



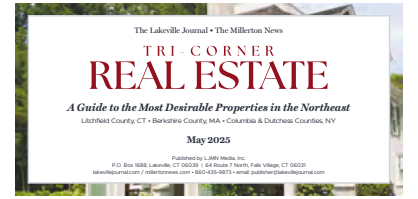
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Three towns call for Roe Jan library support amid federal cuts

By JOHN COSTON
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COPAKE — Three towns served by the Roeliff Jansen Community Library have signed a joint resolution calling for support for the library following funding withdrawal by the Trump administration of the Institute of Museum and Library Service.

The resolutions urge the U.S. Congress, including Sens. Charles Schumer, D-NY, and Kirsten Gillibrand, D-NY, and Reps. Michael Lawler, R-17, Patrick Ryan, D-18, and Josh Riley, D-19, to take immediate action to protect the funding guarantees of the Museum and Library Services Act. The act established the IMLS.

The IMLS is an independent agency that supports libraries in all 50 states. Last month, the staff of the agency, which is a major

source of funding for libraries and museums, was placed on administrative leave following an executive order by President Trump, who ordered that the agency should be eliminated "to the maximum extent consistent with applicable law."

The agency's largest program distributes funding to library agencies in states.

Copake, Hillsdale and Ancram are the three towns that the library is chartered to serve.

The IMLS "... plays a critical role in supporting public libraries through its Grants to States program, which provides necessary funding to state library agencies, including the New York State Division of Library Development," the resolution states.

The resolution also states that the loss of IMLS funding "could

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Local libraries confront trickle-down in funding

By KATHRYN BOUGHTON
Kent Dispatch

KENT — The effects of federal cutbacks are beginning to trickle down to the local level. Last week, area librarians were alarmed to learn that programs important to rural populations, such as the interlibrary loan service provided through Connecticut State Library, were abruptly defunded effective April 1.

The Connecticut State Library was notified by the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services, which oversees grants to states, that its 2024-25 federal grant award was terminated. The grant was scheduled to cover the current federal fiscal year ending Sept. 30.

The entire IMLS staff, a relatively small federal agency with around 70 employees, was placed on administrative leave for up to 90 days, after a brief meeting

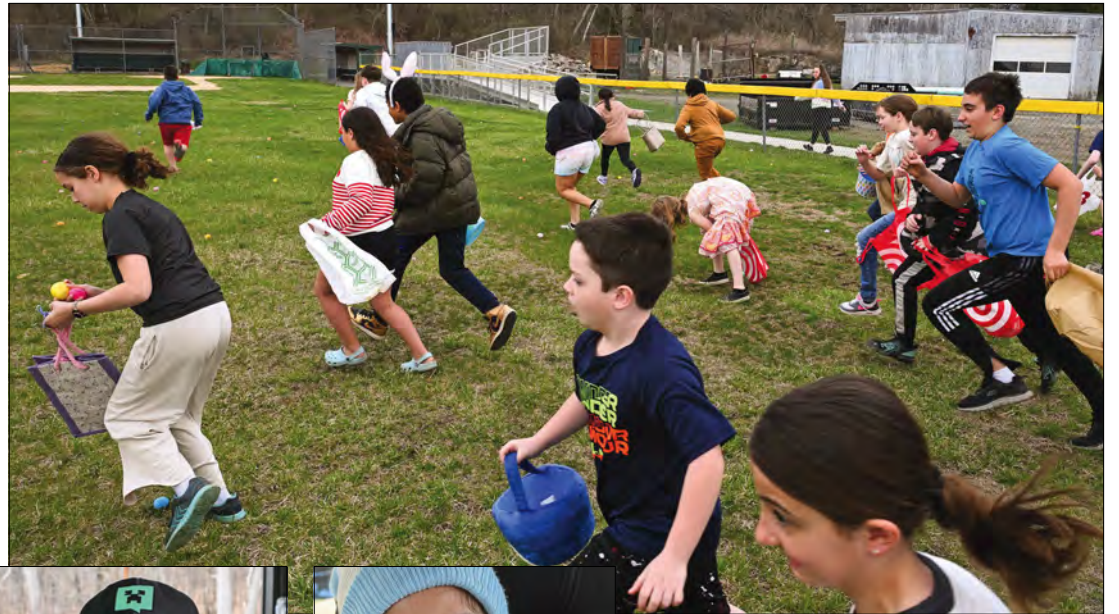
between DOGE staff and IMLS leadership.

Connecticut was among the first three states to receive notification of termination and State Attorney General William Tong joined a lawsuit with 20 other states opposing the elimination of IMLS. The State Library is also working with the Governor's office, the Office of Policy Management and other state agencies regarding this situation.

Kent Library Director Sarah Marshall, who joined six other Northwest Corner librarians in decrying the federal action, said it is not clear what the full impact will mean, but said it does not mean that local libraries will close their doors. "These are not funds we use to stay open," she said. "They provide services to our patrons."

The State Library had \$2.2

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PHOTOS BY JOHN COSTON

The race was on at Eddie Collins Memorial Park in Millerton, where hundreds of young egg hunters enjoyed 70-degree weather and fields seeded with candy-filled eggs on Saturday, April 19. At left, Sebastian Romualdo, 8, and his sister Estefania, 4, of Millerton, show off prized golden eggs they found.

2025 Egg Hunt draws crowd to Eddie Collins Park fields

By JOHN COSTON
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MILLERTON — Parents and children streamed onto Century Boulevard on Saturday, April 19, to board six hay wagons assembled in front of the Millerton Fire De-

partment that would take them to Eddie Collins Memorial Park.

There was a hint of rain in the air. A few sprinkles came and went as families lined up to board the wagons, and there was plenty of talk of the 70-degree temperature.

The Millerton Fire Department

hosted the event, and Kelly Roger, treasurer and a fire police captain, recalled how in past years the Easter egg hunt unluckily came with rain and even snow.

Once everyone was on board,

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Vietnam Veteran Andrew Doro honored at ceremony in Millbrook

By LEILA HAWKEN
Special to the Millerton News

MILLBROOK — By all accounts, Army 1st Lt. Andrew Doro was an ideal choice to receive the honor of being remembered at the first-ever Honor-a-Veteran program sponsored by the Dutchess County Office of Veterans' Affairs, a ceremony held at Village Hall on Thursday, April 17. The event drew a gathering of nearly 100 veterans, friends and area residents.

The solemn event was the first of what will be monthly Honor-a-Veteran ceremonies throughout



PHOTO BY LEILA HAWKEN

On Thursday, April 18, a commemorative quilt sewn by Quilts-2Quilts, Mental Health America of Dutchess County was presented by JoAnn Schmidt to Millbrook Mayor Peter Doro, honoring his father, Army First Lieutenant Andrew Doro.

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OUR TOWNS

North East Board will weigh 'Country Inn' zoning change

By JOHN COSTON
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MILLERTON — The North East Town Board agreed to consider a petition for a change to Agricultural District zoning that would accommodate the construction of a new country inn on Tuesday, April 15.

Existing zoning regulations in such a district allow for "repurposing an existing structure" for overnight accommodations.

John and Kristen King, owners of a 36 acre parcel located at Route 44/22 and Smithfield Road, want to build a winery that also would feature 24 rooms for overnight guests, with some number of the rooms as separate from a main building.

"Weddings and other events would take place," the King's indicated in a letter from their attorney. "A modestly sized restaurant is being considered which will offer farm fresh food."

Workforce housing would

be available on the property.

John King addressed the Board, noting that the plan calls for a couple of staff houses, and that their proposal would bring jobs to the community.

In agreeing to accept the King's petition, the Town Board acknowledged that zoning amendments can be lengthy engagements.

"I do see a benefit to the community," Supervisor Christopher Kennan said before the Board voted in favor of accepting the King's requests.

King told the Board that it was not feasible to operate a winery without the auxiliary income that would be possible from a country inn facility. He said the project would have phases — building the winery, followed by planting the vineyard and constructing the guest house and individual villas.

The King's petition for a change to so-called A5A Agricultural District zoning would apply to all such districts in

the Town.

"Allowing overnight accommodations, weddings and other events as proposed will help farmers sustain their agricultural and 'protect valuable farmland,'" Joshua Mackey, attorney for the Kings, wrote in a supporting letter to the Board.

Extensive Zoning Review

The King's petition landed as the Town has been undertaking a years-long review of its zoning with a current focus on the commercial districts.

Public comment at the meeting raised concern about resource constraints associated with a zoning amendment process that would coincide with the massive project to review zoning in the commercial district. Other comment noted that agriculture has changed since the current regulations were adopted, and recognized change that needs to be made to increase affordable housing in the Town.

The bulk of the Board's meeting was a working ses-

sion with Nan Stolzenburg, a professional planner, who reviewed amendments from the Zoning Review Committee.

"We've been working on this for four years," Kennan said at the beginning of the meeting, as he thanked everyone involved. A goal of the work aims to permit housing in commercial areas and the discussion led by Stolzenburg focused on defining how that would be done.

Definition of terms, such as accessory dwelling units, and other guidance on language in the Town's code, was viewed as key to successful amending of the code. The Board aired discussion on a variety of topics, such as short-term rentals, manufactured homes, conservation subdivisions, and Stolzenburg's consistent comment was "don't create vagueness, be specific."

"Make it clear what your expectations are," she said.



PHOTO BY JOHN COSTON

Ready for a landscape

The new home built by Habitat for Humanity of Dutchess County on Rudd Pond Road in North East is now occupied by a family and plans call for a day of landscaping work on April 29. Community members are invited to participate.

Email news and photos to editor@millertonnews.com

Amenia holding town-wide litter pickup for Earth Day

By LEILA HAWKEN
Special to the Millerton News

AMENIA — The town's annual observance of Earth Day includes town-wide environment-aware activities, including the Annual Town Clean-up Day, and a Garden Club event, both scheduled for Saturday, April 26.

Volunteers participating in the clean-up day by picking up litter may gather at either of two locations — Fountain Square in Amenia or Borden Park in Wassaic at 9 a.m. The event will continue until noon.

Volunteers may sign in at

either location and designate the locations where they will tidy up the roadsides. Trash bags will be provided.

Filled bags and large items will be picked up at various locations. To arrange pick-up, call Conservation Advisory Council member Vicky Doyle at 845-489-7826. The event is sponsored by the council.

Continuing Earth Day festivities, the Amenia Garden Club will hold its Annual Meeting and Earth Day Celebration at the Amenia Free Library at 2 p.m. The public is invited to attend the program featuring Sharon Audubon Center's naturalist Bethany

Sheffer, whose talk is titled "Backyard Birdscaping—How to Support Birds Year-Round Using Native Plants." The program will present tips on providing food and habitat for birds in every season using native environmental resources.

A native plant sale will be hosted at the library by local grower Litchfield & Greene.

Amenia reviews past planning ideas

By LEILA HAWKEN
Special to the Millerton News

AMENIA — Seeking to review the contents and positive potential of past town planning proposals, the Town Board heard a presentation by one of the early professional planners at their regular meeting held on Wednesday, April 16, rather than their usual Thursday meeting date.

The change in date meant that a quorum could be present. Councilmember Nicole Ahearn was absent.

Reviewing the highlights of past planning proposals was landscape architect Mark Morrison, who has maintained a studio in Wassaic since 2007. His initial planning study was undertaken in 2002, graphically describing the then-current landscape and introducing possibilities for improvement for public access and aesthetics.

Morrison noted that the playground in Wassaic was created in 2007 and 2008, although the area has suffered from lack of maintenance since.

Morrison reviewed 2004 plan drawings for both Wassaic and Amenia town center, particularly East Main Street — Route 343 — and Mechanic Street. He went on to review 2024 streetscape sketches created by architect and Town Supervisor Leo Blackman.

"The plans were simple treatments," Morrison said,

indicating that Dutchess County had indicated a favorable climate for grant applications at the time.

"A major goal had been introducing plantings that would tie the areas together," Morrison said.

The Amenia Green Master Plan, divided into four phases, was also summarized as having stalled after reaching the point where a design team would need to be hired.

Any plan would require a design team to create actual surveys of property lines and drainage, hold public meetings to incorporate residents' input and support the town with grant applications along with providing guidance toward other forms of funding.

"It's time that we move forward," said councilmember Rosanna Hamm, reporting that the Comprehensive Plan review committee will soon hold community planning meetings. She recommended that relevant committee heads continue to meet regularly.

Councilman Brad Rebillard said the presentation provided valuable information about past efforts and he reiterated the need for creating parking, both in Wassaic and Amenia.

Blackman agreed that a parking plan is needed, particularly on Main Street and Mechanic Street.

"Some of these things are simple and should be addressed," Blackman said.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notice

Amenia Drugs NY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/12/2025. Office: Dutchess County. Hema Patel, designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to Hema Patel at 5094 Route 22 #48, Amenia, NY, US, 12501. Purpose: Retail Pharmacy.

03-27-25
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04-24-25
05-01-25

Legal Notice

Notice of Formation of Haultra LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 04/06/2025. Office: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: Haultra LLC, 2878 NY-9D, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. Purpose: lawful activities.

04-17-25
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LEGAL NOTICE OF ESTOPPEL

This bond resolution, summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted on January 12, 2023, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Wassaic Fire District, Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially compiled with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution. A complete copy of the resolution summarized herein is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Secretary of the Wassaic Fire District for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice,

Dated: Wassaic, New York

March 6, 2025
Pamela Butts,
District Secretary

BOND RESOLUTION DATED JANUARY 12, 2023
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$990,000 SERIAL BONDS OF THE WASSAIC FIRE DISTRICT, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK, PURSUANT TO THE NEW YORK LOCAL FINANCE LAW TO PAY THE COST OF PURCHASING A NEW 2023 CLASS A FIRE PUMPER

Class of objects purposes: purchase of new 2023 Class A Fire

Pumper and accessories
Maximum estimated cost:

\$990,000.00
Period of probable usefulness:

Twenty Years
Maturity of obligations: Twenty Years

Amount of obligations: \$990,000.00 bonds
04-24-25

Legal Notice

Please take notice that a meeting of the lot owners in Irondale Cemetery Located in Millerton N.Y 12546 will be held at North East Muffler at 5654 rt 22

Millerton N.Y 12546 on May 8, 2025 at 6:00 pm for the purpose of electing trustees and for such other matters that may properly come before the meeting.

The annual meeting of the trustees will immediately follow the meeting of lot owners.

P L E A S E T A K E NOTICE WE WILL DO A CLEAN UP OF ALL DECORATIONS, PLANTS, PLASTIC PLANTS AND ANYTHING PAST ITS PRIME OR DEAD ON FRIDAY THE DAY AFTER THIS MEETING SO IF YOU WISH TO KEEP ITEMS PLEASE REMOVE BEFORE THEN. THANK YOU.

Cindy L Heck
Irondale Cemetery Sexton
04-24-25
05-01-25
05-08-25

NOTICE OF ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET, ANNUAL MEETING, SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION AND VOTE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education of the North East Central School District, Dutchess and Columbia Counties, New York, will hold a Public Hearing on the Budget in the High School Library at the Webutuck High School Building, 194 Haight Road, Amenia, New York, on Monday, May 6, 2025 at 6:30 P.M., for the purpose of presenting the budget document for the 2025-2026 School Year.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the budget for the 2025-2026 school year, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the District during business hours, between 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., prevailing time, at the Webutuck Elementary School, Eugene Brooks Intermediate School, Webutuck High School and at the District Administrative Office between 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, effective April 29, 2025, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays. Copies of the Budget will also be available at the Northeast-Millerton Library and the Amenia Free Library. A report of tax exemptions, showing how much of the total assessed value of the final assessment roll or rolls used in that budgetary process is exempt from taxation, shall be annexed to the budget document.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Annual Meeting, Election of Members of the Board of Education and Vote on the Budget of the qualified voters of the Northeast Central School District, will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at the Webutuck High School gym, 194 Haight Road, Amenia, New York, between the hours of 12:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, when the polls will be open for the purpose of voting by voting machine:

A. To elect two (2) members to the Board of Education: Both seats are for three-year terms commencing July 1, 2025 and ending on June 30,

2028 to fill the vacant seats of incumbent Board Member Nichole Reyes, and incumbent Board Member Anthony Robustelli.

B. Proposition I: 2025-2026 North East (Webutuck) CSD Budget

SHALL the 2025-2026 Budget as adopted by the Board of Education in the amount of \$28,665,850, with anticipated revenue exclusive of taxes in the amount of \$9,262,543 and the amount to be raised through taxes of \$19,403,307 be approved?

C. Proposition II: 2025-2026 Transportation Vehicle Purchase

SHALL the Board of Education of the North East (Webutuck) Central School District be authorized to: (1) acquire one (1) 2025 65-passenger school bus and two (2) Chrysler Voyager LX transportation vehicles, at a cost not to exceed \$249,190, which is estimated to be the maximum cost thereof; (2) expend such sum for such purpose; (3) levy the necessary tax therefor, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education taking into account state aid; and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District and/or enter into installment purchase agreements at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$249,190, and levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due?

D. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to the Education Law of the State of New York.

The election and budget vote shall be by machine, early voting or absentee ballot. The hours during which the poll shall be kept open shall be from 12:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, or for as long thereafter as necessary to enable qualified voters who are in the polling place at 9:00 P.M. to cast their ballots.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that petitions for the nomination of candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with Clerk of the District no later than Monday, April 21, 2025, by 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, in the form and manner prescribed by Section 1818 of the Education Law. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large for the vacant seats. Such petitions must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the School District, shall state the residence address of each signer and the name and residence address of the candidate. The petition shall also describe the length of the term of the office and contain the name of the last incumbent. Petition forms may be picked up on any school day at the Office of the District Clerk, at the Webutuck High School building, 194 Haight Road, Amenia, New York between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. or on the district's website at www.webutuckschools.org beginning March 1, 2025.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote in said annual vote and

election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law section 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that early mail ballots and absentee ballots will be available for this Election and Vote. Applications for early mail and absentee ballots for the School District Election and Vote may be obtained at the Office of the District Clerk at the Webutuck High School building, Haight Road, Amenia, New York on school days during school hours, or on the district's website at www.webutuckschools.org beginning March 1, 2025 but may not be returned to the District clerk any earlier than April 21, 2025, and must be returned to the District Clerk by May 13, 2025 if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, May 19, 2025, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Early mail and absentee ballots must be received at the Office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, on the day of the Election and Vote, May 20, 2025.

Education Law makes special provisions for absentee voting by "permanently disabled" voters of the District and any questions regarding these should be directed to the District Clerk.

A list of all persons to whom early mail ballots and absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District at the said District Administrative Offices during regular office hours, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, including the day of the Election and Vote. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge to the acceptance of the ballot of any person on such list, by making his/her challenge and reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls. A challenge to an early mail voter may not be made on the basis that the voter should have applied for an absentee ballot.

The Education Law also makes special provisions for absentee voting for "military" voters of the District. Specifically, the law provides a unique procedure for "military ballots" in school district votes. Whereas absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots must be received by the voter by mail, a military voter may elect to receive his/her absentee ballot application and absentee ballot by mail, email or facsimile. The military voter must, however, return his/her original military ballot application and military ballot by mail or in person. The Clerk of the Board shall

transmit the military voter's military ballot in accord with the military voter's preferred method of transmission, or if no preferred method is identified by mail, not later than twenty-five (25) days before the vote, April 25, 2025. The Clerk of the Board must then receive the military voter's military ballot by mail or in person not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the vote.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board of Education in accordance with Education Law §§ 2035, 2008, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with and directed to the District Clerk at the District Office, on or before April 21, 2025; must be typed or printed in the English language; must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District; and must state the name and residence of the candidate, and the name and residence of each signer. However, the Board of Education will not entertain or place before the voters any petition or any proposition if its purpose is beyond the power of the voters or is illegal, or any proposition requiring the expenditure of monies which fails to include specific appropriations for all such expenditures required by the proposition.

Therese M. Trotter
Clerk of the Board
Northeast (Webutuck)
Central School District
194 Haight Road,
P.O. Box 405
Amenia, NY 12501
04-24-25

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TENTATIVE ASSESSMENT ROLL

Pursuant to Section 506 & 526 of the Real Property Tax Law, notice is hereby given that the Assessor of the Town of Amenia, County of Dutchess, has completed the 2025 tentative assessment roll which will be available at the Town Clerks Office and online at: <https://www.dutchessny.gov/Departments/Real-Property-Tax/assessment-rolls.htm>

<https://ameniany.gov/assessor-contact/>

An Assessor, or Assessor's Designee will be in attendance with such tentative roll located at 4988 Route 22, Amenia, NY during the following dates and times, by appointment; 2025: Monday, May 5th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.; Saturday, May 10th, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.; Tuesday, May 13th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and Tuesday, May 20th 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Written complaints with respect to the assessments may be filed with the Assessor any time prior to or on Grievance Day, May 29, 2025, and shall be transmitted by the Assessor to the Board of Assessment Review on or before Grievance Day. All Grievance applications must be originals. Scanned or emailed copies will not be accepted. Applications must be fully completed and include applicant's signature in part five.

All documentation must be presented by grievance day. No exceptions. Confirmation of receipt of all documentation presented is incumbent on the owner/petitioner/applicant.

A publication containing

procedures for contesting an assessment is available at Assessor's office or online at: <https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property/contest/contestasmt.htm>.

DONNA DIPIPPO,
ASSESSOR

GRIEVANCE DAY - Pursuant to Section 508 & 525 of the Real Property Tax Law:

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Assessment Review for the Town of Amenia, Dutchess County, will meet at the Town of Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, NY 12501 to hear and examine all properly filed complaints in relation to assessments of Real Property on May 29, 2025 from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Contact the Assessor's Office by May 29th for details or to schedule an appointment. All original RP-524 applications must be accompanied with the supporting documentation relative to the request for an assessment review, no later than 8:00 p.m. on May 29, 2025.

Applications may be delivered in person or by mail. In person: during normal business hours of Monday & Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. By mail to: Board of Assessment Review, C/O Amenia Assessors Office, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, NY 12501. The Board of Assessment Review will file a copy of the determination with the Town Clerk to become a matter of public record.

Steven Benardete
Board Chairperson
04-24-25

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Wassaic Fire District will accept sealed bids at the Wassaic Fire Company Firehouse, 27 Firehouse Road, PO Box 176, Wassaic, New York 12592, up until 6:30 p.m., on the 8th day of May, 2025, for a contract to perform repair work to the roof of the Fire House including replacing the roof shingles, removing the cupola and installing a ridge vent.

At the aforesaid time and place all bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

Bid packages containing the required specifications can be obtained by contacting Commissioner Brian Whalen, at (845)290-2086 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. from April 15, 2025 to May 5, 2025.

The Board of Fire Commissioners reserves the right to reject all bids.

Dated: Wassaic, New York

April 11, 2025.

By Order of the Board of

Fire Commissioners
Pamela Butts,
Secretary
04-24-25

The deadline for legal notices is Friday at 4 p.m. for publication the following Thursday.

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Lakeville, CT 06039

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OBITUARIES

Bertha M. Moody

FALLS VILLAGE — Bertha M. (Davis) Moody, 87, of 45 Facchin St. went home to the Lord on Saturday, April 19, 2025, at the Geer Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Canaan, surrounded by her loving family. Bertha was the wife of the late Charles Moody. Bertha was born on July 25, 1937, in Dunn, North Carolina. She was the last surviving child of the late Milton and Daisy (Gould) Davis.



her daughter, Tonia Moody of Falls Village. Her grandchildren; Sade Williams and her companion Eric Blalock of Waterbury, Donyell Williams and his wife Theresa of Westfield, Massachusetts, and Aaron Vitale Moody of Canaan. Her great-grandchildren; Jayden, Emi, and Kamari along with many nieces, nephews, cousins and sisters-in-law.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday April 24, 2025, at 12 p.m. in the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home 118 Main St. Canaan, CT 06018. Calling hours will precede the funeral service on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Burial will follow in Lower City Cemetery Undermountain Road, Falls Village.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated first responders and the compassionate medical professionals at Sharon Hospital, Sharon Rehabilitation Center, Danbury Hospital, and Geer Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for the loving care they provided to their mother.

Memorial donations may be sent to Macedonia Baptist Church 9 Rosseter St. Great Barrington, MA 01230.

Bertha worked at Becton Dickinson in Canaan until retirement. Bertha was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church in Great Barrington where she sang in the choir for many years. Bertha's greatest love was spending time with family, especially her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Most importantly, she was a faithful servant of God. She also enjoyed watching sports, tending to her garden, and cooking.

Bertha is survived by her children; Dwayne Moody of Falls Village, Robin Williams Standbury and her husband Herbert of Torrington, Steven Moody and his fiancé Emily Vitale Aronow of Canaan. Bertha was predeceased by

Salvatore Richard Osnato

MILLERTON — Salvatore Richard Osnato, 85, a 31-year area resident, formerly of Yonkers, New York, died peacefully on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at Vassar Brothers Medical Center in Poughkeepsie, New York, surrounded by his loving family. Sal was the long-time owner and operator of The T-Shirt Farm on Main Street in Millerton. His long career in retail began in the Bronx, New York, in 1973. Prior to opening his shop in Millerton in 2015, he operated a shop in Canaan. Sal will be remembered for his love of community, his work ethic and his generosity to his loyal customers. He loved being at the store seven days a week and would often say, that he never worked a day in his life, he loved his business and his customers beyond measure.



fishing on Lakeville Lake in his spare time. He was also an avid food connoisseur and had a great affection for Italian pastries.

Sal is survived by five daughters; Gillian Osnato and her boyfriend Matthew Tipping of Salisbury, Jacqueline Osnato and her boyfriend Christopher Gahn of Poughkeepsie, Lisa Sjonvall and Lynnann Voorhees both of Palm Coast, Florida, and Laurean Kile of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; six grandchildren; five great grandchildren; his sister, Rosemary Osnato of New Jersey; his cat, "Bootsy" and his dog "Dash." In addition to his parents, Sal was predeceased by two brothers, Peter Osnato and William "Billy" Osnato.

Calling hours took place on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546. A prayer for Sal was offered at 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, 633 3rd Ave., 5th Floor, New York, NY 10017 or American Cancer Society, 2678 South Rd., Suite 103, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 or Columbia-Greene Humane Society/SPCA, 11 Humane Society Rd., Hudson, NY 12534. To send an online condolence to the family, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com

Born March 24, 1940, in the Bronx, New York, he was the son of the late Salvatore and Sarah (Dator) Osnato. He was educated in the NYC Public School System and served in the United States Military as well. On Aug. 16, 1981 in Yonkers, New York, he married Vickie Revellese. Mrs. Osnato survives in Lakeville. Sal was a longtime active member of the Northwest Connecticut Rod & Gun Club in North Canaan. Sal also enjoyed golfing, sunbathing on the beach near the ocean, rock & roll music, gardening and

Memorial Service
Robert Barton
A memorial service to celebrate the life of Robert "Bob" Barton, 1944-2025, will be held on May 2, 2025, at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, Copake Falls. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery, Pine Plains. A reception will follow. Family and friends are invited.
Mr. Barton passed away January 23, 2025, while vacationing in Sarasota, Florida, at age 80 after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

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Cornwall revisits options to protect covered bridge from tall trucks

By RILEY KLEIN
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CORNWALL, Conn. — Another truck got stuck in West Cornwall's covered bridge this month, prompting the town selectmen to discuss solutions at a meeting of the Board April 15.

The bridge, located over the Housatonic River on Route 128, is maintained by Connecticut Department of Transportation.

"Luckily, it was not damaged heavily," said First Selectman Gordon Ridgway. "I have contacted our liaison

with the state about trying to get something better, or different anyway, warning motorists."

He explained the bridge is tallest at the entrances and structural supports in the middle can snag trucks halfway through.

Suggestions to the state included better signage, laser beam height detectors, flashing lights, sound triggers and metal beam rails.

Ridgway said solutions may be somewhat restricted because the bridge is listed on the state's historic registry.

Selectman Rocco Botto proposed a sensor prior to the bridge that can warn and redirect drivers of vehicles exceeding the height limit. "They call it an 'over

height warning system," said Botto.

Selectman Jennifer Markow encouraged residents to submit letters of support or suggestion to Town Hall.



PHOTO BY SHEPHERD MYERS

A landscaping truck got stuck in West Cornwall's covered bridge Thursday, April 3.

CT Legislation targets wetland regulations

By ALEC LINDEN
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SALISBURY, Conn. — Raised Bill No. 7174 was proposed earlier this year in Hartford as a series of amendments to the state's existing laws surrounding protections of wetlands, rivers and streams. It has since passed through the state's Environmental Committee and currently awaits a General Assembly vote.

Salisbury resident Bruce Palmer warned the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission (IWWC) during its April 14 meeting to familiarize itself with the bill, suggesting it could significantly affect the commission by altering its jurisdiction on property adjacent to lakes, rivers, streams and wetlands, known as the upland review area.

"It might warrant us that we could be pioneers, like we should be," said Palmer, suggesting that Salisbury should seek to be an example in ecological governance in a state that is "well behind most states in New England on just about everything, including upland review."

The bill's stated purpose is "to establish protections for riparian buffer zones, protect fishways along certain water passages and require certain insurance surcharge fees for environmental measures," according to the draft language. The bill defines a riparian buffer zone as the area surrounding a wetland or watercourse for "a distance of not less than 100 feet."

Land Use Administrator Abby Conroy said that the bill may pose jurisdiction issues with municipal IWWC commissions. She explained that it began as a bill to establish protective vegetative buffer zones around waterways but

morphed into the implementation of a 100-foot minimum upland review area that could be regulated without specific reference to the actual site.

Conroy told the Commission that if the bill is adopted, it would alter the IWWC's governance of the review area.

Commission alternate Russel Conklin speculated that regulations could be enacted without any basis in the actual impact on the site — "that seems like trouble," he said.

The IWWC has already faced difficulty surrounding upland review areas in recent months, with debates over altering the regulated zone for Salisbury's major lakes — Wononscopomuc, Wononpakook, Washing, and Washinee — proving a major roadblock in developing new local regulations.

As the current regulations draft stands, each lake has a 75-foot upland review area, which is substantially lower than the upland review areas designated for other watercourses and waterbodies in town.

The regulations have been sent out to the state Department of Energy and the Environment for review and are expected to see a public hearing on May 12.

IWWC Chair Vivian Garfein said lake associations that wish to extend or change the upland review area may petition the Commission to do so after the public hearing closes. "It shouldn't be a difficult thing to accomplish," she said.

As for Raised Bill 7174, Garfein maintained that while she was aware of the proposed legislation, the Commission will address it when and if the time comes: "When it's law, I'll worry about it."

Worship Services
Week of April 27, 2025

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<p>FISHES & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY, A MISSION OF OUR CHURCH is at Pilgrim House, 30 Granite Ave., Canaan Tuesday 4-6 pm & Thursday 12-2 pm www.fishesandloavesnorthcanaan.org</p>	<p>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH Immaculate Conception, 4 North Street, Norfolk St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 4 pm, St. Joseph Church Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary Sunday 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm St. Joseph Chapel or Church Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078</p>
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<p>The Lakeville United Methodist Church 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Sunday School "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse 860-435-9496 Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</p>	<p>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 9 a.m. Trinity Retreat Center Chapel Lower River Road, West Cornwall in person and on zoom Warm fellowship following service All Are Welcome! www.allsaintscornwall.org Rev. Mary Gates!</p>
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From now until May 4th, one has the opportunity to view the great migration of moose in Sweden as they travel north to their summer pastures. SVT has coverage of their migration route with many cameras for both day and night viewing of this spectacular event. And as one reviewer mentions, even if there are no moose in the video feed, the Swedish landscape is beautiful, as are the Northern lights. To find out more, please see: www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/watch-majestic-moose-journey-north-with-this-popular-live-stream-from-sweden-180986454/. If you wish to go directly to the feed, please visit: www.svtplay.se/den-stora-algvandrigen.

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Defending the rule of law in a democracy

The rule of law is the cornerstone of our democracy. It is what separates us from dictatorship. Lawyers have a special responsibility to uphold that rule. Like all lawyers, that is what I signed up for when I was admitted to the bar and took an oath to defend the Constitution and the rule of law it so nobly enshrines.

President Trump has recently targeted several of the nation's most prominent law firms with executive orders (EOs) that impose potentially ruinous sanctions simply for representing clients and taking on causes that he disfavors. These edicts represent a grave threat to our constitutional order. Some of these firms have fought back in court, and have quickly, and unanimously, obtained restraining orders on the ground that the EOs are likely unconstitutional.

Other firms have chosen not to fight. To date, nine of the country's largest and richest law firms have avoided getting slapped with an EO by entering into deals with Trump. These deals involve the collective commitment of almost a billion dollars' worth of free legal work to support causes favored by Trump.

These law firms invariably issue "move along folks, nothing to see here" statements. A&O Shearman, for example, announced that nothing in the deal compromises its "core values" or its "commitment to...the rule of law." Paul Weiss stated that the deal did not "compromise our core values and fundamental principles" and boasted that the firm would continue to "courageously stand up for fundamental rights and liberties."

These statements are pure uncut hokum. Rather than stand up for the rule of law, the firms making deals with Trump have betrayed that rule.

To appreciate how cutting a deal with Trump undermines and degrades the rule of law, it is necessary to understand why the EOs represent an unprecedented assault on that rule. These EOs are designed to threaten the firms' existence, including by barring firm lawyers from access to government buildings, preventing government officials from engaging with firm lawyers, and suspending all security clearances held by firm lawyers.

The EOs impose these restrictions simply because these firms engaged in speech and represented clients that Trump doesn't like — a transparent violation of the First Amendment, which forbids government retaliation based on speech or association. By summarily imposing this punishment without giving the firms notice and an opportunity to contest it, the EOs also violate the Fifth Amendment right to due process, which bars the government from depriving anyone of "life, liberty or property" without

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James Speyer

procedural safeguards.

And, in violation of the fundamental separation of power principles on which our Constitution is based, Trump has set himself up as prosecutor, judge, and jury, claiming the right to inflict punishment on specific groups or individuals with the stroke of his pen. We fought the War of Independence 250 years ago to ensure that such absolute power would never again rest in the hands of one individual.

These EOs accordingly discourage the targeted law firms from challenging unlawful government action and representing clients disfavored by Trump. Smaller, less powerful law firms get the clear, chilling message: you too can face ruinous sanctions by representing the "wrong" clients or challenging government action. The rule of law cannot survive in that environment.

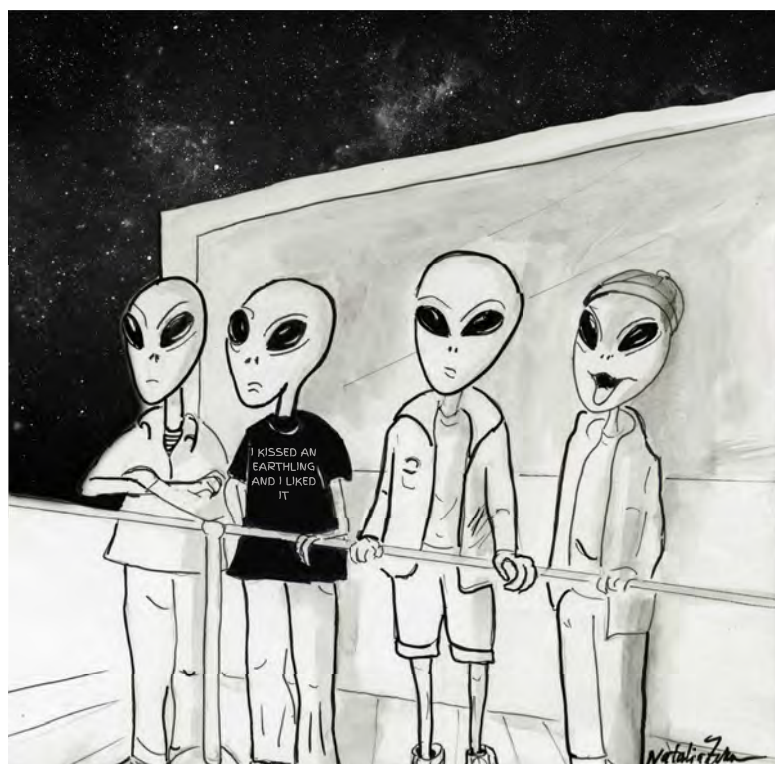
The law firms that have entered into deals with Trump did nothing other than conscientiously represent their clients. Yet rather than stand their ground and defend themselves (like the firms that have successfully sued to stop the EOs' enforcement), they capitulated to a shakedown: do what Trump wants or risk getting hit with an (unconstitutional) EO. And they did so without so much as a whimper of protest.

This sends the message that governing by illegal shakedown is fine. Indeed, instead of calling out this extortionate conduct for what it is, these firms invariably issue statements saying things like they "look forward to a continued constructive and productive relationship" with Trump. In this way, these prominent firms bestow their seal of approval on this grotesque abuse of power, and encourage additional shakedowns of other firms. In doing so, they aid and abet Trump's assault on the rule of law.

Surrendering to Trump in this manner also sends a strong and clear message to all law firms: if these giant firms are cutting deals with Trump, what chance do smaller and less powerful firms have to resist? That message further undermines the rule of law.

At a time when it has never been more important to stand up for the rule of law, the firms entering into deals with Trump have not simply failed to defend the rule, they have affirmatively contributed to its deterioration. They have betrayed the profession's most deeply held principles, violated their oaths, and permanently dishonored themselves.

James Speyer is a lawyer in Sharon.



"Wait. I thought there was gonna be a Katy Perry concert..."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Amenia Fire support

On Sunday, April 13, the Amenia Fire Company sponsored our monthly Pancake Breakfast. We were pleased to have a large crowd of 187 people in attendance for our monthly meal. We rely on the breakfasts to raise needed money for general operations and we always appreciate the support of the community.

We thank everyone who attends our events and hope you will join us at our Ham Supper on May 3, from 4 to 7 at the firehouse.

Andy Murphy
on behalf of the
Breakfast Committee
Amenia Fire Co.
and Auxiliary
Amenia

Protecting our libraries

Libraries are community spaces. The hostile dismantling of the IMLS in recent weeks threatens their continued existence in our communities. Without free access to information, the social order will suffer — moreso than many members of our society already do.

Please remind yourself of the responsibility of the fourth estate to protect the public's right to access information. Libraries and news outlets are close siblings in the fight against tyranny.

Alexandra Plante
Kingston

Cows, horses die in fire; more fires; the fish lady

The following excerpts from *The Millerton News* were compiled by Kathleen Spahn and Rhiannon Leo-Jameson of the North East-Millerton Library.

April 26, 1934

'Midnight Fire Destroys Barn On McGhee Farm; Is Believed Incendiary...Fifteen Head Of Cattle. Team Of Horses. Perish In Flames'; A large barn on the James McGhee farm on Silver Mountain was completely destroyed by a midnight fire of mysterious origin last Wednesday with a loss roughly estimated at between \$11,000 and \$12,000. Fifteen head of grade cattle and a valuable team of horses perished in the blaze, and an automobile and farm equipment stored in the building was also burned. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

'Paramount Theatre To Be Re-opened. Moving Picture House Taken Over By Robert A. Lane'; The Paramount Theatre in Millerton has been taken over by Robert A. Lane and will be re-opened in the near future, it was learned early this week. Early showing of all feature pictures produced by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, United Artists, R. K. O. and Columbia studios are promised under the new management with three or four changes in presentations each week during the summer season.

'About Millerton'; N. Collins Smith, of Amenia Union, expects to begin the erection of a camp at Indian Lake within a few days on the site recently purchased from the Loope Realty Corporation. Workmen completed the grading of a roadway to the property from the state road last week.

Maynard Cook, Orville Velley and Floyd Dow motored to New York City Sunday and saw the world's champion New York Giants suffer their first defeat of the 1934 season at the hands of the Boston Braves.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Millerton News

April 24, 1975

'Commemorative Items Offered For Centennial'; The Millerton Centennial Committee is offering for sale a commemorative mug, plate and tile. These items will sell for \$5, \$2, and \$2 respectively.

Each item is ceramic and will depict a picture of the Town Clock and a suitable inscription. The mug will be offered as a collector's item since only 1000 copies will be made. The plate and tile will be open stock. They will be supplied by Sheffield Pottery, Sheffield, Mass.

'Wave Of Fear Spreads After 2 Barns Burn'; Fire razed 2 dairy barns last week sending a wave of fear throughout the Dutchess County Farm area. In the 24 hour period of Thursday, April 17, Morgan Culver of Stanford and Edwin Pilch of Pine Plains watched their dairy barns burn to the foundations.

As news of the second fire spread throughout the communities farmers became fearful of the safety of their own barns and livestock. The William George farm on Route 82 in Pine Plains arranged to have a dog loose in the barn area to alarm them of trespassers. Other farmers put their cows out of the barn after the evening milking.

April 27, 2000

'Fish Lady is Back'; The "Fish Lady" is back! Beginning Saturday, April 29, you can purchase Joan's (the Fish Lady) vacuum sealed, pre-weighed fish at Paley's Market in Sharon. Fresh fish will be delivered to Paley's Thursday afternoons or Friday mornings. The spring hours at Paley's are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Silamar Farm, on Route 44 in Millerton, is open for the

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the wagons, pulled by tractors, headed up North Maple Avenue to Beilke Road then to Route 22.

A sizable crowd was already waiting at the park, where open spaces had been sprinkled with plastic eggs filled with candy and prizes. The hunt was organized by age groups with every category including a couple of golden eggs, which came with a big prize-filled basket.

Sebastian Romualdo, 8, and his sister, Estefania, 4, of Millerton, each found a treasured golden egg.

Once the fields had been scoured for the eggs, parents and children settled down to pore over their treasure and do some trading. Others enjoyed a hot dog, courtesy of the Millerton Fire Department.



PHOTO BY JOHN COSTON

Millerton Fire Department's Kelly Roger climbed a hay wagon as families gathered for the start of the department's egg hunt event on Saturday, April 19. Roger points to the Little League field that is covered with brightly colored eggs.



PHOTO BY MARCY FELD

Off to the races in Hillsdale

Dozens of children and their parents turned out Saturday for an Easter egg hunt in Hillsdale. The annual event in Hillsdale's Hamlet Park is sponsored by the town of Hillsdale and its Hamlet Committee.

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have a ripple effect, disrupting critical services, delaying state aid for libraries, and severely impacting the Mid-Hudson Library System."

That system supports not only the Roe Jan Library, but dozens of libraries in the Hudson Valley, including the NorthEast-Millerton Library in Millerton, the Amenia Free Library in Amenia, the Millbrook Library in Millbrook and the Pine Plains Free Library in Pine Plains.

The system receives 78% of its operating revenues from the state.

In its resolution the three towns recognized "the indispensable role of the Roe Jan Library in fostering literacy, providing access to technology, supporting workforce development, and strengthening community engagement."

At its April 9 meeting, Columbia County passed a resolution supporting all county libraries.

Tammy Gaskell, director of the Roeliff Jansen Library,

said in a statement: "While the Roe Jan Library does not receive direct funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, we are very dependent upon IMLS funding indirectly. In New York State, IMLS funds support the State Library's Division of Library Development (DLD), which is funded entirely by IMLS's Grants to States program."

"The DLD works in partnership with library systems such as our Mid-Hudson Library System to develop services that meet regional and local needs. These services are especially critical to smaller, rural libraries such as ours, which would not otherwise be able to afford the technology support, e-resources, and more that we currently provide."

"None of the 66 libraries in the Mid-Hudson Library System could do a fraction of what we currently do without MHL's support," Gaskell wrote.

DORO *Continued from Page A1*

the county sponsored by the Veterans' Affairs office.

Andrew Doro, father of Millbrook's Mayor Peter Doro, was born in the Bronx in 1945. He earned the rank of First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army and served with valor during the Vietnam War, receiving the Silver Star and a Purple Heart.

Following Doro's service he went on to become an entrepreneur and local educator, fondly remembered by his students, some of whom were in the audience.

The ceremony was attended by the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office Color Guard and included presentation of several commemorative items, accepted by Millbrook Mayor Doro on behalf of his family.

Also attending the ceremony was County Executive Sue Serino, who presented an official proclamation and a U.S. flag flown for 30 days in Doro's honor.

"A true American hero from the battlefield to the classroom," Serino said in praise of Doro's service.

Other commemorative items presented to the Doro family included a Challenge Coin, a shadow box of medals, and a quilt from the Quilts-2Quilts program.

"My dad was a humble guy," said Peter Doro during his remarks as he thanked everyone for coming to the ceremony.

"That we can honor him in this way is a great honor for our family, the village and the vets," he said.

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PHOTO BY LEILA HAWKEN

A large representation of Dutchess County officials and veterans' organizations attended the historic Honor-a-Veteran program at Village Hall on Thursday, April 18, honoring the memory and service of Army 1st Lt. Andrew Doro, who served with valor in the Vietnam War.

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million to underwrite services such as a van to deliver interlibrary loan books for free. "We process about 24 books through interlibrary loan three times each week," Marshall said. "Without the van, it costs \$4 to \$6 a book to mail them. That could amount to \$1,800 a year and there is no way to replace that on an individual basis."

Another service affected would be the e-rate program, which provides funds for schools and libraries to improve their broadband access, saving 76 Connecticut libraries \$497,221 in fiscal year

2024.

State Attorney General William Tong was quick to join a coalition of 20 other states in challenging the federal action. "We had to sue to stop Trump from defunding our schools and cancer cures, from defunding energy assistance and vaccines, from defunding disaster relief and the police. Now, we have to sue again to stop him from defunding summer reading programs and audiobooks for disabled veterans," said Tong in a statement.

Kathryn Boughton is the editor of Kent Dispatch.

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ART: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Country roads and city streets through the eyes of Ken Krug

The title of artist Ken Krug's new show, "Country Roads and City Streets" says exactly what it is: a collection of small, observant paintings rooted in the two places he knows best — New York City and West Cornwall, Connecticut. The show opens April 26 at Souterrain Gallery in West Cornwall, the town where Krug and his wife Liz Van Doren spend most weekends and summers. "I realized I'd been painting a lot of roads," he said. "In the city, you look at streets. In the country, you look at roads." It sounds like a metaphor, and maybe it is — for duality, for motion, for Krug's own career which spans fine art, children's books, textile design, and teaching.

The show is comprised mostly of small paintings, many born from the prolific sketching Krug does often while waiting in his car for alternate-side parking, a time sucking practice that anyone with a vehicle in New York is intimately familiar with. "I probably fill 100 pages of sketches every couple of weeks," said Krug, flipping through a stack of sketchbooks. "A lot of those ideas came from just sitting and drawing when I'm in the car." Other works pull from more pastoral moments — milkweed in summer and in winter, long winding roads at dusk.

What unifies the work is perhaps not subject but feeling. Krug is most interested in capturing a sensation. "For me, painting is sharing my experience of looking at things," he said. "It's like telling someone a story." He doesn't expect viewers to see what he sees. "I just want them to feel *something*," he said. "Whatever it is. That's the emotional truth."

Krug was that kid drawing with chalk on the sidewalk until the light faded. "I remember being disappointed because nobody had cameras in those days, so whatever I was doing was gone the next day," he said. That compulsion to capture impermanence may have stuck. Krug doesn't romanticize process or product. He paints quickly, often reworks pieces, and is not especially precious. "I used to do very de-



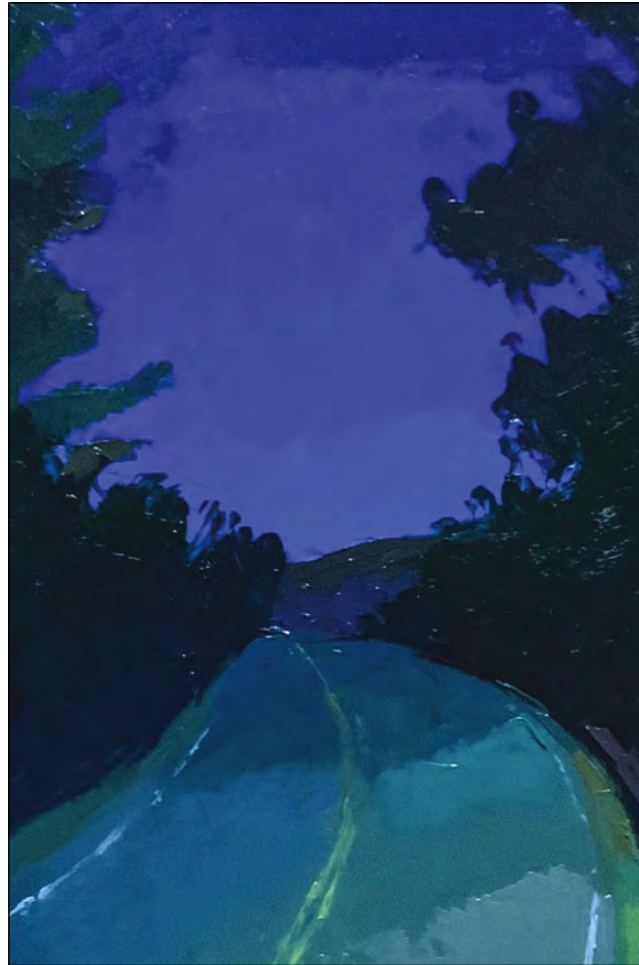
"City Steam" by Ken Krug



"Lilacs in a Green Jar" by Ken Krug

tailed paintings," he said. "Now I want something simpler. I don't want to spend a lot of time because it starts to lose some of that spontaneity."

Yet his work has endured in some surprising places. His paintings appear in the film, "You Can Count on Me," starring Laura Linney, and he illustrated Michelle Obama's "White House Garden," a job that came via proposal and then, months later, a call saying the White House had chosen him. Krug has written and illustrated his own books including "No, Silly!" which landed on Bank Street College's Best Books of 2016 list, and has designed textiles for companies you've probably bought from without knowing. "That's the thing I do love about commercial work, and I always tell my students this — you know, many of the textile designs or illustrations



"Night Drive" by Ken Krug

I'm doing are not for products I like, not for something I would really want in my house. But I love the problem solving."

But it's painting — the part of his practice with no client, no invoice, and no guaranteed outcome — that keeps pulling him back. "When I'm painting, I don't know what's going to happen," he said. "I can fail, and it doesn't matter. That's what I like about it." Failure, for Krug, is part of the process. Many works in the show began as something else but ended up being scraped away, flipped upside down, reimaged. "One of my favorite pieces in this show came out of a failed painting," he said. "I turned it upside down

and thought, 'Oh, that's the interesting part.'" Painting for Krug is a constant companion — daily, unceremonious, a little compulsive. "I even find myself if I'm outside, like, I'm drawing with my hand even though there's no paper or anything there."

"I do a lot of painting of all sorts, all the time," said Krug, which sounds like false modesty but isn't. In fact, Krug is already thinking of what's next, of how the road he ran on this morning in Cornwall could be painted better now that he's looked at it again. "Now I know what I want to do," he mused. "Whenever I'm ready to show the work," he said, "is when I'm kind of ready to do the next thing."

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BOOKS: LAURIE FENDRICH

Love, dreams and dystopia: Karen Chase's 'Two Tales'

The writer Karen Chase was born in New York City but spent a lot of time living in and around Salisbury, Connecticut.

Chase is the author of several poems, stories, essays and books including a memoir about having polio when she was ten years old. Her new book, "Two Tales: Jamali Kamali and ZundelState," consists of two narrative poems. The first is a long, free-verse poem about an imagined homoerotic love between two men who are historical figures from 16th century India, and the second is what one could call a "science fiction poem," written mostly in free verse, and centered on a man and woman living in a dystopian techno-state a thousand years from now. Because Chase's free-flowing poems align with "automatic" or "free association" writing, with a few forays

into Dada-like absurdities, the best approach to reading them is to go with the flow.

Despite the fact that "Jamali Kamali" was written several years ago, and "ZundelState" completed only recently, the author considers them to be of a piece. Her free-verse structure offers a cornucopia of love, longing, sexual passion, dreams, art, history and science. The two stories are riveting, but absorbing the full impact of the artistry requires a big-time "suspension of disbelief." Passages range from the lovely and loving to the jolting and violent. Sometimes things feel incomprehensible, sometimes perfectly logical, and sometimes we're simply struck by beautiful phrases — "stinging sky," "butterfly laugh," or "the past shivering alive into now."

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THEATER: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Puppet slam comes to Pine Plains

On Saturday, April 26, the Stissing Center in Pine Plains will open its doors to a puppetry cabaret of the surreal, the sublime, and the slightly scandalous.

The Hudson Valley Puppet Slam — strictly for those 21 and over — returns after a sold-out debut in Newburgh with what Brad Shur, founder and lead artist of Paper Heart Puppets based in Poughkeepsie calls, “one of my favorite programs I’ve ever been a part of.”

Shur, a veteran puppeteer with credits ranging from Dolly Parton’s Dollywood to “American Idol,” has curated this evening of miniature drama. “We’ve been trying to have a slam in the Hudson Valley for years,” he said, “and then suddenly it all came together.” A slam, in this case, is less “slam poetry” and more “slamming together nine wildly different puppet acts,” from the hilarious



Puppeteer Adam Izen, one of the performers at the Puppet Slam, with his creation Dorris

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to the haunting. Think of it as a tasting menu of short-form puppetry for grownups: intimate, at times intense, and

perhaps liberating. The lineup includes an Emmy-nominated Disney alum — Chris Palmieri — a handful

of local stars — Michelle Finston, Cabot Parsons — and even Shur himself. “We’ve got everything,” said Shur, “from funny to profound to ridiculous ... pieces with depth, pieces with abstraction, pieces with adult themes and pieces that are just plain weird.”

If your last puppet encounter involved a trash can-dwelling Muppet or a sock on your hand, prepare for a reeducation. “We’re the best-kept secret in performance,” Shur said. “But we shouldn’t be.” With puppets that range in size, material, and artistic approach — and a venue that Shur calls “a great space for building something even bigger” — this isn’t child’s play. It’s art, it’s theater. It’s for anyone curious enough to watch what happens when fabric is given a voice and an adult storyline.

Tickets are available at thestissingcenter.org.



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Gary Dodson was catching steelhead last week. Will the streak continue?

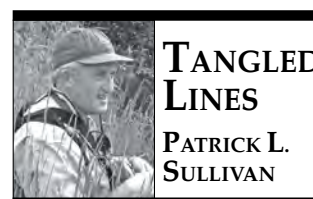
Never mind the dinkers, it’s steelhead time

Weather and work finally aligned and I spent three pleasant hours on Monday, April 14, wandering Macedonia State Park in Kent. I went everywhere except the big pool at the bottom of the waterfall. Just too obvious.

The stream was stocked for the first time April 10.

I caught four rainbows and tickled two or three others, using a Dragontail Mizuchi tenkara rod. It’s a zoom rod, meaning it can be deployed at 11 feet, nine and a half feet, and a bit under eight feet. I used the longest two settings and a nine-foot furred line with two or three feet of tippet.

That might seem on the long side for a moun-



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PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

tain brook but until the streamside vegetation springs up there is plenty of room. You could easily use your industry standard nine foot five weight fly rod without spending precious time getting hung up in the bushes.

The trout would not come up for anything on the surface. I tried. Big and bushy, small and subtle, and points in between. Pure D bupkis. All the action was on weighted nymphs and a relatively tight line.

This time of year

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‘Two Tales’... *Continued from previous page*

Centuries after their death, Jamali and Kamali, whose names form the eponymous title of the first story, lie side by side in a tourist-destination tomb in Delhi that Chase visited while on a month-long residency in the city. Little is known about Jamali other than that he was a court poet and Sufi Muslim in the Mughal Empire; nothing is known about Kamali, or about the nature of the relationship between the two men. After visiting the tomb, without having any plan, Chase set about writing her story of their forbidden love, finishing the poem a few years later, after returning home.

“Jamali Kamali” is filled with details about 16th century India that Chase discovered through extensive correspondence with Bruce Wannell, a British scholar who specialized in the history of the period. What’s intriguing is the way Chase weaves these factual details together with her own details taken from direct observations of whatever happened to be in front of her while she was writing. While working on the poem in Nova Scotia, for example, she would look out her window and, noting the fog, sky, or flocks of birds, directly drop descriptions of them into her poem.

Chase writes compellingly about the deep love and intense sexual bond between two men and doesn’t hesitate to go deep into their super-charged sex lives. Chase says her fiction relies solely on her

imagination, and she’s not interested in writing about herself. That imagination is enriched by a broad range of cultural and historical references, which is why “Jamali Kamali,” which isn’t written in the dactylic hexameter of classical poetry, recalls nothing so much as Homeric poetry — indeed, the name Homer appears early on in her poem.

In “ZundelState,” the second story, we again focus on two lovers who are “outsiders” in their society. Instead of being set in the past, we’re in a dystopian state a thousand years in the future, one where time is not linear, and a human being can even go talk directly with Socrates. A mysterious autocratic State that bans history and dreaming controls everything. Human beings divide their lives between the “Agora” —

the public realm — and “Home,” where they are private. Home is where “people are like snowflakes, each one unique. Elsewhere [the Agora], they all match.”

A dutiful State apparatchik named Marianna feels stirrings of dreamingly — and more dangerously, love — after meeting Joe, a rebellious sort. Against the rules of the State, Joe has discovered this thing called history, and walks long distances to reach “Junkyards” located deep inside forbidden territory where he forages for abandoned fragments of it.

“ZundelState” recalls the psychological TV thriller “Severance.” Both concern the “form and pressure,” to use Shakespeare’s phrase, of our times, where the techno-state, and the rise of the techno-state human being, threaten

to obliterate freedom. An anxiety that human beings will eventually be emptied of their humanity hovers over both. Reading the “Two Tales: Jamali Kamali and ZundelState” drives home that our beloved humanity rests not in our capacity to reason, but in our wild, imaginative spiritedness that lives in our dreams and loves. Should these fall away, we are finished.

The author will be giving a talk on Thursday, June 26, at the David M. Hunt Library in Falls Village at 5:30 p.m.

Laurie Fendrich is an abstract painter, professor emerita at Hofstra University and vice-president of American Abstract Artists. She lives in Lakeville.

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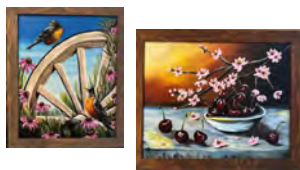
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NATURE: MIKE COBB

Norfolk celebrates Earth Day

Norfolk prides itself for being known as “The Icebox of Connecticut.” It also boasts some of the densest wilderness in the state with several species of animals and plants unique to the area.

The tiny town shows its deep appreciation for nature annually with The Norfolk Earth Forum, which takes place this year April 25 to 27. This year, the forum is called “Our Glorious Northwest Corner: Celebrating the Connectedness of All,” with events centered on biodiversity, conservation, and our shared relationship with the natural world.

“The Norfolk Earth Forum brings together experts, artists, and community members to address the critical biodiversity challenges facing our region and to celebrate our profound interconnectedness with all living beings,” said Erick Olsen, Pastor at Norfolk Church of Christ Congregational, which founded the first forum in 2024.

On display at The HUB until April 30, “Imperiled Species in Our Community: The Biodiversity Crisis At Home,” is a unique exhibit on loan from the Salisbury

Association that highlights local endangered species and showcases an educational poster created by the Norfolk Land Trust.

On Friday, April 25, Tim Abbott, Conservation Director of the Housatonic Valley Association, will discuss the national significance of local conservation efforts.

A screening of “A Road Not Taken,” a fascinating documentary on Jimmy Carter’s solar energy initiatives, will be shown at the Norfolk Library, followed by a Q&A session with Norfolk resident Tom Strumolo, who helped install 32 solar hot water panels on the roof of the White House.

On Saturday, April 26, the “Books & Boots” nature walk, inspired by Peter Wohlleben’s book “The Hidden Life of Trees,” will be led by Bina Thomson and Hartley Mead.

Later on Saturday, Dr. Mike Zarfos, executive director of Great Mountain Forest, will lead a walk through spring wildflower blooms. Finally, Craig Repasz from Lights Out Connecticut will shed light on the critical Connecticut Bird Atlas project and

the urgent need for bird conservation.



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Scenes from last year’s Norfolk Earth Forum.

the urgent need for bird conservation.

On Sunday, April 27, families can enjoy a children’s craft workshop and learn to create toad houses, followed by an educational program on reptiles and amphibians with the Roaring Brook Nature Center.

The weekend concludes on a magical note with Paul Winter’s breathtaking concert, “This Glorious Earth,” at the Church of Christ. Winter is well known

for blending music with sounds of nature, and his performances celebrate the beauty of life on Earth. Keetu Winter from Wellspring Commons will introduce the concert and speak on the concept of bioregionalism.

Visit www.norfolkhub.org/norfolk-earth-forum for more information and registration details.



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Macedonia is a good place to practice small stream techniques with willing test subjects. When the campground opens in early May all bets are off. I suspect a lot of those fish wind up in the campers’ frying pans. Which is fine.

In addition to catching rainbows my accomplishments were all negative, but in a good way. I didn’t fall down. I didn’t break a rod. My waders didn’t leak, and my shoulder feels okay.

I did stab myself in the thumb with a Chubby Chernobyl, but because I squashed the barb on the hook it didn’t stick and it didn’t bleed much. So that’s neutral.

I repeated the process the next afternoon on the Blackberry in East Canaan. It was a little on the high side so I stuck to the easy-in, easy-out spots in and around Beckley Furnace.

Whereas the water temperature at Macedonia was a brisk 46, the Blackberry clocked in at a much friendlier 52. Friendlier for trout, that is. For a person it was still plenty cold.

Results were similar, except I broke in a 10 foot five weight rod I picked up over the winter on a whim.

Again I caught nothing but rainbows, all in the 12-14 inch range, and all on nymphs fished deep on a tight

line. Then what had been a nice sunny day turned dark, chilly and snotty. I cheesed it and returned home to the couch and the ongoing study of martial arts movies from the 1970s and 1980s.

This activity was all filed under the heading “spring training.” The regular season starts the following week, when I am traveling to Pulaski, New York, for another whack at steelhead in the Salmon River.

My confederate Gary is there this week. He sent a photo of him cradling an immense fish. His accompanying text message made it sound ho-hum.

I guess we’ll see.



PHOTO BY ALEC LINDEN

‘It’s all Greek to me’

After a week of rehearsals during spring break, The Missoula Children’s Theatre and local young actors brought two boisterous performances of “Hercules” — adapted by Michael McGill and Joseph Martinez — to the Stissing Center in Pine Plains for an evening show on Friday, April 18 and a matinee on Saturday, April 19.

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APRIL 24

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Noble Horizons, 17 Cobble Road, Salisbury, Conn.
Katsushika Hokusai: "The Great Wave"
On Thursday, April 24 from 2 to 4:30 p.m., Hannah Jung, a professional artist and art educator, will guide you with step-by-step instructions to help you learn from Master artists by re-creating their masterpieces along with fun and educational art stories as inspirational resources.

APRIL 25

Earth Day Plant Sale

Goshen Fairgrounds, 116 Old Middle St., Goshen, Conn.
Northwest Conservation District's 43rd annual Earth Day Plant Sale will be held at Goshen Fairgrounds Friday, April 25 through Sunday, April 27. There will be a selection of perennials and shrubs available for sale. Funds support conservation of land and water resources for the future.

E.X.T.R.A.S. Salsa for a Cause

White Hart Inn, 15 Undermountain Road, Salisbury, Conn.
E.X.T.R.A.S. (Extended Time for Recreational Activities in Salisbury), a nonprofit 501c3 organization and Connecticut state-licensed child care program housed at Salisbury Central School, is proud to announce its first-ever Gala Benefit. This milestone event will take place on April 25 at 5:30 p.m. at the White Hart Inn in Salisbury. Tickets for the Gala Benefit are available for purchase at extras.betterworld.org/events/extrasgala. For more information, please visit extrasprogram.com.

APRIL 26

Town Clean-Up Day

Amenia, N.Y.
On Saturday, April 26, 9 a.m. to noon, join the annual litter clean-up in Amenia & Wassaic! Meet at Bank of Millbrook (4958 Route 22 in Amenia) or Borden Park (37 Furnace Bank Road in Wassaic) to sign in and get bags.

Clean Up Cornwall

Cornwall, Conn.
Clean up the roads or your favorite trails in Cornwall. Trash bags, safety vests and a dumpster will be in the village April 26 courtesy of C&M Carting.

Earth Day at the Library

Amenia Free Library, 3309 NY-343, Amenia, N.Y.
On Saturday, April 26, 2 to 4 p.m., join the Amenia Garden Club for a 2 p.m. talk on Backyard Birdscaping with Sharon Audubon's Bethany Sheffer. Learn how to support birds year-round with native plants. Plus, info tables from local environmental groups and a plant sale!

KARAOKE NIGHT at The Copake Grange!

Copake Grange, 628 Empire Road, Copake N.Y.
Karaoke Night at the Grange is for one night only, Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 7 p.m. The historic Copake Grange Hall is located at 628 Empire Road in the center of beautiful Copake NY, across from the Copake Clocktower Pub. The Grange Hall's intimate theater space provides comfortable theater-style seating with nice acoustics so that you can enjoy the evening of singing with your friends!

Holistic Cardiac Wellness Made Easy

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org
On Saturday, April 26, at 11 a.m., learn simple, effective ways to support heart health in this talk by Mary Yuter, RN, a former cardiac ICU nurse and holistic wellness mentor. Designed for those with a history of cardiac or diabetes conditions.

Art Exhibit Opening Reception

Southern Gallery, 413 Sharon Goshen Tnpk., West Cornwall, Conn.
Artist, illustrator and author Ken Krug's new exhibit "Country Roads & City Streets" will open at Southern Gallery Saturday, April 26, with an opening reception from 3 to 6 p.m. on April 26.

Sights & Sounds of Spring Evening Walk

West Campus, Cary Institute, Millbrook, N.Y.
Cary Institute wildlife biologist Mike Fargione and educator Ashley Alred will lead a family-friendly evening hike exploring the sights and sounds of spring on our campus. Discover how resident plants, amphibians, birds, and mammals are adapting to the change from winter to spring. 6 p.m. on April 26.

Register at: www.eventbrite.com/e/sights-sounds-of-spring-evening-walk-tickets-1317927479569

Poetry Reading

Cornwall Library, 30 Pine St., Cornwall, Conn. cornwalllibrary.org
Phillis Levin will read from her new book, "An Anthology of Rain," the most recent of her six published collections, on Saturday, April 26 at 5 p.m. at Cornwall Library. Registration is required: cornwalllibrary.org/events/.

Earth Day Clean Up

North Canaan Town Hall, 100 Pease St., North Canaan, Conn.
The annual town-wide Earth Day clean up event has been scheduled for Saturday, April 26. The time of the event is 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Hi-Viz vests, gloves, and heavy-duty waste bags will be supplied to all participants at no charge. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Please meet at Town Hall to receive your clean up items and to select your area(s)/street(s). Rain Date: Sunday, April 27.

Taste Not Waste: Cooking Session

Fairfield Farm at The Hotchkiss School, 400 Sharon Road, Lakeville, Conn.
Saturday, April 26, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Learn creative food waste prevention tips with Carol Hawran. Bring past-prime pantry or fridge items and a container. Space limited to 12.

Register: foodwastepilot@gmail.com

Plastic Pollution Crisis Event

Copake Grange #935, 628 Empire Road, Copake, N.Y.
"The Plastic Pollution Crisis and What to Do About It" is the title of a free upcoming informational event at Copake Grange #935, 628 Empire Road, Copake on Saturday, April 26, 3 to 5 p.m. Reservations are recommended. To get more information, make a reservation or get a link for virtual viewing, email cac@townofcopake.org.

APRIL 27

Poetry Workshop

Cornwall Library, 30 Pine St., Cornwall, Conn. cornwalllibrary.org
Phillis Levin will give a poetry workshop at Cornwall Library on

Last week's WotW

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- Mistake in baseball
- Clothing brand identifier
- Fresh, spotless condition
- Sky-bound vehicle
- Common Earth Day activity

Sunday, April 27, at noon to complement her poetry reading of the evening before. Phillis is not only an acclaimed poet, but also a writing teacher with many years' experience. Registration required: cornwalllibrary.org/events/

APRIL 29

Dine Out For A Cause

DaCapo of Litchfield, 625 Torrington Road, Litchfield, Conn.
Dine Out for a Cause from 5 to 10 p.m. on April 29 at DaCapo of Litchfield.

A percentage of the proceeds will support Housatonic Valley Association that works to protect the lands and waters of the Housatonic River Valley.

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74th National Day of Prayer

War Memorials next to the Salisbury Town Hall, Salisbury, Conn.
The 74th National Day of Prayer at 6 p.m. in front of the War Memorials next to the Salisbury Town Hall. Community members will gather to pray for government, towns, families, businesses, churches, schools, military, and volunteer services. In the event of rain, the celebration will be held across the street in the Salisbury Congregational Church.



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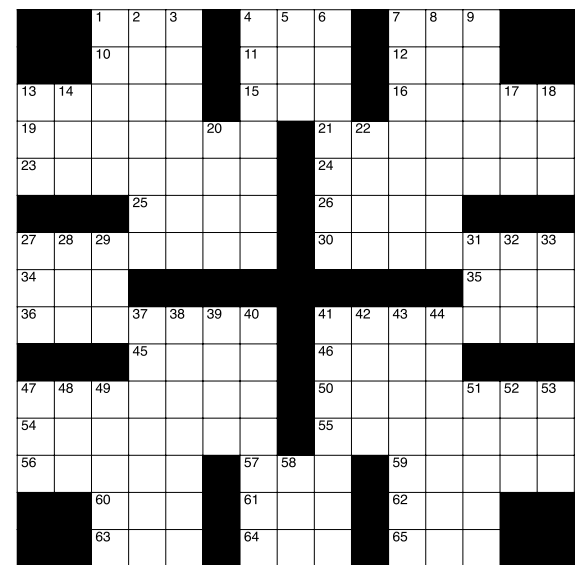
The Indigo Room opens

Billy Keane & The Waking Dream performed on Friday, April 18, at The Indigo Room, the new performance space connected to The Mahaiwe in Great Barrington. Housed in a beautifully restored historic firehouse next door to the Mahaiwe, the venue offers an intimate, flexible layout suited for both cabaret-style sets and standing-room-only rock shows. Keane, known for his heartfelt songwriting and genre-blending sound, delivered a dynamic set that showcased why he's quickly becoming a force in the indie-folk scene. Up next at The Indigo Room is Connecticut-based soul singer/songwriter Glori Wilder on May 9.

Brain Teasers

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- English TV station
- It fuels cars
- Where ships dock (abbr.)
- Indigenous people of Thailand
- Midway between northeast and east
- Small Milky Way constellation
- Fritz __, Austrian chemist
- A Brit's grandmother
- Colombian city
- Visualize
- Charged
- People's assets
- Informative books
- Jeer
- You can do it with your horn
- Agents of your downfall
- Central Uganda city
- Supervises flying
- Type of tree
- Alfalfa
- Dishwasher soap brand
- Hall where military eats
- Ancient Greek City
- Speaks incessantly
- Discuss again
- Extreme greed
- Adopt or support
- Fantasy writer Russell
- Seize
- Early Mesoamerican civilization
- Noted pet detective Ventura
- Automobile
- Georgia rockers
- Color opposite green
- Amount of time
- Attempt



- One point east of northeast
- Piers Anthony protagonist
- Popular sports league
- Cologne
- Partner to cheese
- Constrictor snake
- Not good
- Supplement with difficulty
- Hug with fondness
- Enforced again
- Small amount of time (abbr.)
- Substance
- Anterior parts of the brain
- Brews
- Where ships load cargo
- Holiday season singer
- "__ humbug!"

- Monetary unit of Macao
- Popular children's book elephant
- Glutinous
- Function
- Old world, new
- Swiss river

April 17 Solution

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CLUES DOWN

- Sheep sound
- Some can be emotional
- Inflammation of colon lining
- Origins
- Comedienne Gasteyer
- Perceived by the senses
- A place to play ball
- Occur before
- Animal body parts
- Thanksgiving dessert
- Root mean square (abbr.)
- 1960s teen idol Bobby
- Promotional materials

Sudoku

6		5	2					4
	1		4		5			
4			6			8	7	
5			3	6				
	6	8				9		
	9			2			1	
8			7	1		2		
	7	2						

April 17 Solution

1	3	5	6	8	9	7	4	2
9	6	2	3	7	4	5	8	1
7	8	4	2	1	5	9	6	3
4	1	6	9	3	7	2	5	8
8	5	3	4	2	1	6	7	9
2	7	9	5	6	8	1	3	4
6	9	8	7	4	2	3	1	5
3	2	1	8	5	6	4	9	7
5	4	7	1	9	3	8	2	6

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Former Ben's Deli home in Dover sold in February

By **CHRISTINE BATES**
Special to the Millertown News

DOVER — With 8,415 residents Dover is the largest town in eastern Dutchess County in terms of size and population.

Even in the slower month of February there were nine property transfers recorded, including seven homes ranging in price from \$125,000 to over \$600,000 and the sale of the commercial building formerly housing Ben's Deli on Route 22.

In late April, 12 existing homes and seven parcels of land were listed for sale along with 12 building sites or 12 new construction homes on Valley View Farms.

141 Dugway Drive — 4 bedroom/2.5 bath home on 1.94 acres with a pool sold to Patricia Penn for \$610,000.

94 David Lane — 2 bedroom/2 bath home sold to Lacey & Haley Holdings LLC for \$485,000.

62 Hoags Corner Road — 3 bedroom/1.5 bath ranch sold to Walter E. Sola Cardona for \$430,000.

4 Merchant St. — 2 bedroom/1.5 bath home sold to Kathy Slavin-Rothstein for \$290,000.

230 Dog Tail Corner Road — 2 bedroom/2 bath home sold to Terence Bryan Robert Dunne for \$340,000.

7 Riverdale Drive — 3 bedroom/2 bath home sold



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE BATES

This spacious ranch built in 1965 with three bedrooms at 62 Hoags Corner Road sold for \$430,000.

to Quantum View Holdings LLC for \$272,000.

50 Lake Ellis Road — 2 bedroom/2 bath home on 1.15 acres sold to Donato Gemmati for \$124,801.

Overbrook Road (Parcel # 105765) — 2.9 acres of residential land sold to Jose Guzman for \$65,000.

1461 Route 22 — Commercial restaurant with apartment above sold to Jorge Merchan for \$400,000

**Town of Dover real estate transfers as recorded between Feb. 1, 2025, and Feb. 28, 2025, are sourced from Dutchess County Real Property Tax Service Agency. Information on active listings taken from First Key MLS. Only transfers with consideration are included. Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Advisor with William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty, Licensed in Connecticut and New York.*



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Children's tea time at the library

Launch of the first in a series of Children's Tea Parties at the Amenia Free Library drew youngsters to enjoy tea sandwiches, mini bunny cupcakes, tea or juice and other treats on Saturday, April 19. Dressed up for the party were Aubree Saintilfort, 6, of Amenia, at left, and Teagan Harney, 8, of Millertown. The event hosted by program assistant Hope Bruzzi will be repeated on the third Saturday of each month. The tea for the party was donated by Harney & Sons of Millertown. Reservations for the children's teas are made by emailing or phoning the library.

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