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Library encourages Millerton to talk

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MILLERTON — Curious to learn more about their hopes, concerns and thoughts for their community and its future, the NorthEast-Millerton Library scheduled several community conversations for the next few weeks to encourage local residents to share what they're thinking. The first of the series was held on Tuesday, May 18.

The conversations are open to all, even those who don't live in the village of Millerton.

Whether participants work in Millerton, use the library, do their shopping in the village or have other ties there, NorthEast-Millerton Library Director Rhiannon Leo-Jameson said, "We want to hear from you because you are a part of the community."

Following the conversations, Leo-Jameson said the library will be

condensing everything it learns and present its findings to the community when done.

"It's about making our community and our home better," she said.

The first conversation was held via Zoom at 10 a.m. on the 18th, and after introductions, Leo-Jameson posed a handful of questions to spark the conversation. For the first "and probably the most open-ended" question, she asked what kind of community people wanted to live in, what was important to them and how the kind of community they wanted to live in is different from their existing community.

Participants took turns describing what they appreciate about living in Millerton and what they think is lacking. Existing shops and eateries were highlighted as a favorite feature as was the charm of The Moviehouse.

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Described as a "sprucing-up to add a pop of color," by Moviehouse co-owner Chelsea Altman, incoming moviegoers will indeed be wowed by the renovations on the ground floor of The Moviehouse, including the updated paintwork around the theater's concession stand. Left, Altman and her partner, David Maltby, were thrilled to welcome the installation of the theater's long-awaited elevator.

The Moviehouse is revamped, renovated and ready to open

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MILLERTON — Area moviegoers who have passed by The Moviehouse's darkened doors this past year and missed the thrill of seeing a movie in Millerton's long-standing theater won't need to wait any longer as the theater will at long last open its doors this Memorial Day weekend.

The Moviehouse, 1977 to 2021

The history behind The Moviehouse, located at 48 Main St., is a familiar tale for many residents of the region. Long before it was purchased by its co-founders, the late Robert Sad-

lon and his widow, Carol, of Lakeville, Conn., in 1977, the building was previously a two-story 1903 historic Grange Hall and a boarded-up, single-screen porno house.

Ardent in their dream of giving patrons an unparalleled movie viewing experience, the Sadlons put their love and labor into turning the theater into a landmark for art, entertainment and culture in the village of Millerton. Almost 44 years later, The Moviehouse offered patrons a diverse showing of performances: the latest blockbusters and independent films, midnight premiere screenings, art exhibitions, National Theater Live productions, op-

era screenings, the Bolshoi Ballet and select screenings with post-screening discussions.

When the COVID-19 pandemic hit last spring, The Moviehouse was forced to close its doors, though Carol Sadlon continued to push forward and offer The Moviehouse experience from a virtual platform. She launched a new streaming service and a virtual "Art Talks" series and started a Movie Club.

After taking stock of her business, she explained in a letter to the community last fall that she recognized the theater's potential to grow "with an

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PHOTO BY KYLE SUNDBERG

This bull moose is already growing antlers, according to Laura Holmes, whose brother, Kyle Sundberg, snapped photos of the magnificent animal outside his home on Hoffman Road in Pine Plains when he saw the moose on Tuesday, May 18.

There's a moose on the loose in Pine Plains

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PINE PLAINS — Hoffman Road resident Kyle Sundberg got a surprise message on Tuesday, May 18, when a friend sent a photo of a young bull moose sauntering around the marshy grounds of his backyard in the morning hours. When Sundberg peered out the window to take a look for himself, he was out of luck. But he staked out the scene throughout the day, and by that evening the young moose had returned.

Out came Sundberg's camera; he

snapped a number of shots of the magnificent moose — not an everyday sight in the Harlem Valley.

The moose, which is a protected animal in New York State, according to the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), "is the largest member of the deer family (Cervidae), and the largest land mammal in New York State. Bulls weigh from 600 to 1,200 pounds and stand up to 6 feet tall at the shoulder." Their primary predator is the black bear.

Sundberg's sister, Laura Holmes,

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Swimmer's body recovered from river

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AMESVILLE, Conn. — The body of a man who went missing in the Housatonic River Saturday, May 15, was recovered on Friday, May 21.

The Connecticut State Police issued this bulletin Saturday, May 23:

"On Friday, May 21, at approximately 5:56 p.m. Troopers responded to the area of 264 Housatonic River Road in the town of Salisbury for the report of a body in the river. The body was located, removed, and identified as William Dehnel. Dehnel entered the water on May 15 and did not resurface."

Dehnel, 37, lived near the river on

the Falls Village side of the Great Falls.

On May 15, in response to a 2:30 p.m. 911 call regarding the missing man, responders from Lakeville Hose Company, the Falls Village Volunteer Fire Department, North Canaan Volunteer Fire Department and Salisbury Volunteer Ambulance Service responded to the boat launch above the falls, on Housatonic River Road. The regional dive and ropes teams participated as well.

In addition to the State Police, the State Police Dive Team and the volunteer fire and ambulance

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Memorial Day activities 2021

By **WHITNEY JOSEPH**
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HARLEM VALLEY — Memorial Day is just around the corner, on Monday, May 31, giving residents across America and right here in the Harlem Valley a chance to remember those who have served in our Armed Forces and never returned from war, making the ultimate sacrifice.

There will be ceremonies held across the region this year, and although fully vaccinated New Yorkers are no longer required by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) or the state to wear masks when outdoors or

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MILLERTON

Historic Irondale Schoolhouse to open for the season May 29

By WHITNEY JOSEPH
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MILLERTON — After a year's hiatus due to the coronavirus pandemic, the historic 1858 one-room Irondale Schoolhouse that stands at the Main Street entrance to the Harlem Valley Rail Trail will be re-opening for a new season on Saturday, May 29, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

President of the Irondale Schoolhouse Association Board (ISAB) Ralph Fedele said he is thrilled to have the historic treasure trove open to the public once again.

"I'm really looking forward to it," he said. "We've been preparing, sprucing up the interior of the building, planting some flowers and shrubs around the building, and as I've been working in the schoolhouse with the doors open, low and behold, people have been coming in to look around and we'll talk, and it's so nice to see people walking around in the village and enjoying the sights."

The schoolhouse, which was moved in two parts from its original location in the Irondale section of the town roughly 2 miles away to Main Street in 2013, now stands as an example of what education was like in the 1800s. Fedele said he figures about 2,500 local children were taught at the Irondale Schoolhouse during its nearly 75 years of operation, all of whom crossed the same stone steps that still grace its doorstep at its new location on the Rail Trail.

"They all had to step on that stepping stone to get their education and step into that building," he said.

The schoolhouse records show the school opened in 1858 and closed in 1930, when Millerton Elementary School opened near the traffic light on Route 22 and Main Street, which is when all of the local schools were consolidated into one building. Up until then, 18th century schooling was done in one-room schoolhouses; there were 14 of them in the village of Millerton. Every schoolhouse had to be within walking distance of local schoolchildren, according to Fedele.

"There was one teacher who taught children anywhere between the ages of 5 to 20 within



PHOTO COURTESY IRONDALE SCHOOLHOUSE ASSOCIATION

Children have been entertaining themselves at the slate chalkboards at the 1858 Irondale Schoolhouse in Millerton since it opened in 2013; it was closed last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The schoolhouse is opening for the 2021 season on Saturday, May 29, much to the pleasure of Irondale Schoolhouse Association President Ralph Fedele.

one school with a pot belly stove in the center of the building to warm the kids," he said. "This is what education was like in the 1800s."

Visitors to the Irondale Schoolhouse can learn that history and more, thanks to a new 8-minute audio-visual slideshow that Fedele is very proud of, which he said the ISAB worked diligently on for eight years. David Maffucci of

Visionary Computers in Lakeville, Conn., worked pro-bono, donating his time and energy to create the disc and put together slides in sequential order, while ISAB member Darryl Gangloff helped mesh the narrative with the visual and ISAB Treasurer Dick Hermans did the narration. Robin Hood Radio's Marshall Miles also helped develop the video.

Fedele said he wanted to

thank everyone who contributed to the project, all of whom he said did a "splendid job," as well as the entire schoolhouse board, for all of its support.

"This 8-minute audio video slideshow I am so delighted with," said Fedele. "It's an historic record of how we saved an old building and moved it into Millerton. It's going to be special. This is going to run on a continual basis on a flat-screen TV. We will have chairs set up so people can watch the whole presentation. It's going to be special. We're looking forward to it."

Gangloff agreed. He often brings his wife and daughter along with him when he visits the historic site.

"My daughter's eyes light up with wonder every time she visits the Irondale Schoolhouse," he said. "She draws on the chalkboard, sits in the desks and rings the bell with a huge smile. It really is like taking a trip back in time."

Fedele said having children ring the bell is one of the activities he's most looking forward to, "because they love to do that."

The season will run through Columbus Day in mid-October. The Irondale Schoolhouse also traditionally holds a special Halloween event with arts and crafts at the end of October for local children.

Fedele added the schoolhouse is available as a gallery exhibition space, and for community group meetings and special events, including weddings and other activities, free of charge. For more information, write to the Friends of the Irondale Schoolhouse, P.O. Box 876, Millerton, NY 12546.



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Open Border Trio, a group begun when, as they say, "three old hands got together one day to play music," is the featured band at the Saturday, June 5, 6:30 p.m. kick off for the newly dubbed Twilight at the Pond music series, which is this year's version of the NorthEast-Millerton Library's former Music in the Annex series. It's scheduled to take place at Rudd Pond at Taconic State Park in Millerton.

Get an eyeful with book room, get an earful with Twilight at the Pond

By CAROL KNEELAND
Special to The Millerton News

MILLERTON — Book and music lovers alike can rejoice as the NorthEast-Millerton Library continues to move away from COVID-19 restrictions by reopening the Used Book Sale Room and scheduling concerts.

The sale room in the Library Annex at 28 Century Blvd., which has been closed for over a year, is reopening on Memorial Day weekend, Saturday, May 29, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and will continue with those hours until the end of summer.

Library Director Rhiannon Leo-Jameson said that as always, the donated items for sale in the room are all 10 years old or newer and are in excellent condition. Offerings include books, puzzles, CDs, DVDs and videos with children's books starting at a quarter and no items costing more than a dollar.

Patrons will be allowed to shop the room with a limit of eight shoppers at a time with funds being collected near the building's entrance rather than in the room. Because the state has not yet provided specific guidelines for libraries, the old ones remain in place including mask requirements.

Leo-Jameson said that donations of items for the room will soon be accepted again but that donors and potential volunteers should check with the main desk in the library to make arrangements. She said monetary donations are always appreciated and added that sales from the book room will help to cover unexpected costs.

Music in the open air

Without the capacity to meet in person last summer, the ever popular Music in the Annex concert series was held outdoors on library grounds, but because that proved to be crowded and overly warm, this year the program is being moved to Rudd Pond at the Taconic State Park, at 59 Rudd Pond Road in Millerton.

Park guidelines, including any related to COVID-19, will be enforced, but the change will allow for an expanded audience size and a chance to "take advantage of the beautiful surroundings, whether in the shade or on the beach," according to Leo-Jameson.

The concerts, newly dubbed



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Patrons of the NorthEast-Millerton Library's newly christened Twilight at the Pond concert series will enjoy scenes such as this one as they take in the free music of the popular Music in the Annex Concert Series, now relocated to the Taconic State Park Rudd Pond Area. The initial concert will feature Open Border Trio starting at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 5.

Twilight at the Pond, are free, but there may be a charge for parking. Donations are appreciated to offset the cost of the series, which is partially funded by grants.

So far, three performances are set, each for Saturday at 6:30 p.m., with additional ones in the works. Open Border Trio will perform on June 5, Ten Mile on June 19 and Twangtown Par-amours on July 10.

Both the book sales and concerts are one more step in a return to normal for the library, which was closed last year from March 6 until the end of May, when curb-side pick up, which is still available, began.

In June the library was open "by appointment only," until a full opening in the fall allowed a limited number of patrons in the building with safety restrictions in place.

At this point only 15 patrons and staff are allowed in the library at any one time.

"Now that people are becoming vaccinated, small group meetings including Mahjong, sewing and chess are taking place with masks still required," Leo-Jameson said.

For more information on library programs and services, go to www.nemillertonlibrary.org or call 518-789-3340.

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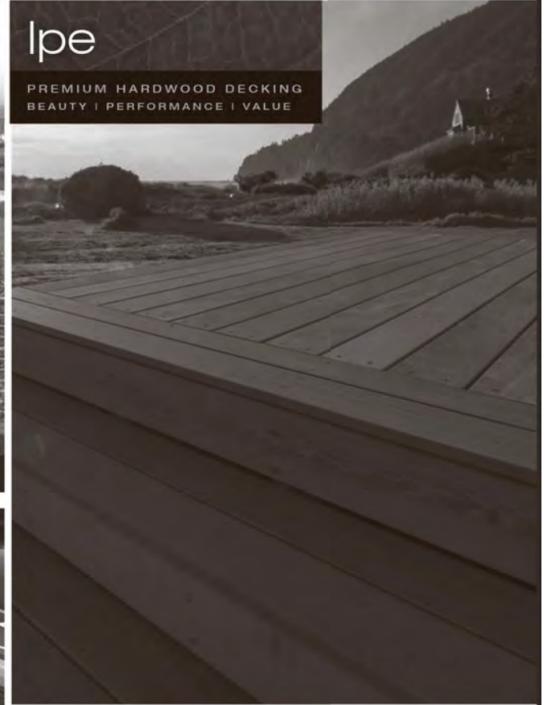
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OBITUARIES

Anton David Kuskin

LAKEVILLE — Anton David Kuskin, 85, professional flutist, died on his birthday, March 31, 2021.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he lived many years in Connecticut and Nova Scotia with his wife and companion, Sunny, with whom he shared a passion for folk art.

He founded Trio Sonata, which consisted of classic guitar, oboe and flute. They released five compact discs, and traveled throughout the United States and Canada. He had just written a book about their adventures on tour.

Anton graduated from the

Manhattan School of Music with bachelor and master's degrees.

He taught at all levels, from very young children to adults.

He was the head of the music department of Indian Mountain School in Lakeville and he worked in many institutions of higher education, like the University of Connecticut and many independent schools in New England and New York.

Renowned for his talent for organizing, arranging and playing, he was also loved for his sense of humor by his many students, colleagues and friends.



John Neufeld

SALISBURY — John Neufeld, 78, died on May 16, 2021, at his home in Salisbury. He is survived by his companion of 37 years, Winston Foote.

Mr. Neufeld was born in Chicago, Ill., Jan. 14, 1938, the son of Rhoda (Padway) and Leonard Neufeld.

He was educated at Phillips Exeter and Yale, and worked in publishing from 1962 until 1969, when his groundbreaking young adult novel, "Lisa, Bright and Dark," was published.

Between the time Mr. Neufeld graduated from Exeter and Yale, he came to Salisbury, he had written for radio, television and newspapers — and published 20 novels.

Moving from Los Angeles to Salisbury in 1998, John continued to write. His work has been published by Random House, Harper's, Atheneum, Putnam, Norton, Fawcett, New American Library, Penguin and Dial — and in Spanish, Dutch, Japanese, Swedish and Malay, in addition to English.

His first book, "Edgar Allan," was a New York Times Book Review Best Books of the Year and was called "a work of art" by the New York Times. A historical mystery novel for young readers called "Gaps in Stone Walls" was nominated for the prestigious Edgar Award in 1997.

His work received American Library Association awards, was cited by Time magazine, included twice in Best Books of the Year by the Sunday New York Times, and was cited for fine writing by the New England Press Association.

A recent work, called "April Fools," was set in Salisbury.

Eventually moving to Salisbury, Mr. Neufeld quickly became an integral and important member of the community. He was a vestry member at St. John's Church in Salisbury, and organized the church's annual quality used menswear sale during the annual Fall Festival.

In particular, he took an active and creative role in the Salisbury Rotary Club, where he created and implemented several highly successful programs.

Among these were the Rotary-sponsored breakfasts across the street from Town Hall in Salisbury during each presidential election; and the successful scholarship program for Northwest Corner residents who wanted to pursue a degree in nursing.

He was past president of the Salisbury Rotary Club and recipient of the Paul Harris Award, given to an outstanding Rotarian. He also served on the board of the Salisbury Volunteer Ambulance Service.

He shared his gift for writing prose with many residents of the Northwest Corner in his popular writing workshops.

He had two podcasts on NPR Station WHDD for 11 years, called "Political Safari" and "Good News."

And he taught courses at the Taconic Learning Center.

In addition to Mr. Foote, Mr. Neufeld is survived by his sister, Jane, of Manhattan.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 5, at St. John's Church in Salisbury.

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

Scott Brian Labshere

Scott Brian Labshere passed away on May 10, 2021, at the Tufts Medical Center with his family at his side, after a lengthy battle with heart disease. Scott was the son of Joan Labshere Hayden and the late Raymond Labshere.

Scott attended HVRHS, graduating in 1975. After high school Scott went to work for Anchor for 42 years until his retirement.

Scott enjoyed bowling, snowmobiling, mowing his lawn, cruising around in his truck, and visiting with his family.

Scott is survived by his son,

Keith Labshere and his boys Aden and Logan Labshere aoo of Canaan; his grandson, Chris Humes of North Canaan and his mother, Joan Labshere Hayden, of Clayton, Mass; his sister, Kimberly Labshere of Florida; and his brother, Layne Labshere and his wife, Cindi, of New Marlborough, Mass.

Scott was predeceased by his daughter, Tracy Labshere Humes; and his two brothers, Kevin and Adam Labshere.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, May 28, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home in North Canaan.

Francis Joseph 'Frank' Verano

TACONIC, Conn. — Francis Joseph "Frank" Verano, 93, died Wednesday morning, May 19, 2021, at Sharon Hospital. He was the husband of Dorothy (Kreivenas) Verano.

Frank was born Jan. 21, 1928, in New Britain, Conn., son of the late Mathilda (Squillacote) and Joseph Verano.

Following graduation from high school Frank enlisted in the Army Air Force. He enlisted on June 27, 1946, and separated from the Air Force on May 18, 1949, having earned the rank of sergeant.

Frank played football in high school and into the military. In 1947 he was named the Outstanding Player in the Grape Bowl in Exeter, Calif. After the military Frank entered college, earned his BS degree and became a physical education teacher.

He taught in both the Plainville and New Britain School systems and was actively involved with the New Britain rec program during the summer months.

Never one to stand still, Frank raised Christmas trees and had an orchard with more than 80 apple trees. An avid hunter and fisherman he was known in the Northwest Corner as "The Great

White Hunter" and "Mr. Salmon lures."

He served the Town of Salisbury as a constable. He was the first constable presented a badge by the officers of State Police Troop B in North Canaan.

Frank also had a love of animals.

In addition to his wife Frank is survived by his five children; 11 grandchildren; and his great-grandchildren. Special remembrances are held for his two daughters, Evelyn Caron and her husband, Ken, of Forestville, Conn., and their two sons, Brandon and Daniel of Plainville, Conn.; and Katherine Verano and her daughter, Kaitlyn, both of Waterford, Conn.

Frank was predeceased by his sister, Barbara Vinelli.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held May 24 in St. Martin of Tours Parish St. Joseph's Church in North Canaan. Burial with full military honors followed at St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Salisbury Visiting Nurse Association, 30A Salmon Kill Road, Salisbury, CT 06068.

Arrangements are under the care of the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home in North Canaan.

Alice Marie (Tanner) Tweed

LAKEVILLE — Alice Marie (Tanner) Tweed, 81, of Lime Rock Road passed away surrounded by her daughters on Saturday afternoon, May 22, 2021.

She was the widow of Thomas Edward Tweed, who passed on Nov. 13, 2003.

Alice was born at home in Millerton, daughter of the late Bertha (McCauley) and Arthur Tanner.

Alice is survived by her siblings, Arthur Tanner Jr. of Millerton, Helena "Lena" Francis of Millerton, Virginia "Ginny" Whitbeck of Lakeville, Gloria "Glory" Stickle of Pine Plains, Beverly "Bev" Stickle of Millerton, Diane Baker of Millerton and Charles "Charlie" Tanner of Millerton. She was predeceased by her loving sisters, Shirley Rivard, Carol Call and Cecelia Ralph.

Alice and Tom raised four children together, Christine Pease of Florida, Gary Tweed of Norfolk and Alison Tripp and Cheryl Duntz, both of North Canaan. She is also survived by her four grandsons; four

granddaughters; and 10 great-grandchildren, all of whom she cherished.

Alice was an avid gardener and you would often find her on the lawnmower. She loved being part of the Trinity family and devoted much of her time volunteering on many committees.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 5, at 11 a.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church in Lime Rock; burial will follow in Lime Rock Cemetery.

Memorial donations in Alice's name may be made to either Trinity Episcopal Church, 484 Lime Rock Road, Lakeville, CT 06039; or the Jane Lloyd Fund, c/o Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation, 800 N. Main St., Sheffield, MA 01257-0400.

The family would like to thank Foothills Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Litchfield County, especially Marsha Brown and Elder Care of Norfolk for all their care.

Arrangements are under the care of the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home in North Canaan.



Worship Services

Week of May 30, 2021

Call ahead or visit websites for updates on remote or in-person services.

<p>The Congregational Church of Salisbury, U.C.C. 30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! Online worship, Sundays at 10am www.salisburyucc.org Sharing God's shalom: Wholeness, harmony, justice, and joy! (860) 435-2442</p>	<p>Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon 9 South Main, Sharon CT Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 AM Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker All welcome to join us 860-364-5260 www.christchurchsharon.org</p>
<p>St. John's Episcopal Church 12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Rev. Paul Christopherson SUNDAY SERVICE 10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II) <i>In-Person and on You-Tube</i> www.stjohnssalisbury.org 860-435-9290</p>	<p>Greenwoods Community Church 355 Clayton Road, Ashley Falls, MA Sunday Service 10:30 AM Kidz Connection K-6th grade (during Sun. Service) Nursery Care All Services Pastor Trip Weiler 413-229-8560 www.greenwoodchurch.com</p>
<p>North Canaan Congregational Church, UCC Joyfully opening our hearts and doors to all God's people Pastor Savage Frieze 172 Lower Rd./Rt. 44, East Canaan CT Worship services Sundays at 10 am AT THE PILGRIM HOUSE 30 GRANITE AVE, CANAAN: FISHES & LOAVES Food Pantry and CLOSETS for clothing Tuesdays from 5 to 7 and Thursdays from noon to 2 www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational</p>	<p>St. Thomas Episcopal Church 40 Leedsville Road Amenia Union, NY SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30 ONLINE Visit our website for links Rev. AJ Stack 845-373-9161 www.stthomasamenia.com A Community of Radical Hospitality</p>
<p>The Sharon United Methodist Church 112 Upper Main Street, North End of Sharon Green Touching Lives - Lifting Spirits 10:45 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery Care No Sunday School in Summer The Rev. Margaret Laemmel 860-364-5634 sharonumc5634@att.net</p>	<p>Trinity Episcopal Church 484 Lime Rock Rd., Lime Rock Virtual Sunday service 10:30 AM Trinity Lime Rock Facebook page Virtual Coffee Hour & Bible Study Rev. Heidi Truax trinity@trinitylimerock.org (860) 435-2627 www.trinitylimerock.org</p>
<p>Promised Land Baptist Church 29 Granite Ave., Canaan, CT Where you will find: A Warm Welcome! Helpful Bible Messages, A Place to Grow! Sunday School - 10am Sunday Worship - 11am Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - 7PM (860) 824-5685 VISITORS WELCOME! www.promisedlandbaptist.org</p>	<p>Unitarian Fellowship of NW CT Join our virtual service on Sunday, June 13 at 10:30 a.m. For information, contact Jo Loi at jokialoui@gmail.com All are Welcome</p>
<p>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall Join our intimate Episcopal service via Zoom Sundays at 9am Email Rev. Mary Gates at: mmgates125@gmail.com for an invitation to the Zoom service If you don't have a computer you can participate via phone. We hope you will join us!</p>	<p>The Lakeville United Methodist Church 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:30 a.m. Worship Service Sunday School 9:15 a.m. "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" The Rev. Margaret Laemmel 860-435-9496 Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</p>
<p>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church 656 Smithfield Valley Rd. Route 83, Amenia, NY Services every Sunday 10 a.m. www.thesmithfieldchurch.org 21st Century Theology in an Historic Building</p>	<p>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH Immaculate Conception, 4 North Street, Norfolk St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 5 pm, St. Joseph Church Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary Sunday 11 am, Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm St. Joseph Chapel or Church Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078</p>
<p>Sharon Congregational Church 25 Main Street, Sharon, CT Visit our website sharoncongregationalchurch.org for current online sermons. Bible Study Guides also available by request: info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org Or contact us at 860-364-5002</p>	<p>UCC in CORNWALL Congregational Worship Sunday, 10 am Cornwall Village Meeting House 8 Bolton Hill Rd, Cornwall Outstanding Church School (10 am) Mission Opportunities Warm Fellowship following Worship 860-672-6840 FB - UCC in Cornwall Rev. Micki Nunn-Miller, Minister Welcoming all - including the LGBTQ Community</p>
<p>SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA PARISH 860-927-3003 The Churches of Sacred Heart, Kent St. Bernard, Sharon St. Bridget, Cornwall Bridge MASS SCHEDULE SATURDAY VIGIL 4 PM - St. Bridget SUNDAY MASSES 8 AM - St. Bernard 10 AM - Sacred Heart WEEKDAY MASSES Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & First Friday 9 AM - Sacred Heart Face masks required</p>	<p>Canaan United Methodist Church 2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT 11 a.m. Worship Service "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" Rev. Lee Gangaware 860-824-5534 canaanct-umc.com canaanctumc@gmail.com</p>

Memorial service:

The Rev. Richard Taber

SALISBURY — A memorial service for the Rev. Richard Taber, who died on Monday, May 24, 2021, will be held at the Salisbury Congregational

Church on Saturday, May 29, at 4 p.m.

A full obituary will appear in a future issue of The Millerton News.

Memorial service:

Randy Keith Wilson

SALISBURY — Funeral services and burial for Randy Keith Wilson, 67, will take place on Saturday, June 12, at 10 a.m. at Irondale Cemetery in Mil-

lerton.

A full obituary for Mr. Wilson, who died Oct. 30, 2020, appeared in the May 20 issue of The Lakeville Journal.



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Sports news online this week

We ran out of space in the print edition of this week's Millerton News, so readers can find the latest local sports news online, at www.tricornernews.com.

There you will be able to find sports columnist Theodore Kneeland's latest Bleacher Views along with the latest reports from

reporter Kaitlin Lyle on high school sports, including varsity baseball games played by Webutuck, Pine Plains, Millbrook and Dover high schools, as well as coverage of Opening Day in the town of Amenia. There are also some great photos to check out.

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Webutuck voters pass budget, elect new BOE members

By KAITLIN LYLE
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WEBUTUCK — The North East (Webutuck) Central School District (WCSD) welcomed the community's support as it held the annual district budget vote and Board of Education (BOE) election on Tuesday, May 18.

Running from noon to 9 p.m. last Tuesday, voters were instructed to head to the Webutuck High School gymnasium in-person, where the vote was being held.

Featured in this year's vote, eligible voters were asked to cast a ballot for the adoption of the 2021-22 WCSD budget and the election of four BOE members. Though this year's event was held in-person, district voters were given the chance to request an absentee ballot prior to the vote.

In a press release issued the following day on Wednesday, May 19 — the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA) reported that New York voters approved 99.2% of school district budgets. Furthermore, the release stated the initial statewide results gathered by the NYSSBA indicated "voters approved 660 school district budgets, while five were defeated."

Webutuck was among the school districts whose budgets received voter approval.

In fact, a total of 193 voters voted in favor of adopting Webutuck's 2021-22 budget while 126 votes were against it.

For the BOE election, incumbent Jessica Diester received the majority of votes with a total of 245 votes, followed by former BOE member Joanne Boyd with 234 votes, incumbent Rick Keller-Coffey earned 209 votes and former Webutuck health teacher John Merwin (who also taught various other subjects during his 30-year tenure) garnered 179 write-in votes.

"Several people from the district, parents and teachers, felt there was a vacant spot and that I would be a good fit because of my background," Merwin said after the results were tallied. There were only three candidates on the ballot for this year's race, which had four seats up for grab on the school board. "This is not something I was looking for but if there's a need and people felt I could be a positive influence, I was more than glad to help out."

"I would like to thank the Webutuck Central School District Community for their continued support of our students and programs," Superintendent of Schools Raymond Castellani remarked in the days following the district budget vote and BOE election.

Great Cape Baking Company continues culinary adventure

By KAITLIN LYLE
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AMENIA — With the menu changing every couple of days, customers never know what they may find when they walk into Great Cape Baking Company at 3330 Route 343 in Amenia. Yet between the café menu that features American food with a European flair, the baked goods handmade with care and the enjoyment of a new dining experience in a familiar setting, the café has unlocked a formula for success that keeps customers coming back for more.

From catering at Lime Rock Park in neighboring Connecticut and the Stockbridge Summer Arts and Crafts event in Stockbridge, Mass., to private catering, it's likely some may have spotted Great Cape Baking Company co-founders and fiancées Patience Thomas and John Kosma in business during the past two decades.

Given their success in the Tri-state region, Thomas said their business "just got too big" and they felt they needed to move into a retail space, especially with customers demanding that they find a space to set up shop. Their motivation doubled during the COVID-19 pandemic with new customers, clients and employees and as they started to supply area businesses and local farm stores with their products.

As they currently live in Amenia, Thomas said they would drive by the former Monte's Local Kitchen & Tap Room (where their business is now located) every few days and wonder. When they saw a for sale sign in the window, she immediately made a call.

According to Thomas, it took



PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

From left, Patience Thomas and John Kosma, co-founders of Great Cape Baking Company in Amenia, have been drawing customers into their café with an impressive range of homemade cakes, cookies, brownies, tarts and other delicacies for the last two months.

only a couple of hours to negotiate; they started talking to the Monte family in January and by early February they were building a bakery case. Since the building was closed for a year, renovations were simple: they just cleaned the space and installed the bakery case. Their biggest challenge was designing a floor plan that adhered to COVID-19 regulations, but Thomas said they're happy with the results.

The bakery officially opened on March 20, and is currently open on Tuesdays through Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and closed on Mondays.

Regarding their menu, both Thomas and Kosma make everything from scratch, on the premises and in traditional fashion. This means taking their time with each recipe they approach — from traditional mincemeat pies to making pie crusts by hand and English

muffins on a cast iron flat-top grill. And no shortcuts, which is why it sometimes takes them a little longer to regroup and get a product back on the shelf once it sells out.

Kosma emphasized the quality needs to be consistent, while Thomas mentioned they're very picky about ingredients and are quick to reject something if it doesn't meet their standards. They also like to source from local farms if possible. They source from a couple of individual growers in the area already, including Willow Brook in Millerton and Locust Hill in Millbrook, and they get their coffee from Raven's Brew Coffee, which is a huge hit with customers.

Because they clear the bakery case every day, Thomas said it's very hard to confirm their best-selling item, though she said their homemade English muffins are

especially popular. She added they try to use their bakery products at the café, including homemade breads when crafting sandwiches.

Though far from traditional, customers have been lured in by their Scotch eggs, golumpki soup, tourtières and other delicious dishes.

Though they encountered a few challenges in their first few months of operation — including the tornado that touched down in Amenia earlier this spring and Thomas getting bitten by a copperhead snake — she pointed out, "We've never closed, we've never missed a beat... and it's all going fabulously."

Looking ahead, she said they'll hopefully open a juice and coffee bar and start offering "light booze down the road for when we have brunch, and then we'll see where it goes — it's an adventure."

LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notice

Notice of Formation of CharlesNumberThree, LLC. Arts. Of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 1/22/2021. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1784 Boston Corners Road, Millerton, NY 12546. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Legal Notice

SUMMONS, NOTICE AND BRIEF STATEMENT OF NATURE OF ACTION OF CONSUMER CREDIT TRANSACTION SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF DUTCHESS Index No. 2019-53431 M&T BANK, Plaintiff, -against- CANDIDA FINK; JOSEPH FINK; RABBI MOSHE KALONYMUS FINK; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF LEWIS W. FINK, deceased; et al Defendants. TO THE DEFENDANT(S): ALL Unknown Heirs, Devisees or Personal Representatives of Lewis W. Fink and any of his, her or any of their successors in right, title and interest YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon plaintiff's attorneys an answer to the complaint in this action within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if the Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty

(60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to answer, judgment will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. Trial is desired in the County of DUTCHESS. The basis of venue designated above is that the real property, which is the subject matter of this action, is located in the County of DUTCHESS, New York. NOTICE: YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE COMPANY WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of Hon. Christi J. Acker Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, signed on May 6, 2021 and entered on May 7, 2021 in the DUTCHESS County Clerk's Office, in Poughkeepsie, New York. The Nature of this action pertains to a note and mortgage held by Plaintiff on real property owned by the above named

defendants as specified in the complaint filed in this action. The above named defendants have failed to comply with the terms and provisions of the said mortgage and said instruments secured by said mortgage, by failing and omitting to pay the balance due and owing and the Plaintiff has commenced a foreclosure action. Plaintiff is seeking a judgment foreclosing its mortgage against the real property and premises which situate in the Town of Dover, County of Dutchess and State of New York and is commonly known as 272 Lime Kiln Rd., Dover Plains, New York 12522 and all other relief as to the Court may seem just and equitable. DATED: May 10, 2021 SCHILLER, KNAPP, LEFKOWITZ & HERTZEL, LLP BY: WILLIAM B. SCHILLER, ESQ. Attorneys for Plaintiff 950 New Loudon Road Latham, New York 12110 Telephone: (518) 786-9069 69568.

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NOTICE OF DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL ENROLLED DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PINE PLAINS THAT A MEETING OF SAID ENROLLED VOTERS WILL BE HELD ON

Sunday, the 13th day of June, 2021 at 3:00 PM at the Lion's

Club Community Pavilion located at Stissing Avenue and Beach Road, Town of Pine Plains, Dutchess County, New York for the purpose of selecting and nominating candidates for the following positions to be voted on at the General Election to be held on

NOVEMBER 2, 2021:
Town Supervisor-2 year

term

Town Board-4 year term
Town Board-4 year term
Town Justice-4 year term
and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
Democratic Committee
Town of Pine Plains
Jim Petrie, Chair
05-27-21

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board invites sealed bids for the furnishing of all materials and labor necessary for the construction of the New Highway Department Building for the Town of North East, New York located at 6097 Route 22, Millerton, New York. This Contract has been designated, as set forth in these contract documents, including drawings and specifications, prepared by CPL Architects, Engineers, Landscape Architect and Surveyor, D.P.C., located at 64 Green Street, Suite 1, Hudson, NY 12534.

All such sealed bids must be received by the Town Clerk of the Town of North East, 19 North Maple Ave., PO Box 516, Millerton, NY 12546 until 2:00 pm on June 18, 2021 at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read out loud.

Copies of the proposed contract documents, including plans and specifications, and the forms of bids for the contract, are available for public inspection and purchase at the office of the Town Clerk, Town of North East, 19 North Maple Ave., Millerton, NY 12546 (phone 518-789-3300 x 603), Monday through Thursday 9:00AM-12:30PM and 1:00PM- 3:00PM, Friday 9:00AM-12:30PM, and additional Wednesday hours from 5:00PM-7:00PM, becoming available May 19, 2021. Pursuant to the provisions of GML 102,

persons desiring to take a copy may obtain them, subject to a deposit in the amount of \$50.00 for each set, payable by check or money order to the Town of North East.

All bids shall be made and received upon the following conditions, which are more fully set forth in the bid documents:

1. Only such bids as are made and filed upon the forms available in the office of the Town of North East will be accepted.

2. Bids are to be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked "Town of North East Highway Department Building," along with the associated contract (i.e. General Construction, Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning Construction, Plumbing Construction and Electrical Construction). Four separate contracts shall be let for General Construction, Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning Construction, Plumbing Construction and Electrical Construction.

3. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of five percent (5%) of the amount bid, payable to the order of the Town of North East, or a bond with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Town Board of the Town of North East, in such amount, conditioned that if the bid is accepted, the bidder will enter into a contract for the same and will provide acceptable security, in the form of cash, certified check or performance bonds, or letters of credit, as set forth in the contract documents, for the faithful performance of the contract, within 15 days from the acceptance of the bid.

4. 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. Upon such proper withdrawal of bid, the deposit shall be forthwith returned. After award of the contract, all bid

deposits or other bid bonds except that of the successful bidder will be returned.

5. Upon acceptance of the bid, if the successful bidder fails to enter into a contract pursuant to the requirements of said Town Board or fails to give further security prescribed in this notice within the time noted herein, then the check deposited as aforesaid, and the moneys standing to the credit of the same shall be forfeited to the Board as liquidated damages and not as a penalty and the Town Board shall collect the same or enforce the payment of the bond for the benefit of the Town Board.

6. All bids shall contain the non-collusion certificate in a form meeting the requirements of GML 103-d.

The Town of North East reserves the 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. Dated: May 17, 2021.

By order of the Town Board of Town of North East
Gail Wheeler, Town Clerk
Town of North East
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There was talk about needing to create a more welcoming and accepting community; practical ways to attract and keep younger people in the community, such as childcare and affordable housing; bridging the link between local and immigrant residents; and find-

ing opportunities to engage people and rebuild connections while adhering to COVID-19 regulations.

One question that drew a lengthy response had to do with primary needs. Responses included: offering a vibrant downtown for everyone; bal-

ancing the historic nature of the community with modern needs; and making sure the town and village remain vibrant by retaining young families with children who get actively involved with the community.

Participants suggested holding small-town festivals and other activities, like a community day, to bring people together. The former Millerton Community Day celebration and the village-wide Spring for Sound festival were cited as past examples of successful celebrations for all ages. Participants agreed that "communication and information is power" in getting the word out to people.

As a downside, some brought up the challenges in getting volunteers to help organize such events or even to attend them. A few participants even raised the "F**k Biden" flag that's been hanging off a private residence on Route 22 and how it affected their view of the village.

Next, Leo-Jameson asked what kind of things could be done to improve the community. Bringing the offensive flag back into the conversation, one participant suggested one way of confronting "the unfortunate flag" is to "overwhelm the environment with activities that confront it in some way."

MEMORIAL DAY *Continued from Page A1*

inside, they are still being asked to behave appropriately and to help make sure all ceremonies are conducted in a way to help keep everyone safe. Please note that some towns are specifically requesting that face masks be worn to their events.

Below is a list of local Memorial Day ceremonies being held in the Harlem Valley.

Memorial Day 2021

Millerton: Memorial Day will be commemorated on Monday, May 31, when the Millerton American Legion Post 178 hosts the day's events, with a parade and a ceremony at Veterans Park.

Before the parade, the Legion will proceed with its annual cemetery reposs, starting at 6 a.m. at the Post Hall at 155 Route 44 in Millerton.

The Post will raise the colors, fire three rifle volleys and play taps before proceeding to Spencer's Corners Cemetery where the ritual will be repeated. The Post will then proceed to perform the ritual at each cemetery in town, including Winchell Mountain Cemetery, Bockee-Wheaton Burying Ground, Bryan Burying Ground, North East Center Burying Ground, Coleman's Station Cemetery, Irondale Cemetery and Saint Patrick's Roman Catholic Church Cemetery.

The lineup for the parade will be at 9:30 a.m. on Century Boulevard, and the parade will begin at 10 a.m., proceeding down Century Boulevard to Main Street. The parade will pause at Harney & Sons Tea Room and the Webatuck Creek Bridge on Main Street as a tribute to the sailors and merchant mariners who lost their lives in war. Parade participants will proceed to the Irondale Cemetery to conduct a tribute before doubling back to Main Street where the parade will end at Veterans Park (located at 51 Main St.), where the annual Memorial Day ceremony will begin no later than 11 a.m.

Amenia: A Memorial Day ceremony will be held on Monday, May 31, at 11 a.m. at the war memorial at Fountain Square in front of M&T Bank at the intersection of routes 22, 343 and 44.

Led by VFW Post 5444 and the town, masks and social distancing will be required.

Pine Plains: The Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony will be hosted by the Shekomeko American Legion Post #426 and Pine Plains VFW Post #5519 and will step off on Monday, May 31, at 10:30 a.m. The parade will come down the streets of the hamlet and pause at the clock tower on South Main Street (Route 83) for a very brief ceremony, it will then move on to the Evergreen Cemetery on North Main Street (Route 83).

The town has advised that CDC recommendations be in place, which means participants should try to stay 6 feet from their neighbors, and wear a mask if they are unvaccinated or worried about spreading or catching COVID-19. A convoy to commemorate Memorial Day from Dutchess County will pass through town in the afternoon.

Millbrook: The village of Millbrook and town of Washington are conducting a joint ceremony for Memorial Day this year, sponsored by the VFW Post 9008. There will be a parade starting at 10 a.m. or as soon as the Dutchess County Memorial Day vehicle caravan passes through Millbrook, which should be around 10 a.m.

Following the convoy, the parade will begin, marching down Franklin Avenue toward the War Memorial at the foot of the Tribute Garden, where wreaths will be laid. From there, a ceremony will be held in the Tribute Garden, led by Washington town Supervisor Gary Ciferri.

Dutchess County convoy

The annual Dutchess County

vehicle convoy, which is part of the county's Memorial Day observances, will include a convoy of law enforcement and military vehicles that will travel throughout Dutchess County communities in two loops throughout the county, beginning at 9 and 11:30 a.m. on May 31, respectively.

Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro and Director of the County's Division of Veterans' Services Adam Roche, invite residents to participate to honor the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the nation.

"Sadly, many have paid with their lives to preserve these liberties, and we honor these valiant defenders of freedom on Memorial Day so their sacrifices will never be forgotten," stated Molinaro in a press release.

Residents are urged to hang American flags and children whose families who live along the route are encouraged to paint and draw flags to be displayed in their windows or on driveways.

The convoy's inner loop, which begins at 9 a.m. at the Dutchess County War Memorial, will travel through the following communities in successive order:

- Town of Pleasant Valley
- Town of Clinton
- Town of Stanford
- Town of Washington
- Village Millbrook
- Town of Union Vale
- Town of LaGrange
- Town of Poughkeepsie

The convoy's larger loop, which begins at 11:30 a.m. at the Dutchess County War Memorial, will travel through the following communities in successive order:

- City of Poughkeepsie
- Town of Poughkeepsie
- Village of Wappingers Falls
- Town of Wappinger
- Town of Fishkill
- City of Beacon
- Town of Fishkill
- Village of Fishkill
- Town of East Fishkill
- Town of Beekman
- Town of Pawling
- Village of Pawling
- Town of Dover
- Town of Amenia
- Town of North East
- Town of Pine Plains
- Town of Milan
- Town of Red Hook
- Village of Red Hook
- Town of Rhinebeck
- Village of Red Hook
- Town of Hyde Park
- Town of Poughkeepsie
- City of Poughkeepsie

For more information, go to www.dutchessny.gov.

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lives in neighboring Stanfordsville but works in the Pine Plains Post Office. She said she's never seen a moose in all her years growing up and living in the Hudson Valley — many of those years spent residing in Pine Plains. She stopped by her brother's house that evening.

"No, I never thought we'd be spotting a moose," she said. "It's great to see. Other people saw it in town, too... My brother saw it in person. He was very excited. He was so excited you can't believe it."

Holmes has been handling most of the publicity, sharing Sundberg's photos on social media and with friends and neighbors. In two day's time photos

of the young moose have been viewed more than 3,500 times online, she said.

"I had no idea this would happen; I thought I'd share a couple pictures with a couple of people; now it's out of hand."

Out of hand, possibly. But exciting? Definitely.

"It's really, really cool to see a moose," said Homes. "Everyone is so excited to see it. It's really rare around here."

For more information on moose in the Empire State, go to the DEC's website at www.dec.ny.gov/animals/6964. There is also a link to report moose sightings at that address, to assist in the creation of a moose management plan for New York.

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services, support was also provided at the scene from the state Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (which has its own police) and the regional dive and rescue teams, all from Connecticut.

Lakeville Assistant Fire Chief Jason Wilson said that by 5 p.m. no body had been found and the scene was turned over to the Connecticut State Police.

Apparently Dehlen used a rope swing tied to a tree on the west bank of the river, Wilson said.

The regional rope team and the dive team from Goshen also responded. The divers were on

the site at approximately 3 p.m.

Using sonar, the rescuers tried to find the missing man, to no avail. "There's a lot of debris in there, and it's deep," Wilson said.

The Housatonic appears to be much more placid than it actually is, especially in spring when the water is at its deepest. In addition to fast-moving water, there are also rocks and weeds below the surface that can grab swimmers and pull them down.

Extreme caution is recommended at these sites. State and local officials as well as nearby property owners remind visitors that parking is not allowed on the narrow roadsides near the river. When cars are parked along the shoulder of the roads, it becomes extremely difficult for emergency and rescue vehicles to get by.

THE MOVIEHOUSE *Continued from Page A1*

influx of new thoughts and ideas," but realized she couldn't do it all by herself. She then began her pursuit of new stewards to carry the theater into the future.

In a story published by The Lakeville Journal this March, The Moviehouse was listed with Select Sotheby's Realty for \$1,195,000; it soon received 11 bids. By mid-February, Sadlon had found her buyers: David Maltby and Chelsea Altman. Partners in life and now in business, Sadlon accepted Maltby and Altman's offer and soon introduced them as The Moviehouse's new owners.

Renovating the theater

Expecting to open this Friday, May 28, Maltby and Altman have already made impressive strides to create a smooth movie experience for their audiences, such as updating the theater's system and revamping the website, www.themoviehouse.net, so that transactions will be easier and save people time.

Altman explained their renovation is working in two stages: the two downstairs theaters will open for screenings on Friday, and then the entire Moviehouse will have an official grand opening on Fourth of July weekend, given the more extensive renovations taking place upstairs.

The renovation work downstairs, Altman said, is more of a "sprucing-up to add a pop of color," and indeed moviegoers will be dazzled by the bright shades of yellow, blue and red in the theater lobby, thanks to the updated paintwork and new carpeting.

Then, of course, there's the elevator: A massive renovation piece and a long-desired goal finally realized, painted red and established on the ground floor next to the second theater. The elevator is currently in operation, though customers will have to wait to use it with the other renovations still underway.

Walking up the theater's steep flight of stairs, what currently resembles a skeletal version of the first floor will soon feature a brand new lounge where people can come and mingle. In place of the theater's former cafe, there will be two new, larger bathrooms. A bar will soon be installed, carrying tasty snacks, alcoholic beverages and other fun items the theater can handle without needing a full kitchen.

The former cafe will be reno-

vated into a lounge space while the fourth screening room will house club-like seating, lounge chairs and couches to create a comfortable, fun feel and host any kind of event, said Maltby.

"The idea is to try to generate more of a vibe upstairs where people want to relax before seeing a movie," Altman said.

The remaining theater on the first floor will be kept the same as will the main two theaters on the ground floor.

"We're trying to keep the basics of the theater — the four screens — but enhance it and put our spin on it," Maltby said.

The show must go on

Avid moviegoers might wonder whether Maltby and Altman plan to change the theater model established by the Sadlons.

"Initially, I think my philosophy is to start simple and have the same great programming of films and get our audience's needs met and then build from there," Altman said.

She elaborated, noting they want to preserve the opportunities that were previously offered at the theater and then add more packages, such as a horror movie package or a cult classic package. Right now, she said they're trying to figure out what the community they're serving likes.

Already, Maltby and Altman have hired their general manager, Casey Lehman, who is now in the process of hiring the theater's staff — two of whom previously worked at The Moviehouse.

Similar to the Sadlons' vision, the couple plans to show movies seven days a week, but will close after Memorial Day on Tuesday, June 1, due to the launching and staffing, and then reopen Wednesday, June 2. Tickets can still be bought in the box office, though Altman said they expect most people will buy tickets online and take advantage of reserved seating. After Thursday, July 1, all four screening rooms should be up and running.

Given how frequently COVID-19 guidelines change, they're planning to open with the existing COVID-19 regulations from two weeks ago: masks on and space between the seats, which will bring their capacity to only 33%. After that, then they'll continue with that model and see how consumer confidence is as they go along.

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Watching the nesting Bobolinks in the open meadows of Bartholomew's Cobble preserve reminded me of how important these open grasslands are as habitat. Many birds and other wildlife depend on these meadows to nest and nurture their next generation. As landowners, it is good to postpone the cutting of the fields until late summer to allow everything to fledge and move on. Audubon is one of the leading groups in Ct in promoting best practices for maintaining grassland habitats. For more information, please visit ct.audubon.org/working-lands/grasslands. Locally, the Sharon Audubon Center would be a good resource and can be reached at sharon.audubon.org.

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ART: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

Paintings Inspired by the Drama of the California Coast

Argazzi Art now has work on display from Suzanne Onodera, a painter who was born and raised on the West Coast but now lives in Ithaca, N.Y.

"I met Suzanne though another artist, who shows with her in California," said Argazzi Art owner Judith Singelis. "I had been looking at her work for a long time. She paints wonderfully, the strong brushwork and dynamic palette."

Onodera says of her work that, "These large-scale oil paintings depict a mood of unrest in the turbulent skies, mountain fires and deep azure pools, illustrating humankind's connection to place and nature" and addressing "themes of decay, loneliness, stewardship and regeneration; yet always present in the work is the beautiful, the mysterious and the ambiguous."

Singelis has six pieces by Onodera in the gallery on Main Street in Lake-



Suzanne Onodera's oil on canvas work, such as "Inlet" in this photo, takes inspiration from the California coastline but is not site specific. A new show of her work is at Argazzi Art in Lakeville, Conn.

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ville, Conn. They will be in the gallery until mid July, Singelis said.

Because of ongoing COVID-19 caution, there

will not be an opening party, but make an appointment to come in.

For information on Argazzi Art at 22 Millerton

Road/Route 44 in Lakeville, Conn., call 860-435-8222, email info@argazzi-art.com and go online to www.argazziart.com.



PHOTO BY PAUL B. GOODE

The Paul Taylor Dance Company, in residence this summer at PS21 in Chatham, N.Y., will perform "Company B" (photo above) as well as *Esplanade*, *The Green Table*, and *Aureole*.

A FULL MENU OF OFFERINGS AT PS21

About one hour north of Salisbury, Conn., is Chatham, N.Y., a town celebrated for both beauty and creativity. Among other offerings are the diverse programs at PS21 Performance Spaces for the 21st Century.

Lovely in normal times but especially comforting at the tail end of the COVID-19 quarantine, much of the PS21 program takes place in the center's outdoor pavilion. There is also PS21 Chatham/Pathways, where workshops and performances take place outdoors on the 100-acre campus's trails.

More traditional cultural offerings include the Modern Opera Fest, this year featuring three new

operas: "The Extinctionist," "Pan" and "Ipsa Dixit."

This year the Paul Taylor Dance Company is in residence and performing *Company B*, *Esplanade*, *The Green Table*, and *Aureole*; and "I am every woman," monologues directed by Nicole Ansari.

Chamber music offerings include the Escher String Quartet and the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra.

For ticket information and schedules, go to www.ps21chatham.org.

— Cynthia Hochswender

TRUE TALES OF TRUMP & SPIES

In the first live-author appearance in over a year at the Hotchkiss Library of Sharon, Conn., Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Barry Meier will be interviewed by Hotchkiss Library trustee and investigative journalist Brian Ross on Thursday, June 3, at 7 p.m. outside on the lawn.

Meier's investigation of private spying is detailed in "Spooked: The Trump Dossier, Black Cube and the Rise of Private Spies," about the shadowlands of private spying companies, the efforts of the media and government to understand this new billion-dollar business, and its impact on our everyday lives.

Meier is a former New York Times reporter who has won the George Polk Award for Investigative Reporting twice.

His earlier work, "Pain Killer," chronicled Purdue Pharma, its owners, the Sackler Family, and its best-known product, OxyContin.

No-cost reservations are required in advance (www.hotchkisslibraryofsharon.org/event/spooked), as are masks at the event. A rain date may be announced closer to the date.

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ART: LEILA HAWKEN

Two Illustrators Who Spoke to the American Soul

The Eric Sloane Museum opened to the public again on May 7, on the campus of the Connecticut Antique Machinery Association on Route 7 in Kent, Conn.

In advance of the opening, the small museum — dedicated to the painter and craftsman — hosted a talk about another creator of images that spoke to the eye, mind and soul of America: Norman Rockwell.

The talk was offered to a Zoom audience on Saturday, April 10.

Leading the presentation titled “Eric Sloane and Norman Rockwell: Art for the Printed Page” was Stephanie Plunkett, a resident of Sharon, Conn., and the deputy director and chief curator of the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Mass.

She also leads the Rockwell Center for American Visual Studies.

Introducing and facilitating the talk was Andrew

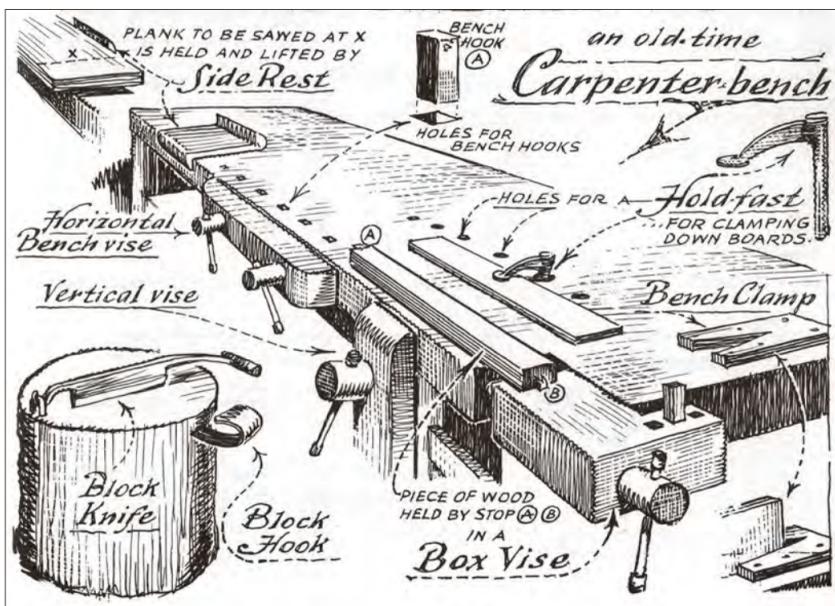


ILLUSTRATION BY ERIC SLOANE

Rowand, curator of the Eric Sloane Museum in Kent.

Alternating between the two “venerated visual chroniclers” and examples of their works, Plunkett described the selected “images speaking about and to humanity.”

In the mid-20th century, visual communication was through print media: books, magazines, pictures.

The two artists were contemporaries of one another (Rockwell was nine years the elder), but too busy to be buddies. There is only a fragment of evidence found in a handwritten note indicating that their paths had even crossed, Plunkett said, with Rockwell having asked Sloane for the address of a New Jersey artist.

THEIR DOORS WERE OPEN

Both artists were visual communicators who opened their studios to visitors, Plunkett noted, and

both produced substantial bodies of work. Sloane created an estimated 15,000 pieces and Rockwell, 4,000 cover story and advertising illustrations.

Sloane was known for his work in pen and ink and also as a foremost expert on early tools and Colonial American architecture, with a vast collection of tools (many of which are on display at the Sloane Museum in Kent) and a sought-after knowledge of wood.

Sloane was a prolific sign painter, adept at free-

The Eric Sloane Museum in Kent, Conn., now open, includes early American tools like this bench, which Sloane illustrated in his book, “A Museum of Early American Tools.”

hand lettering and typeface design, a talent he used as a young man to finance a trip across the country to the American West, Plunkett said. He found his way to Taos, N.M., a region he sourced for inspiration in sketches of the Western landscape.

Both artists studied at the Art Students League in New York City, but not at the same time.

Rockwell was a promising student who honed his talent for detail in his art, eventually using photographs for reference in capturing emotional facial detail for his paintings. Noteworthy among them were his Saturday Evening Post covers. Most everyone of a certain age can cite favorites among those.

“Rockwell created visual narratives that shaped our

culture and aspirations,” Plunkett explained.

LIFE'S ILLUSIONS, AND CLOUDS

Meanwhile, the multi-faceted Sloane was achieving additional success as a mapmaker, muralist and cartoonist. He was captivated by clouds against the sky. In fact, his first “clouds” painting was purchased by none other than Amelia Earhart.

He went on to create a giant “clouds” mural, which can be seen at the Smithsonian’s Air and Space Museum.

Although Sloane’s home and studio stood in Warren, Conn., the Eric Sloane Museum is in Kent on Route 7, on the grounds of the Connecticut Antique Machinery Association.

Rowand explained that the Stanley Works company in New Britain, Conn., had partnered with Sloane on the museum, attracted by his vast collections and knowledge of old tools.

Because the company owned property in Kent, they built a building at the present museum location, to house and display the tools. Later they donated the museum and its property to the State of Connecticut for management of the project. Sloane’s studio has been moved from Warren to the museum’s campus.

The talk was recorded and may be viewed on the website of the Eric Sloane Museum, www.eric sloane.com.

For now, because of COVID-19 precautions, reservations are required to arrange visits to the museum, which is managed by the State Historic Preservation office.

For more information about the Norman Rockwell Museum, go to www.nrm.org.

It is open for visits now, but reservation times must be arranged in advance and all protocols followed.

The fall festival of the Connecticut Antique Machinery Association is tentatively set for Sept. 24 to 26; go to www.ctantiquemachinery.com.

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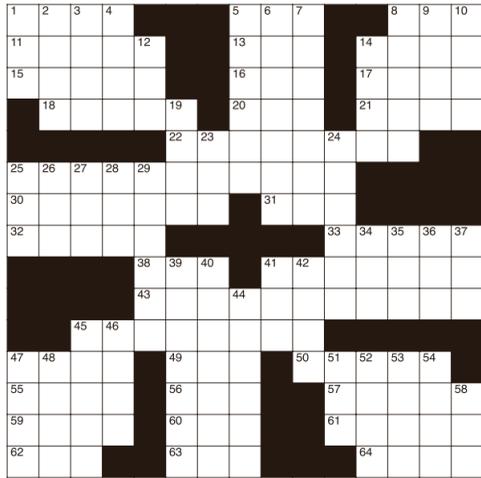
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13. Peyton’s little brother
14. Mexican dish
15. Disseminates info to the public
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17. Canadian flyers
18. Elongated mouths of anthropods
20. I (German)
21. Opposite of west
22. Glows
25. Measures how quickly a car moves
30. One who has gained wealth
31. Patti Hearst’s captors
32. Extensive landed property
33. Male aristocrat
38. For each
41. More fidgety
43. Very happy
45. A place to store info
47. Helps to heal
49. 12th month (abbr.)
50. Broad, shallow craters
55. Nocturnal S. American rodent
56. Frost
57. Ethiopian town
59. Curved shapes
60. Company that rings receipts
61. Spiritual leader
62. Sheep native to Sweden
63. Cars need it
64. Partner to relaxation

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2. Type of school
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4. Transmits high voltage
5. A way to occupy a certain area
6. Draws out
7. His Airness
8. Nocturnal rodents
9. South American plants
10. Homestead
12. Bland or semiliquid food
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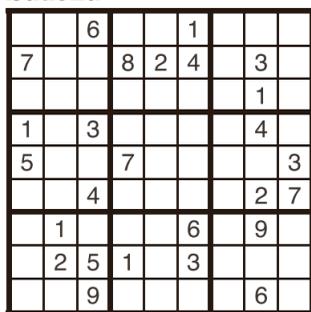


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36. Actor DiCaprio
37. Sea eagle
39. Avoiding being caught
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41. Belonging to a thing
42. Not us
44. Motorcars
45. Capital of Bangladesh
46. Ancient Greek sophist
47. Practice boxing
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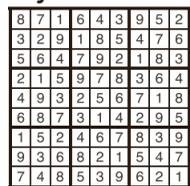
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PINE PLAINS/MILLBROOK

Board of Education passes 2021-22 district budget, elects new members

By KAITLIN LYLE
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PINE PLAINS — The Pine Plains Central School District (PPCSD) was pleased at the increase number of voters at the school district budget vote and Board of Education (BOE) election on Tuesday, May 18.

Both the district's 2021-22 budget vote and BOE election were held in-person last Tuesday at Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School. From 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., eligible voters were directed to the school cafeteria where the ballots were cast.

"This election turnout is slightly higher than two years ago, the last in-person voting," said Superintendent of Schools

Martin Handler the day after the election. "Our voting hours are the longest of any school district in our area. We encourage every qualified voter to participate."

In a press release issued on Wednesday, May 19, the New York State School Boards Association reported that New York voters approved 99.2% of school district budgets statewide on Tuesday — including in Pine Plains.

For the 2021-22 school district budget proposition, a total of 339 voters voted in favor of authorizing the BOE "to expend the sum of \$34,176,675 for school district purposes for the 2021-22 school year and to levy the necessary tax therefor" while 115 voters voted against it.

For the capital reserve proposition to create a fund known as the "District-wide Renovations, Reconstruction and Construction Reserve Fund" to pay for all or part of the renovation, reconstruction and construction of district buildings, there were 345 votes in favor of the proposition and 108 votes against it.

For the district-wide repairs and improvements capital project proposition, 335 votes were in favor of the proposition while 116 votes were against it.

For the three open seats on the BOE, a total of 374 voters cast their ballot for Jean Stapf, followed by 370 votes for Joe Kiernan and 360 votes for Anne Arent. All three BOE members were incumbents and will each

serve three-year terms on the BOE, starting Thursday, July 1, and ending June 30, 2024.

A month before earlier, the Pine Plains BOE held a special meeting on Tuesday, April 27, to vote on the proposed 2021-22 Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES) budget. Totalling \$4,856,000, the proposed BOCES administrative budget passed with a unanimous vote from the Pine Plains BOE.

Also at that special meeting, the PPCSD BOE elected Richard Keller-Coffey, Karen Smythe and Robert Rubin to fill the vacancies on the Dutchess County BOCES. All three BOCES members will serve three-year terms, starting Thursday, July 1, through June 30, 2024.



PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

BOE gets budget passed, LaVarnway and write-in LaBelle win election

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE
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MILLBROOK — Residents voted on Tuesday, May 18, for three propositions. The first was on the proposed 2021-22 school budget; residents voted that the Millbrook Central School District (MCSD) will be allowed to expend a sum of \$31,714,951 for the 2021-22 school district budget, an increase of .97% over the previous year. This is below the Millbrook tax levy limit of 1.28%. The budget passed with a vote of 233 in favor of it, 57 against it.

The second proposition asked for authorization to increase the maximum amount for its "District wide Renovation, Reconstruction and Construction Reserve Fund" by \$4 million, to allow for a total savings of \$10 million, from now until

2029. Any money saved will be for future capital projects to upkeep buildings and won't be spent without additional voter approval. This vote passed with 233 in favor and 62 against it.

A third proposition on the ballot was for the election of the candidates for the two open seats on the Board of Education (BOE). Claudia Heunis is completing one term on the board as is John Rudy, who has served for more than 20 years and decided not to run for re-election.

MCSD Clerk Cheryl Sprague received only one candidate petition, from David LaVarnway. LaVarnway, father of two youngsters, is new to running for office. Explaining why he ran, he said, "With everything going on this past year due to COVID, I have become more interested in the work of the BOE and the district and have appre-

ciated being able to keep up to speed by viewing the meetings from home."

By the end of the election, the two seats were filled, one by LaVarnway, who garnered 209 votes, and the other by Chris LaBelle, who was elected as a write-in candidate, receiving 101 write-in votes.

LaBelle has two children

in the district and has a PhD in child behavior. She's on the board of the Millbrook Educational Foundation (MEF) and previously served on the board of the Parent Teachers Organization (PTO). She officially accepted the position.

The newly elected BOE members officially begin their positions on July 1.

Blooming and booming plant sale

The Pine Plains Garden Club helped community members spruce up their homes with a little extra color at its annual Plant Sale, held on Saturday, May 22. Though the sale was originally scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to noon, eager customers began arriving at the American Legion Post #426 on North Main Street a half hour early to browse through the plants. The club was sold out by 11 a.m. Pine Plains resident Barbara Denerstein said she came just in time to purchase a plant, and was pleased to go home with some lovely impatiens before the sale ended.

PINE PLAINS IN BRIEF

Memorial Day BBQ church dinner

The Pine Plains Presbyterian Church will be holding its Community Chicken BBQ immediately following the town parade on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31.

Pickup will be between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Reservations may be

made by phoning the Presbyterian Church at 518-398-7117 and leaving a voicemail or by emailing dyanwapnick@optimum.net.

Takeout boxes are \$16 each and may be paid for with cash, by check or through the Venmo app (@FUPCPP/FirstUnitedPresbyterianChurch Pine Plains).

FRIENDS Memorial weekend book sale

The FRIENDS of the Pine Plains Free Library will hold a Book Sale for three days on Memorial Day Weekend on the second floor of the library, located at 7775 South Main Street (Route 82).

The sale will be held on Saturday, May 29, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. with a preview sale held from

8:30 to 9:30 a.m. for \$10 (members of FRIENDS shop for free). The sale will continue on Sunday, May 30, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. and on Monday, May 31, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Social distancing and face masks will be mandatory. For more information, call 518-398-1927.

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Millerton is showing signs of a strong recovery

COVID-19 hit New York hard, along with the rest of the country and the world. That includes those of us living right here in northeastern Dutchess County.

Since the pandemic was declared last March, a cumulative 29,320 positive confirmed cases have been reported in Dutchess County and 444 fatalities have been caused by or related to COVID-19, according to the New York State Department of Health, as of Monday, May 24.

Throughout the U.S., coronavirus numbers are now reflecting the progress we've made in battling the disease, through a combination of vaccinations, mask wearing, social distancing and scrupulous personal hygiene routines.

In the past seven days, as of Saturday, May 22, www.worldometers.info reported a 22% drop in the weekly trend of COVID cases in the U.S., with 192,090 cases reported on the 22nd versus 245,211 cases reported in the seven days prior.

Worldwide, it reported 4,291,781 cases last Saturday versus 4,992,883 the week before, reflecting a 14% drop. Again, signs of progress.

Cases are likewise dipping in Dutchess County, with just 10 COVID hospitalizations reported by the three county hospitals as of the 24th and 245 confirmed cases currently being monitored by the Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health (DBCH).

Improvements in community health have led to gains elsewhere. On Monday, May 17, Governor Andrew Cuomo endorsed the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) latest guidance stating it's OK for fully vaccinated individuals to stop wearing face masks both outdoors and indoors and without social distancing. That was encouraging, as throughout the past 15 months, local residents have tried their best to remain loyal and support area businesses however they could. We've seen shining examples of that right here in Millerton.

Since last March, village residents and those in the business community have been ordering take-out and delivery from eateries forced to shut their dining rooms so they could continue to operate; folks have been streaming movies and other entertainment services online to support The Moviehouse; they've made Zoom appointments with their yoga, pilates and other fitness instructors to keep them working; they've been ordering books, CDs and other unique items from Oblong Books & Music and picking them up curbside rather than from Amazon, for the same reason; they've been ordering baked goods from Rookie Farm Bakery and coffee from Irving Farm Coffee House and The Dig, grabbing their items curbside; and readers have been continuing to subscribe to The Millerton News and The Lakeville Journal, in print and at www.tricornernews.com, to stay on top of local news while continuing to support community journalism. People in this area have done what they could to support the local community, because, hey, they are the local community. We all are.

Yes, many people saw their hours cut or lost their jobs entirely while others lost businesses they had worked their whole lives to build. We are so sorry for those who did — we know it hasn't been easy. Hopefully those who struggled received federal support intended to ease the burden of the COVID crisis through PPP loans or some other means of financial aid, because that's exactly what such relief was intended to do.

The good news, though, the gleaming light at the end of what has been a dim tunnel, is that things are starting to return to normal. Millerton, for one, is beginning to look much as it once did.

This Memorial Day, Main Street will be booming, with The Moviehouse opening its doors for the first time in almost a year and a half after the pandemic forced it shut. It's also changed hands. Now, under new ownership, it will celebrate a new era with a new look inside. (Make sure to read this week's front page to learn more.)

Also in Millerton this holiday weekend, the Irondale Schoolhouse, a historic local gem, will be welcoming families for the first time in more than a year as it opens for its summer season on Saturday, May 29, at 11 a.m. A very excited schoolhouse association President Ralph Fedele will be on hand to let children ring the bell of the 1858 one-room schoolhouse (for more, read this week's article on Page A2).

Then there are the thriving businesses in Millerton, like the new Candy-O's at 28 Main St., as well as Millerton Wine & Spirits, which opened up last November after Little Gates Wine Shop closed in the same location at 34 Main St. The new wine shop has been making a great success of it. Also, Westerlind, at 41 Main St. (the former Saperstein's), opened Westerlind Food Pantry last September to fill the void of a local grocery market, offering unique, high-quality gourmet items for villagers who don't want to travel far when they have a sudden craving for something tasty.

These are all positive signs that our Harlem Valley towns and villages are slowly reawakening after the pandemic. We are now coming out on the other side, hopefully in one piece, ready to support one another in any way we can.

Let's show each other that support, that solidarity, as we all know how to do so well.

Once you feel up to it, try to get out into your community and support your fellow businessmen and women, your local organizations and your local towns and villages. They — you — we — will all be stronger for it.



Vote Amenia Strong and your taxes will go up

A local real estate broker said to me the other day, "If your house (which I bought for \$35,000 40 years ago) sold for \$1 million tomorrow, the assessor would assess it for the new buyer at \$1 million.

Why? Because real estate assessments are based on Fair Market Value, and Fair Market Value is the price a willing buyer pays a willing seller in an open market.

According to a New York Times March 5, 2015, Real Estate article, the houses at Silo Ridge will be "priced at an average of \$5 million but are going up to more than \$10 million."

I spoke in favor of Silo Ridge then at the Planning Board because I knew the real estate assessments and taxes for the properties developed there would be good for Amenia's tax base. Now, the residents of Silo Ridge object

to their properties being valued at Fair Market Value — the price they paid for them.

What's fair is fair. What you paid for your new home is what it's worth: It's its Fair Market Value. And that is what a fair and objective assessor should value it at. I think New York State Case Law will support this longstanding precedent.

If the candidates for "Amenia Strong," all associated apparently

partment personnel and to Darius Robustelli of Northern Dutchess Paramedics, all of whom responded promptly to the scene and who exhibited calm and kind professionalism.

God Bless and Thank Goodness for our wonderful First Responders and to our Municipalities (and their taxpayers) who support them!

Kenneth B. Liegner
Millerton

Daniel F. Brown
Amenia

It may be May madness, but it's peaceful hunting

It was yet another interrupted late April night dreaming of the month of May's possible encounter with the King of the forest, the American Tom turkey. A bird folklore states Ben Franklin nominated it as our national emblem. Not true, though I believe Tom is a worthy runner-up. I do agree with the lore regarding Ben's beer proclamation. Tom is a more than worthy adversary that can literally drive me crazy. Completely unpredictable, with eyes like an eagle, senses always on ultra-high alert. He runs like an antelope and flies like a grouse — all 20 pounds of him, which never ceases to amaze me.

Almost always he out-

VETERAN'S CORNER

Larry Conklin

thinks or out-smarts me. Occasionally during the hunt I'm granted success using unorthodox tactics. Tom is accustomed to standard hunting techniques; he has adapted to those techniques and genetically passed his knowledge on to his heirs.

Something different, something Tom would not expect could seal the deal. Awaiting the break of an usually crisp though fog-ensured dawn one May morning, the awakening of a new day never ceases to

enlighten my soul. Tree buds are waiting to blossom and turkeys are still gobbling from overnight, they later roam about on their daily routine.

There is the predawn hooting of owls, the coyotes returning from a night of hunting and deer on the move. Ducks and geese tend to their new broods, ravens can be heard overhead; if you're lucky, a glimpse of a grey or red fox may be caught while watching the pileated woodpeckers make their shrill drumming. A bald eagle or red-tailed hawk may soar above or be perched in a barren tree nearby. I always carry a treat for curious chipmunks and mice. One might catch the rare sight of a doe giving birth to a fawn.

I have been chased and scolded by a hen turkey protecting her clutch of eggs resulting in a quick and respectful departure. I've had a great horned owl snatch a decoy from my hands as I held it aloft in predawn light. A turkey that hated a draft horse once stomped and riddled a decoy. An unnerving encounter with an enormous black bear within 20-feet of me prematurely ending a morning of hunting for me once as well.

Most May hunting mornings seem like they could lead to a brief nap, but those naps never seem to come about. If I am successful in my hunting, I

pay my respects to my quarry, knowing he could probably outsmart me on any given day.

If military members had a bird's cunning, ability, survival instincts and skills our adversaries would be more cautious. I'll likely be in the field this morning, attempting a low percentage win. Many of you may not understand this rationale, but old-timers, conservationists, hunters and anglers do. We imposed a hefty sales tax upon ourselves on sporting equipment purchases earmarked for the preservation of land, wildlife and fisheries. After the hunt ends at noon in New York, I might try that nap again, or try some trout fishing or take the grandkids fishing.

I am thankful God has granted me another year to pursue my sporting passions and share them with you readers and our youth.

This Memorial Day, please respect and honor those fallen soldiers who have given us our freedoms today. May God bless you, patriotic readers, and your families. Life is good. Enjoy each day to the fullest.

Millerton resident Larry Conklin is a Vietnam War veteran and a member of both the Millerton American Legion Post 178 and the Couch-Pipa VFW Post 6851 in North Canaan, Conn.

A summer to volunteer and reflect on a Millerton mainstay

More seniors than ever before are reaching the milestone of 100 years of age. By the Office for the Aging's (OFA) estimates, Dutchess County is close to having 100 centenarian residents.

Farewell, Florence

Over the years the "Celebration of Aging" has honored Dutchess County couples married for as long as 80 years (and counting!), and three centenarians who passed the 110-year mark that made them super-centenarians.

One such extraordinary individual was longtime Amenia and Millerton resident Florence Carroll, who passed away in April, less than two months shy of her 114th birthday.

Last year, Florence became the oldest person ever born in Dutchess County. A 1925 graduate of Millerton High School, Florence had become the third-oldest person in the United States. She is survived by three children, 11 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

OFA summer volunteering opportunities

The OFA has plenty of opportunities this summer for students seeking to fulfill their schools' community service requirements. Helping at the OFA Summer Drive-Thru Picnic serving your community is a great way to meet those requirements while gaining valuable

GOLDEN LIVING

Todd Tancredi

experience in intergenerational service.

For seniors seeking to stay physically and socially active, there are plenty of volunteering opportunities with OFA, including at picnics, exercise classes and more.

Email bjones@dutchessny.gov for additional details. A printable volunteering brochure and application is available at www.dutchessny.gov/aging. Not online? Call 845-486-2544 and we'll mail you the volunteering brochure and application.

Want to be a senior picnic guest?

OFA Drive-thru Senior Picnics reach capacity quickly, so if you'd like to reserve a spot at the picnic serving your community, call OFA at 845-486-2555 to save yourself a pick-up time. You can see the schedule at www.dutchessny.gov/OFApicnics — and if you're not online, just call us and we'll let you know your picnic's date.

Golden Living is prepared by the Dutchess County Office for the Aging Director Todd N. Tancredi; he can be reached at 845-486-2555, ofa@dutchessny.gov or online, at www.dutchessny.gov/aging.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thank you, Millbrook first responders

This past Saturday, around 8:30 a.m., a blue-sky clear sunny day, flowers-blooming and birds-chirping, as I proceeded in to the intersection of Route 82 South across Route 343, the front end of my Rav4 was sheared off and the vehicle totaled by a driver who blew through a red light at that intersection.

I want to express my deep appreciation to Officer Del-Giudice of the Millbrook PD, to the Millbrook Fire De-

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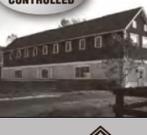
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