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# New food market coming to Millerton on June 20

Covering Northeastern Dutchess County and its Environs

By NATALIA ZUKERMAN nataliaz@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON — This summer, Millerton will welcome a bold new experiment in community-driven food access and farmer sustainability: TriCorner F.E.E.D. Market, a nonprofit store located at 56 S. Center St., designed to serve everyone in the tri-county area — Dutchess, Litchfield, and Columbia

 $\boldsymbol{-}$  regardless of income.

Founded by Linda Quella, a former finance executive turned farmer, and Blake Myers, Director of Food Programs and Midwest farm kid turned food justice advocate, the TriCorner F.E.E.D. Market is the result of years of listening, learning and reimagining how a food system can serve both the people who grow food and the people who need it.

"Food is a basic human right," said Myers at a recent "Gather," a monthly event hosted by Troutbeck in Amenia highlighting the work of local entrepreneurs, where the new market's vision was met with many questions and much excitement. "And 40% of people in our region are having to make difficult tradeoffs every month — between food,

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Library Annex gets a facelift
Brian McCarthy of J&M Construction preps a window sill on the

east side of the NorthEast-Millerton Library Annex to be wrapped

in aluminum. New York state grants to the tune of \$125,000 are funding the repair of rotting wood, chipping paint, cracked siding

and the replacement of an exterior door and window if there are

enough funds remaining following repairs.

PHOTO BY NATHAN MILLER

# Town Board hears proposal to conserve Indian Pond Farm

By ALY MORRISSEY alym@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON — The North East Town Board voted unanimously to draft a letter in support of the Dutchess Land Conservancy's bid to secure development rights for Indian Pond Farm.

The conservancy is in the early stages of applying to the state Department of Agriculture and Markets for funding to purchase development rights on the 144-acre property on Indian Lake Road. The goal is to permanently protect the farmland by limiting



PHOTO BY ALY MORRISS

Emily Kelderhouse, land projects manager, left, and Erin Hoagland, director of conservation, right, ask the Town of North East for a letter of support for a conservation easement on Indian Pond Farm, a 144-acre property on Indian Lake Road. The easement would limit future development.

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# Assessing the present and envisioning the future

**By LEILA HAWKEN**Special to the Millerton News

AMENIA — Engaging with the task of updating the town's comprehensive plan of development, an open session on Monday, June 9, invited residents to come to the Town Hall and share comments on present strengths of Amenia

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# Sharon Hospital president sees promise in new partnership

**By ALEC LINDEN** alecl@lakevillejournal.com

SHARON, Conn. — After years of negotiations, Sharon Hospital is now officially part of the Northwell Health network. Christina McCulloch, the hospital's president, said during a June 11 interview that the merger could help address some of the issues that plague rural healthcare centers.

"When you bring two organizations of this size together, you do have more leverage in many ways," she said, pointing to staffing difficulties as a key area where the new partnership could offer real support. "When you're looking at recruitment, which is certainly a challenge in Sharon and always will be due to its rural nature, having a partner will certainly benefit us."

In early May the New Yorkbased healthcare group finalized its union with Nuvance Health, which has operated Sharon Hospital since 2019, and also oversees hospitals in Danbury, Norwalk and New Milford as well as three additional facilities in the Hudson Valley. In a May 7 press release, Northwell President and CEO Michael Dowling described the merger as an investment in regional healthcare, while Margaret Crotty, who chairs the nonprofit's Board of Trustees, is quoted as saying it is "an unprecedented opportunity a more integrated, regionally connected health system across Connecticut and New York."

McCulloch shared their enthusiasm, reporting that now, six

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of Development, last updated in 2009.

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Residents gathered for an "Engaging Amenia" event at the Town

Hall on Monday, June 9, to share views on the town's present and

future, a step toward updating the town's Comprehensive Plan

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#### **OUR TOWNS**

# 'Simultaneous Chess' event provides multiple moves for community fun

**By LEILA HAWKEN**Special to the Millerton News

WASSAIC — The firstever Simultaneous Chess community event on Saturday, June 14, attracted a good attendance of residents and friends of all ages and abilities with the challenging game.

The event was organized by Calsi's General Store. Bill Kroeger, an expert player, was the lone opposing player on numerous chess boards set up on planks and sawhorses. Kroeger moved swiftly from one board to the next, providing instruction as frequently needed.

Experienced players found Kroeger to be a worthy opponent; children found it to be a rewarding learning experience.

The event added to the fun of the Rattlesnake Run that was drawing to a close when chess play began.

The youngest Wassaicbased player was Izzy Dearth, almost 3, who came with her father, John. She was attracted to a table under a tent where her opponent would be a large teddy bear.

"I had a great time; I hope that people enjoyed it," said Kroeger after play had ended and he had won all the matches. He recalled that he had begun learning chess as a child. One day a week he would attend sessions at the Manhattan Chess Club and then, when older, he would play chess in the park.

The event had been planned after organizers of Rattlesnake Run had asked businesses to participate with activities, leading Calso's proprietor Sharon Kroeger to propose the simultaneous chess idea.

"It's a chance for people to connect and perhaps run into people they wouldn't ordinarily meet and be part of the community," Sharon Kroeger said.

Her predictions were correct as players represented a variety of local demographics, with general agreement that the event should happen again next year.

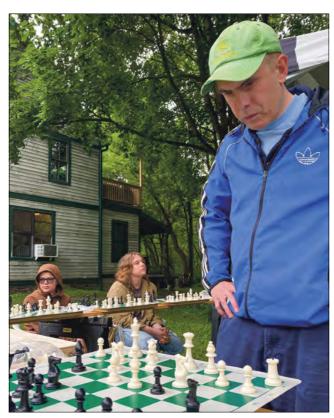


PHOTO BY LEILA HAWKEN

Play was underway at the Simultaneous Chess event on Saturday, June 14, as area residents engaged in chess matches competing simultaneously against a single opponent, Bill Kroeger, seen contemplating his next move. Calsi's General Store organized the outdoor event.

## Amenia Board hears analysis on cost of new town garage

**By LEILA HAWKEN**Special to the Millerton News

MILLERTON — Taking another step toward construction of the new town garage facility, the Town Board at a special meeting on Thursday, June 12, heard a presentation from an architectural engineering company with options for clarifying cost estimates.

Representing CPL Planning Engineers of Poughkeepsie were George Schmitt, Senior Engineering Project Manager and Jonathan DiRocco, Senior Architectural Project Manager.

"The feasibility study did not provide cost analysis," DiRocco explained, referring to the early conceptual planning for the new town garage facility including salt and sand storage shed. Any early cost projections are now outdated, he added.

The project design phase is the next step, DiRocco said, describing three distinct design phases, including preparatory site work, the buildings and the perimeter fencing.

Anticipating infrastructure work needed, DiRocco said that the garage would need on-site water and gravity flow septic design, in addition to stormwater management to align with new regulations in 2025. Identified infrastructure "hot spots" include the salt storage shed, and fuel storage.

"Every drop of storm-

water must be treated," reported Town finance director Charlie Miller, resulting in a significant cost increase over earlier estimates. He added that town crews can accomplish some of the site preparation work, a cost saving.

"We won't know until we go out for bid what the actual numbers will be," Miller said.

Other cost-saving design changes were proposed by CPL, reconfiguring some of the building's interior, following consultation with town employees. Miller suggested addition of a garage lift, as the town benefits from town crew being able to do truck maintenance inhouse. A lift would assist with that work.

Discussion included whether to phase the project, sure to result in increased construction costs over time, or whether to construct all at once. Miller noted that it is less costly to do the project all at once.

Town Supervisor Leo Blackman clarified that scenarios presume that the project will be built over time.

"If we push the phases out too far, the costs increase," Blackman said.

Miller recommended the hiring of a construction manager, an item not yet included in cost proiections.

Current timing suggests that following site preparation, the buildings would be delivered in 2027.

## Millerton appoints new police recruit

By ALY MORRISSEY alym@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON — The appointment of a new Village police recruit and the approval of a communications platform were among the key items discussed at the Millerton Village Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday, June 10.

The board also set a date for a follow-up to the recent special meeting regarding Immigration and Customs Enforcement. That meeting will be held Tuesday, July 29, at 6 p.m., with the village's legal counsel expected to attend.

Following a brief report from Police Chief Joseph Olenik, the board unanimously accepted the resignation of Officer Julia Phillips, who is stepping down to spend more time with her family.

#### **Correcting Errors**

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## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF FINAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

Notice is hereby given that the Final Assessment roll for the TOWN OF AMENIA, COUNTY OF DUTCHESS for the year 2025 has been completed by the undersigned Assessor, and a certified copy is filed in the office of the Town Clerk at Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, NY on the first day of July, 2025, where it will be open for public inspection. A copy of such will also be available online at amenianv.gov

Dated this 1st day of July 2025.

Donna Dipippo Assessor for Town of Amenia 06-19-25 "She was a great officer," said Olenik, before introducing a candidate to fill the vacancy.

Heather Dworkin, 25, of Fishkill, addressed the board during the meeting.

"Law enforcement has always been huge in my family, and I'm ready to take that step myself and serve my community," she said. Dworkin was joined by her parents, Mary and Keith Dworkin. Her father serves as police chief in the village of Millbrook.

"I'm interested in this village specifically because I like the fact that you can build a relationship with the people who live here," she added. "That's very important to me."

After an executive session, the board unanimously voted to appoint Dworkin as a new police recruit for the village.

Trustees also approved a two-year contract with TextMyGov, a new software platform designed to improve communication with residents. The system will allow the village to send text alerts in emergencies or when timely mass communication

is needed. While implementation details are still being finalized, the board voted to move forward following a review of competing options.

In other business, the board will plan to formally recognize a tree committee, which has been operating on a volunteer basis and hopes to explore funding opportunities through the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

#### Correction: Amenia Town Board

In coverage of the Amenia Town Board meeting that appeared in the June 12 issue, Lyzzette Bullock was

appointed to fill the Planning Board vacancy created by the resignation of John Stefanopoulos.



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#### **OUR TOWNS**

## Millbrook public schools launch 'Continuing Ed' program

By ALY MORRISSEY alym@millertonnews.com

MILLBROOK - Community members looking to pick up a new hobby, master a skill, and expand their sense of community will soon have an opportunity thanks to the launch of a new continuing education program by the Millbrook Central School District.

Beginning in July, the Millbrook Continuing Education Program will offer a wide range of classes and workshops for people of all ages and backgrounds.

"This program is about more than just classes," said Dr. Amy Watkins, assistant superintendent for instruction and community relations for the Millbrook Central School District. "It's about building stronger connections with our community and finding ways for everyone - not just students — to benefit from what our schools can offer."

Watkins, who successfully implemented similar programs in other districts, proposed the idea to the superintendent. "It was a challenge," she said, referencing the many legal and logistical hurdles. "But after months of planning, I'm thrilled we were able to launch it."

A quick glance at the class

Millerton, passed

away at home on

June 12, 2025, fol-

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leukemia. He is survived by his wife

Linda Moon Or-

lando at home; his parents,

Ronald and Marlene Orlando, Sr. of Sharon, Connecticut;

his son, Nathaniel Orlando;

his brother, Todd Orlando

of Lincoln Park, New Jersey;

three nieces, Jordan, Alex and

Avery; his brother-in-law,

Robert Moon of Pawling, NY,

and many aunts, uncles and

Ronald was born on July 10,

cousins.

schedule reveals a diverse mix of offerings. Watkins believes courses in language, art and writing will be especially popular, and she highlighted the importance of practical offerings like CPR training.

"These classes are incredibly valuable whether you're a teen learning to babysit or an adult caring for an elderly parent," she said. "It's important to know what to do in an emergency."

The larger vision, Watkins explained, is to increase the use of Millbrook's school buildings after hours by offering enriching programs for learners of all ages.

"It's a meaningful way to foster community connections," she said. "We've kept the costs reasonable, and most courses include materials. It's a great way to try something new, meet people and step away from screens."

Looking ahead, Watkins said the district plans to expand offerings this fall with a wider selection of evening classes to better accommodate working adults.

In the meantime, community members from Millbrook and beyond are encouraged to browse course offerings and register at: www.millbrookcsd. org/our-district1/continuinged



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father, son and

friend and will be

greatly missed. Many thanks to Hudson Valley Hospice for

their care. This obituary was

lovingly composed by his wife

place on Friday, June 20, 2025, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Scott

D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37

Park Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546. Graveside services and

burial will take place on Sat-

Calling hours will take

Ronald was a wonderful husband.

and postcards.

Ronald Anthony Orlando MILLERTON — Ronald TV show Svengoolie, cross-Anthony Orlando, Jr., 59, of word puzzles and curating growing every year." his many collections of vintage

In a shift from last year's

format, this year's course began and ended in downtown Wassaic, allowing runners to pass each other along the trail for a more communal, interactive experience.

Participants chose from three distances - a half marathon, 10K, and 5K — each drawing a sizable group of

Named for the mountain that looms nearby, and surrounded by the vibrant presence of the Wassaic Project, the event offered a colorful and scenic environment. Spectators and runners alike enjoyed a festive atmosphere featuring a bake sale, live DJ, arts and crafts, and even a

child magician.

Lacroix says he will connect with runners to see how they felt about the "out and back" format along the trail before determining the format for next year.

Sponsors of the race in-

cluded Wassaic Project, Jack's Auto Service, Four Brothers, Silo Ridge, Stoneleaf, St. Thomas Church, and the Food of Life Food Pantry. The logo and branding for the race were designed by Studio Bueno.

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Gordon Simpson, 2, gets a head start during the 10K heat.



Rattlesnake Run founder and organizer Florent Lacroix with Wassaic Project music director Tim Love Lee, who set the vibes as DJ for the event.



## Rattlesnake Run sees biggest turnout in five years

By ALY MORRISSEY alym@millertonnews.com

AMENIA — The rain held off for the fifth annual Rattlesnake Run on Saturday, June 14, which took place along the

Harlem Valley Rail Trail. With more than 110 registered runners, this year marked the largest turnout since the race's inception in 2020, race organizer and founder Florent Lacroix said.

"It's a fun community event," Lacroix said. "The goal was originally to connect the towns of North East and Amenia, and the event keeps

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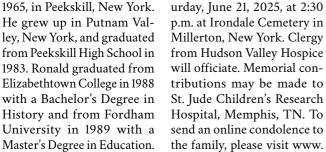
## Time for an upgrade

A crew from Self Made LLC installed LED lights on the clocktower of the Millerton Moviehouse in the Village on Wednesday, June 11. The new LEDs replace old lights that had shone on the clocktower for more than a decade.









Ronald was previously employed by Putnam County Dept. of Social Services and Dutchess County Dept. of Social Services. At the time of his retirement, he was employed as a probation officer with

**Dutchess County Probation.** Ronald was a proud Eagle Scout and also served as a Cub Scout leader with his son's troop. He served on the Millerton Zoning Board for several years due to his interest in his local community. Ronald was a knowledgeable historian with a keen interest in the history of World War II. His other many interests included a love of film noir movies, the

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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Barbara Ellen Branchina

LAKEVILLE — Barbara Ellen Branchina passed away

on May 31, 2025, in her home in Kennebunk, Maine,

after a long illness. Barbara was born on March 26, 1945, in Brooklyn, New York, to Fred and Ruth Helfst. She later attended Warwick (New

York) High School where she met Nick, the love of her life. They were married June 26, 1968. Barb received her B.A. in Education from SUNY,

They later moved to Lakeville where they lived and raised their children for 35 years. Barb was a homemaker for several years, then received her M.S. in Education from Central Connecticut State University. She was an elementary school teacher at Salisbury Central School for many years. Upon retirement, they moved to Kennebunk to be closer to their children and grandchildren.

Barbara was a loving mother, grandmother and wife. She had many passions, including interior decorat-

ing, literature and mysteries, history, gardening, cooking and baking, and crafting. She was an active member in the Congregational Church in Salisbury, Connecticut, and later at South Congregational

Church in Kennebunkport. She and her husband made many friends in Maine and were active members of the Kennebunk Newcomers Club.

Barb is survived by her husband of 57 years, Nick, her daughter, Carly McKinney and her husband John, her son, Nicholas, and four grandchildren, John, Molly, Nicholas and Benjamin, all of Kennebunk, as well as her brother Fredrick Helfst and his family of Glen Rock, New

A private family service will be held later in the summer in Kennebunk. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of Southern Maine, Scarborough.

#### Gloria L. (Rivera) Coates

TORRINGTON — Gloria L. (Rivera) Coates, 82, of

80 Fern Dr., died Monday morning, June 9, surrounded by her loving family at the Charlotte Hungerford Hospital. She was the wife of George T. Coates Sr. Gloria was born September 15, 1942,

in Puerto Rico, daughter of the late Carmello and Gloria Rivera.

Gloria worked many jobs during her life. For the majority of her working life she was a house cleaner. During recent years she became the "Walmart Lady" at the Torrington Walmart and greeted everyone with a smile and a warm hello. Gloria loved beauty; whether it was shopping for the latest, new product, or getting home and trying it out. Gloria's greatest joy was taking care of and spending time with her children and grandchildren. She would love to watch them play in their various sporting events. Gloria was also

a communicant of St. Mary's Church in Lakeville, Conn..

In addition to her husband Gloria is survived by her two sons: George T. Coates, Jr. and his wife Magnolia of Weatogue, Conn., and Kirk Coates and

his wife Melissa of Winsted. Gloria is also survived by her two step-daughters Lachaun Tansimore of Virginia and Gwynne Deveau of Bloomfield. Her brother Carmello Rivera Jr. of Flordia and her ten grandchildren: Taj Coates, Mya Coates, Dae Coates, Lia Coates, Mason Coates, Maddox Coates, Samuel Deveau, Roman Ramos, Rachel Ramos, and Arabella Tansimore.

A Celebration of Gloria's Life will be held on Friday June 20, 2025, in the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home 118 Main St. North Canaan, CT 06018 from 6 to 8 p.m.. Flowers may be sent.

#### Barbara Maxwell O'Neill

SHARON — Barbara Maxwell O'Neill passed away

on June 7, 2025, in Danbury at the age

Born on March 6, 1936, in St. Louis, Missouri, Barbara was the daughter of Robert Joseph Maxwell and Audrey Leona Knueppe Maxwell. She graduated from

of 89.

Jennings High School and earned a Bachelor of Journalism degree from the University of Missouri in Columbia in 1958.

Barbara began her career with KMOX Radio in St. Louis and went on to work in publishing, advertising, public relations, television production, marketing, merchandising, photography, and the travel industry in Los Angeles and New York City. She also served as an administrative aide to the late Democratic Congressman from Illinois Melvin M. Price in Washing-

For 25 years, Barbara worked as Associate Publisher of the University of California Berkeley Wellness Letter in New York City before retiring to St. Louis. A passionate traveler, Bar-

> bara explored destinations around the world including Mongolia, New Zealand, Turkey, Cambodia, Europe, China, Japan, Chile, Peru, Israel, and Egypt. She was also an active volunteer with several organizations in St.

Louis, including the St. Louis

Barbara was an avid runner and sports enthusiast. She completed the New York Marathon, hiked England's 190-mile Coast-to-Coast trail, and trekked through Bhutan in the Himalayas.

She delighted in her dogs and is seen here with her beloved Max.

She is survived by her brother Robert Maxwell, sister-in-law Susan Hassler, nephews Taylor Maxwell and Colin Maxwell, all of Sharon, Connecticut and New York City, and many dear friends.

Barbara donated her body to the St. Louis University School of Medicine. Contributions in her memory may be made to the St. Louis Zoo.

NORTH CANAAN -Dorothy Mae Winn Cecchinato, 95, passed comfortably and peacefully on June 13, 2025, at Geer Nursing Home. She was born October 4, 1929, in Torrington, the daughter of Leo David Winn and Ester Gertrude (Hart) Winn. She was the oldest of four children growing up in West Cornwall. She attended grammar school at the Cornwall Consolidated School and finally 7-8th grade at the Salisbury Central School. Dorothy graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School in 1947 and was awarded the Bay Path College Award. Following graduation, she married her high school sweetheart Anthony F. Cecchinato, Sr. They settled in North Canaan and were married for a wonderful 59 years.

Dorothy was very active in sports throughout her life playing softball and basketball through high school and con-

the winter. Several

college.

Her first job was working as a secretary at the General Electric Company in Norfolk. She worked there for 8 years from 1947 to 1955. After GE, and after raising her son, she began working in 1965 at the

#### David A. Wright

LAKEVILLE — David A. Wright, 82, passed away Saturday, June 14, 2025, at Sharon Hospital. He was the beloved husband of Laura (Solan) Wright.

Dave was born in New York City on March 19, 1943. son of the late William and Martha (Lynn) Wright. He spent his early years in New York City and later in New Jersey. He earned his bachelor's degree from Rutgers University, then worked for two years in Wilton, Conn., before moving to Burlington, Vermont, where he received his PhD in chemistry.

In 1968, Dave met Laura, and they married in July 1970. Just a month later, the couple moved to Chicago where Dave completed his post-doctoral research in chemistry at the University of Chicago. After two years, they relocated to Canada, where Dave established a chemistry research program at the University of Guelph. In 1976, he earned his MBA from McMaster University in Ontario and went on to work as a CPA at Thorne Riddell in Toronto.

In 1979, Dave and Laura settled in Lakeville, Laura's hometown. He became the Chief Financial Officer of Anamet, Inc. in Waterbury, a role he held until his retirement. Even after retiring, he continued consulting part-time until just two years ago. Beyond his professional achievements, Dave had many passions.

He enjoyed playing bridge, both online and with local friends, and was a Grand Master in chess. He was an avid reader and had a lifelong love of math, science, and his-

In addition to his wife, Laura, Dave is survived by his three children, Jessica Wright (Chris Yerton) of Berlin, New York, Alison Le (Hong Le) of Severna Park, Maryland, and David Wright (Kira Costanza) of Lakeville. He also leaves behind three grandchildren, Harrison, Augusta, and Michael; a sister, Martha Lynch; many beloved nieces and nephews; and his cherished dog, Huxley. He was predeceased by his brother, William Wright.

Graveside services will be held Friday, June 20, 2025, at 11 a.m. at Salisbury Cemetery, Undermountain Rd., Salisbury, CT. Ryan Funeral Home, 255 Main St., Lakeville, is in care of arrangements. Memorial contributions in Dave's memory may be made to the Scoville Library (www.scovillelibrary.org) 38 Main St., Salisbury, CT 06068. To offer an online condolence, please visit ryanfhct.com

#### Announcement of Services

#### Nancy Bergenty

Graveside services for Nancy Bergency will be held on Saturday, June 28, at 11 a.m., at Mountain View Cemetery on Sand Road in Canaan. The family will greet friends at VFW Post 6851 on Route 7 in North Canaan, immediately after.

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#### Dorothy Mae Winn Cecchinato

tinuing softball on the Canaan Housatonic Valley Regional

an active golfer and bowler participating in these sports into her late 70's. She enjoyed skiing and would frequent the slopes at Catamount with her husband Anthony throughout

ski trips to Colorado are also fond memories for her and the family. She always enjoyed watching sports and with her husband attended numerous sporting events that her three granddaughters participated in all through high school and

Girls softball team. She was High School, Regional Dis-

trict One in Falls Village, as the Clerk to the Board for all of the Region One schools. She logged a total of 36 years of service at HVRHS. In 2018, she was one of the first group of Honorees in-

ducted to the HVRHS Wall of Honor. After retirement, she continued supporting activities at HVRHS through her work with the HVRHS Alumni Committee and the Blue and Gold Alumni bulletin. In addition to her career at HVRHS, she worked on the Planning and Zoning Commission in North Canaan and was also the chairman of Housing Authority of North Canaan. She worked on the Democratic Town Committee and was a long time member of the North Canaan Board of Education until she was 90. She was an active member in the Cranford Club for many years in North Canaan.

Dorothy is predeceased by her brother David Hart Winn of Marcellus, New York.

She is survived by two sisters: Marion Elizabeth Winn Staples of New Smyrna Beach, Florida; and Gertrude Lucille Winn (Kroehle) Hunker of Falls Village.

Her son: Anthony F. Cecchinato Jr. and his wife Elizabeth Cecchinato of Litchfield.

Granddaughters: Andrea Leigh (Cecchinato) Calore and husband Dan Calore of Watertown, Connecticut; Ashley Lyn (Cecchinato) Labonte and husband DJ Labonte of Litchfield; and Abagail Elizabeth (Cecchinato) Palesty and husband Alexander Palesty of Woodbury, Connecticut.

Great Grandchildren: Zachary and William Calore; Addison, Harper and Vance Labonte; and Greyson, Jack and Callan Palesty

There will be a church service at the St. Martin of Tours Church of St. Joseph in North Canaan starting at 10 a.m. on Friday June 20, 2025. The burial will be at the St. Joseph's Cemetery in North Canaan immediately following the service. There will be a reception for family and friends to celebrate her life at a location to be determined following the burial.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers to consider making a donation to the North Canaan Cranford Club.



#### **Worship Services** Week of June 23, 2025

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THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2025

## **EDITORIAL**

#### **Summer interns**

he Millerton News and The Lakeville Journal again this year will provide paid summer internships to high school and college students who want to learn about reporting and editing at a weekly newspaper. Nine students will join our newsroom next week for a six-week experience. On Day One, they will attend our weekly Tuesday news meeting, watching and listening as we plan the next week's coverage and talk about how and who will cover the news and events in our community.

Also from Day One, they will be given assignments. In some cases in the beginning, they will be paired with a reporter to shadow, and they will work independently with an editor. Every Thursday for the course of the program they will come together for in-person class workshops that will be held in the newsroom. The Thursday sessions provide instruction on how to pitch a story, better ways to photograph, as well as Associated Press style and topics on libel, ethics and the all-important matter of actually writing the story!

Workshop instructors include experts in their fields, but the learning for the interns really happens through the interaction with editors throughout the week. Nathan Miller, managing editor of The News, and Riley Klein, managing editor of The Journal, will be on the other end of the phone and email as the interns fan out into our communities to cover meetings and events, discovering the nuances of our community journalism.

It's refreshing for us as editors to see our own world through new eyes. This spring, as we chronicled this month in The Journal, we worked with students at Housatonic Valley Regional High School as they created their own newspaper, HVRHS Today. The Housy program will continue in the fall.

Our 2025 summer interns include high school students from New York and Connecticut, but the greater number are college students who aspire to learn how journalism serves as a witness to history.

Interns and schools include:

Linus Barnes — Vassar College, Poughkeepsie Jules Williams — University of Virginia, Charlottesville

David Carley — Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio Copey Rollins — The Hotchkiss School, Salisbury Mia DiRocco — Housatonic Valley Regional High School, Falls Village

Simon Markow — Housatonic Valley Regional High School, Falls Village

Charlie Greenberg — Riverdale Country School,

Bronx, New York Theo Maniatis — Middlebury College, Middlebury,

We're also proud to be selected by Marist University in Poughkeepsie, New York, to host one of its students as part of a new partnership. Marist student Grace De-Marco has already started her internship.

Last year, when the interns concluded their summer program, they wrote about their experience and we will share that with you again this year before they return to the classroom.

With the newspaper industry facing so many challenges, and even existential threats, it was heartening to receive big interest from students wanting to try a journalism internship. Please welcome our 2025 Lakeville Journal/Millerton News summer apprentices.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Time to repaint checkerboard corner

The time has come to repaint checkerboard corner. Many years ago, I remember when Jay Reynolds, owner of the Millerton Inn at the time, organized a group of dedicated residents who repainted Checkerboard Corner. As the western gateway to our beautiful village, this entryway is in dire need of a facelift!

Let's plan to recruit a group of volunteers and DO IT AGAIN!

Action plan: Ask our

Mayor Najdek to contact state D.O.T for permission to repaint the barrier, provide safety cones and paint, provide the best timing for the project and provide police protection.

Plan this project to coincide with current village 175 year celebrations.

We have plenty of time to organize this project. So let's get to it.

Ralph Fedele



North East

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The iPhone flashlight: Because sooner or later romance is squinting at appetizer options in the dark.

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## Parkway hopes fade; 'Young Frankenstein' invades at the movies; Manna Dew reopens

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

#### June 21, 1934

'Hope Fades For Parkway Construction, No Federal Or State Funds Available, Winslow Is Told'; Hope that construction of the Taconic Parkway would be completed as far north as Freedom Plains either in 1934 or 1935 faded last week when Paul T. Winslow, executive secretary of the Taconic Park Commission, was informed by Commissioner Arthur W. Brandt of the State Highway Department that no more state or federal funds for parkway construction will be forthcoming this year.

The Taconic Commission had entertained hope that it might complete Section 4 of the parkway, extending from Gayhead on the Fishkill-Stormville highway north to the new Manch Bridge-Billings highway at Freedom Plains, through an additional grant of federal funds.

Commissioner Brandt explained to Mr. Winslow that President Roosevelt had asked for an additional appropriation of \$200,000,000 of which New York state was to receive a substantial amount, and had the full amount of the appropriation been made available, about \$500,000 would have been allocated for Section 4 of the parkway. Congress cut the appropriation asked by the President in half.

#### June 19, 1975

"Young Frankenstein' Invades Millerton'; The Millerton Theatre, last Fall, closed its doors due to lack of business with a showing of the horror classic, "Dracula." On Wednesday, June 18, the movie house opened for the summer months with the new and popular horror spoof, "Young Frankenstein."

The Millerton Theatre has been leased at \$500 a month for the summer by the Fergusons of New York City and Lakeville.

Laura, 19, Sharon, 18, Marsha, 14, Sandy, 11, and Tom Babbitt, 20, will be running the projector, selling tickets and refreshments and introducing the movies through Labor Day. Laura said that after "Young Frankenstein" they have scheduled "Aloha, Bobby and Rose" and, on the July 4 weekend, "That's entertainment."

#### FROM THE **ARCHIVES**

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Ticket prices will be \$2 for adults, \$1 for children and Mondays will be dollar night.

'County Health Board Approves Town Landfill'; The **Dutchess County Board of** Health has labeled the North East Town landfill "basically acceptable," it was announced at the Town Board meeting on Thursday night, June 12.

In a report to the Board, the County did suggest that there could be "better compacting" at the dump since wind-blown plastic was reportedly scattered over the landfill area. The County also asserted that it was concerned about expansion at the dump because such a move could create "environmental problems."

'Millerton Begins Pool Program'; The Village of Millerton will begin its summer recreation program at the Denney Memorial Pool on June 23. The pool will be open to village residents and their guests from noon to 7 p.m. on weekdays, for the period of June 23 to July 6. The pool will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the season.

Counselors at the pool this summer are the same as last year and are as follows: Don Hancock, Cindy Williams, Gina Canevari, Tracey Miller, Tammy Miller, and Jean Valentine. Glen Peck will be in charge of family pass purchases and ticket sales.

"We are all looking forward to a good summer and a terrific summer youth program," said Youth Program Director Don Hancock.

#### June 15, 2000

'Students Learn During Webutuck Career Day'; WE-BUTUCK — A remarkable variety of professions were represented June 8 at Webutuck Elementary School, as 20 parents and other community members volunteered to give talks describing their jobs.

Speakers each gave two 45-minute presentations to the fourth- through sixthgraders, each of whom chose two different sessions they were most interested in.

"It was a huge success," said co-organizer Susan Campbell of the second-annual event,

adding, "this one seemed more exciting than last year's." But it wasn't just doctors and lawyers. Jobs from music therapist to police scuba diver were represented.

Speakers included beautician Laureen Abouid; Stamford, Conn firefighter Jim Kravchuk; nurse Mickey Lovell; police sergeants Hughes, O'Brien and DeMarco; sheriff's deputies Molle and LaMonica; veterinarian Kent Kay; farmer John Perotti; occupational therapist Maureen McDonald; veterinarian Julian Strauss; mechanic and woodworker Ray Schultz; environmental educator Wendy Reiner; Metro North conductor Tom McCoy; music therapist Judy McAvoy; newspaper editor Terry Cowgill; Central Hudson district representative Nancy Herman; vocational rehabilitation assistant Joanne Robinson; and police forensic investigator Kevin Rosa.

'Manna Dew Consolidates Café and Health Store'; MIL-LERTON - Manna Dew has consolidated its health food store with the café and reopened this week in a twostory residence next to the Rexall Pharmacy on Main Street, according to Gina Trivelli, who is the owner along with her mother Karen.

"This will work better. People can eat and shop at the same time," said Ms. Trivelli of the establishment, which also offers catering. Her café was once in Railroad Plaza while the health food store used to be located farther down Main Street.



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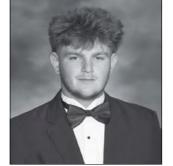
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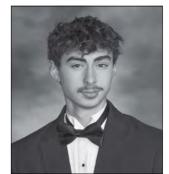
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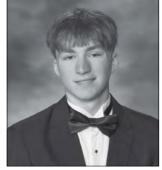
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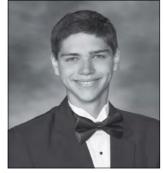
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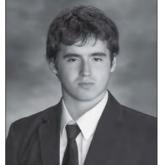
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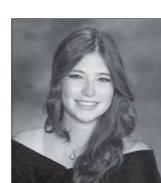
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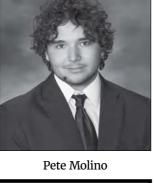
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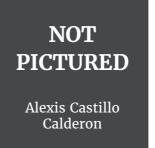
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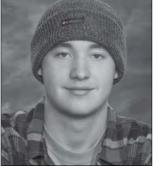


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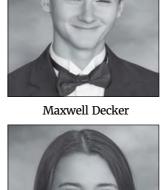


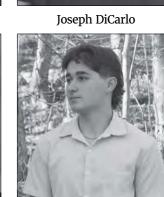
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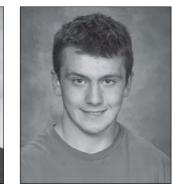
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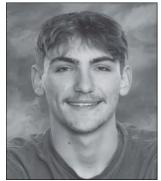
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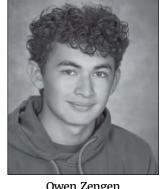
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rent, medicine," Myers said.

At its core, the market operates on a sliding scale pricing model. Customers will select from three levels: full retail, 30% off, or 60% off. Through conversation, tiers will be determined based on families' individual circumstances. "It's not like you have to show your tax returns," laughed Quella. "It's about trust and relationships."

The business model is designed to ensure that farmers always get paid the price they set. "This is not our store," said Quella. "It's the farmers' store. We're just building the infrastructure around it."

The inspiration came from models like Hudson's Rolling Grocer and Michigan's Argus Farm Stop. Quella and Myers conducted surveys with local farmers, identifying barriers like inconsistent markets, high labor costs, and the elitism often associated with traditional farmers markets.

"We asked farmers what they needed," Myers said. "They told us: regular, direct sales to consumers. And they want to stay on their farms, not drive to the city three days a week."



The TriCorner F.E.E.D. Market will have a sliding-scale pricing model.

Quella knows that grind firsthand. After years of running Q Farms and schlepping meat to city markets before dawn, she saw a broken system. "We were doing regenerative, intensive grazing, but only really privileged customers could afford it," she said. "It wasn't sustainable — financially or spiritually."

The pilot version of the market ran last summer outside the Northeast Community Center in Millerton, offering local goods on a sliding scale. The team learned as they went, from signage readability to the necessity of a Spanish-speaking staff member.

When a storefront across the street from the NECC became available, Quella and Myers jumped. "It was destiny," Myers said. "We had been staring at that empty space every week from our pop-up tent."

The location will include a commercial kitchen, allowing farmers to create value-added products like bone broth onsite. It also opens the door to job training for NECC teens and opportunities to reduce food waste by turning unsold goods into frozen meals for local pantries and NECC's food sovereignty program.

Quella and Myers are equally focused on creating a welcoming community space. "This isn't just about food," said Myers. "It's about relationships. It's hard to make connections in rural areas. We want this to be a place where everyone feels they belong."

To keep prices accessible, the store will rely on philanthropy and full-price shoppers. "Every full-price shopper subsidizes a 60% discount," Quella said. "That's how we balance the margins."

But this isn't charity. It's solidarity. "30% of every fullprice dollar goes to ensuring someone else can eat the same food," Myers said. "The same eggs, the same produce, the same dignity."

Quella and Myers said they hope their model inspires other communities. "We're trying to change broken systems," Quella said. "This is social change through private initiative. If we can do it here, others can too.'

The TriCorner F.E.E.D. Market is scheduled to open June 20. Check its website for updates, more information or to get involved at tricornerfeed.org.

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development.

While supporting the effort, Councilwoman Meg Winkler raised the importance of balancing farmland preservation with local housing needs. She advocated for partnerships between land conservancies and affordable housing initiatives.

"There is a desire to not think of things as separate," Winkler said. "Even just having a couple acres can make a big difference," she added, citing the recent success of a Habitat for Humanity home built on a half-acre lot.

Kennan opened the meeting by thanking volunteers who have led recent town initiatives, including the completion of a hazard mitigation plan submitted to Dutchess County and ongoing efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the former landfill.

Boardmembers unanimously appointed Mary Herms and Karen Pitcher to fill two vacancies on the Town Board of Ethics. Kennan said he believes the appointments will help "revitalize the Board of Ethics." An upcoming meeting with Herms and Pitcher will review the town's Code of Ethics and website materials.

The board also approved a routine permit renewal for Housatonic Acquisitions, formerly known as Scenic View, a trailer park in town.

The town board meeting followed a special meeting to discuss the potential renewal of the town's cable franchise agreement with Altice. Though Town Supervisor Chris Kennan acknowledged the town has limited flexibility in the terms of the license, he said the meeting laid the groundwork for a future session where a representative from Altice is expected to answer questions directly from residents.

Other items approved by the board included hiring a new cleaning company for Town Hall; renewing a contract with the Village of Millerton to provide a police officer in court at a 3% rate increase; and approving a filming permit for a professional film crew on Winchell Mountain Road on Wednesday, June 18. The shoot is expected to last up to two hours and may cause minor traffic modifications. The road will remain open, with two Dutchess County sheriff's deputies on site.

The meeting concluded with a discussion about safety concerns along the Harlem Valley Rail Trail. Board members emphasized the need for collaboration with Dutchess County officials to explore solutions for improving trail safety with a particular focus on the speed of electric bikes.

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weeks after the merger was announced, "there's really quite good energy around our relationship." She said that several weeks prior, members of the Northwell leadership team visited the hospital to bookend the new partnership with a day of celebration. "You could just feel the energy and excitement about the partnership."

The new, integrated healthcare system now employs 104,000 staff members across Connecticut and New York, including 22,000 nurses and 13,500 providers dispersed across 28 hospitals, 1,050 ambulatory care units and 73 urgent care centers. Before the merger, Northwell had already been the largest private employer in New York State for several years, according to its website.

No money exchanged hands as part of the deal, but Northwell pledged to invest at least \$1 billion in Nuvance hospitals.

Hospital consolidation is a nation-wide phenomenon and

#### AMENIA PLAN Continued from Page A1

town life and to suggest ways in which town life might be enhanced in the future.

About 100 residents representing a robust variety of demographics attended the community event and stayed to visit with one another and study the displays of town maps while watching the growing display of ideas.

"Here we are again, looking at moving forward," said town board member Rosanna Hamm, who offered a brief opening statement. "We've come a long way and we want to look forward to the future," she added, reflecting on the town's history.

The plan of development that serves as a reference base for all zoning decisions was last updated in 2009, underscoring the need to make appropriate revisions to meet the present day and a decade or two to come.

'Twenty-five years ago was the original town plan," recalled former town supervisor Bill Flood, offering a brief comment. "Now together, we will make it better."

"These are the next steps in the planning process," said Nina Peek, who serves on both the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee and the Planning Board.

The town's Comprehensive Plan Review Committee, with the guidance of Nexus facilitating consultants associated with Pace University's Land Use Law Center, convened the event titled "Engaging Amenia," seeking to hear from as many residents as possible to advance the work of the planning update.

Comment stations on Monday invited residents to begin by writing a single word on a whiteboard that

would encapsulate personal views of the town. A sampling of the single words included "friendly, community, history, land, home, potential, neighborly, view, future, rural, safe and friendly, support, sidewalk hellos, family, respite and values." To provide balance, two identical entries, "unengaged," played off the event title.

Attendees were then invited to visit any or all of five stations, each with a review committee representative providing information and inviting written comments on post-it notes to be affixed to a whiteboard. A pink postit signaled a town strength; a green post-it represented a town need.

The five stations invited comment on Sustainability and Recreation, Natural Resources, Housing, Business, and Infrastructure and Municipal Services. Residents lingered to see the growing collection of post-it messages, numbered in the hundreds.

"It's a really good turnout in spite of the rain," said Nexus consultant Jaclyn Tyler. "It shows the interest of the public that they want to be involved in the process."

"It's a great turnout," assessed Tiffany Zezula, Deputy Director of the Land Use Law Center at Pace University. "I'm very happy with it."

Residents' comments will continue to be gathered throughout the summer months. A website has been created by the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee to allow residents to see others' comments as they are submitted and to add their own about the subject categories. To access the website, go to www.engagingamenia.com.

has had critics in the past decade for causing hiked patient prices and deteriorating the quality of service at medical centers in certain instances. A 2020 study in the New England Journal of Medicine found that patient experience generally worsened at hospitals that were acquired by larger systems, though the Harvard Medical School reported that the study's lead author qualified that some cases of mergers improving hospitals cannot be ruled out.

McCulloch is confident that Nuvance joining the Northwell banner is one such instance. "It's not about cutting resources and cutting services. It's about optimizing what both of those organizations have, ultimately strengthening the access to care for everyone that lives in the community."

She further explained that Northwell's hospitals are consistently highly ranked and it was the only healthcare employer in New York to make Fortune Magazine's 2024 rankings of best workplaces in the state.

McCullough said she was enthusiastic to work with such a decorated partner, as Sharon Hospital had also received its share of accolades, including receiving five stars from the Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services five years in a row and the only hospital in Connecticut to achieve the honor in 2024.

While integrating with Northwell is the immediate focus, McCullough said, the hospital has much planned for the future including bolstering its primary care capacities. "Primary care is the foundation of any community," she

She mentioned that plans also exist to build up specialty departments, such as orthopedics and cardiology, the latter of which has already seen growth with the addition of cardiologist Dr. Sheri Harrison just over a year ago.

McCulloch assured that labor and delivery services at the hospital are guaranteed for a further five years. The maintenance of maternity services was established as a condition to the state attorney general William Tong's agreement to the proposal.

McCulloch said she is grateful to be part of a broad and resource-rich network that can provide residents quality immediate care and prompt connections to additional services elsewhere if they are required. "Rural hospitals across the nation are closing and shrinking and having to make really difficult [decisions], just to be financially stable and be able to be there for their communities," she said.

"Sharon hospital is really lucky to be a part of a larger organization so that we can benefit from those shared resources.'

## Millerton Street Fair set Saturday, June 28

MILLERTON — The Millerton News, in partnership with the North East Community Center (NECC) and the Millerton Business Alliance, is hosting its first Street Fair on Saturday in a celebration of the town. Rain or shine from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m, the fair will bring together local nonprofits and businesses, with live music, entertainment, kids' activities, local eats, and family fun in Veterans Park, in front of the Millerton Inn, and beyond.

"The Millerton Street Fair will celebrate everything we love about this community its spirit, its dedication to service and its creative energy," said James Clark, publisher and CEO of The Millerton News.

Local nonprofits will showcase their work and impact, including Climate Smart Millerton, Eddie Collins Memorial Park, North East Historical Society, Townscape, Tri-Corner FEED, Village of Millerton, and the Webutuck

Elementary School. Participating businesses include Bes, Little Red Bird Studio, NBT, The Elephant's Tusk, and many more. Local retail and dining establishments will be open with special promotions. NECC's Farmer's Market will run during the event.

Among the planned festivities are live music from John Stey and the Resilience Brass Band, performances from Bee Bee the Clown, face painting by students from Webutuck High School, and a community-wide scavenger hunt for kids. Other kids' activities include egg and spoon races, and a "touch-a-truck" open house at the firehouse. The Irondale Schoolhouse will be hosting a special exhibit, and the North East-Millerton Library will be offering signups for the Summer Reading Program, a science show from 11 a.m to 12 p.m., lawn games, and a cookie cook-off.

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Your Guide to Tri-State Arts, Entertainment & Lifestyle

THEATER: JENNIFER ALMQUIST

## Juneteenth and Mumbet's legacy

n August of 1781, after spending thirty years as an enslaved woman in the household of Colonel John Ashley in Sheffield, Massachusetts, Elizabeth Freeman, also known as Mumbet, was the first enslaved person to sue for her freedom in court. At the time of her trial there were 5,000 enslaved people in the state. MumBet's legal victory set a precedent for the abolition of slavery in Massachusetts in 1790, the first in the nation. She took the name Elizabeth Freeman.

Local playwrights Lonnie Anderson and Linda Rossi will tell her story in a staged reading of "1781" to celebrate Juneteenth, ay 7 p.m. at The Center on Main in Falls Village, Connecticut. Singer Wanda Houston will play MumBet, joined by actors Chantell McCulloch, Tarik Shah, Kim Canning, Sherie Berk, Howard Platt, Gloria Parker and Ruby Cameron Miller. Musical composer Donald Sosin added, "MumBet is an American hero whose story deserves to

be known much more widely."

Houston has shared the stage with stars ranging from Barbra Streisand to Motown great Mary Wells. "I have had the honor of portraying Elizabeth Freeman for three years in "Meet Elizabeth Freeman" by Teresa Miller. Our first reading of "1781" is in celebration of Juneteenth, which is wonderfully symbolic and poignant." Juneteenth celebrates the end of slavery. Two years after President Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, word of their freedom finally reached slaves in Texas on June 19, 1865.

MumBet, born in 1742 to African enslaved parents, was purchased at age six months by Colonel John Ashley of Sheffield, Massachusetts, for whom she worked until her thirties. Ashley helped write the 1773 **Sheffield Declaration** which stated, "Mankind in a state of nature are equal, free, and independent of each other, and have a right to the



Sheffield resident, singer Wanda Houston will play Mumbet in "1781" on June 19 at 7 p.m. at The Center on Main, Falls Village.

undisturbed enjoyment of their lives, their liberty and property." Rumor has it that MumBet overheard a reading of the document. After a traumatic household experience, MumBet left the Ashley home in Bartholomew's Cobble, walked four miles to Sheffield, and asked attorney and abolitionist Theodore Sedgwick to help her gain her freedom.

Houston shared, "I live in Sheffield near where she was enslaved, in a

house she would have passed on her walk from Ashley Falls to Sheffield. I am humbled by the fortitude and inner strength it must have taken for this woman to defy norms and take a stand for her own freedom. We Americans must still stand and fight for our rights to live free."

Elizabeth Freeman spent her years as a free woman working for wages in the Sedgewick household, saving money to buy her own home in Stockbridge,

Tombstone of Elizabeth Freeman in the "Sedgewick Pie" family burial ground in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

where she was a midwife and healer. She died in 1829 and is buried in "Sedgewick Pie," the family burial plot in Stockbridge. One of her great-grandchildren, W.E.B. DuBois, born in Great Barrington, was the first African American to earn a Ph.D. from Harvard. DuBois founded the NAACP.

Her tombstone reads: "She was born a slave and remained a slave for nearly thirty years. She could neither read nor write yet in her

own sphere she had no superior or equal. She neither wasted time nor property. She never violated a trust nor failed to perform a duty. In every situation of domestic trial, she was the most efficient helper, and the tenderest friend. Good mother, farewell."

The performance of "1781" will take place Thursday, June 19 at 7 p.m. at The Center on Main (103 Main St., Falls Village). Admission is free, donations gratefully accepted.

**ART: NATALIA ZUKERMAN** 

## A sweet collaboration with students in Torrington

collaboration between The Nutmeg Fudge Company, local artist Gerald Incandela, and Saint John Paul The Great Academy in Torrington, Connecticut a mural — designed and painted entirely by students — now graces the interior of the fudge company.

The Nutmeg Fudge Company owner Kristy Barto was looking to brighten her party space with a mural that celebrated both old and new Torrington. She worked with school board member Susan Cook and Incandela to reach out to the Academy's art teacher, Rachael Martinelli.

"When Susan and Gerald brought this to me, I immediately saw it as a chance for my students to make something meaningful and lasting," said Martinelli. "It wasn't just about painting a wall, it was about teaching kids to serve their community through their art."

Martinelli introduced the project as an after-school club for grades four through eight. "I wanted students who were truly committed," she explained.

hanks to a unique Interest was so high that the whimsy of a candy she had to divide participants into rotating grade-level groups, with occasional full-team days for collaboration. The mural became a long-term endeavor, stretching across a school year and a half.

> The painting was created on canvas, a nearly 4' x 27' roll, donated by Incandela. The paint came courtesy of school principal Ed Goad. With materials secured, the students dove into research, studying maps, landmarks, and city history to inform their designs. "They worked to capture the spirit of Torrington," Martinelli said. "But also, to match

shop."

The result is a mural that features a playful "candyland" version of the city, where important buildings and landmarks are sized according to their importance to both the client and the community. "They created this hierarchy of bubbles and buildings, this joyful visual story," Martinelli said. "It's full of life."

Beyond art skills, Martinelli witnessed her students develop qualities often harder to teach: teamwork, communication, resilience. "They learned to scale up sketches, mix large

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PHOTO BY KRISTY BARTO, OWNER OF THE NUTMEG FUDGE COMPANY

The new mural painted by students at Saint John Paul The Great Academy in Torrington, Connecticut.







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**ART: DEBORAH MAIER** 

## In the company of artists

or anyone who wants a deeper glimpse into how art comes about, an onsite artist talk is a rich experience worth the trip. On Saturday, June 14, Henry Klimowicz's cavernous Re Institute a vast, converted 1960's barn north of Millerton — hosted Amy Podmore and Brigitta Varadi, who elucidated their process to a small but engaged crowd amid the installation of sculptures and two remarkable videos.

Though they were all there at different times, a common thread among Klimowicz, Podmore and Varadi is their experience of New Hampshire's famed MacDowell Colony. The silence, the safety of being able to walk in the woods at night, and the camaraderie of other working artists are precious goads to hardworking creativity. For his part, for fifteen years, Klimowicz has promoted community among thousands of participating artists, in the hope that the pairs or groups he shows together will always be linked. "To be an artist," he stressed,

"is to be among other artists."

Curator and owner Klimowicz and both artists spoke of the physicality of making art, revealing an abounding intimacy with their materials. Podmore recounted seeking the perfect bare branches to use in her "Fall," the piece that dominates the center of the space. She would find those that most suggested figures slipping into a fall, and mimic them herself, as animators do for accuracy, before admitting them into the crew now lying on the floor. Each is unique, but all are united by their red-socked feet, which, though tiny, are touchingly rendered in adult proportions. For art professor Podmore, they signal how "failing in public" is a phenomenon today's students must learn to navigate.

For Varadi, whose background is Rusyn-Carpathian, the main medium is Karakul sheep's wool, a particularly robust variety used in Persian carpets. Her process of felting the fiber involves extremely

hard labor; she wryly expressed hope that technology would ease the burden of this long-term project, best seen in her huge wall piece, "With Their Backs to the Mountains." The title refers to the staunch resilience of her ancestors — stateless but proud, subject to historical violence.

In Varadi's video
"Hunia-Permission to
Be," the color red amid
the chiaroscuro of snowy
winter forests offers
a mesmerizing counterpart to Podmore's
floorpiece. Wearing the
traditional, oversized
red felted coat called the
Hunia, the artist silently
plods through the lovely
scene, suggesting cycles
of effort, disappearing
and reappearing.

Podmore's video adds the aural element, with the creaking of trees rubbing against each other at various tilts. The title "Fifteen Degrees" indicates a tree's maximum safe angle from vertical. Reflecting this, two silhouetted jointed figures lean against each other — by turns intimate and aggressive — a shockingly apt metaphor



PHOTO BY AIDA LALEIAN

Curator Henry Klimowicz, left, with artists Brigitta Varadi and Amy Podmore at The Re Institute

for current society.

"As a younger artist,"
Podmore observed, "I
was very serious about
the human condition;
now I see that it is just
bizarre."

Another of Podmore's works, "Audience" — now on view at Mass MoCA — gives a nod and a wink to our strange time. Hundreds of unique plaster-cast baskets mounted along an 85-foot wall, some fitted with single mechanical eyes, offer viewers the experience of being viewed, to the

quiet cacophony of eyes popping open. A mustsee through Nov. 30.

The Re Institute exhibition can be seen through July 5, with hours Saturdays 1 to 4 p.m. and by appointment. More information at the reinstitute.com.

**ART: MIKE COBB** 

## Matter and memory: The mixed media art of Sophie Eisner

ophie Eisner is a mixed media artist working in steel, fabric, concrete, silicon and other materials. Her solo show "Holding Patterns" at the Norfolk Library closed on June

Thematically, "Holding Patterns" explored the energy of potential and how the human body holds emotional experience. Her work often depicts empty vessels and uses negative space to explore tension between objects.

Inspired by the memo-

ry of a traumatic childhood injury at her family home in Norfolk, Eisner remembers how her father took care of her.

"When I was three years old, I fell and cut my knee badly. My dad picked me up and put me in the kitchen sink. I think about that in terms of objects and the relationship between space, feelings and memories. Physical space and emotional quality are very merged," she said.

Perhaps due to this experience, sinks and empty vessels figure frequently in Eisner's work. She has a fondness for the smoothness and utility of their design as well as empty bowls. But Eisner explores other ideas and works in different mediums such as welding metal coils and clay.

"If we take that into the metaphorical range, it's like a human where we're not all made at once but who you are grows out of this accumulation of experiences and events that sort of mark you over time. So, that's another way that I've explored ideas of memory," she said.

While Eisner's work deals with personal experiences, it is open to viewer interpretation, often in a non-linear fashion.

"It is like when you have a dream, you forget about it and then you remember it later. There's enough logic or structure there that it feels familiar or like it could be known, even though it's not necessarily nameable," she said.

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PHOTO BY HANNAH VAUGHAN

Sophie Eisner in her studio in Kingston, New York.

## ...a sweet collaboration Continued from previous page

batches of paint for consistency, and adapt their work when it overlapped with someone else's. They really respected each other's contributions."

The project also reflected the Academy's Catholic STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, and Math) approach to education. "This was STREAM in action," Martinelli explained. "They used technology to scale and transfer designs, applied math for

proportions and spacing, and worked collaboratively to problem-solve. But they also lived their faith — through service, solidarity, and joy."

Martinelli believes the mural speaks as much to the process as it does to the final product. "Some of the kids who worked on it have already graduated, but they're coming back for the unveiling. That says something."

The unveiling of the mural will take place at The Nutmeg Fudge Company on June 11, from

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Asked what stood out most from the experience, Martinelli said, "For me, the most rewarding part was watching a diverse group of kids work together — different grades, different friend groups — all collaborating with respect, flexibility, and positivity. They created something beautiful, together."

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**THEATER: NATALIA ZUKERMAN** 

# Sharon Playhouse opens 2025 season with 'Million Dollar Quartet'

he Sharon Playhouse kicks off its 2025 season with the electrifying musical "Million Dollar Quartet," running June 20 through July 6, with a special holiday matinee on July 4 at 4 p.m. This crowd-pleasing favorite brings to life the legendary 1956 jam session at Sun Records that united Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins for one unforgettable night of music history.

Directed and musically staged by Greg Santos with music direction by Chance Michael Wall, the production features a powerhouse cast performing hits like "Blue Suede Shoes," "Great Balls of Fire," "Fever," "Walk the Line," and "Hound Dog." Audiences can expect an evening of nostalgia, energy, and world-class musicianship that captures the spirit of early rock 'n' roll.

"This show is pure joy," said the Playhouse's



Zach Cossman as "Sam Phillips" in Million Dollar Quartet

Artistic Director Carl Andress. "It's the perfect way to launch a season full of music, laughter, and great storytelling."

Following "Million Dollar Quartet," the Playhouse will continue its season with "Annie," "Sylvia," "The Mousetrap," and more. For tickets and the full season lineup, visit sharonplayhouse.org.

## ...matter and memory Continued from previous page

Blue velvet is one of Eisner's preferred fabrics, which she uses to convey value. She was attracted to the material after seeing an empty violin case and was struck by the beauty of the velvet as well as the absence of the object, which is as of much interest to Eisner as what is present.

"Building those narratives, the loose idea of how one thing starts to 'talk to the other' and that vibration between them can change really dramatically depending on where they're placed. The sweet spot between harmony and tension as I'm working in the studio is an opportunity to do more of a meditative practice," she said.

Eisner's show at the Norfolk Library was well attended by approximately 150 people with another 40 staying for the lecture. Up next she is showing at the new O+ Headquarters in Kingston in July and August. O+ is an organization that facilitates artists getting healthcare in exchange for their work. She will also be part of a pop-up exhibition at Atlas Studios in Newburgh, New York for Upstate Art Weekend July 17 through 21.

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## TRI-CORNER CALENDAR

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#### **JUNE 19**

#### 1781: Mumbet's Story

Center On Main, 103 Main St., Falls Village, Conn

7 p.m. on June 19. Mumbet's story, 1781, the year she got her freedom as the first enslaved person to do so. The inimitable Wanda Houston will be Mumbet as she becomes Elizabeth Freeman. Written and researched by Lonnie Carter and Linda Rossi. Free.

#### **JUNE 20**

#### **Poetry Discussion Group** with Mark Scarbrough

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org

On Friday, June 20, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., join Mark Scarbrough for an informal discussion of Ocean Vuong's Night Sky with Exit Wounds. Registration is required, and information can be found at scovillelibrary. libcal.com/ event/14486979.

#### **Books & Blooms 10th Anniversary**

Cornwall, Conn.

A two-day garden event and benefit for the Cornwall Library.

On Friday, June 20, 5:30 p.m.: What Makes a Garden a Garden? Talk by Dee Salomon at Cornwall Town Hall, followed by a cocktail reception with live music at the Library.

On Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Self-guided tours of four Cornwall gardens, plus an art exhibit and rare garden book sale at the Library.

Tickets: \$40 (Friday), \$30 (Saturday), \$65 (both) at Books & Blooms 2025 or the Library.

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#### **But, Oh, Those Summer Nights**

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#### Fur The Love of Dogs: **Dog Adoption Event**

Indian Rock Schoolhouse, 25 Mygatt Road, Amenia, N.Y. June 21 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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#### Fei-Fei, Piano

Gordon Hall, Music Mountain, 225 Music Mountain Road, Falls Village, Conn. musicmountain.org

At 7 p.m. on June 21, Music Mountain will host a concert by Fei-Fei on piano.

#### **JUNE 22**

#### **Chocolate Trios** Workshop with Flora

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3. A ridge or surface on the brain

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#### **JUNE 24**

#### **Falls Village Community** Writers Book Launch

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org

On Tuesday, June 24. 5 p.m., celebrate the release of a new book by local writers and students featuring Falls Village stories. Reading, refreshments, and books for sale.

Details: huntlibrary.org (860) 824-7424

#### The Joy of Bicycle **Maintenance with Shepherd Myers**

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org

Bike repair expert Shepherd Myers will demonstrate how to inspect a bike for common maintenance issues and how to

remove, inspect, patch, and reinstall an inner tube. Bring your bike-maintenance questions! Tuesday, June 24, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., registration required. scovillelibrary.libcal. com/event/14753517

#### **Playwriting Collaborative**

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org

Develop your dialoguewriting skills in this supportive group that gathers weekly to read one another's works-in-progress and to workshop scenes. The Collaborative meets on Tuesdays 3 to 4:45 p.m., through July 15. Registration is required, and information is available at scovillelibrary.libcal. com/event/14755832

#### **JUNE 26**

#### **Garden Legacies**

Hollister House Garden. 300 Nettleton Hollow Road, Washington Conn

On Thursday, June 26, 4 to 6 p.m., Vin Cipolla, President and CEO of Historic New England in conversation with Thomas L. Woltz, Senior Principal of Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects. Light refreshments will be

served. Enjoy the gardens after the conversation. This event is free and open to the public. Registration is preferred. For more information, contact (617) 994-5934 or Events@ HistoricNewEngland.org.

#### **Drawing & Watercolor** with Peter Cusack

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org

For three Thursdays starting July 26, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., join West Cornwall artist and art teacher Peter Cusack for a drawing and watercolor workshop. The workshop is free, and materials will be provided. Registration is required. scovillelibrary.libcal. com/event/14614649

#### **Author Talk: Karen Chase** - Two Tales

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org

On Thursday, June 26, 5:30 p.m., local author Karen Chase discusses Two Tales, her new book of verse blending 16th-century love and a futuristic dystopia. Books available for purchase and signing.

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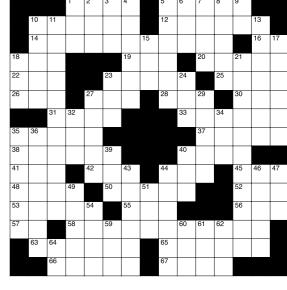
## **Brain Teasers**

#### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Type of bread 5. Range of mountains
- 10. Ended
- 12. Musical forms with a recurring theme
- 14. On the nature of being 16. Law enforcement
- agency
- 18. Australian flightless bird
- 19. Subway rodent 20. More dried-up
- 22. A beaver might build one
- 23. Suggestive of the supernatural
- 25. Art \_\_\_, around 1920 26. American rocker Snider
- 27. Not or 28. Earliest human:
- -Magnon Man 30. Firearm
- 31. Tough outer skin of fruit
- 33. Alternative form of a
- gene 35. Low shrub some call
- "fat pork"
- 37. Plants in the chamomile tribe
- 38. Revolutionary War era
- 40. Portion of a book 41. Hoover's office
- 42. Title of respect
- 44. Tax collector
- 45. Cool!
- 48. Real estate 50. Boy's name
- 52. Airborne (abbr.) 53. Strongly recommends
- 55. Hit lightly 56. Bar bill
- 57. Atomic #54
- 58. Devotes again 63. Fish sauce
- 65. French stock market 66. Things that consist of two elements or parts
- 67. Tense

#### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Retired game show host Sajak
- 2. Equal (prefix) 3. Israeli city \_\_ Aviv
- 4. Loved 5. A type of analyst
- 6. Ad 7. Gasteyer and de Armas
- are two 8. Ran without moving
- 9. Opposite of yes



- 10. Diffuse clouds of gas 11. Mentioning one by one
- 13. Instruments used to dilate 15. Freshwater fish
- 17. Remotely-manned flying
- objects 18. Doctor of Education
- 21. Renews
- 23. Not the start 24. Pitching stat
- 27. Small water buffaloes
- 29. Ceramic jars 32. I (German)
- 34. Something to toss on a 35. The process of flowing in 36. A series of acts at a night
- club 39. Egg of a louse
- 40. Inquire too closely
- 43. Travelers 44. Drink
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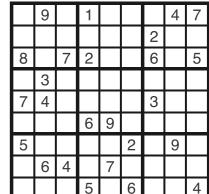
47. Electronic music style 49. Northern Ireland city 51. Upset

- 54. Stiff structure resembling a hair 59. Father
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#### **OUR TOWNS**

## Soccer semifinals draw big crowd at Eddie Collins Park

By JOHN COSTON johnc@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON - The parking lot overflowed Sunday afternoon at Eddie Collins Memorial Park for the men's regional semifinal soccer matches.

Dover's team ultimately defeated Torrington after a 2-2 result in regulation play then it was undecided after a 30-minute overtime. In a shootout, Dover prevailed 4-2.

In the next match, Millerton took the field against Pawling, with Pawling winning 4-1. The final will be played on June 22 at 2 p.m. with Dover v. Pawling. Millerton will play Torrington at noon for the third place title.

A follow-on season will start and run to August 28 with 12 teams, up from eight.

Sunday's matches attracted many soccer fans, who filled the bleachers on both sides of the pitch and lined up on the sideline in fold-out chairs. There was a busy food-court scene between the parking lot and the field, with an aroma of papas fritas drifting over the field.

Teams include two from Millerton, and six others from Brewster, Pawling, Torrington, Dover Plains and Millbrook.

The league pays the Village of Millerton \$100 for use of the field on Sundays and \$250 matches. On Sunday, Officer Erik Breen was on duty.







for police coverage during the At top, Dover midfielder (dark shorts) battles with a Torrington player; at middle, Torrington (red/blue jersey) hits traffic; bottom, Millerton's goalie goes airborne.

Fountains in Millbrook, proudly serves authentic Greek meals cooked and prepared right on the patio.



Katina Catron, a caregiver at The Fountains resident Joe Bonanno with his authentic Panama Jack hat and his wife, Diane, enjoying a greek meal following the demonstration on Friday, June 13.

## A taste of Greece at The Fountains

By ALY MORRISSEY alym@millertonnews.com

MILLBROOK - Residents of The Fountains, a Watermark Retirement Community, were transported to Greece on Friday, June 13, during an authentic cooking demonstration on the patio that filled the air with Mediterranean aromas and a relaxed, resort-style ambiance.

The event was part of the ongoing educational and social enrichment series known as Watermark University. This installment, titled Taste of Greece, was led by staff members Irene Brooker and Katina Catron, both proudly Greek and bonded by a shared love of traditional family recipes passed down from their grandmothers.

The afternoon menu featured grilled shrimp, chicken, beef and lamb, alongside classic Greek side dishes like orzo salad. Manning the grill was Paul Stubing, The Fountains' food service director and a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America.

The event drew a crowd far larger than anticipated. "We planned for 25 residents, but they just barreled through," laughed Lisa Rieckermann, community life director at The Fountains, noting that this is one of the most popular programs they offer.

As community life director, Rieckermann ensures a wide variety of stimulating programs are available. "This was a wonderful cultural experience for our residents," she said. "Many of whom have traveled to Greece, so this brought back great memories."



Leland Sommer, a member of the maintenance and grounds crew, poses with resident Janet Robinson.

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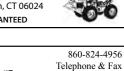
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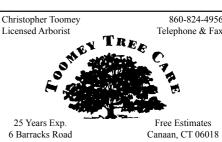
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