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## North East signs new two-year police contract with Millerton

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**NORTH EAST** — The North East Town Board approved a new two-year police contract with the village of Millerton at its Oct. 8 board meeting, after what town Supervisor Chris Kennan described as “months of work and input.” This is the first time the two municipalities opted for a two-year

contract rather than a three-year contract, even though Kennan said in an interview with this newspaper on Friday, Oct. 30, that “the town has been happy with the coverage the village provides.” The shorter contract term was suggested, though, “in order to pay more attention to how that coverage is done.”

Police services are provided to the town of North East through the village and its part-time Millerton Police

Department. The town pays for the service. In the new contract, it agreed to pay \$26,000 for the first year of service and \$26,500 for the second year of service, which Kennan described as being “very much in line with the amounts that we’ve been paying in previous years.”

Millerton Mayor Debbie Middle-

See **POLICE CONTRACT, A6**

## Molinaro releases \$502 million 2021 county budget proposal

By **KAITLIN LYLE**  
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**DUTCHESS COUNTY** — Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro unveiled his 2021 Executive Budget proposal to the public during a virtual forum on Wednesday, Oct. 28, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The fiscal document can be viewed online at [www.dutchessny.gov/2021Budget](http://www.dutchessny.gov/2021Budget),

as can an interactive Budget-in-Brief webpage, video messages from Molinaro and copies of the 2021 Dutchess County Budget Executive Budget and 2021 Capital Plan documents.

“We couldn’t have entered this crisis any stronger financially,” Molinaro said, “but the fiscal challenges have never been greater: significant loss in revenue, no federal aid in sight, cuts from Albany.”

However, Molinaro assured, “We’re not shrinking from our responsibility to build a government that’s smaller, that’s smarter, that’s more effective. Our employees, our team of leaders, are all working hard to be creative, innovative to meet the needs and demands of county residents and doing this without pass-

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## Look for election results online

The federal, state and local elections were on Tuesday, Nov. 3. Because each edition of our newspapers goes to press at midday on Tuesdays, the election results will not be available to us to print in the issue of Nov. 5.

It is also possible that the full results for some or all of the races will not be available on Tuesday night, as is traditional, or even on Wednesday morning.

Every year, we gather election results from the Dutchess County Board of Elections, which the State Board of Elections refers us to do, as do our town and village clerks. It often takes the county time to post results; this year we are expecting more delays than usual. We will post results online as soon as possible after they become available.

The numbers we post will only reflect how our local towns and vil-

lages have voted and who will be our state assemblymembers, state senator and our representative in Congress. We will not post national vote results.

Look for those numbers at our website at [www.tricornernews.com](http://www.tricornernews.com), possibly as soon as Wednesday, Nov. 4. And we will hope to share final vote counts in our print edition of Nov. 12.

— **Janet Manko**,  
Publisher and Editor in Chief  
— **Whitney Joseph**, Editor



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**World War One's youngest chaplain, First Lt. Thomas Henry Dean, grew up in Millbrook and attended local schools. He was ordained as a priest in 1917, a year early because of the war and appointed chaplain in August 1918. Photo and information thanks to Millbrook Historical Society Archives volunteer Jack Dean of New York, N.Y.**

## From WWI veterans, in their own words

By **CAROL KNEELAND**  
Special to The Millerton News

For more than 100 years, no matter the climate of the country, Americans have paused on Nov. 11, Veterans Day, to honor the sacrifices that young men and women made to keep our nation free.

With acrimony and challenges facing us all, it is especially important to recognize them and remember what our citizens can accomplish as we work together to achieve a common goal — the preservation and implementation of ideals and principles held dear since 1776.

As a reminder of that, *The Millerton News* will publish in three parts some words everyday local heroes wrote during World War I. Although their hometowns aren't listed, historian Betsy Strauss confirms they were all from the Harlem Valley, the majority from Amenia.

### Part I

Charles Benham explained why so many put their lives on hold and traveled across the sea to fight “The War to End All Wars.”

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## 2020 Harlem Valley Veterans Day ceremonies

**HARLEM VALLEY** — This year, communities throughout the Harlem Valley are commemorating Veterans Day a little differently due to the coronavirus pandemic and public safety concerns. But a number of local towns and villages are still holding events, some modified, to honor those who put their lives on the line to serve their country, past and present.

### Amenia

The VFW Post 5444 will host a brief Veterans Day ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. at Fountain Square at the intersection of routes 22, 343 and 44, in front of M&T Bank.

The VFW's Honor Guard will place a wreath at the base of the

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PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

### Wassaic gets ghoulish

This year's Wassaic Haunted Parade featured an exciting lineup of artist-made floats, one of which was teeming with inflatable ghosts and ghouls. For full story and another photo, turn to Page A3.



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# MILLERTON

## Women in Our History exhibit now at library

By ED DOWNEY  
Special to The Millerton News

MILLERTON — This year marks the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which secured the right to vote for all women in the United States. The North East Historical Society (NEHS) had planned to present a series of programs about women who had played an important role in the community's history. Ironically, the society's attempt to celebrate the centennial of an amendment, which was ratified during a pandemic, was thwarted by a pandemic 100 years later.



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE NORTH EAST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**This painting of Lettie Gay Carson is now on display at the NorthEast-Millerton Library, in the North East Historical Society's Women in Our History exhibit.**

Instead, NEHS has mounted a "Women in Our History" exhibit at the NorthEast-Millerton Library. It features short biographical summaries and images of Lettie Gay Carson, Violet H. Simmons and Dr. Josephine Everts.

These women all contributed greatly to this community — as an activist, educator and physician, respectively. Former village clerk, the late Barbara VandeBogart, said of Carson in 1980: "She's never been afraid to go right to the source, to knock on doors in Washington, D.C.

The energy she has seems to be untold. Anybody else would have given up. But she keeps right on going. And she isn't doing any of this for herself."

Viewers will also be treated to a "Who Was the First Woman To?" quiz. Come see the quiz and the answers. Tell the NEHS of other "First Women" who were connected to the village of Millerton and town of North East

that it should recognize. The exhibit will be up at least through mid-November. The library is open Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is closed on Sunday and Monday. Masks and social distancing are required.

*Ed Downey is the president of the North East Historical Society.*

## Tri-Town Coalition seeks stakeholder input on housing

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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MILLERTON — The Millerton-North East working group for the Tri-Town Coalition used its meeting time on Tuesday, Oct. 13, to enhance its understanding of how to solicit stakeholder input and find its holistic goal (also known as the "common North Star") to move toward fulfilling group actions and desired outcomes.

Starting at 5:40 p.m., the meeting was held via Zoom due to the COVID pandemic, welcoming Sam Busselle, Rob Kuhbach, John Midwood, Daniel Goldhagen, David Jaffe, Gregg Osofsky, Kathy Chow and Edie Greenwood as well as North East Community Center (NECC) Program Development Specialist Nathan Briggs and MASS Design Group Principal Chris Kroner. Following introductory remarks, the group re-capped its educational forum on the impacts of the pandemic on affordable housing from September.

It then heard a presentation from Kroner on MASS Design Group's process map. He explained that the map offers a framework to think about issues and potential solutions and how to make them actionable. The process also looks to bridge the divide between urban and rural environments by

seeking underlying communal songs and rhythms; designing solutions with, rather than for, the community; identifying the big movers and levers to work toward the consensus; and evaluating the metrics to measure progress toward desired outcomes.

The group discussed with Kroner how to apply the process. Members were advised to actively listen to their stakeholders to find their "songs and rhythms" and to go out and actively seek stakeholders' input. Acknowledging the importance of community meetings, Kroner informed the group that large group meetings are necessary to offer platforms for stakeholders to be heard, while small groups and individual interviews can be more effective and efficient in generating outcomes.

Seeing as how challenges like the lack of sewer systems in the local region can spur innovative solutions, he recommended looking to past innovations to "overcome factors inhibiting innovation," according to the meeting minutes.

Identifying the group's holistic goal, or "North Star," is key to addressing questions of scale and maintaining focus on desired outcomes while moving

through the process, Kroner advised. He added this goal will assist in stretching the group's actions toward its bigger mission and keep its agendas focused on active, productive and desired outcomes. Moreover, defining the North Star goal will add the needed trajectory to move it toward action and said outcomes.

The group considered how many issues in both the pre-pandemic and current pandemic community require a process that produces outcomes that are resilient to the COVID-19 era. In addition to being resilient to this era, the outcomes in question must be able to address issues that were there before the pandemic started and will be there after it ends, such as racial and economic disparities and equitable development goals.

The group also took into account that while elements with the Town of North East/Village of Millerton Comprehensive Plan have vision and "low hanging fruit" to generate action, new community perspectives are crucial in moving forward. Looking ahead, group members were asked to think about what the North Star is and how it would be defined as well as which tasks interest them and their availability to engage.

## Grants, trees and sidewalks reviewed by Village Board

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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MILLERTON — The Village Board was made aware of the status of a few village grants as well as the possibilities for next year's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) during its workshop meeting on Monday, Oct. 8.

With the entire board in attendance, the meeting was live streamed to the "Village of Millerton VOM" Facebook page due to the COVID-19 pandemic, around 6 p.m. After handling its vouchers, the board turned its attention to Village Clerk Kelly Kilmer for current updates.

Kilmer reported that the Annual Updated Document was filed on time on Thursday, Oct. 1, and the village is now ready to start the new fiscal year. Shedding a light on its Water Infrastructure Improvement Act grant, she said the village is scheduled to be on the Loan Committee agenda for this month and that it has all the sufficient documents needed. Out of the checklist of 15 required items, she said it is down to three items (soon to be two), including completing the insurance questionnaire and draft documents and submitting the village's completed executive loan council and bond council agreements.

Regarding the village's website, Kilmer said she wanted to get an overall view of how the board feels about changing its listed email addresses in order to be more secure and unified. As the board considered the benefits of this change, she shared her plans to speak to its information technology people to see if they can transfer everything from the old email addresses to the new addresses without los-

ing any information.

Mayor Debbie Middlebrook shared that she recently sat in on the public hearing for Dutchess County for next year's CDBG program. As far as what the village is looking to do with next year's CDBG program, Middlebrook said she thought the village could submit a CDBG application to cover the cost of its engineering study for its wastewater project. However, she explained that it can't submit an application for engineering or architectural costs as CDBG projects have to be tangible projects. Looking ahead, she said the board will have to figure out its next project, hold the mandated public hearing to garner community ideas and have everything set by November.

Having communicated with Village Trustee Alicia Sartori about potential CDBG projects, Middlebrook said there are still many places where the sidewalks could be redone in the community. Deputy Mayor Jenn Najdek asked if there was a project the town of North East is looking to do and suggested the village submit a joint project with the town, to which Middlebrook said the town hasn't mentioned doing anything at this time. Moving forward, Middlebrook said the village could look at redoing another section of sidewalk in the village. She mentioned that Sartori had a great idea to redo the section of sidewalk that runs along Main Street in front of the NorthEast-Millerton Library.

Middlebrook also shared that Trustee Matthew Hartzog had reached out to Highway Supervisor Coleman Lawrence, who is currently trying to get prices for removing a dead elm tree between the library and Lopane & Co. Hartzog said Lawrence had reached out to three different companies and received a price from only one. Hartzog asked Kilmer if it was

true that, if they've reached out and did not receive bids from other companies, they can go ahead with the one bid they did get. Kilmer said Lawrence has to document who he called and when he called, and document that nobody else called him back.

Hartzog said it was explained to him that Lawrence was given a price per day for removing two trees in the village, totaling \$2,500 a tree. He explained that this would only be for removing two trees, which he believed was included in the village's budget. However, he mentioned that the village is looking to remove another tree and turned the board's attention to the tree on Main Street in front of Lopane & Co. If the board decides to remove that tree, Hartzog said the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) might need to get involved, given the tree's location on Main Street, which is a state highway (State Route 44).

Kilmer said the village would only be able to afford one tree, as there's only about \$4,000 in the budget for removing trees. Middlebrook mused that if the tree on Main Street needs to be removed and if there's a possibility that someone would like to donate to help with the cost of removal, the village could get another tree removed. Hartzog said that he's driven past and looked at the trees in question and has seen that they're "in a pretty bad way," with visible signs of rotting through their trunks.

Middlebrook asked Hartzog to see if there's any other funding available for the project, while Kilmer reminded the board that the village is also purchasing trees to plant in the places where workers removed trees last year.

### Correction

The telephone number listed for Adopt-a-Family in last week's issue was incorrect. The correct number is 518-789-4508. The paper regrets the error.

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# Webutuck plans for second survey, deals with absenteeism

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WEBUTUCK — Between district administrative reports and feedback solicited from its principals, the North East (Webutuck) Central School District Board of Education (BOE) gained an insight as to how hard everyone has been working to ensure students stay on track during its meeting on Monday, Oct. 19.

The meeting was held on Zoom due to the COVID pandemic and is now at [www.webutuckschools.org](http://www.webutuckschools.org).

Director of Student Services/Curriculum and Instruction Jennifer Eraca reported her department is currently in the throes of conducting five-week individualized education program (IEP) reviews to ensure students are progressing, goals are being met and programs are appropriate. She reported the department is continuing to train with the special education staff, during

which time the IEP of a random student has been examined to make sure it fits all the criteria needed for any student 15 or older, to ensure it fits the district's secondary goals. Additionally, Eraca said the department is reviewing at least 30 IEPs and following specific criteria to make sure they're being written effectively.

Superintendent of Schools Raymond Castellani remarked the entire district has been doing the best it can under the current circumstances. He reported for the in-person learning model on Mondays and Tuesdays and Thursdays and Fridays, the district has about 160 students attending Webutuck Elementary School (WES), about 92 students attending Eugene Brooks Intermediate School (EBIS) and about 55 students attending Webutuck High School (WHS). For the remote learning model, there are 62 students with WES, about 108 students with EBIS and about 134 students with WHS.

Castellani said the district is in a good place with class sizes meeting the protocols and recommendations from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and health guidelines. He said the district has had to turn some students wanting to return away, with the exception of extenuating circumstances, specifically students with disabilities. The district is currently poised to send out a new survey in mid-November to ask parents and students where they stand in terms of wanting to return to school or remain at home.

"We anticipate what that will look like in any response because any high influx of numbers, we'll have to change our hybrid program," Castellani said, "so we're waiting to see what that looks like."

Once the survey is sent out this month, he said the district will keep the BOE posted, added that the district has worked through a few models for what

instruction may look like.

"I say all that with the hopes that there is eventually a full return and eventually that the governor and the Department of Health can relax some of their recommendations and guidelines because based on the current regulations and guidelines, there's not much room in our schools in regards to both room and staff," Castellani said.

Responding to BOE member Rick Keller-Coffey's question about what attendance has been like for the students learning remotely, Castellani acknowledged that while it's been good for the most part, there are students and families facing difficulties. He elaborated, adding the district has sent out its School Resource Officer on home visits to check in on students and district guidance counselors, social workers, case workers and building principals have been getting in touch with students and their families.

Tuning into the conversation, WES Principal Jennifer Hengen, EBIS Principal Matthew Pascale and WHS Principal Katy McEnroe shared the specific challenges they've encountered and are working to address in regard to attendance, agreeing it is a work in progress.

Throughout the remainder of the discussion, Castellani and his fellow administrators addressed the BOE's questions regarding, among other subjects, issues with mobile hot spots; tracking students experiencing connectivity issues; tracking students who are absent and have to go for COVID-19 testing; whether there's been an increase in absenteeism and whether that has any ramifications for students.



PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLE

From left, Jeanne and Pickle Gutierrez came to the hamlet of Wassaic to celebrate Halloween by dressing up in costume and watching the Wassaic Haunted Parade on Saturday, Oct. 31. For another photo, turn to Page A1.

## A haunting they will go

WASSAIC — Not even the cold weather could halt the Halloween happenings taking place in the hamlet of Wassaic as The Wassaic Project and the Wassaic Fire Company co-hosted a COVID-19 safe Halloween parade on Saturday night, Oct. 31.

In the moments leading up to the parade's launch, the hamlet sidewalks were swarmed with families and children both in costume and bundled up in their warmest coats. Everyone was required to wear face masks and maintain social distancing as they observed the parade.

After lining up at the Luther Barn, the Wassaic Haunted Parade wound its way through the center of the hamlet, starting at

5:30 p.m. and featuring a series of artist-made floats. Led by a grand marshal vehicle carrying a skeletal bride and groom on its rooftop, the parade featured a series of creative floats bearing inflatable ghosts, pythons, bats, skeletons and more as well as a few tractors and even a pair of butterflies on bicycles.

From "Thriller" and "This is Halloween" to the ever-classic "Monster Mash," music could be heard streaming out of some of the parade floats, while individually wrapped bags of Halloween candy were seen flying out of others, thanks to the generous donations of local businesses.

— Kaitlin Lyle



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Michael "Pondhawk" Gulbrandsen, architect of and facilitator at the Peace Sanctuary's Wisdom Trail, led a workshop along a walk as part of the Grand Opening on Saturday, Oct. 24.

## Wassaic Wisdom Trail offers sanctuary

WASSAIC — Nature enthusiasts and local residents were invited to explore the forest of The World Peace Sanctuary during the Wisdom Trail's Grand Opening and Walking the Trail Workshop on Saturday, Oct. 24.

At 10 a.m., those present embarked on a pleasant

walk along the trail with Michael "Pondhawk" Gulbrandsen, where they were encouraged "to become one with nature." At the start of the guided workshop, the group officially opened "the four directions" before proceeding to the trail entrance with "drums to the heartbeat."

Once they were in the for-

est, they were coached to try to feel the forest and view it through nature's eyes, to increase their awareness in order to relax and to be mindful as they walked. The workshop concluded with apple cider and doughnuts for all.

— Kaitlin Lyle

# Board saves \$8,454 with LED conversion, OKs fencing bid

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AMENIA — The Town Board made met on Thursday, Oct. 15, at Town Hall, with the entire board and its attorney, Ian Lindars, in attendance. It opened a public hearing for the tax cap override, which closed moments later with no comments. The board adopted a local law to override the tax levy limit for the 2021 fiscal year.

The board approved a resolution to authorize a streetlight conversion by New York State Electric and Gas Corporation (NYSEG) to replace existing non-Light Emitting Diode (LED) light fixtures in town with LED fixtures. Town Supervisor Victoria Perotti said there are 217 SC3 cobra head streetlights eligible for conversion to LED. The total cost of converting the lights to LED will be \$8,454.87, which will be paid for by the Wassaic and Amenia lighting districts, with an estimated annual savings of \$13,006 for the town.

Councilman Damian Gutierrez said while the board had talked about NYSEG choosing the wattage, it agreed to go with the recommended 3,000 Kelvin. Perotti added the town will get 10 credits toward its Climate Smart Certification by installing the LED lights.

Next, the board approved a resolution for a bid for approximately 290 feet of split rail fencing along the newly constructed Trail to the Train project, which extended the Harlem Valley Rail Trail from the

Metro-North Wassaic Train Station to the hamlet of Wassaic. Perotti said the fencing will be installed to prevent pedestrians from meandering off the Rail Trail into private property. After receiving bids from Millbrook Fence, A&C Fence LLC and Kindred Property Care, the board determined that Millbrook Fence was the lowest responsible bidder at \$4,800 and awarded it the bid.

A public hearing to discuss Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application ideas for 2021 was scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m. at Town Hall. Another public hearing for the preliminary budget was also set that night, shortly after the first.

The board approved a resolution to declare lead agency status and to adopt a negative declaration pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) process in connection with the revocable license agreement with Stoneleaf Construction LLC. Stoneleaf is the construction company behind the Silo Ridge development. Stoneleaf submitted an application to the Planning Board in February of 2018 for site plan approval for the conversion of the former Presbyterian Church on Route 22, now Stoneleaf property, into an office building. The town zoning code requires three parking spaces for every 1,000 feet of office space, thereby requiring a total of 27 parking spaces for site plan approval. Perotti said there were 16 parking spaces on the

Stoneleaf property and the application determined 11 additional spaces were required for site plan approval.

The board later raised the revocable license agreement with Stoneleaf for the use of 11 designated parking spaces next to Town Hall. Gutierrez asked Lindars whether this meant the spaces would be unavailable for other people in the town to use. Lindars confirmed that, in the instance of any town functions or town court events, the town has the right to use these spots. Councilwoman Vicki Doyle asked whether this would set a precedent for another business that's unable to provide parking that would be appropriate. The license agreement was approved by a majority vote.

Lastly, the board approved a resolution to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with Dutchess County to eliminate the necessity of referrals for local actions such as administrative amendments, etc. Lindars said this agreement has been in place for the last five years and described it as a one-year contract that automatically renews every year for five years. Referencing the local administrative and zoning actions mentioned in the agreement, he said the board would normally be required to submit an application to county planning for review when doing any of the actions. Through this agreement, Lindars said that action is cut out of the process.

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# PINE PLAINS

## From sewer to solar to zoning, Town Board tries to move projects forward

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PINE PLAINS — As the town continues navigating the hurdles the COVID-19 pandemic has placed on its path to progress, its Town Board has slowly begun moving projects forward, from achieving broadband access for all residents to budgeting for the 2021 fiscal year.

While the board has encountered its fair share of frustrations during the pandemic, town Supervisor Darrah Cloud remarked recently that she is excited nonetheless to get back to work.

"The pandemic really pulled the rug underneath us," she said with a laugh, "but I feel like we're back. It's slow but sure."

As far as efforts to secure broadband access, Cloud reported the town's Broadband Committee "is on fire." As of this time, she said the committee is working with Columbia County and other towns in Dutchess County — including the town of North East — to try to get broadband companies to fulfill their promise of providing access to everyone. The committee currently meets once a week via Zoom. Given the number of towns in the northern and southern sections of Dutchess and Columbia Counties affected by poor access, Cloud said, "I think every town supervisor around is trying to make sure everybody's got it because everybody's working remotely for school as well as for work [due to COVID-19]."

She also pointed out the county-wide push for broadband access taking place in Columbia County.

As an update on the town's sewer situation, Cloud said the board is still waiting for the engineer from Tighe & Bond to present some "hopefully innovative" ideas about a kind of central septic system for the business district.

"I think it's the business district that needs it only," Cloud said about a septic.

Because of the town's porous soil, Cloud explained historically, septic systems have worked really well in the hamlet, and so "no one will want to spend any money taking part in a sewer system that has a lot of operation and maintenance costs." However, she said that for the business district in the main

hamlet, a lot of the businesses aren't on enough land. Since the State Department of Health dictates how much land is needed in order for businesses to build an adequate septic system, Cloud said this limits the type of business someone can open.

The board was recently able to resume its review on zoning and creating a local solar law. Since the town has a moratorium on solar farming, Cloud said the board needs to draft a solar law to regulate how the solar farms can operate. She added that the board has been handling the various logistics on regulating solar farms. Cloud said the board is "still working out the bugs" for its zoning regulations and there are many interpretations and issues that need to be clarified.

## BOE's first in-person meeting Review of hybrid return and buildings survey

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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PINE PLAINS — The Pine Plains Central School District Board of Education (BOE) met in-person for the first time in seven months on Wednesday, Oct. 21, since COVID-19 hit New York in March. The BOE met in the high school library; the meeting can now be viewed at [www.ppcsd.org](http://www.ppcsd.org).

Introducing Tom Ritzenthaler, an executive principal with CSArch, an architecture, engineering and construction management firm, Superintendent of Schools Martin Handler said CSArch completed a survey of the district, which Ritzenthaler then presented.

Ritzenthaler explained the survey was a visual inspection of the district, which is required in 2020 and again in 2022, depending on the district's building conditions survey schedule. He went through the findings, gave project recommendations and budget estimates for work CSArch thinks is most critical.

After outlining the capital planning process, Ritzenthaler gave an abridged version of his findings. Among his recommendations, he pointed out the roof replacement needed at Cold Spring Early Learning Center and Seymour Smith Intermediate Learning Center; the masonry restoration, floor tile replacement and boiler replacement at Seymour Smith; and the replacement of the middle school gymnasium floor. Should the BOE decide to proceed with all of the recommendations, the total cost is estimated at \$7.7 million.

Breaking down the work by its individual costs, the roof replacement at Cold Spring came to just under \$2.4 million while the roof replacement at Seymour Smith was calculated at \$1.7 million. The masonry work at Seymour Smith

came to \$776,000 while the boiler replacement came to \$1.2 million and the floor tile replacement came to \$850,000. The replacement of the middle school gym floor at Stissing Mountain came to \$526,000. Totalling \$4.8 million, Ritzenthaler deemed the two roof replacements and the masonry work as projects that should be done immediately.

The projects would begin some time in the summer of 2022, at the earliest. BOE President Chip Couse reported on a later date that the BOE is likely to make a decision by its first meeting in December.

Handler, meanwhile, said the reopening on Monday, Oct. 19, went well and while they had a couple of bumps in the road, it was nothing the principals and Transportation Department haven't been able to resolve. He added every student gets checked every day before entering the school building, and that the students seem thrilled to be back to school.

In terms of moving forward with a hybrid return for students in grades sixth through 12th, Handler said he would like to reopen in stages to "get our feet wet and make sure it's manageable." He wants to look into a hybrid return for students in grades sixth through eighth with an anticipated return date of Monday, Nov. 9.

He said he wants to have two to three weeks of experience with the elementary school levels and see what's happening around the county first. As for Stissing Mountain students, he said he'd like to go through another two to three weeks with students in grades sixth through eighth with an anticipated hybrid return date for Stissing Mountain students scheduled for Monday, Nov. 30.

The BOE also adopted its 2020-21 goals, which can be read online.

## The past rises amid rainfall at cemetery tours

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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PINE PLAINS — The Pine Plains Free Library and The Little Nine Partners Historical Society cast a light on the past as they brought community members together for the annual Evergreen Cemetery Lantern Tours.

Hailed in the community as an autumn tradition to benefit their beloved library, the Evergreen Cemetery Lantern Tours have been drawing spectators out for a night of living history for the last three years. In spite of the COVID-19 pandemic, the demand for tickets this year exceeded expectations, and the library and historical society collaborated to meet the COVID-19 safety guidelines. Thus a video broadcast, as well as the traditional live version, were born.

"I think it's important to do this," said Little Nine Partners Historical Society President Dyan Wapnick. "I know because of COVID, we were a little bit unsure if we should do the live tour, and it turns out the demand for tickets was unbelievable."

Given how quickly tickets sold out, Beth McLiverty, president of the Pine Plains Free Library Board of Trustees, noted that one of the challenges they faced was keeping the tours small enough.

"They really love the stories, and when you have people dress up in period costumes and tell the stories, it brings out meaning and these are people that are really well-known in town," she said in reference to the cast that stepped into the historical roles.

This year's tours were originally scheduled for Friday, Oct. 30, before inclement weather rescheduled them to Sunday, Nov. 1. Just when it looked as though the rainfall would cause another



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**Featuring five new characters curated from the town's rich history, the cast and crew of this year's Evergreen Cemetery Lantern Tours brought the history of Pine Plains to life on Sunday, Nov. 1.**

cancelation, the tour prevailed, welcoming tourists bearing umbrellas and wearing face masks to 19 Maple St., the tour's starting point. Multiple tours were held from 6 to 7:30 p.m., timed at 60 minutes each. Even as the rain began to fall more rapidly and the wind began to pick up, tourists pressed on.

Rows of jack-o-lanterns illuminated the path to the cemetery, as did lit torches along the way. Tourgoers kept a safe social distance in the cemetery and while gathering near the gravestones.

This year's tour featured five new characters bringing stories from the past to life. Throughout the tour, all of the actors were shielded from the rain by tents.

Stepping into the role of Harry Jackson, Pine Plains' first travel agent, Matthew Brimer recounted the attractions that drew visitors into town, from the roller rink and midnight cruises to the town's status as a "sportsman's paradise." He also shed a light on Jackson's trade as a clockmaker and watchmaker and his work in raising awareness about the dangers of DDT and other pesticides

to the environment.

In the distance, a lovely melody performed on the fiddle could be heard rising from the gravestones as tourists approached the grave of Sarah McLellan, as performed by Martine King. Born in Ireland, King shared McLellan's memories of the traumas of the Irish Potato Famine and the British colonization of her homeland. On top of the famine — which impacted every aspect of life in Ireland — McLellan's decision to leave was motivated by her desire to find a husband. She would later meet her husband while searching for domestic work and ending up in Pine Plains. King broke into a dance set to the live fiddle and guitar music played by McLellan's grave.

In the role of Jacob Bowman, Thayer Durrel enticed tourists to linger by Bowman's grave to hear the story of the Bowman Opera House, now the location of the Pine Plains Pharmacy. As she sat for her portrait, Polly Husted (performed by Kristen Westphal) recalled farm life in colonial New York and the Husted family's influence in the local region.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### Legal Notice

A meeting of the plot owners of the Amenia Island Cemetery Association will be held on Tuesday, November 17th at 5:30 p.m. at the Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22 Amenia, NY for the purpose of electing trustees and for such other matters that may properly come before the meeting.

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### Legal Notice

**Annual Election of the Pine Plains Fire District On December 8, 2020**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Election of the Pine Plains Fire District will take place on December 8, 2020 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at the Pine Plains Fire House located at 7 Lake Road, Pine Plains, New York 12567 for the purpose of electing one Commissioner:

one Commissioner for a five (5) year term, commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2025. Only residents registered to vote with the Dutchess County Board of Elections on or before November 15, 2020 shall be eligible to vote.

Candidates for District Office shall file their names with the Secretary of the Pine Plains Fire District, Heather Lamont, P.O. Box 860, Pine Plains, New York 12567 no later than 20 days before the election, November 18, 2020. The candidate must indicate when filing their name which office they are seeking. October 28, 2020.

Board of Fire Commissioners  
Pine Plains Fire District  
Heather Lamont Secretary  
11-05-20

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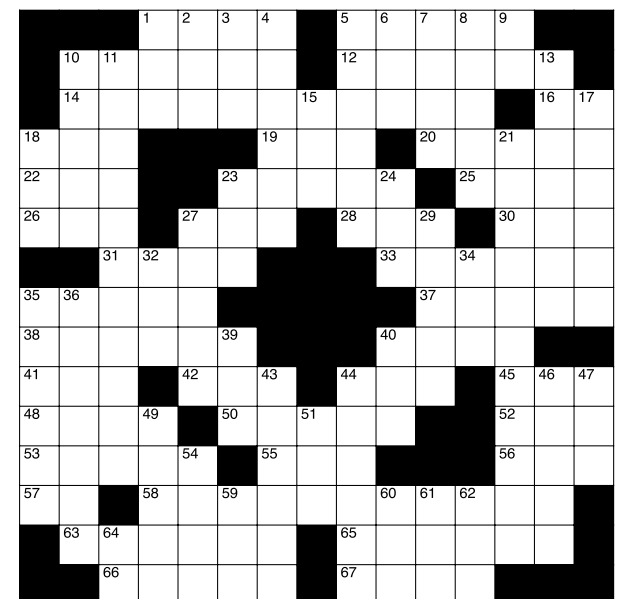
### CLUES ACROSS

- Upright post on a boat
- Sentimental person
- Native American tribe
- Wear away
- Where you're going
- Doctor
- Popular Chinese dialect
- One point east of due south
- Northern sea duck
- Note
- Wives (law)
- Trigonometric function
- A way to communicate (abbr.)
- Swiss river
- No (Scottish)
- Commercials
- Large instrument
- Chantilly, de Menthe
- Small, saclike cavities
- High and thin in tone
- Treat extremely well
- Famed track star Usain
- Secure web connection (abbr.)
- Rob of energy
- Paving material
- Cool!
- Tip of Aleutian Islands
- Indicates silence
- Water in the solid state
- Security interests
- Popular hoopster Jeremy
- Shed tears
- Low frequency
- Harmful bacterium
- Common language: lingua

- Standards of perfection
- They consist of two parts
- A detailed description of design

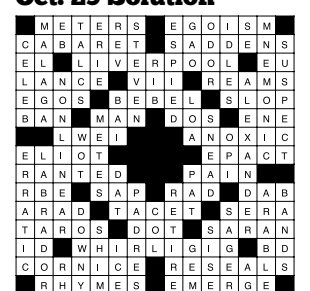
### CLUES DOWN

- More (Spanish)
- A subdivision of a play
- Japanese title
- More jittery
- Fabric
- Luke's mentor —-Wan
- Cleaving tool
- Ancient city of Egypt
- 36 inches
- Farewell
- Second to last
- Improved by critical editing
- Defensive weapon (abbr.)
- Fancy attire
- Farrow, actress
- Completely opposed
- Supervises flying

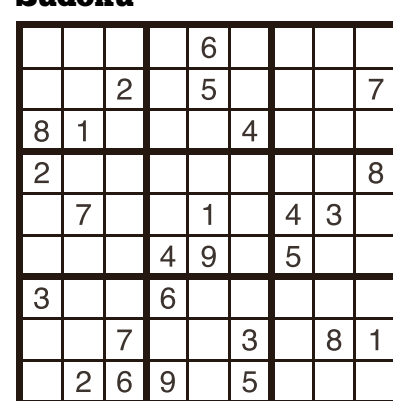


- Pouch
- True firs
- Mistake
- Computing platform (abbr.)
- Snakelike fish
- Greatly horrify
- Despicable person
- Tell on
- Ballplayer's tool
- Central Brazilian town
- Court game
- Land
- "The Partridge Family" actress Susan
- Retract a statement
- Data executive
- Capital of Yemen
- Portable computer screen material
- Electronic data processing
- "Matt Houston" actor Horsley
- Resinous substance
- Rural delivery

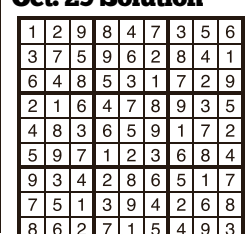
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# Trunk or Treat leads to sweet, and spooky, Halloween

WASHINGTON — Trunk or Treat was held this year at Washington Town Park. Some of the registered cars didn't attend, possibly because of the cold weather, but a dozen did, decorated and full of treats.

Washington Director of Recreation Chelsea Edson and Assistant Director Kelly Cassinelli were on hand, and were pleased with the outcome. They said that the number of children participating far exceeded their expectations. Everyone seemed to have fun, with plenty

of candy, some Halloween-appropriate music and face masks in place to stay safe.

There was no Halloween parade this year due to the COVID-pandemic and concerns about social distancing, but the Millbrook community went all out for its youngsters, with businesses like Juniper and Samantha's Sweet Shoppe offering games and treats, as well as many friends and neighbors from the area contributing to the festivities.

— Judith O'Hara Balfe



Sue Lengyel brought her daughter, Maui, 7, who moved to the town of Washington 14 months ago, to the Trunk or Treat event for Halloween on Saturday, Oct. 31, at noon.



PHOTOS BY JUDITH O'HARA BALFE

From left, Lily Trowbridge, 13, held tight onto Saki, her 5-month-old cat, at Trunk or Treat on Saturday, Oct. 31, along with her friend, Amelia Newberg, also 13.



From left, Eddie Greco, 10, Cory Cavis, 11, and Michael Phillips, 8, came from Pleasant Valley, with Dawn Nieman in the background, to hand out treats at the town of Washington's Trunk or Treat event this past weekend.

## MILLBROOK IN BRIEF

### Online Engineering Series for children

Young scientists can sign up for the Millbrook Library's Engineering Series by Monday, Nov. 9, to receive a link to virtual events throughout the month. Register online by going to [www.millbrooklibrary.org](http://www.millbrooklibrary.org) for details.

The Millbrook Library has joined with public libraries across the country and the American Society of Civil Engineers (ACSE) to provide exciting virtual engineering experiences for its youth patrons.

#### Calendar of events

Nov. 10, 14, 17 and 24: Viewing of the film, "Dream Big: Engineering Our World," an introduction to engineers and engineering for people of all ages.

Nov. 10, 1 p.m.: Women in Engineering hosted via Facebook Live featuring Menzer Pehlivan, one of the stars of "Dream Big: Engineering

Our World."

Nov. 10, 7 p.m.: Cities of the Future hosted via Facebook Live featuring civil engineer, Elizabeth "Liz" Ruedas.

Nov. 18, 5:30 p.m.: Black Engineers hosted via Facebook Live featuring geotechnical (soil) engineer Joanna Smith.

Nov. 19, 3 p.m.: Spanish Language hosted via Facebook Live featuring Minecraft builder, Fernando Ceballos, and clean technology engineer, Angelica Hernandez.

Nov. 20, noon: Chats with Change Makers hosted via Facebook Live featuring global team leader, Avery Bang.

More details are available on the library's calendar, at [www.engagedpatrons.org](http://www.engagedpatrons.org). For additional information, go to [www.millbrooklibrary.org](http://www.millbrooklibrary.org) or call 845-677-3611.

### Setting Financial Goals workshop

The Millbrook Library is offering a live online program to teach strategies to help its patrons set and achieve their financial goals. The Setting Financial Goals workshop will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 10, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

This class will be run by

My Money Workshop. More details are available on the library's calendar, at [www.engagedpatrons.org](http://www.engagedpatrons.org).

Register at <http://bit.ly/MillbrookGoals>.

For more information, go to [www.millbrooklibrary.org](http://www.millbrooklibrary.org) or call the library at 845-677-3611.

# Temporary constable in place, 2021 marathon planned, passing zone nixed

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WASHINGTON — The Washington Town Board met for a special budget meeting on Thursday Oct. 1, and then again later in the month for other miscellaneous business on Thursday, Oct. 8. All board members were present Oct. 8 with the exception of Al De Bonis, who passed away unexpectedly on Monday, Oct. 19 (for more on the councilman's passing, go to [www.tricornernews.com](http://www.tricornernews.com)); Town Clerk Mary Alex, Highway Supervisor Joseph Spagnola and Bookkeeper Lois Petrone were also present.

The first order of business was to accept the Leave of Absence Request from Constable Louis Spagnola due to the COVID-19 health concerns, which was accepted. A second request was made to appoint Louis Spagnola Jr. constable; at the time he was deputy constable. All voted in favor of the motion.

In a motion made by Turletes, seconded by Murphy, Judy Malstrom was appointed as the assessor's aide through Dec. 31, for a maximum of 10 hours per week at her regular pay. The motion passed.

Another motion, this time made by Audia and seconded by Turletes, rescheduled the public hearing for the 2021 preliminary budget for Thursday, Nov. 5, at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall and on Zoom, which passed.

Another motion rescheduled the Thursday, Nov. 12, regular board meeting to Thursday, Nov. 5, at 6 p.m. at Town Hall and via Zoom. It, too, passed.

Another motion by Turletes, seconded by Audia, scheduled a public hearing on Thursday, Nov. 5, to solicit application ideas from the public for the town's Community Development Block Grant application. The board passed the motion.

Audia, seconded by Turletes, then made a motion to join HGACBuy to join the purchasing group, the board agreed. HGACBuy is "a nationwide, government procurement service striving to make the gov-

ernmental procurement process more efficient," according to its website.

The board gave permission to the Eastern Dutchess Road Runners Club to hold the 2021 Millbrook Marathon, using the Town Park as the start and end point, on April 11, 2021. The club will be required to pay a rental fee (comparable to renting a large pavilion), provide for bathroom facilities, garbage pickup, safety and security measures on the property and throughout the course, provide general liability insurance and an escrow fee to cover any damages to the facility, including but not limited to parking on the grass. The Road Runners Club anticipates holding both a half-marathon and a marathon on that day with different starting times.

Spagnola informed the Town Board about a 20% reduction in Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) funding from the state. There are concerns

that the state will not allow municipalities to access its rollover balance, of which the town currently has \$200,000, he said. Therefore, Spagnola plans to move forward with a blacktop project off South Road from Route 44 to Tyrell Road at a cost of \$150,000, which was to be done the week of Oct. 20.

Audia then made a motion that Spagnola be allowed to solicit bids for two sander bodies, to be installed onto town trucks. The motions were seconded by Turletes and the board voted in favor of them both.

Spagnola notified the board that there has been an increase of garbage, including larger items such as furniture, along town roads. He requested the town institute fines and legislation so that the New York State Police or Dutchess County Sheriff's Office will have a specific code for violations to issue tickets. The board agreed. The town clerk will research how other municipalities have dealt with such issues.

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The board then voted to allow, at the request of Recreation Director Chelsea Edson, the removal of a tree at the Town Park for a cost of \$3,500.

Attorney to the Town Jeff Battistoni is reviewing a contract for the rental of Guertin Gym at Village Hall with the village of Millbrook.

A motion was then made by Murphy, seconded by Turletes, for a resolution to eliminate the passing zone on Route 82. A request was made to the state to remove the passing zone on Route 82 south of the traffic light due to increased traffic from the Eastern Dutchess Government Center.

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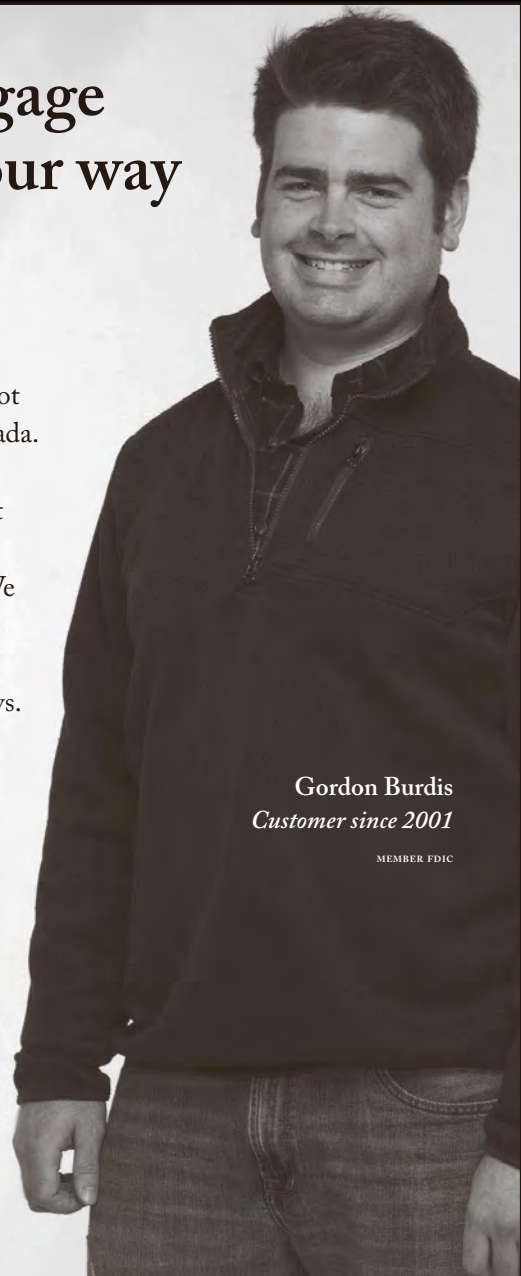
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**POLICE CONTRACT** *Continued from Page A1*

brook agreed, and provided details.

"Yes, the contract numbers have increased only slightly," she said on Monday, Nov. 2. "It has been the standard for the past several years for the town to increase their contribution by \$500 each year. That is also true for this contract period."

The contract amounts for the past number of years have been as follows: 2017-18: \$24,500; 2018-19: \$25,000; 2019-20: \$25,500; 2020-21: \$26,000; 2021-22: \$26,500.

"The town has historically contributed about 25% of the cost to run the Police Department," added Middlebrook, noting she was "satisfied" with the new contract. "I think it is important that these numbers be reviewed with each contract period and while the number of calls within the village and town does not dictate the amount of the contract, it should be considered as one factor."

Also agreed to in the new contract, a Joint Village/Town Police Services Committee, "which will be able to meet and receive input from village and town residents on policing practices in our community," according to Kennan.

"I think by and large they have done a very good job in being accessible and responsive," added Kennan, before explaining why he and the Town Board think a Police Services Committee is a good idea. "That committee will

have regular meetings, at which members of the community can come and provide feedback to us on how the police are doing; it's also a committee that can make recommendations as to police procedures, and this would be in conjunction with the work that Dutchess County is doing on police reform."

In the wake of the police killing of George Floyd this year in Minneapolis, which led to nationwide protests, a reawakening of the Black Lives Matter (BLM) movement and calls for police reform, Governor Andrew Cuomo issued an Executive Order that all police agencies in the state must re-evaluate their practices and policies by next April if they want to continue to receive state funding. Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro has already begun looking at police reform, and included a number of measures in his 2021 Executive Budget proposal released last week.

Kennan said the town is "still waiting for recommendations to come from the county," but in the meantime is moving forward with the village on their own police reform, noting neither the town nor village believe any substantive problems have arisen lately. Kennan did recall a few years ago, when "there was a concern that people coming from Connecticut or elsewhere in Dutchess County were worried they might get a ticket if they

came to Millerton. I think that has gone away."

He said nowadays, the force has been doing a lot of community outreach to keep residents safe during the COVID-19 pandemic and everyday life.

"They've been reminding people, especially on weekends, to wear masks when near other people," said the supervisor. "These are not what we think of police work being. They respond to calls for domestic disputes and they respond to calls about someone who has left their car idling with no one in it. There are so many less dramatic things they do to keep us safe. It's important to keep that in mind. At the same time, especially given the current climate, we want them to be well trained and highly professional and respectful of community residents."

Middlebrook, for her part, agrees the police force provides a valuable service to the community.

"I feel our Police Department has been doing an excellent job," she said. "They have been practicing community policing as illustrated by their positioning themselves in the village several weekends to hand out not only masks but bike helmets to people in need on the Rail Trail and in the village center. Everyone knows that our police force is part time, so we are not on duty 24/7, but when they are on, they are here to

help residents of both the village and town."

As far as the new Police Services Committee, which will include two members of the Town Board — Ralph Fedele and Lana Morrison — and two members of the Village Board — Matt Hartzog and Joshua Schultz, as well as others, Middlebrook supports the idea.

"In light of recent incidents throughout the country, I feel a Police Services Committee will provide residents with another venue to express any concerns or questions they may have about local policing," she said. "I think we are all very fortunate to live in this area and while we are not immune from issues, I do think we are very lucky not to have been impacted by the incidents we have seen nationally. It all begins with treating others the same way you would like to be treated."

The mayor added she's been working with Police Officer in Charge Mike Veeder, along with county leadership, "to revise and update police procedures to be in compliance with the governor's Executive Order. This will be completed at the beginning of the year and the Village Board will be looking for public input during this process."

While no firm date was set by presstime, Middlebrook said the Police Services Committee is hoping to hold its first meeting sometime this month.

**IN THEIR OWN WORDS** *Continued from Page A1*

He wrote that in the night, Germans had dropped bombs that lifted "the roof off all houses in the vicinity... one belonged to an old woman who had recently lost her two only sons in the war. So you see there are worse things than living in America just now — it is something that every soldier here is glad of, that their people are spared some of these incidentals of modern war." Sept. 28, 1918

*Occasionally, deep feelings and derogatory terms were expressed, which The Millerton News does not approve of or condone but included for the sake of historical accuracy. It is hoped that knowing these onetime foes are now our allies, we can remember that even the most bitter of enemies can overcome differences and form friendships that benefit all.*

Milo Winchester wrote, "Fritz doesn't like the weapons we are using, but you know the pig always squeals when he is getting pinched... maybe you can't blame Fritz so much, but the worst is far too good for him." July 21, 1918

But the war also allowed combatants to know others. A thoughtful Benham wrote he was exposed to British and French who "seem to think quite differently" and "groups of soldiers with their big turbans... in fact, every species of man on the face of the globe." Watching German prisoners, he concluded, "I had somehow gotten the feeling that I was going to see some kind of two-horned monsters in the ones over here. But I have seen some mighty fine and apparently brainy men among them." Sept. 2, 1918

No matter their feelings, fear and death were constant companions as these Doughboys from rural America passed barren landscapes and lonely crosses by the roadside.

In his War Diary, Willard Joray wrote of a "spooky atmosphere" with "abundant" dead horses and entire villages destroyed with only a church standing to "tell the passer-by where once lived human beings." Sept. 25, 1918

After seeing a British scout plane crash, he mused, "As they came down I wondered what

they were thinking about — if they were thinking. They were both killed." Sept. 13, 1918

Joray wrote further of the random fates of war. Searching for wine in a village but finding only milk, he marveled, "We were only out of the town two minutes when six bombs were dropped, killing several French women and completely wrecking two homes." Aug. 24, 1918

Then, just before the armistice, the worst happened. Two town of North East soldiers, William J. McLaughlin and John K. Smith, were both killed within miles of one another. McLaughlin's sister received the following letter from his fellow Marine:

Dear Mrs. Diegnan:  
Am writing you as a friend of your brother. We promised to write for each other. He was killed Nov. 1, at 6:30 a.m. just as he went over the top, on the Meuse and Argonne front.

He had just fired a machine gun barrage for the infantry to advance and then we started forward. He was leading us through a storm of German shells when he was hit. I was only 30 feet behind him and when I got to him it was all over.

So thank God he didn't suffer and he was not mangled like so many.

He had charge of my squad since the St. Mihiel drive. After all he went through it seems hard to think that there were but ten days more, and this his fate.

I have a remembrance which he got in Chateau Thierry and will mail it to you. He carried it till he went into the last drive, and gave it to a teamster to keep for him but I have it now.

His friend, Guy E. Moore  
P.S. Please accept my deepest regards from the 77th company. Mrs. Diegnan, many have paid the price but none more brave than he. He was loved by his company.

*Read full letters transcribed by Amenia Historical Society's Betsy Strauss at www.ameniah.org. Thanks to her and North East Historical Society President Ed Downey of the Downey Family Archives.*

**COUNTY BUDGET** *Continued from Page A1*

ing the burden onto you. We're not going to raise taxes — we're going to hold the line on spending and we're going to make this government as effective and as efficient as possible."

While the total appropriations amounts to \$501,832,097, the 2021 executive budget proposes a reduction in county spending by more than \$18 million (or 3.6%), a workforce reduction with no layoffs and no increase to property taxes. It hopes to reduce the property tax rate and levy for the sixth consecutive year, providing a 2.5% average tax rate reduction for county residents. Reviewing a chart depicting the changes in spending by budget area, the greatest budget reduction was identified in personnel spending, which was reduced by \$197.2 million (indicating a \$9.2 million reduction from the 2020 modified budget), followed by a \$135 million reduction in mandated payments and a \$76.1 million reduction in contracted services.

According to a recent statement from Molinaro's office, the proposed Executive Bud-

get's property tax levy has been calculated at \$105,331,099 while the tax rate has been calculated at \$3.18 per \$1,000 of true value assessments. The amount to be raised by taxes has been calculated at \$105,331,100.

During the last six years, Dutchess County's tax base has increased to \$33.2 billion in 2021 with a continued focus on economic development and job growth. Following the county's voluntary retirement/separation incentive program offered this past summer, more than 150 employees were approved for the incentive and will leave county employment by the end of the year. As a result, positions will be eliminated, held vacant or offset with other position savings in next year's budget, totaling nearly \$11 million in savings.

Among the various programs and initiatives featured in next year's Executive Budget proposal, Dutchess County has proposed multiple initiatives to address homelessness and housing needs, such as new eviction prevention resources and rental support programming as well

as safe and central homeless services. With a proposed 40% increase in the county's Path to Promise investment, the county will continue its investment in its children and families with new initiatives such as the Youth Advocated program, pre-school readiness support for parents and training for high-quality day care providers through its Day One initiative.

On the subject of police reform, the 2021 Executive Budget has proposed funding for procedural justice, implicit bias and crisis intervention training and critical initiatives, such as mandatory body cameras for county sheriff deputies and changes to the police exam qualifications "to develop a more diverse candidate pool for police agency hiring," according to Molinaro's office.

In terms of mental health, the proposed budget will continue to invest in on-demand community mental health services as well as the county's 24/7 mental health HELPLINE and medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorders.

Other highlights include \$1 million in continued investment in the Agency Partner Grant program to support community nonprofits addressing common needs; more than \$24 million that will be invested in roads and bridges as part of the county's Capital Plan and operating budget; and \$1.4 million that will be invested in Dutchess Tourism, Inc., for regional tourism and arts promotion. The 2021 Executive Budget also plans to allocate nearly \$350,000 for the Think Dutchess Alliance for Business to support business retention, attraction and expansion; invest \$270,556 in funding for Arts Mid-Hudson; and invest in agriculture with more than \$700,000 for the Cornell Cooperative Extension in Millbrook.

County residents will be able to ask questions and share feedback about next year's proposed budget at three virtual town hall forums scheduled for this month. The first will be on Tuesday, Nov. 10, at noon on the "Dutchess County Government" Facebook page. The second will be at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 12, during the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce Virtual Breakfast, which will be open to all, though county residents must register online via the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce website at www.dccoc.org. The last forum will be held on Thursday, Nov. 19, at 6 p.m. on the "Dutchess County Government" Facebook page.

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

**VETERANS DAY** *Continued from Page A1*

wall commemorating Amenia's veterans. There will be no speeches. Attendees are asked to wear masks and remain socially distanced, keeping 6 feet apart from each other.

**Millerton**

The Millerton American Legion Post 178 will conduct Veterans Day Observances at Veterans Park at the intersection of Main Street and Dutchess Avenue on Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. to pay tribute to local veterans. No keynote speaker is scheduled.

Veterans Day observances are historically small in Millerton, according to the Legion, so crowd size and social distancing should not pose a problem. Everyone attending must wear a face mask. There will not be a community lunch this year at the Post following the park ceremony due to COVID-19.

**Pine Plains**

The Pine Plains American Legion Post 426 and Pine Plains VFW Post 5519 will celebrate Veterans Day this year, on Saturday, Nov. 7, at 11 a.m.

at the American Legion Hall at 9 North Main St.

There will be a guest speaker, to be announced, along with a veterans-related reading. Students from Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School will also be present, dressed in different military garb from throughout U.S. history.

The community is invited to attend, though asked to respect social distancing protocols and wear face masks due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

— Whitney Joseph

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# COMPASS

Your Guide to Tri-State Events

November 5-11, 2020



PHOTO BY ERIN PATRICE O'BRIEN

Brandee Younger's graceful, gentle harp enhances and entices listeners into an appreciation of modern jazz music. She and her trio perform with the Hudson Jazz Festival on Nov. 14.

MUSIC: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

## The Harp as a Portal to Complex Jazz, Starting Nov. 14

The harp isn't an instrument you normally associate with improvisational jazz, free jazz, avant garde jazz, bebop or ... well, you get the idea.

But when harpist Brandee Younger plays alongside the sharper, harder edges of the traditional jazz saxophone, it makes it more accessible to someone like me, for instance, who often finds jazz a little acoustically forbidding.

You can hear it for yourself in a new Spotify playlist featuring Younger and other performers associated with this year's Hudson Jazz Festival. Better still, you can now get tickets for virtual performances at the Hudson, N.Y., venue that will continue through December.

This year's festival celebrates the music and

partnership of saxophonist/composer/legend John Coltrane and his wife, Alice, a jazz pianist/harpist and the love of Coltrane's life.

The Brandee Younger Trio kicks off the concert series on Saturday, Nov. 14, at 7 p.m. Tickets to the virtual concert are \$20.

One week later, on Nov. 21 at 7 p.m., it's the Marcus Strickland Quartet, followed by the Orrin Evans Trio on the Saturday after Thanksgiving (Nov. 28); the J.D. Allen Trio on Friday, Dec. 4, at 7 p.m.; and end-

ing with Camille Thurman and the Darrell Green Trio.

There is a related art and music show curated by Reginald Madison that explores making music at home during the quarantine. The artists included in the show are David Hammons, Bijan Mahmoodi, Marlene Marshall, Kris Perry, Richard Sandler, Tschabalala Self and Kianja Strobert. Visits are by reservation only.

Learn more about the concerts and art show at [www.hudsonhall.org](http://www.hudsonhall.org); discount pricing is available if

you buy multiple tickets or a package.

To get a sneak peek, look for the Spotify playlist called Hudson Jazz Festival: Special Edition. You can hear Brandee Younger playing with award-winning jazz saxophonist Ravi Coltrane, the son of John and Alice. To find Spotify, search it online or go to the app store on your phone.

### TRI-CORNER CALENDAR

Look for a new calendar of events at our website, [www.tricornernews.com/events-calendar](http://www.tricornernews.com/events-calendar). We will also include the calendar in our print edition as space allows.



PHOTO BY LISA VOLLMER

Photographer Lisa Vollmer has a show of her photographs of chickens (yes, chickens) at her gallery in Great Barrington, Mass.

### FABULOUS FOWL IN PHOTO SHOW AT VOLLMER GALLERY

You might think you know a lot about chickens because you live in the country, but you probably don't know how punk rock they can be. Photographer Lisa Vollmer has found the Patti Smith in a handful of chickens raised in the Berkshires by farmer and award-winning artist Natalie Tyler (founder of L'Atelier, a sculpture studio in Great Barrington, Mass.).

Vollmer's chicken photos are now on display at her own gallery in Great Barrington at 325 Stockbridge Road (Route 7) in a show called "Chickens: A Shared Curiosity," that will remain up until Dec. 31.

Visits are by appointment only. Call 413-429-6511 or email [contact@lisavollmer.com](mailto:contact@lisavollmer.com). For more information, go to [www.lisavollmer.com](http://www.lisavollmer.com).

— Cynthia Hochswender



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Jim Laurino of Litchfield took his mask off only for a moment as he accepted an "Award of Excellence" from Kent Art Association President Connie Horton (also only briefly unmasked) for his oil painting "Nonnewaug Barns."

### THE SHOW GOES ON FOR KAA

One of the pleasures of the annual art calendar is the juried show of the Kent Art Association in Kent, Conn. Happily, the association was able to host its show this autumn, as always, with prizes awarded in October.

There are 36 artists in the show, from Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine, New York and New Jersey.

The show can be seen at the KAA building at 21 S. Main St. in Kent. Masks must be worn (note that in the photo below, masks were only removed momentarily for the photo opp); social distancing must be observed.

Gallery hours for this show are 1 to 5 p.m., Thursday through Sunday. The Fall Juried Show is up through Sunday, Nov. 15.

The 2020 season will end with the Members Holiday Show which will be open Sunday, Nov. 22, through Sunday, Nov. 29.

Anyone interested in becoming a member can get information and find the application online at [www.kentart.org](http://www.kentart.org) or call the office at 860-927-3989 and speak with gallery manager Debbie Shiflett-Fitton.



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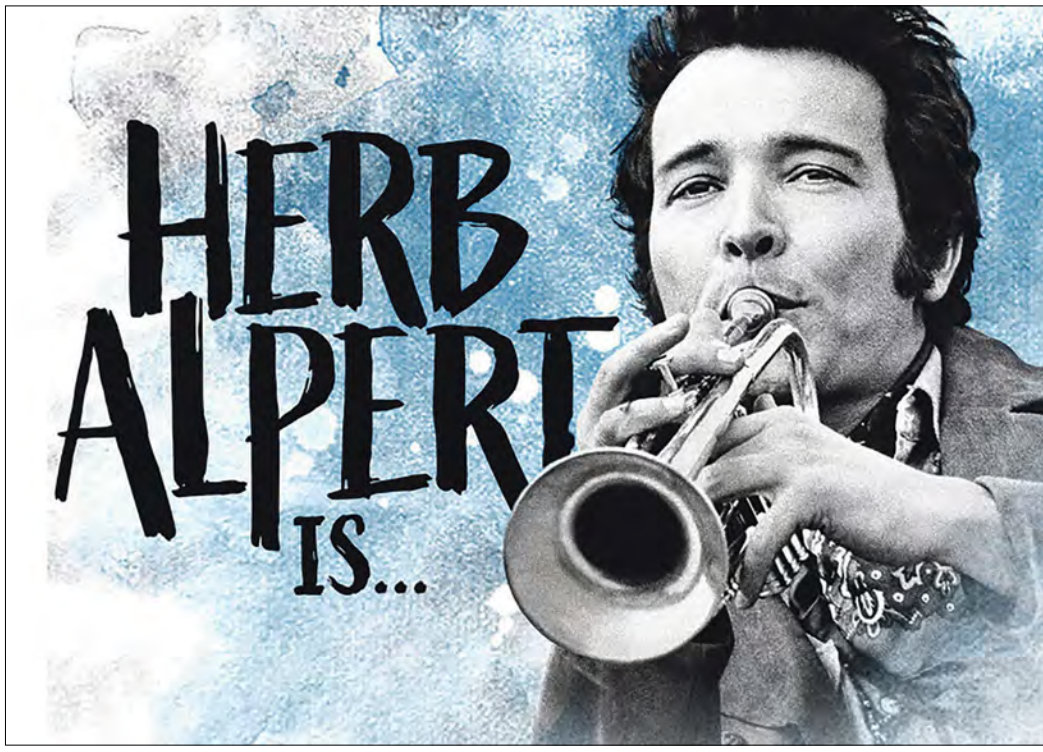
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PHOTOS FROM 'HERB ALPERT IS...'

The long and constantly surprising life of 85-year-old music legend Herb Alpert (remember the Tijuana Brass?) is the subject of a documentary film called "Herb Alpert Is ..." that is being screened online this month as part of the winterFlicks film series of the Berkshire Jewish Film Festival.

**MUSIC DOCUMENTARIES: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER**

## A Film that Distills the Essence of Herb Alpert (With and Without the Tijuana Brass)

If all you know about Herb Alpert is the Tijuana Brass ... well, that's probably OK, because the iconic 1960s band sure made some exuberant swingy jazz that still sounds fresh today and still gets your toes tapping and your hips swinging.

But the handsome leader of one of the top-selling musical combos of the era (outselling the Beatles at several points) is much more than just a charismatic entertainer and exceptionally skilled trumpet player.

He was also the co-founder in 1962 (with Jerry Moss) of A&M Records, which has been called the most successful independent music company in history.

The partners sold their label to Polygram in 1989 but continued to run the company until 1993. They signed dozens of rock bands, musicians and composers in a wide range of musical styles, most of whom (like the Tijuana Brass) continue to be interesting today. The list is diverse and includes Burt

Bachrach, Quincy Jones, Sting and the Police, Supertramp, Styx, Joan Baez, Cat Stevens/Yusuf, Sergio Mendes & Brasil '66 and, briefly, the Sex Pistols.

Alpert continued to play and perform into the 1990s, but (thanks in part to a lawsuit against Polygram that earned him and Moss \$200 million), he stopped working and devoted himself to painting, sculpture and philanthropy — and to being the interesting focal point of several podcasts, interviews and, now, a documentary film

called, "Herb Alpert Is ...". Shortly before the film was released in early October, a new box set of Alpert's music was also released.

Tri-state region residents can view the documentary (and the fun trailer, to whet your appetite) through the Pittsfield, Mass., Jewish Film Festival's winterFlicks series.

One might wonder why the trumpet-playing leader of a salsa-style band is featured in a Jewish Film Festival.

Joel Curran, an organizer of the festival, said

that, "Films are selected by a subcommittee from American and international sources and include any subject or content pertinent to the Jewish community."

Alpert, it turns out, was a son of Jewish immigrants, Tillie (Goldberg) and Louis Leib Alpert. He was raised in Los Angeles, Calif., and began playing the trumpet at age 8. After starting his own band in the 1960s he went on to earn nine Grammy Awards and (with Moss) a berth at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

All the interesting nooks and crannies of Alpert's life can only be hinted at in a short newspaper article. For a deeper dive, check out "Herb Alpert Is ...," which has been available for download since Oct. 31 and can still be seen until Nov. 30.

For more information on this and other films in the winterFlicks series of the Berkshire Jewish Film Festival, and to buy tickets at \$10 each, go to [www.berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org](http://www.berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org) or call 413-445-4872, ext. 10.

**MUSEUMS: PATRICK L. SULLIVAN**

## A 'Nice Ramble' Through Connecticut Industrial History

The Wadsworth Atheneum in Hartford is the host of a wide-ranging exhibition, "Made in Connecticut," that celebrates the 25th anniversary of the Connecticut Art Trail.

The show opened Oct. 15 and runs through Feb. 7.

The curator of the show is James Prosek, who wears many hats, including artist in residence at the Yale University Art Gallery.

Prosek published "Trout: An Illustrated History" in 1996, when he was a student at Yale. The book has 70 watercolors of the varieties of trout found in North America, and is a staple of any self-respecting angler's fishing library.

His subsequent work is largely concerned with nature and human interaction with nature.

Prosek is the host of a YouTube video that provides a quick (a little under half an hour) overview of the show. (Type "James Prosek" and "Wadsworth" into the YouTube search bar, or go to the museum website, and click the link under "public programs" on the "Made in Connecticut" page.)

In the video, Prosek explains: "We wanted to do a show, not just of aggregate holdings but specific to

Connecticut."

Hence the presence of items not normally associated with art museums, such as brass buttons from Waterbury's industrial heyday, a race car designed by the late John Fitch (a world-famous race car driver and formerly of Lime Rock, Conn., where he was a manager of the race track in its early years) and a rubber desk from Charles Goodyear.

And there is art: Lots of landscapes. Contributions from Native Americans. Paintings of the post-Civil War industrial boom and subsequent bust, showing "beautiful decrepitude."

In a phone interview Oct. 18, Prosek said discussions about the "Made in Connecticut" show started in the summer of 2019. The show was supposed to open in June; the COVID-19 pandemic forced a change in plans.

Along the way the show got bigger, Prosek added.

Asked to sum it all up, he said the show celebrates "beautiful productions of the human mind and hand."

"It's kind of a nice ramble, like a flea market," he added.

Prosek was scheduled to perform musical selections online on Nov. 6 at the Wadsworth website.



ILLUSTRATION BY JAMES PROSEK

James Prosek has curated a show at the Wadsworth Atheneum in Hartford, Conn., that includes one of his own illustrations, at left, with silhouettes of native Connecticut and Long Island Sound animals. "The color bird and foliage in the center is the Connecticut state bird (robin) and flower (mountain laurel)," Prosek said.

That show has now been postponed to early December. At present, he's set to perform with Lindsey Fyfe. (Prosek's on-again, off-again rock band, Troutband, is in an "off" stage.)

"Made in Connecticut" may be viewed in person. The Wadsworth Atheneum

is conducting "timed tickets," in half hour intervals.

Although the exhibit can't be seen online, there have been several talks which you can watch online.

For details on the show and on Prosek's concert, go to [www.thewadsworth.org](http://www.thewadsworth.org).

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EDITORIAL

Reflecting on election conduct and participation

By the time you read this editorial when it hits the stands on Thursday, Nov. 5 (although it's typically posted on our website, www.tricornersnews.com, and available in local stores a bit earlier), hopefully, you'll know who has won most of the races in this year's election. At least, we think so. We also hope that you'll have a pretty strong indication of who our next president will be.

Although with the way the 2020 election season went, voters and pundits alike were wary, with cause. After all, there was the staggering U.S. coronavirus death toll that caused some lifelong Republicans to report they were considering voting Democratic for the first time in their lives in protest of how Trump mishandled the pandemic, to some traditionally Red states looking like they were turning Blue pre-election, but then of course there were some die-hard Trump supporters swearing they'd never defect, to many pro-Trump voters encouraged when the U.S. economy jumped 7.4% in the third quarter at an annual rate of 33.1%, the largest gain in history despite the G.D.P. remaining below pre-pandemic levels. The pollsters couldn't keep up — the data was all over the map.

Understandably, we were not totally confident of there being confirmed presidential election results by the time readers set eyes on this week's editorial as we might have been in years past — and certainly we didn't have them by press-time, which fell on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 3.

But, again, we do hope that as of our publication day, Thursday, Nov. 5, the results will be known, even though some pundits speculated it could take days, potentially even weeks, before the official counts are tallied. Considering all of the factors — absentee, mail-in and early voting included — it's no wonder it may take some time before the American public knows how the elections turned out. Let's just hope there is a peaceful transition of power regardless of who is declared the victor.

Thankfully, our local elections haven't been nearly as contentious. Those who ran for office in our Harlem Valley towns and villages and to represent Dutchess and Columbia Counties in Albany, as well as for our congressional districts in Washington this year, could serve as models for the top two candidates on the national stage.

Local candidates have behaved with decorum, professionalism and courtesy, as have our county and state candidates, for the most part. It's been great to see, and we congratulate them on conducting themselves so appropriately. Did some of them send out the what has become almost prerequisite campaign mailers, blasting their opponents for their views on the issues? Of course. After all, they're in it to win it. But by and large, there really was no major mud-slinging, no nasty name-calling, nothing out of the ordinary that would be on the scale of what we witnessed between Trump and Biden. For that, we should all be thankful.

Another point we'd like to make during this election season: Our readers went above and beyond to participate in the process. One way we could gauge that? Through the vast number of letters to the editor sent in to this newspaper. Wow! We had so many letters to print some weeks we couldn't even run our regular opinion columns, which although disappointing, we were rather encouraged to note. After all, sharing your thoughts and views with the broader community is one of our priorities, especially after you spend the time and energy to compose those opinions and share them with us.

We only hope, now that the elections are over, that you will continue to pen letters to the editor on other important community issues. They do so much to inform other readers about what matters to the people who live and work and raise their children in the very same neighborhoods in which they live and work and raise their children. Your letters offer important insight; they offer value. We so appreciate them and we encourage you to keep on writing — on any subject you deem important — please, don't be shy.

Letters to the editor are due by Monday morning, 10 a.m. There is a 500-word limit for letters and they must include the letter writer's full name, phone number and hometown. Simply email letters to editor@millertonnews.com. We look forward to reading about what you have to say, and we know plenty of others who read this newspaper do, too.

Beyond COVID-19: Food faces escalating prices

It has been a long time coming. Commodities have been in the doghouse for years, but a combination of events are conspiring to lift the prices of soft commodities much higher.

A definition of soft commodities refers to future contracts of substances that are grown, rather than extracted or mined. We know them best as food and fiber commodities, such as wheat or lumber.

Shortages are occurring in everything from soybeans to wheat and it is not just in the United States. Readers might immediately think to blame the pandemic for this trend. You would be only partially correct. At the outset of the COVID-19 crisis, the hoarding of food in certain areas of the world did occur, but by April and May, despite the spread of the pandemic, food commodity prices stabilized and even toilet paper in this country was back on the shelves.

However, the recent resurgence of the coronavirus in Europe and the United States might threaten the supply chains

THE RETIRED INVESTOR

Bill Schmick

for certain foods once again. If lock-downs in the U.S. are re-instituted (as they are beginning to be in Europe right now), or the cases of COVID-19 begin to decimate the work force again, food prices could spike considerably. Readers might recall earlier in the year when some Midwest food processors were shut down. As a result, supplies of beef, chicken and pork began to disappear from grocery shelves. Prices jumped and are still nowhere near their pre-pandemic levels.

However, beyond the coronavirus threat, the real culprit sending prices skyrocketing is the weather. It is not my intention to debate climate change. Economics has a way of doing that for me. Consider this: the wheat farms of both the United States and Russia are dealing with serious drought, which is



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Church thankful for support

The Pine Plains First United Presbyterian Church would like to express our sincere gratitude for the community's support of our Chicken BBQ Takeout last month.

The BBQ was sold out and so we are inspired to host another takeout dinner on Saturday, Nov. 14, from 4 to 6 p.m. Our Turkey Supper "Grab & Go," with curbside pickup, will include freshly roasted turkey with stuffing and gravy, roasted potatoes, green beans, a roll and brownie. Reservations may be made with Carol at 518-398-7056 or carolhart131@aol.com. If we don't sellout in advance, dinners may be available at the door for purchase. Dinners are \$15, payable by cash or check at the door or Venmo in advance @FUPCPP.

For the protection of all, please wear a properly posi-

tioned face mask during payment and pickup.

The COVID-19 pandemic and precautions have changed our towns in innumerable ways and small churches are no exceptions. We were forced to cancel two major dinner fundraisers and two Women's Association rummage sale fundraisers. These events help us to keep open our doors for ministry to our congregation and our community. Despite diminished revenue, this year we donated \$1,000 to Willow Roots Food Pantry and we've been able to continue to support the Community Food Locker, Crop Walk, Adopt A Family and World Vision.

As always, thank you all for your support and Bon Appetit!

With gratitude,  
Jeanne Valentine-Chase  
Pine Plains

Sins of the past and future happiness

'Unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness,' says the Declaration of Independence. What Jefferson was saying is that we should aspire to these rights, unalienable or not at the time, and thereby create a more perfect union of commonality. To get there, we, as a People, had to agree to get over every obstacle that was, then and now, huge. And, further, as time has shown, we have to face and overcome other major obstacles that eventually became too onerous to allow to remain in place; like slavery, inequality of the sexes, religious freedom and, yes, autocracy, be it here or around the world.

How can you get over historical events and laws and morals and move to a new place closer to "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness?" The Declaration makes this clear: "...Govern-

A VIEW FROM THE EDGE

Peter Riva

ments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations... it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security."

Aristotle — well known to Jefferson — the Greek philosopher 2,350 years ago, wrote: "For every type of activity, everything from philosophical inquiry to carpentry, all these things have a goal... We need to know what

'A year to remember'

This year has dealt us a medley of tragedy, hope, despair, optimism, pessimism, distrust, social divide, compassion, caring, hatred, intolerance, suffering and heroism — it's been an eye opener to the evil that exists in this world. A virus was unleashed upon us from another land, though it denies such charges. I believe, researching the facts, that it was intentional. This brought out the best and the worst among us. Good and dismal political leadership, caring and uncaring individuals.

Look at some of the details, if you have time, before rushing to judgment. Why did New York and New Jersey sustain practically half of all the deaths in the U.S. in the early days of the pandemic? Why did so many unnecessary nursing home deaths occur in New York? From what I've read and seen on the news, I believe there were upward of 15,000. You won't find this number in the official statistics, because nursing home patients were transported to hospitals and those who died later were not counted by the New York Health Commission as nursing home deaths — very politically convenient, wouldn't you say?

My home state has demonstrated extremely poor state and city leadership — or lack thereof. Are all of those lost lives, so many that were preventable, worth the continued political incompetence and ego trips? It's your choice — your God to answer to. The residents of this state, along with those living in many other states, have allowed this to happen. Many of them are selfish individuals with their own self interests and political agendas, not caring about future generations. If things don't go their way, they can always blame President Trump.

VETERAN'S CORNER

Larry Conklin

On the bright side, I see hard-working scientists, first responders, health care workers and caring patriots holding things together. Groups and organizations are giving their time and money to help those who are truly deserving of the assistance.

The holiday season is upon us and has transformed this year into one of improvised occasions. Still, I believe the spirit of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year will prevail and remain in the hearts of those who care for one another and this country. I will be celebrating down-scaled versions of the holidays and thanking God for his many blessings.

There are many among us wishing to destroy our Constitution, liberty, history and independence. There are many wishing to tear down the very fabric that makes this country great. Remain vigilant. Make decisions for the good of our country and for the sake of our futures and to ensure this nation forever remains the great U.S. of A.

God bless you, patriotic readers, and your families, and God bless our military, first responders and front line health care workers, never giving up their battles to protect our freedoms and keep us safe and healthy. Have a great holiday season, all. Remain healthy and safe. Till next time...

Millerton resident Larry Conklin is a Vietnam veteran who belongs to both the American Legion Post 178 in Millerton, N.Y., and the Couch-Pipa VFW Post 6851 in North Canaan, Conn.

the ultimate goal is for being a human being: Eudaimonia." Eudaimonia translates as happiness or welfare or human flourishing, as Aristotle protested the opposite value of "life of cattle, content to graze." Embedded in the ancient term, and as used by Jefferson (a scholar of Aristotle), is endeavor, reward, welfare and flourishing, but Aristotle strenuously excluded mock virtue and blind belief from his definition. Jefferson would have understood this. And he would have known that making money was, similarly, defined by Aristotle as not providing happiness. Money can buy you things and things can make you momentarily happy, but money in and of itself cannot provide happiness.

Endeavor, reward, welfare and flourishing — these are the attributes attested in the Declaration. But to get to attempt and attain these values, we have had to "throw off" the past, discard that which was and move forward. Time and again, this

has been the ethic of America: to discard that which once were our values, values that came before enlightenment, and move forward. Such upheaval is painful at times. The Civil War was a baptism of death and destruction, but a new beginning was forged — a new America that has continued, sometimes too slowly, to emerge past the obstacles and evils of the past.

The Declaration says that "mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable..." and indeed these past few years have been a baptism of patience, frustration and a burning desire for revolt. The words and ethic of the Declaration are more apt today than they have been for a century. We must overcome, fight against, prevail against the evils we see around us and then "provide new Guards for their future security."

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

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OBITUARIES

Joan (Walsh) Johnson Killawee

NORTH CANAAN — Joan (Walsh) Johnson Killawee, 85, of North Canaan, passed away peacefully at home on Oct. 22, 2020, with her loving husband, John Killawee, by her side.

A longtime resident of North Canaan, Joan was born on May 24, 1935, to Alice (McGee) and William B. Walsh of Lakeville.

Joan was a graduate of Housatonic Valley Regional High School, Class of 1953. She married Robert F. Johnson of North Canaan and together they had six children.

Joan was employed in North Canaan at the A & P Company for a number of years and later became a manager for Shagroy Market in Salisbury.

Besides raising six children, Joan was an avid reader and a member of a Women's Bowling League in Great Barrington, Mass. She had a passion for cooking.

Later in life and at the urging of her family she learned how to downhill ski.

Besides her husband of 45 years, John Killawee, Joan is survived by five of her six children, Karen Casey of South Kent, Gerilyn Kenniston and her husband, Edward, of West Cornwall, James Johnson of East Hartford, Conn., Lisa O'Connor and her husband, John, of Avon, Conn., and Ma-

ria Johnson and her husband, AJ Hansen, of Manchester, Conn.; 10 grandchildren, Zachary Casey, Jesse Casey, Kallie Casey Gawel, Jennifer Larson, Janna Kenniston Rice, Ryan Johnson, Caroline Johnson, Timothy O'Connor, Katherine O'Connor and Jack O'Connor; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Joan was an aunt to Lori Bellini-Cannistra and Kathleen Bellini and William Walsh III and Keri Jean Walsh.

Joan will be missed by her cat, Gracie.

Joan was predeceased by her son, Michael Johnson; her first husband, Robert F. Johnson; her sister, Patricia (Walsh) Bellini; and her brother, William Walsh.

Joan's family wishes to acknowledge her loving and supportive caregiver, Ms. Melissa Waldron, for all the care and devotion she gave to Joan during the past few years.

A private graveside service will take place in St. Joseph's Catholic Church Cemetery on Nov. 6.

A Mass and celebration of Joan's life will be held in May 2021.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made in her name and memory to The Little Guild, 285 Sharon-Goshen Turnpike, West Cornwall, CT 06796.

Ian Montgomery McCunn

NORTH CANAAN — Ian Montgomery McCunn, age 96, of North Canaan passed away peacefully on Sept. 2, 2020, surrounded by his loving family.



He was born on Jan. 14, 1924, in Brooklyn, N.Y., was raised in Briarcliff, N.Y., and after marrying his beloved wife, Dorothy, in June 1946, lived in Floral Park, N.Y., until his retirement in 1986. Then they moved to North Canaan, an area very dear to them that was close to the family cottage in Pine Grove, Falls Village.

Ian is predeceased by Dorothy, his wife of 65 years; and his sister, Marjorie LaMarque. He leaves two sons, Douglas and wife Joan and David and wife Shirley; and grandsons Stuart and Andrew.

Ian graduated from the NYS Maritime Academy at Fort Schuyler, N.Y., in 1943, then joined the Merchant Marines during World War II, serving on Liberty ships on runs in the North Atlantic to Archangel, Russia and to the Pacific. He enjoyed telling stories of his adventures during that time. After returning home and marrying, he worked in the HVAC field, at times away from home in Quebec and Albuquerque.

He loved the outdoors and passed that love on to his sons. One of his adventures was taking the boys backpacking on the Appalachian Trail.

Retirement opened up opportunities for volunteering, and Ian

became an invaluable member of several organizations. For over 20 years he was a trail maintainer for the Prospect Mountain section of the Appalachian Trail; he worked on trail crews and he made trail signs, many of which are still in use. He wrote the newsletter for the Housatonic Camera Club, and he and Dorothy were very active with the Falls Village Historical Society for many years, during which he helped renovate the bell tower of the South Canaan Meeting House. More recently he was a board member for Friends of Beckley Furnace and could be found volunteering during the summer right up to his last year.

Ian and Dorothy loved to travel and Ian would spend winters researching and planning before taking long road trips to explore the country. They also made several trips to visit family in Scotland and England and traveled to Norway. In the summer Ian often could be found riding his bike, hiking or taking Dorothy out on Twin Lakes in his beautiful wood-and-canvas canoe.

Ian was always very curious, had a wicked sense of humor and took an interest in news and modern technology. His last act was to donate his body to science at the Yale School of Medicine.

Ian lived a very full life and will be greatly missed!

There will be a Memorial/Celebration of Life after the pandemic.

Marilyn 'Sue' (Merwin) Stone

SHARON — Marilyn "Sue" (Merwin) Stone, 87, of Fernandina Beach, Fla., passed away on Oct. 20, 2020, in Jacksonville, Fla.



Sue was born in Sharon on June 28, 1933, the daughter of Hazel (Meader) and Seth T. Merwin Sr.

She received a Bachelor's Degree in Education from SUNY Cortland in 1956.

She married Donald Bradford Stone on June 24, 1956.

Sue and Don taught school and resided in Champaign, Ill., from 1965 to 2009, where she and her husband worked and raised their family of three boys.

When Sue and Don retired, they had many exciting travels as Red Cross disaster volunteers across the United States and its territories.

In 2009, she and her husband moved to Fernandina Beach.

Sue is survived by her two

sons, Bradford Stone of Fernandina Beach and Brian Stone of Wichita, Kan.; three dearly loved grandchildren, Sarah Stone of Fernandina Beach, Johnathan Stone of Wichita and Rachel Stone of Cleveland Heights, Ohio; her brother, John M. Merwin and his wife, Debbie, of Millerton; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by her husband, Don, on Aug. 21, 2013; and her son, Bruce Stone, on Nov. 18, 1990. She was also predeceased by her sisters, Ina Merwin and Evelyn "Pinky" Skidmore; and her brothers, Seth T. "Tom" Merwin Jr. and Alan D. Merwin.

Sue's family and friends loved her dearly, and she very much loved and accepted them as well.

She will be buried in the family plot at the Irondale Cemetery in Millerton.

Tate R. Riva

NORTH CANAAN — Tate R. Riva, 28, of Main Street, passed on Oct. 31, 2020, at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Mass., after a courageous struggle against cancer.

Tate was born Feb. 15, 1992, in Great Barrington, son of Russell P. "Rusty" Riva of North Canaan and Catherine "Cathy" Bartow of Sheffield, Mass.

Tate graduated from Mount Everett Regional High School in Sheffield and had earned some college credits.

He worked as the sales manager at the Just Ask rental counter located in C.A. Lindell's & Sons in North Canaan.

Tate was tech savvy. He was interested and well-versed in everything electronic, from computers to phones, and all social media platforms.

Tate also enjoyed music and was an avid fisherman.

He also was a member of the Berkshire Homebrew Association.

Tate is survived by his mother and her long-time companion, Michael Martin of Shef-

field; his father, Rusty Riva of North Canaan; his brother, Samuel Riva of Sheffield; two sisters, Amanda Berry and her husband, Richard, of Ghent, N.Y., and Jessica Harvey and her companion, Daniel DeKleine of Massachusetts; two nieces, Alexis and Lauren Berry, both of Ghent; two aunts, Suzanne Riva of New Rochelle, N.Y., and Margie and her husband, Dale Smith, of Southfield, Mass.

Tate is also survived by his paternal grandparents, Caryl and Russell J. "Teeter" Riva of Lakeville; and the love of his life, Karley Deets of Lenox, Mass.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Nov. 7, at 11 a.m. in the New Marlborough Cemetery on Branch Road. Calling hours will be held on Friday, Nov. 6, from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home in North Canaan.

Memorial donations in Tate's memory may be made to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02215.

Frank Wendover

SHARON — Frank Wendover, 64, of White Hollow Road died Oct. 25, 2020.

Frank was born Sept. 27, 1956, the son of Lois and Frank Wendover.

Frank graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School.

He resided in the home his father built in 1959 until his death.

He was employed by Hull Fuel for 40 years.

Frank recently described himself as a dinosaur in the business. If he only knew it would take three men to replace one dinosaur.

Frank loved to hunt and hike. He enjoyed all activities that took him outdoors. He enjoyed NASCAR, and was a security guard at Lime Rock Park race track.

In his spare time, he was a caretaker for Petronella Manacini, who viewed him more as a son than an employee.

Frank was an amazing uncle and a loyal friend. He was

a brother that can never be replaced, a simple man that lived an amazing life that meant so much to many.



Frank was predeceased by his brother, Michael Wendover.

He leaves behind his sister, Lois Russin and her husband, Jim; his mother, Lois Frost; a nephew, Michael Gawel and Megan, Jameason Russin; two nieces, Molly DiGiovanni and Mike, Abby Maxwell and her husband, CJ. He so enjoyed his sister's five grandchildren and Kathy Stewart, his companion.

Frank was an organ donor. Donations in Frank's name can be made to Sharon Fire Department.

A celebration of his life will be Nov. 7 at 2 p.m., 12 White Hollow Road, Sharon, casual attire, dress for weather.

Memorial donations may be made to the Sharon Ambulance. Arrangements are under the care of the Kenny Funeral Home in Sharon.

Randy Keith Wilson

NORFOLK — Randy Keith Wilson, 67, a lifelong area resident, passed away on Oct. 30, 2020, with family and friends by his side, following a short battle with cancer.

Randy was born on Dec. 3, 1952, in Sharon. He was the son of the late Agnes E. (Traver) and Richard Albert Wilson of Lakeville.

After his mother's death in 1962, he was raised by his sister, Mary Sager, in Cornwall Bridge.

Randy attended Salisbury Central School and then Cornwall Consolidated School and graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School in 1974.

Randy worked for about 20 years at Kent Manufacturing in Kent.

He enjoyed working on everyone's cars and trucks, watching wrestling on television and going to wrestling matches. Randy also loved spending time with his extended family and friends.

Randy is survived by a brother, Charles R. Wilson of Torrington; his sisters, Marcia E. Audia, Dorothy Therrien and her husband, Robert, all of Beverly Hills, Fla., Mary A. Sager, Linda Cavanaugh and her husband, Gordon, all of Cornwall Bridge, and many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and -nephews and cousins. He is also survived by his extended family, DeeDe Gordon-Taylor and her children, Tessa, Kira, Rory and Sam "his bestest buddy" Taylor.

In addition to his parents, he

was also predeceased by eight brothers, Larry, Billy, Johnny, Joe, Paul, Bobby, Jerry and David; and a sister, Cindy.

The family would like to thank DeeDe and her family and the Foothills VNA for all their support during this time.

There are no calling hours. Funeral services and burial (the Rev. Lee Gangaware officiating) will take place in the spring of 2021 at Irondale Cemetery in Millerton and will be announced on the funeral home website. Memorial contributions may be made to the Norfolk Volunteer Fire Dept., 20 Shepard Road, Norfolk, CT 06058; or the Canaan Fire Company, P.O. Box 642, North Canaan, CT 06018.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home in Millerton. To send an online condolence, go to www.conklinfuneralhome.com.

In Loving Memory of our Dad  
**Granny Shaffer**  
 11/9/1929 – 07/20/2009

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Dear Dad,  
 Happy birthday in Heaven.  
 Our hearts ache. Still. Miss you so much.

Love,  
 Bubbles, Kathy,  
 Tammi & Timmy

Wendy M. (Bolton) Gales

NORTH CANAAN — Wendy M. (Bolton) Gales, 78, of South Canaan Road, died Oct. 29, 2020, at Sharon Hospital. She was the wife of Thomas Gales.

Wendy was born in England, daughter of the late Ivy and James Bolton.

Wendy was a restaurateur. She and her husband, Tom, operated both the Depot Pub and Grub in North Canaan and Limey's in Sheffield, Mass.

Wendy was a Gold Star Mother as her son, Master Sergeant Wade Gales, Delta Force, predeceased his mother.

In addition to her husband, Wendy is survived by her son, Ward, of North Canaan; two

brothers, Barry and Christopher, both of England; four grandchildren, Thomas Gales III of North Canaan, Nicole Smith of Albany, N.Y., Zachary Gales of Baltimore, Md., and Megan Smith of Washington, D.C.; and her great-grandson, Mason Smith of Albany.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, Nov. 6, at 1 p.m. in St. Joseph's Cemetery in North Canaan.

There are no calling hours due to the continuing pandemic.

Memorial donations may be made in Wendy's memory to a charity of the donor's choice.

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

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## Worship Services

*Week of November 8, 2020*

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

<p><b>The Congregational Church of Salisbury, U.C.C.</b>                  30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT                  Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!                  Online worship, Sundays at 10am  <a href="http://www.salisburyucc.org">www.salisburyucc.org</a>                  Sharing God's shalom: Wholeness, harmony, justice, and joy!                  (860) 435-2442</p>	<p><b>Falls Village Congregational Church</b>                  16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village                  10:00 a.m. Family Worship                  11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour                  A Friendly Church with a warm welcome to all!!                  860-824-0194</p>
<p><b>St. John's Episcopal Church</b>                  12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT                  Rev. Marilyn Anderson                  Rev. Paul Christopherson  <b>SUNDAY SERVICES</b>                  8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite I) Said                  10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II)  <b>WEDNESDAY HEALING SERVICE</b>                  At Noon – with Eucharist  <a href="http://www.stjohnssalisbury.org">www.stjohnssalisbury.org</a>                  860-435-9290</p>	<p><b>Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon</b>                  9 South Main, Sharon CT                  Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 AM                  Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker                  All welcome to join us                  860-364-5260  <a href="http://www.christchurchsharon.org">www.christchurchsharon.org</a></p>
<p><b>North Canaan Congregational Church, UCC</b>                  Joyfully opening our hearts and doors to all God's people  <b>Pastor Savage Frieze</b>                  172 Lower Rd./Rt. 44, East Canaan CT                  Worship services Sundays at 10 am  <b>AT THE PILGRIM HOUSE</b>                  30 GRANITE AVE., CANAAN: FISHES &amp; LOAVES Food Pantry and CLOSETS for clothing                  Tuesdays from 5 to 7 and Thursdays from noon to 2  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational">www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational</a></p>	<p><b>Greenwoods Community Church</b>                  355 Clayton Road, Ashley Falls, MA                  Sunday Service 10:30 AM                  Kidz Connection                  Nursery Care All Services                  Pastor Trip Weiler                  413-229-8560  <a href="http://www.greenwoodschurch.com">www.greenwoodschurch.com</a></p>
<p><b>North East Baptist Church</b>                  Historic Meeting House, Main &amp; Maple Millerton, NY                  God's word is always relevant!                  A Warm Welcome Awaits You  <b>SUNDAY SERVICES</b>                  Family Bible School - 9:30 AM                  Morning Worship - 11:00                  Evening Service - 6:00 PM  <b>WEEKDAY MEETINGS</b>                  Weds. Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM at Parsonage 33 S. Maple Ave.                  Sat. Bible Studies for Men &amp; Women 5:00 PM  <b>FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON</b>                  First Sunday of each month after AM services  <b>Pastor Henry A. Praise</b>                  518-789-4840</p>	<p><b>St. Thomas Episcopal Church</b>                  40 Leedsville Road, Amenia Union, NY  <b>SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30 ONLINE</b>                  Visit our website for links                  Rev. AJ Stack                  845-373-9161  <a href="http://www.stthomasamemia.com">www.stthomasamemia.com</a>                  A Community of Radical Hospitality</p>
<p><b>The Sharon United Methodist Church</b>                  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  <a href="mailto:sharonumc5634@att.net">sharonumc5634@att.net</a></p>	<p><b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b>                  484 Lime Rock Rd., Lime Rock                  Virtual Sunday service 10:30 AM                  Trinity Lime Rock Facebook page                  Virtual Coffee Hour &amp; Bible Study                  Rev. Heidi Truax  <a href="mailto:trinity@trinitylimerock.org">trinity@trinitylimerock.org</a>                  (860) 435-2627  <a href="http://www.trinitylimerock.org">www.trinitylimerock.org</a></p>
<p><b>Canaan United Methodist Church</b>                  2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT                  11 a.m. Worship Service                  "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors"                  Rev. Lee Gangaware                  860-824-5534  <a href="mailto:canaanct-umc.com">canaanct-umc.com</a>  <a href="mailto:canaanctumc@gmail.com">canaanctumc@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Unitarian Fellowship of NW CT</b>                  Join our virtual service on Sunday, November 8 at 10:30 a.m.                  "How did we develop our attitudes about race?"                  For information, contact Jo Loi at jokialoio@gmail.com                  All are Welcome</p>
<p><b>Promised Land Baptist Church</b>                  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  <b>VISITORS WELCOME!</b>  <a href="http://www.promisedlandbaptist.org">www.promisedlandbaptist.org</a></p>	<p><b>The Lakeville United Methodist Church</b>                  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  <a href="mailto:Lakevillemethodist@snet.net">Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</a></p>
<p><b>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall</b>                  Join our intimate Episcopal service via Zoom Sundays at 9am                  Email Rev. Mary Gates at: <a href="mailto:mngates125@gmail.com">mngates125@gmail.com</a>                  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><b>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH</b>                  Immaculate Conception,                  4 North Street, Norfolk                  St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan                  St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville  <b>MASS SCHEDULE</b>                  Saturday Vigil 5 pm, St. Joseph Church                  Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary                  Sunday 11 am, Immaculate Conception Church  <b>DAILY MASS SCHEDULE</b>                  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><b>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church</b>                  656 Smithfield Valley Rd.                  Route 85, Amenia, NY                  Services every Sunday 10 a.m.  <a href="http://www.thesmithfieldchurch.org">www.thesmithfieldchurch.org</a>                  21st Century Theology in an Historic Building</p>	<p><b>UCC in CORNWALL</b>                  Congregational                  Worship Sunday, 10 am  <b>Cornwall Village Meeting House</b>                  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><b>Sharon Congregational Church</b>                  25 Main Street, Sharon, CT                  Visit our website  <a href="http://sharoncongregationalchurch.org">sharoncongregationalchurch.org</a>                  for current online sermons.                  Bible Study Guides also available by request:  <a href="mailto:info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org">info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org</a>                  Or contact us at 860-364-5002</p>	<p><b>SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA PARISH</b>                  860-927-3003                  The Churches of Sacred Heart, Kent                  St. Bernard, Sharon                  St. Bridget, Cornwall Bridge  <b>MASS SCHEDULE SATURDAY VIGIL</b>                  4 PM - St. Bridget  <b>SUNDAY MASSES</b>                  8 AM - St. Bernard                  10 AM - Sacred Heart                  Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday &amp; First Friday                  9 AM - Sacred Heart                  Face masks required</p>
<p><b>Millerton United Methodist Church</b>                  6 Dutchess Avenue, P.O. Box 812                  Millerton, NY 12546                  Services on the 1st &amp; 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:30 A.M.                  518-789-3138</p>	



## OBITUARIES

### John G. Prause

SALISBURY — John G. Prause, 87, of the Taconic section of Salisbury, died Oct. 27, 2020. He was the husband of Marianne Gloeckl, who survives at home. They were married on Oct. 25, 1958, in Lakeville. Mr. Prause was born April 9, 1933, in Hausdorf, Germany (which is now Jugov, Poland), the son of the late Rosalie Prause. He immigrated into the United States in 1951 and volunteered to

serve in the U.S. Army during the Korean war as a radio operator technician. He was an active member of the American Legion. The owner/proprietor of Prause TV in West Cornwall for 35 years, Mr. Prause was a happily married family man, well-traveled, who enjoyed outdoor sport. He enjoyed his retirement in Florida for 25 years and loved his log cabin on Twin Lakes. He died taking care of his wife and

family. Mr. Prause is survived by four sons, Hans-Peter Prause, James M. Prause and Mark Prause and his wife, Rebecca, all of Goshen, and Stephen F. Prause of Melbourne, Fla.; his grandchildren, Christa, Daniel, Michael, William and Christopher; his brothers and sisters; and five grandchildren. A private family gathering will be held Thursday, Nov. 5, at St. Thomas Church in Goshen.

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### Patrick Henry Flynn

AMENIA — Patrick Henry Flynn, 84, a longtime resident of Amenia, passed away on Oct. 29, 2020, at his home in Amenia. Mr. Flynn proudly served in the U.S. Air Force as a technical sergeant medic for 18 years, with four previous years served in the U.S. Navy. Mr. Flynn had a decorated career in the U.S. Air Force and was a Vietnam War veteran. After retiring from the U.S. Air Force, Mr. Flynn worked as therapy aide at the Wassaic Developmental Center for 20 years.

Born on Feb. 14, 1936, in Manhattan, N.Y., he was the son of the late Mary (Daly) and Thomas Flynn. On Oct. 9, 1964, in Neu-Isenburg, Germany, he married Ute Gohrtz, who survives at home. Mr. Flynn was a member of the Military Service Organization: Non Commissioned Officers Association. He was also an avid hunter and fisherman and he enjoyed gardening. In addition to this loving wife, Mr. Flynn is survived by a son, Richard Flynn of White Plains, N.Y.; a daughter, Jeannie Tarazi and her husband, Michael, of Palm Beach, Fla.; a brother, Thomas Flynn of Wallkill, N.Y.; and three grandchildren, the loves of his life, Zachary, Elisabeth and Hannah Tarazi. Funeral services will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to Hudson Valley Hospice, 374 Violet Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601; or Parkinson's Disease Support Group of the Mid-Hudson Valley, Inc., P.O. Box 304, Lagrangeville, NY 12450. To send the family an online condolence, go to www.hufcut-funeralhome.com.



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**THE WASHINGTON TOWN BOARD IS SEEKING A PART TIME BUILDING INSPECTOR:** The Town has an immediate opening for a part-time Building Inspector. The candidate should have NYS Certification as a Code Enforcement Official or four years of full-time work experience in the construction trade as a general contractor, sub-contractor or foreman and be willing to obtain the Code Enforcement Official Certification within 18 months of appointment. The candidate must have a reliable vehicle, NYS Driver's License, be competent in reviewing construction plans, excellent communication skills and be computer literate. Application and job description information can be found at: <https://www.washingtonny.org/document-center/employment/building-inspector-position.html> or the Town Clerk's Office, 10 Reservoir Dr., Millbrook, NY 12545. Please send application, resume and introductory letter to Town Clerk, Mary Alex, PO Box 667, Millbrook, NY 12545 or via email with "Building Inspector" in the Subject to: [townclerk@washingtonny.org](mailto:townclerk@washingtonny.org).

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#### HELP WANTED

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