, so use the next month or so to learn new dialing habits.

The switch to 10 digits is needed as part of the process of making it easier for people in need of immediate mental health assistance to call the National Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Crisis

Lifeline.

Last summer, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) mandated that the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline be reachable at the three-digit number 988, starting in July 2022. If you or a loved one is in crisis now, the national lifeline's number is 1-800-273-8255. That number will remain active even after 988 becomes available.

Closer to home, Dutchess County's 24/7 mental health and substance use crisis number is available, by calling or texting 845-485-9700. And 24/7 walk-in assistance is available at the Dutchess County Stabilization Center, 230 North Road in Poughkeepsie. They can be reached at 845-486-2849. No appointment or referral is needed.

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

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# AREA



# **Senior Sunrise at Webutuck**

WEBUTUCK — Senior students at Webutuck High School celebrated their first week back to school with the first-ever Senior Sunrise, successfully planned by class advisors Nicole Charriez and Leah Sprague and the Senior Class Committee.

The early morning gathering was held on Friday, Sept. 10, as soon as the sun rose over the scenic fields behind the high school.

According to Senior Class Committee

member Carrissa Whitehead, they "had a great turnout." The committee plans to hold a Senior Sunset later in the school year.

Carrissa said that "the sunrise was to bring in our senior year and the sunset is to bring our high school career to an end together."

She added the students who woke up the hour or so early to watch the sunrise together last week had a "wonderful time" together.

- Whitney Joseph



The Webutuck Class of 2022 gathered for the first-ever Senior Sunrise before classes began on Friday, Sept. 10.



Letting his creativity take over as he worked with the materials set in front of him, Jordan Hurn worked on fashioning a sculpture of a clock at the Teen Sculpture Workshop.

# Teens turned artists with a little molding

WASSAIC - Teenagers,

The workshop was the sec-

# Millerton, North East get \$578K from county for park and garage projects

#### **By WHITNEY JOSEPH** editor@millertonnews.com

NORTH EAST — The town of North East and the village of Millerton are celebrating the good news they learned at the ground breaking of the Millerton Community Park (MCP) on Saturday, Aug. 28, when Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro announced both municipalities were being awarded county funds for two very important projects.

### Grant awarded for MCP

The first, said North East town Supervisor Chris Kennan the following Monday, Aug. 30, was that the temporarily renamed MCP, the site of the village's Eddie Collins Park on Route 22 that is in the midst of a \$7 million renovation, will receive \$328,000 through the Dutchess County Municipal Innovation Grant (MIG) program. As it's a village project, the funds will go into the village coffers.

Millerton Mayor Jenn Najdek said at Saturday's event the additional funding will officially put the park committee over its

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Town gets garage grant At the Aug. 28 park groundbreaking, Molinaro announced a second MIG award for the town of North East. It granted \$250,000 toward the construction of the town's joint highway garage with the village of Millerton.

"It is very helpful because we had to reject the [recent] garage construction bids because they were so high," said Kennan of the Town Board, which took a little heat from some people in the community when it rejecting the bids in July, causing a delay in the completion of long-awaited project. Others in the community praised the board for its fiscal prudence. "Now we're going to regroup a little and rebid, to see if we can get a lower cost to see if the material prices come down a bit."

Kennan said the board had

applied for the amount of funding awarded by the county, "but you never know until you hear what the answer is going to be, so we were delighted."

He added the town is "going to keep on trying to bring the cost down because this is an expensive building and we want to build a building that will last a long, long time."

The construction of the actual garage facility is the fourth and final phase for the joint town and village garage project on Route 22, located north of the main traffic light at the Main Street intersection.

The estimated cost for the construction of the garage facility alone was \$3,127,600, but when the four bids were submitted to the Town Board in July they were substantially higher, totalling \$4,227,725.

Planning for the entire garage project began in earnest more

than five years ago under former town Supervisor George Kaye's administration, when properties were being sought for where to locate a facility.

PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Even earlier the town realized its aging garage at 11 South Center St. in Millerton would not last forever, according to a letter to the editor published in this newspaper on July 29 from former North East Highway Superintendent Bill Crawford. Crawford wrote the South Center Street garage was in "poor condition" when he joined the Highway Department on May 1, 1970, and was shabby when he retired 20 years later. He said he found it to be in the same condition when he returned to visit in 2021, 51 years later.

Kennan said that is why the MIG funds are so helpful, adding the garage costs will likely continue to be discussed by the board for many months to come.



**Brain Teasers** 

some of whom are patrons at the NorthEast-Millerton Library in the village of Millerton, joined others who are patrons at the Amenia Free Library, in an exercise of creativity in collaboration with The Wassaic Project artists' group a few miles south in the town of Amenia.

With encouragement from artist Nicole Dyer, the local teens ages 13 to 18 were given the space to let their creativity take shape as they participated in the Teen Sculpture Workshop at The Wassaic Project on Wednesday, Sept. 1.

ond of two sessions with Dyer organized by the two libraries; the first session was held on Wednesday, Aug. 25.

Starting at 5 p.m. that day, the teenagers spent a rainy evening under the cover of the Maxon Mills porch in the hamlet of Wassaic.

Equipped with the materials necessary for sculpting, they fashioned handmade creations, sculpting clocks, boomerangs, doors and other items with encouragement from the workshop's artist and the library directors.

- Kaitlin Lyle

# **AREA IN BRIEF**

### Tips to stay Age Awesome from workshop

COPAKE – Area residents are invited to join health coach Anita Greenwald for the virtual program "Age Awesome: 12 Tips for a Healthier You" on Monday, Sept. 20, at 6 p.m., courtesy of the Roe Jan Library.

A registered yoga teacher and an Institute for Integrative Nutrition Health Coach, Greenwald will provide tips on having more energy, better immunity, achieving weight loss and living a healthier lifestyle.

To register and receive the Zoom login, go to https://us02web.zoom.us/ meeting/register/tZEuc-2grDMqHNVYaUdQ4S69xe2QRvcU8Gqf.

### Deadline for free home repair help nears

- Rebuilding Together Dutchess County (RTDC) is currently accepting applications for its home repair and accessibility modification programs. These services are provided at no-cost to qualified homeowners and focus on ensuring that individuals can live independently in safe, warm, dry and healthy homes.

The deadline for applications to be considered for the

DUTCHESS COUNTY 2022 Rebuilding Day program is Thursday, Sept. 30. Income qualified Dutchess County homeowners (especially seniors, persons living with a disability, military veterans or parents with school-aged children) are encouraged to apply.

> To request an application or for more information, call 845-454-7310. Further details and applications can also be found at www.RT-Dutchess.org.

Email news and photos to editor@millertonnews.com

Phase One fundraising goals, and that any and all contributions are hugely helpful.

Molinaro, along with Chairman of the Dutchess County Legislature Gregg Pulver (R-19) of Pine Plains and the entire Legislature, approved awarding the funds to the MCP redo, which has been more than five years in the making. Spearheading the volunteer efforts are Millerton Community Park Committee Chair Stephen Waite and Co Chair Jeanne Vanecko.

Once done, the upgraded 17-acre park located just blocks from Main Street will include: a regulation size soccer field; two basketball courts; a refurbished playground; an upgraded Little League field; an accessible swimming pool; a refreshment stand; a new entrance with abundant parking; shaded walkways with benches and tables; wooded walking trails/exercise course; lighting for nighttime activities; a new bathhouse with public restrooms; and an open space for public events.

The total project cost was estimated at \$7 million; the Millerton Community Park Committee set an \$8 million fundraising goal to cover contingencies. As of mid-July it had raised \$1,456,200.

The funds came from various sources: \$600,000 came from the New York Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation; \$620,000 came from individual donations; \$152,000 came from the county's Community Development Block Grant program (which comes from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development); \$40,000 came from the village of Millerton; \$25,000 came from the town of North East; \$12,600 came from foundation and corporate grants; and \$6,400 came from the 100 Trees for Millerton fundraising campaign. (For more information on the park upgrade, go to www.

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# AMENIA Four Brothers named top drive in by national publications

#### **By KAITLIN LYLE** kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

AMENIA - For residents of the Harlem Valley and beyond, a night at the Four Brothers Drive-In Theatre is the pinnacle of summer, right alongside planning a trip to the beach, savoring an ice cream cone and watching fireworks burst overhead.

The drive-in on Route 22 in Amenia has received much praise from those who have come to catch a show and enjoy the many amenities offered by the Stefanopoulos family since they opened it a few years back adjacent to their popular pizza restaurant. Now the local restaurateurs have learned their theater was voted among the top 10 drive-ins in the Northeast by USA Today in recent weeks.

On Thursday, Aug. 26, the USA Today article celebrated Amenia's Four Brothers Drive-In as "possibly the only drivein resort ever," spotlighting its showing of first-run double features seven nights a week, the local musicians who play live music in the early evening and on-site offering of glamping and camping.

Co-owner John Stefanopoulos said he learned about the accolade from an email he received a week ago from the USA Today editors. He said he was "super delighted and honored ing Broadway legend-in-thethat we were included in that and thought of in that light.

"That's what we're here for and we're happy that people are hearing it and seeing it and appreciating it," Stefanopoulos said.

He added he and his family were equally happy to learn their theater had been mentioned in an article published by the prestigious travel magazine Condé Nast Traveler.

Published on Tuesday, Aug. 17, the article "The Best Places to Travel in October: Where to go for harvest festivals and Halloween fun" called attention to the Hudson Valley as a travel destination. It mentioned the Four Brothers Drive-In as an ideal spot for people to visit during their travels.

When asked how the drivein has fared during the 2021 screening season, Stefanopoulos reported it is continuing operations the same as last year, drawing a strong crowd of people from all over the region while keeping COVID-19 protocols in mind.

Between familiar and new faces that have come out, he said the theater has experienced a rush of people who have attended the drive-in. The drivein has also hosted a number of celebrities this summer, includmaking Lin-Manuel Miranda, who hosted a private screening of the film "In the Heights" for his friends on July 19.

In addition to showing films on the main screen, the drivein has been busy holding other events for the community this season, including a car show, a circus and even a wedding. The addition of its new mini-golf course has become a popular attraction as well. The theater has also played host to several local musicians who perform live on Friday and Saturday nights.

In addition to working with Silo Ridge to help promote the upcoming rodeo on Saturday, Oct. 2, Stefanopoulos said Four Brothers is hosting a Silo Ridge Takeover on Saturday, Sept. 18. From 6:30 to 10 p.m., the event will help promote area businesses and their services; Silo Ridge representatives will be attending to promote the rodeo and will bring a mechanical bull to the drive-in to kick things up.

Coming up, the drive-in will host the Amenia Lions Club's seventh annual Community Classic Car Show from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 19. The drive-in will later house Hudson Valley's Bizarre Bazaar on Saturday, Sept. 25, featuring a craft fair from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and a screening of "Night of the Living Dead" at 7 p.m. with a live score performed by the Morricone Youth.

As of this time, Stefanopoulos said the 2021 season is scheduled to end between the end of October and the beginning of November.

Asked how this season has transpired, he said, "We just want to say we're very happy that it's been so well-received in such a nice addition to the town and the community, and we're finding ways to embed the drive-in in the local community and allow others to take advantage of that as well."

To contact the drive-in, go to www.playeatdrink.com.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF FOUR BROTHERS DRIVE-IN

Located at 4957 Route 22 in Amenia, the Four Brothers Drive-In Theatre has welcomed familiar and new faces alike this summer for a variety of activities, including movies, music, mini-golf and much more.



### Legal Notice

Hynes Home Inspections, LLC filed Articles of Organization on 05/06/21. Its office is located in Dutchess County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the company upon whom processagainstitmaybeserved and a copy of any process shall be mailed to 3 Westview Drive, Poughkeepsie NY 12603. The purpose of the company is to provide home purchasers the opportunity to have a licensed home inspection.

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Route 22 and Irondale Road, as described herein. This Contract has been designated as Contract No. 20-004 as set forth in contract documents, including drawings and specifications, prepared by CPL Architects, Engineers, Landscape Architect and Surveyor, D.P.C. (CPL), 64 Green Street, Suite 1, Hudson, NY 12534.

All such sealed proposals must be received by the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, 19 North Maple Avenue, non-collusion certificate in a Millerton, NY 12546 on or formmeetingtherequirements before September 17, 2021 at 11:00 AM, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for prompt consideration by the Town Board. Copies of the proposed contract documents, including plans and specifications, and the forms of proposals for the contract, will be available to pick up and for public inspection on August 27, 2021 at the Town Clerk's office during business hours:

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are more fully set forth in the bid documents: 1. Only such proposals as are made and filed upon the forms available in the Bid Documents will be accepted.

2. Proposals are to be enclosed in a sealed envelope. 3. Pursuant to the provisions of GML 105, no bids may be withdrawn unless no contract is awarded for more than 45 days after the opening thereof.

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# Friday: 9:00AM-12:30PM

Contractorsare encouraged to visit the work area to familiarize themselves with all project conditions. Such inspection(s) shall be done during normal business hours. Such inspection(s) shall be BY APPOINTMENT only; contact the Town Clerk at 518-789-3300 x603.

The proposal shall confirm that the Contractor(s) or entity shall fully comply with all required Federal and State Laws, Rules and Regulations.

#### VILLAGE OF MILLERTON MILLERTON, NEW YORK

Sealed Bids for the construction of the "Water Meter Replacement and Upgrade - Contract No. 2" will be received by the Village of Millerton at the Village Hall, Clerk's Office, 5933 N Elm Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546 until 2:00 p.m. local time on September 28, 2021 at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. Due to COVID-19, public bid opening will be held virtually through the Village Facebook page, and will be recorded and available on the Village website Sealed Bids must have outer envelope marked as " "Village of Millerton, Water Meter Replacement and Upgrade, Contract No. 2." The work consists of replacing and/or upgrading water meters for 478 customers in the Village of Millerton and the Town of North East Water District # 1. <u>Bids shall be on a</u> unit price basis, with bid items as indicated in the Bid Form. BiddingDocumentsmaybe obtained electronically from the Tighe & Bond website at: http://www.tighebond.com/ Projects\_Out\_to\_Bid.php Prospective bidders must complete a one-time registration process on the web site in order to receive log-in credentials. Bidders must log in to the web site to download bidding documents for the project. Bidders will be added to the "planholders" or prospective bidders list upon downloading the bidding documents for the project. A bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. The successful bidder will also be required to provide performance and payment bond in the amount of 100% of the value of the contract. The time period for holding Bids, is 45 days after opening of Bids, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goals are applicable to the total dollars paid to the construction contract. The goals for this project are a minimum of 26.0 percent M/WBE participation by certified DBEs. The bidder shall submit completed DBE forms with the bid. Section 00800 contains the funding program construction contract requirements for M/

WBE participation. Failure to comply with the requirements of this paragraph may be deemed to render a proposal non-responsive. No waiver of any provision of this section will be granted unless approved by the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC).

This project is subject to New York State Prevailing Wage Rates. Federal Minimum Wage Rates as determined by the United States Department of Labor under the Davis-Bacon Act also apply to this project. Whichever of the wage rates is higher will apply. It is the responsibility of the Contractor, before Bid opening, to request if necessary, any additional information on Minimum Wage Rates for those trades people who may be employed for the proposed Work under this Contract.

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### NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Planning Board of the Town of North East on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at the North East Town Hall, 19 N. Maple Ave., Millerton, NY at 7:40 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the application of David Lieberman (Contract Vendee)/Honour Farm for a Minor Subdivision on Tax Parcel #7069-00-458638 located at 399 Smithfield Road, Millerton, NY in the A5A Zoning District of the Town of North East.

The above application is open for inspection at the Town Hall or via email. Please request a copy by emailing the Planning Board office at pb@townofnortheastny.gov or calling 518-789-3300, Ext. 608. The application is also available on the Town website for inspection.

Persons wishing to appear at such hearing may do so in person or by attorney or other representative. Communications in writing relating thereto may be filed with the Board at such hearing.

Dale Culver Chairman **Planning Board** 09-16-21

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of North East invites sealed proposals for the furnishing of all materials and labor necessary for stormwater drainage work at the Intersection of NYS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00AM-12:15PM and 1:00PM-2:00PM

Friday: 9:00AM-12:30PM Contractorsareencouraged to visit the work area to familiarize themselves with all project conditions. Such inspection(s) shall be done during normal business hours. Such inspection(s) shall be BY APPOINTMENT only; contact the Town Clerk at 518-789-3300 x603.

The proposal shall confirm that the Contractor(s) or entity shall fully comply with all required Federal and State Laws, Rules and Regulations. The contractor shall be required to pay employees, sub-contractors etc. NYS prevailing wage rates; and shall also be required to submit certified payroll document(s).

Work shall consist of stormwater drainage improvements at the intersection of Irondale Road and State Route 22.

The Contractor shall enter into a contract within five (5) calendar days from the date of acceptance of this bid and the work shall be substantially complete within 90 calendar days of the date of the Notice to Proceed. The contractual time period shall be temporarily paused during this time.

All proposals shall be made and received upon the

of GML 103-d.

TheTownBoardreservesthe right, in its discretion, to waive technical noncompliance or irregularities that are not material or substantial, and to reject all bids and to rebid the project.

Marcy Wheatley DEPUTY TOWN CLERK 19 North Maple Avenue Millerton, NY 12546 (518) 789-3300 x603 09-16-21

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of North East invites sealed proposals for the furnishing of all materials and labor necessary for work at the Town of North East Town Hall ADA Rehabilitation, as described herein. This Contract has been designated as Contract No. 20-003 as set forth in contract documents, including drawings and specifications, prepared by CPL Architects, Engineers, Landscape Architect and Surveyor, D.P.C. (CPL), 64 Green Street, Suite 1, Hudson, NY 12534.

All such sealed proposals must be received by the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, 19 North Maple Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546 on or before September 17, 2021 at 10:00 AM, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for prompt consideration by the Town Board.

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Monday-Thursday: 9:00AM-12:15PM and 1:00PM

The contractor shall be required to pay employees, sub-contractors etc. NYS prevailing wage rates; and shall also be required to submit certified payroll document(s).

Work shall consist of interior and exterior building improvements to improve handicapped accessibility at the main entrance of the Town Hall and to an existing restroom.

The Contractor shall enter into a contract within five (5) calendar days from the date of acceptance of this bid and the work shall be substantially complete within 90 calendar days of the date of the Notice to Proceed. The contractual time period shall be temporarily paused during this time.

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This project is funded by a grant from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation Water Infrastructure Improvement Act and by a loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan program. Section 00800 contains the funding program construction contract requirements, all of which shall be applicable to this Contract.

The project is subject to the American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirement of Section 436 of Public Law (P.L.) 113-76, **Consolidated Appropriations** Act, 2014, which requires that all of the iron and steel products used in the project are produced in the United States. Section 00800 contains further information on applicable iron and steel products and compliance.

A non-mandatory pre-Bid conference will be held at the Village Hall, 5933 N Elm Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546 on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

VILLAGE OF MILLERTON NEW YORK **Consulting Engineer:** T&B Engineering and Landscape Architecture, P.C. (Tighe & Bond) 47 West Market Street Rhinebeck, NY 12572 845-516-5800 09-16-21

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PEDDLERS FLEA MAR-KET: Saturday, Sept. 18, raindate Sept. 19, 8-2. South Canaan Meetinghouse, 12 Rte. 63, Falls Village. Vendors, huge book sale, bake sale, refreshments. Vendor space still available. Call 860-824-1402 for information. Proceeds benefit The Falls Vil-

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