

OUR TOWNS

Residents unwavering in opposition to revised Wake Robin expansion as lawsuit hangs overhead

By ALEC LINDEN
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LAKEVILLE — The public hearing for the revised and resubmitted application to expand the Wake Robin Inn on Wells Hill Road kicked off on Tuesday, Aug. 5, in familiarly contentious style.

The applicant, Aradev LLC, faces more than just neighborly outcries during this cycle.

A pending lawsuit against the Planning and Zoning Commission, filed by Wells Hill Road residents Angela and William Cruger, seeks to inhibit the Commission's ability to review applications pertaining to a May 2024 zoning regulation change that allows for hotel development in the Rural Residential 1 zone. The Wake Robin Inn is positioned within this zone, meaning the fate of the proposed redevelopment hangs in the balance as the court reviews the litigation.

P&Z Chair Michael Klemens's reported Superior Court's schedule for the case, which is available for public viewing along with the other application-related materials on the P&Z webpage, anticipates a possible decision by the end of the year, though there is no guarantee.

Klemens opened the evening's proceedings with a lengthy speech explaining the precarious state of affairs that surrounds Aradev's resubmitted proposal. He stressed that the Aradev "proceeds at their own risk; that if the Crugers are successful in their appeal, any approval rendered by the Planning and Zoning Commission will be vacated."

Klemens directly asked Aradev's attorney, Josh Mackey, whether the applicant understood the risk. "There's a disagreement, I think, on that proposition," he said, but didn't elaborate further.

Legal uncertainties aside, Aradev adopted a decidedly open approach in presenting its revised application. Steven Cohen, half of Aradev alongside partner Jonathan Marrale, introduced the presentation with "About the Applicant" and "Development Team" slides introducing the LLC and its project partners, and explained the firm's interest in the Inn stems from and appreciation of Lakeville's rural character.

The application details were outlined largely by landscape architect Mark Arigoni of SLR Consulting who similarly steered most of Aradev's hearing appearances in 2024.

The plans call for a reduction in auxiliary cabins from 12 to four, though the new cabins have been scaled up to 2,000 square feet each. The previously proposed "event barn," which was the subject of many complaints from residents and P&Z alike, has been moved to be contiguous with the main Inn building as opposed to its previous position as a free-standing structure. A sit-down restaurant and fast-casual counter are still included in the plans, set to be housed in the central Inn structure.

These amenities, as well as a library and lounge space, are planned to be open to the public, while a gym and seasonal pool are not. The spa will be publicly open on a

reservation basis but will be limited capacity and guests will get priority.

Arigoni said that a new architectural firm had been sought to help the redevelopment blend in with both the natural environment and the "white siding, metal roofs" aesthetic of the area.

Cohen said that the changes were made to reduce the "scale and impact" of development, responding to complaints from the Commission

and residents during the 2024 hearing process. He also recalled the Inn's historic status as a community hub and said that a primary motivation of the project is to "bring it back to what it used to be."

Residents expressed opposition during public comment.

Greg Wilmore countered that he saw "no material change in the application's intensity."

Elyse Harney, Salisbury

resident since 1963, argued that the development would be "too large for the infrastructure of the town of Salisbury."

Laurie Fendrich felt that the neighborhood's wellbeing should be the main consideration: "We are not just Salisbury, we are Lakeville. And we are tiny."

Just one member of the public spoke in favor of the project. Ryan Diamond said that he hoped the project

might bring new life into town, complaining that restaurants empty by 8 p.m. and that the town currently offers little for younger residents. He urged the other residents in attendance to think "about the future of the town."

The hearing was continued to Tuesday, Aug. 12, at 6:30 p.m. where a third-party sound pollution review commissioned by P&Z was set to feature centrally in the discussion.

Audubon internship welcomes young adults into the world of conservation

By JULES WILLIAMS
Special to the Millerton News

SHARON, Conn. — The Audubon Center of Sharon has been on a mission to connect people with the nature surrounding them for more than fifty years. Recently, it has continued that goal by introducing a new avenue for young adults to experience the wilderness by implementing an internship program.

Spanning eight weeks across the summer, Audubon interns focus on conservation projects that center around the four main bird species that the center monitors: the purple martin, American kestrel, wood thrush and chimney swift.

Volunteer Coordinator Bethany Sheffer said the program is headed by Center Director Eileen Fielding, and was originally part of a partnership with Yale University, but has since become specific to the Sharon Audubon.

Participants come to Connecticut from across the



PHOTO PROVIDED

Two of Sharon Audubon's summer interns, Denali and Leah, worked with the rescue center to rehabilitate avian wildlife in the Northwest Corner.

country, housed either at the center or at the local Miles Wildlife Sanctuary a short drive away.

Interns take on a variety of responsibilities, from manual labor in the rehab center to tracking populations in local nesting grounds.

Sharon Audubon is one of the few sanctuaries in the region that can treat the chimney

swift, a bird famous for only thriving in groups. One responsibility the interns have, Sheffer said, was to keep the swifts fed mealworms consistently over a 14 hour time period.

The center also monitors a colony of purple martins, and interns help provide and maintain nesting space, as well as apply tracking devices to the birds.

Hannah, an intern this summer, said, "Watching the chicks grow through the summer has been a bittersweet experience, but one that is pretty unforgettable, especially when it becomes time to color band and feeling a delicate bird in the hand."

Other species like the wood thrush are monitored because they act as a "forest species indicator," meaning their population is heavily tied to the fragmentation, elimination, and lack of management of forests.

"As our center is really kind of a flagship for forest conservation and healthy forest management, the wood thrush is sort of like the poster child for that kind of work," Sheffer said.

The program aims to offer interns a leg up in the world of conservation and inspire them to pursue more roles in the field, along with making a difference for the local and global wildlife that inhabits our planet.

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New Wassaic wine store opens in restored candy shop

By LEILA HAWKEN
Special to the Millerton News

WASSAIC — Fans of good wine attractively presented in a welcoming village ambiance will want to stop at the newly opened historic candy store turned wine shop in Wassaic, next to The Lantern.

The little shop that sold candy in the 1890s has been restored, opening as Ten Mile Table on Saturday, July 26, adding yet another reason to visit the village of Wassaic and absorb the reality that it is an imaginatively special place.

Owner Erika DaSilva paused for an interview on Thursday, August 7, reflecting on her new shop's place in the community after a year of work preparing to open at 14 Main St., just next door to The Lantern.

"We're doing wonderfully. We're proud and excited to share with the community," DaSilva said.

"It's my own business," DaSilva said, "but we would not be here were it not for the support of the folks who support The Lantern and The Wassaic Project."

Adjacent to Ten Mile Table, between it and The Lantern is found the Newsstand, also restored to become a space that DaSilva described as being for community members who might have food, beverages or events to share with passersby, perhaps something like a lemonade stand or some other endeavor.

DaSilva said that she first began learning about wine more than 20 years ago, even working in European vineyards where protecting the environment was essential. Selections for the wine store are environmentally con-

scious.

"Everything is delicious, of course, but I like to feature natural wines that are good for the environment," DaSilva said of her choices from wineries that keep the protection of the environment at the forefront throughout the growing and production process.

"We're able to support smaller producers," DaSilva said.

The conversation was interrupted by a trio of customers seeking just the right wine.

"What are you going to do with it," was one of the questions DaSilva asked in considering her range of choices that span mostly from \$25 to \$45, with a few outliers.

The outcome of the exercise was a wine deemed to be "light, but not wimpy," just what the customers were looking for.

Thursdays at The Ten Mile Table offer festive wine tastings from 5 to 7 p.m. for a fee of \$5 that includes upscale nibbles. DaSilva intends to invite chefs from among her broad field of talented friends to provide signature delicacies to enhance the wine tasting experience.

"I don't want not to be creatively busy," DaSilva said. "I just like trying things out."

Ten Mile Table is open on Thursdays and Fridays from 1 to 7 p.m. And on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 6 p.m.

"I would love to be open more," DaSilva said.

DaSilva resides in Kent with her family. Her husband, Minh Le, is the General Manager of The Lantern. Their daughter, Bibi, is 8, and son, Senna, just turned 3.

For more information about Ten Mile Table, go to www.tenmiletale.com or phone 845-570-5228.



PHOTO BY ALY MORRISSEY

Fire hydrant replacements in the village disrupted water service for businesses on Main Street.

Construction on Main Street disrupts traffic, shuts down water

By ALY MORRISSEY
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MILLERTON — Construction on Main Street last week disrupted traffic as crews worked to replace an outdated fire hydrant next to Oakhurst Diner.

The scheduled maintenance, which continued into this week, was part of a 2019 grant awarded by the New York State Department of Health under the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act. Since then, the village has been upgrading undersized, damaged and outdated hydrants. A total of 25 hydrants have been replaced.

A statement on the village website reads, "This initiative aims to align our water system with the 10 States Recommended Standard for Water Works, enhancing safety by reducing the risk of hydrant vehicular strikes." Water service was temporarily shut off at times last week and Monday as part of the scheduled work.

An employee at Oakhurst Diner said the water disruption caused the restaurant to open late on Friday at noon but had otherwise not affected business as of Monday morning.

Webutuck to offer Pre-K for 3-year-olds

By CHARLIE GREENBERG
Special to the Millerton News

AMENIA — The Webutuck Elementary School will offer a preschool class for 3-year-old children, in addition to its existing program for 4-year-old children, during the upcoming school year.

The free program is intended to allow for children to become familiar with a classroom environment earlier in their development while providing daytime childcare to working parents.

For the past 15 years, Webutuck has offered two pre-kindergarten classes to

parents wishing to enroll their 4-year-old children in school early. This year, the elementary school will offer a new program for 3-year-olds, said Webutuck Elementary School Principal Amanda Coppola.

The 3-year-old curriculum will largely parallel that of the 4-year-old class, while following state guidelines outlining the structure of programs for younger children.

"The class is a play-based program where kids are learning to work with one another, be a part of a school community, be part of a team, that kind of thing," Coppola said.

The class is projected to have between 14 and 16 students, though it can accommodate up to 18, Coppola said. Webutuck has hired an additional teacher, Elizabeth Fedele, to lead the class.

"We have a lot of families that struggle to pay for daycare in our district," Coppola said.

There was a clear demand for the program from the school's first proposal. "The response to this new class was overwhelmingly enthusiastic," Coppola said.

To the extent that Webutuck's new pre-k program is designed to accustom students to a school environment, it also allows parents

Angels of Light 'Wine Run 5K' and rock concert fundraisers coming up

By LEILA HAWKEN
Special to the Millerton News

MILLBROOK — One of the major events of the summer social season is the annual Wine Run 5k organized by Angels of Light at the scenic Millbrook Winery.

Organizers invite guests to run, walk or just enjoy the view while sipping on Sunday, Aug. 17, beginning at 10 a.m. Participants will receive a T-shirt, a collapsible, shatterproof wine glass, a medal for all finishers that can be used as a wine coaster, and a race bib. And, of course, wine.

A second summer fundraising event with all proceeds to benefit Angels of Light will be a rock concert on Saturday, Sept. 20, at Freedom Park in Pleasant Valley. Six bands will be featured. Doors will open at noon. The concert will begin at 12:30 p.m. Advance purchase tickets are \$20; at the gate: \$30. Food and beverages will be available.

For details of both events and information about tickets go to www.angelsoflighthv.crg.

Bagging groceries by day and opponents by night

By PATRICK L. SULLIVAN
Special to the Millerton News

SALISBURY, Conn. — The courteous and competent young man grocery shoppers know from Labonne's Market in Salisbury has a secret identity.

Perhaps it's not as dramatic as the Clark Kent/Superman situation, but Josh Schwartz is a mixed martial arts fighter.

Schwartz, 24, grew up in Salisbury. He is the son of Andrew and Jennifer Schwartz.

He attended Salisbury Central School and then Northwestern Regional High School (Region 7), where he was a star wrestler.

Wrestling runs in the family. Andrew Schwartz coached wrestling and Josh started at age 4.

Josh Schwartz said jiu jitsu, which involves grappling, has enough similarities to wrestling that it was a natural progression.

He then decided he wanted to learn boxing and kickboxing.

From there he went into full MMA.



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Josh Schwartz won this 2022 fight, sponsored by the Ammo Fight League, in 1:26 of the first round by technical knockout.

Schwartz said the difference between full MMA and other disciplines is "MMA has the fewest rules."

The only things fighters can't do are groin punches or kicks, eye-gouging and head butts, he said.

Schwartz said he has never lost an MMA fight but noted that he has only had three or four fights.

"It was more for the experience. I realized it wasn't lucrative... Jiu jitsu requires less time, which allows me to work more."

Schwartz said he was not interested in attending college for a four-year degree, largely to avoid running up debt.

But he is pondering options, such as studying nutrition science and coaching jiu jitsu and/or wrestling.

He was asked about his nutritional regimen.

"It's not complicated," he said.

He uses a supplement, creatine, which he said has been extensively studied, is safe if used properly, and is nothing like anabolic steroids.

His diet is nothing unusual. Carbohydrates and protein, and he's careful about the former and indulgent on the latter.

"Lots of chicken."

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Peggy Ann McEnroe

AMENIA — Peggy Ann McEnroe, 60, a lifelong area resident, passed away surrounded by her family on Aug. 4, 2025, at Vassar Brothers Hospital in Poughkeepsie, New York. Peggy Ann was the owner and operator of Peggy's Sweet & Savory café in Amenia, New York (formerly known as Back in the Kitchen).

Peggy had a passion for food and travel and her creativity and generosity knew no bounds. Born on Dec. 10, 1964, in Sharon, Connecticut, she was the daughter of the late William Thomas McEnroe and Caroline Ann McEnroe. She was a graduate of Our Lady of Lourdes High School and received her Bachelor of Arts degree from SUNY Purchase.

Peggy is survived by her sister, Colleen McEnroe (Philip (Pete) Evans) of Bethesda, Maryland; her brothers, W. Patrick McEnroe (Lisa Roberts-McEnroe) of Rhinebeck, New York, and Kieran McEnroe of Amenia, New York. She is also survived by nieces, Sarah (Sally) Evans, Ryan McEn-

roe, Christy McEnroe, Kerry McEnroe, Katerin McEnroe, and nephews, Philip Evans (fiancé Rebecca Krysiak) and Carlin McEnroe, and her maternal aunt, Agnes Redmond of Smithtown, New York, as well as many cousins.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a nephew, Gavin McEnroe.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 22, 2025, at Immaculate Conception Church, 4 Lavelle Rd., Amenia, New York, with Rev. Andrew O'Connor officiating. Burial will follow at Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Amenia, New York. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Little Guild (animal shelter), 285 Sharon Goshen Turnpike, West Cornwall, CT 06796 (or online at <https://www.littleguild.org>) or Immaculate Conception Church, 4 Lavelle Rd., Amenia, NY 12501.

To send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.



SOUTHFIELD, Mass — Lynn Chase of Southfield, Massachusetts, passed away on July 30, 2025, at Berkshire Medical Center after a courageous seven-month battle with an aggressive cancer. Despite the challenges, Lynn continued to inspire those around her with her strength and determination.

How do you begin to talk about the extraordinary life of Lynn Chase?

A native New Yorker, Lynn Chase graduated from Bennett College and completed her studies at the New York School of Interior Design. Lynn was a lover of animals from birth, and had a habit of rescuing any animal in need, from birds to squirrels, sneaking them into her room and nursing them back to health. This deep connection with nature was a driving force in her life and work.

In the 1970s, Lynn traveled extensively through Africa and South America, and it was there she found the inspiration that shaped the rest of her life. Those travels led to her spectacular body of work — paintings and sketches, porcelain dinnerware collections and giftware, and home furnishing designs unlike anything else, which she brought to the world first for Lenox china, and then under the name Lynn Chase Designs LCD, which she launched in 1988.

Lynn's collections celebrated jaguars, monkeys, tigers, parrots, sea life, and many more, becoming not just beautiful objects, but statements of her deep fascination with wildlife. Lynn Chase's Jaguar Jungle design won Best Pattern and the Impact Award at the International Tabletop Association in 1991 despite being told that no one would "eat off animals, or black plates." Her stunning Harmony Bowl paid homage to wildlife species of the land, sea, and air from the seven continents, and was one of her favorite designs.

Her following was large and loyal. People from all over the world collected her work. Her friends often shared stories of being at a dinner party and finding her designs on the table. It was striking that people hadn't just bought her tableware

because it was beautiful; they bought it because it spoke to them personally.

Lynn's love of wildlife went far beyond her art. She founded the Lynn Chase Wildlife Foundation, an independent nonprofit dedicated to preserving endangered animals around the globe.

The fund has contributed much-needed funds to the Cheetah Conservation Fund in Namibia and the Amboseli Trust for Elephants in Kenya (where she also served on its board), among others.

She was a woman of great integrity, of immense talent, and of a generosity that matched her passions. Lynn touched so many lives, and while her loss is felt deeply, her work, her vision, and her compassion will live on in the hearts of everyone who knew her—and in the homes of people around the world who still set their tables with her creations.

Lynn Chase was predeceased by her father, Paul Jerome Chase, and her mother, Mary (Jennings) Chase of New York. On May 2, 1998, Lynn married Richard (Dick) A. Flintoft in New York, and together they enjoyed a full and happy life in New York City and Southfield, Massachusetts, until he died in 2020.

Surviving Lynn are her sister Susan (Edward "Ned") Culver of Wayland, Massachusetts and Charleston, South Carolina, and brother Brewster (Marilyn) Jennings Chase of Ithaca, New York; her nieces Jennings Lee Camerson (Charleston, South Carolina) and Anne (Dawson) Culver Bird (Norfolk, Virginia); her special stepsons Philip Grant (Jennie) Flintoft of Millerton, New York, and Peter (Yuliya) Flintoft of New York, New York.

Lynn leaves countless beloved friends in the Massachusetts Berkshires, Connecticut, New York, throughout the U.S., and around the world, all of whom she loved and who love her. Our lives will never be the same without her.

Finally, Lynn was grateful to her outstanding doctors and medical providers at Hartford HealthCare Cancer Institute at Charlotte Hungerford Hospital.

A Celebration of Life for Lynn is being planned for this autumn.

Kim Roberta Andrews

SHARON — Kim Roberta Andrews, aged 70, of Sharon, Connecticut, passed away unexpectedly on Aug. 5, 2025, at her home in Sharon.

Kim was born on Feb. 19, 1955, to Robert and Thelma Andrews in Huntington, New York.

She had a loving and happy upbringing alongside her brother, Kevin. Kim loved boating with her father, horseback riding and lived a happy childhood. She met the love of her life in 1982, William Marshall. They relocated to Connecticut in 1986.

Kim and Bill were the caretakers of the Holly House Museum for many years until Bill's passing in 2007.

Eventually Kim moved to Sharon where she has resided for over ten years.

Kim loved her garden, feeding the hummingbirds, reading and painting.

She is survived by her brother, Kevin, and sister-in-law, Anne, her nephew, Chris-

toper and wife, Amanda, niece Amanda and husband, Daniel, and nephew, Justin.

She loved the stars, astrology and sci-fi movies. She loved the holidays, loved the fall season, the Christmas holidays and above all Christmas music.

She loved to laugh. Kim is now at peace with her life partner, Bill. The stars and heavens just became brighter.

She will be missed. This obituary was lovingly composed by her beloved family.

A graveside service and burial took place on Aug. 8, 2025, at 11 a.m. at Salisbury Cemetery, Undermountain Road, Salisbury, CT. Pastor Jan Brooks officiated. Arrangements were entrusted to the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546. To send an online condolence to the family, plant a tree in Kim's memory, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com



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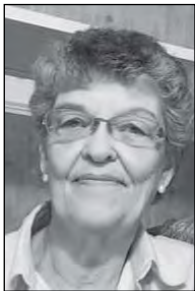
Evelyn Ann Moody Lamberti

WASSAIC — Evelyn Ann Moody Lamberti, 87, passed away July 13, 2025, in Barre, Vermont.

Born on Dec. 13, 1937, in Hartford, Connecticut to Hazen and Helen Moody, she spent her early years in Wassaic, New York and graduated from the first graduating class of Webutuck Central High School in 1955. She attended New Paltz College and then worked for the Dutchess County Supervisors Office in Poughkeepsie, New York. She married David Lamberti on Oct. 10, 1959, in Wassaic and moved to Vermont.

She began her career at the Vermont State Liquor Board and remained with them loyally for eleven years. In addition to her job, she also contributed to the success of her husband's monument drafting studio. Her most important role in life was being a mother to her three children.

She was a woman with humble tastes and found contentment doing everyday tasks and providing a welcoming home for friends and family. With a love of the English language, her passions included word puzzles and learning on the computer. Her selfless and kind demeanor made the Lamberti house in Williamstown, Vermont, a center for family. Her memory lives on in the heart and minds of everyone who



was fortunate enough to cross paths with her.

She is survived by her husband, David, and three children; Lisa Hard of Enfield, New Hampshire, David Lamberti and his wife, Joy, of St. George, Vermont, and Rhonda Warren and her husband, Don, of Clifton Park, New York. In addition to her husband and children, she is also survived by her granddaughter, Brittany Hard, sister Susan Metcalfe and husband John T. Metcalfe, and sister-in-law Caroline Tucker-Stook, as well as her nieces and nephews.

On Sunday, July 27, 2025, there was a gathering of close friends and family at the Barre Elks Club in Barre.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial contributions to the Central Vermont Humane Society, 1589 VT-14S, East Montpelier, VT 05651.

REGIONAL

Two new affordable homes open doors in Lakeville

By PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Special to the Millerton News

LAKEVILLE, Conn. — After at least 10 years of planning and maneuvering, two units of affordable housing are ready for occupants.

The commissioner of the state Department of Housing, Seila Mosquera-Bruno, was among the interested parties at the ribbon-cutting ceremony at the building site on Perry Street in Lakeville, along with State Rep. Maria Horn (D-64), Salisbury First Selectman Curtis Rand, Jocelyn Ayer from the Litchfield County Center for Housing Opportunity and Jennifer Kronholm Clark of the Salisbury Housing Trust and the Salisbury Affordable Housing Commission.

Rand recalled the town eventually foreclosing on the property, the site of a long-closed dry-cleaning business.

He said things came to a head when the roof caved in.

He tracked down the owner in Arizona, and asked if there was any chance of receiving the \$60,000 or so in back taxes. "He said 'no way,' so we foreclosed."

Rand said it had been so long since the business closed that clothing was found, packaged and still ready for pickup. "I delivered them."

And finally the site's new owners, the Salisbury Housing Trust, was able to put up the two three-bedroom, two-bathroom homes, which marked the end of an effort that began in earnest in 2013.

Clark said they're not quite done. Carports with solar panels will be put up shortly.

Clark thanked everyone for their efforts. "This is perseverance in brick and mortar form."

She said affordable housing groups in other towns

often ask how Salisbury has made progress in creating a variety of affordable housing options.

"The only difference between our town and theirs is we started earlier, 25 years ago."

Ayer said the two Lakeville units are part of a group of 10 affordable housing units in Litchfield County.

She praised the builders, Signature Building Systems, for their quick and efficient work in putting up the modular units.

Ayer had a gift for the housing commissioner, Mosquera-Bruno.

"If you come to Litchfield County in July or August, you get a large zucchini from someone's garden, in a Tractor Supply bag."

Amid laughter she handed the vegetable over.

Mosquera-Bruno said, "It's wonderful to see how the community comes together."

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Correcting Errors

We are happy to correct errors in news stories when they are called promptly to our attention. We are also happy to correct factual and/or typographical errors in advertisements when such errors affect meaning.

Treating dementia

Of all the diseases that afflict us, dementia is one of the most terrifying because we see it coming and it is inexorable. It takes the mind but leaves the body. We have theories about what causes Alzheimer’s disease — tangles of a protein called beta-amyloid and over-expression of another protein called tau. These proteins in altered forms were thought to be a cause but removing them from most of the cells in the brain using monoclonal antibodies, did not improve symptoms by much. Perhaps the intervention was too late. Both proteins are probably involved but neither has been a fertile source of treatments, and most clinical trials have failed.

I worked in a Department of Pathology and Cell Biology at Columbia University Irving Medical Center where there are basic scientists and pathologists. A pathologist friend lamented the lack of progress for dementia and Parkinsonism as professionally embarrassing. Heart disease, inflammatory diseases, diabetes, cancer, and other conditions have fared better; there are new and effective treatments to extend life and restore independence, most stemming from basic research in cell biology.

There are many cures offered on the internet, but most are wishful thinking or fraud. One study bears watching: it suggested that vaccination for shingles, a painful rash caused by lingering chickenpox virus (Herpes zoster), reduces the number of cases of dementia in older people. Herpes zoster is a neurotropic virus, that selectively infects nerve cells, whose connections, or synapses in the parts of the brain dedicated to memory are the cellular basis of memory. Each nerve cell has 10,000 or more connections with other neurons.

The study in question hangs on a decision made by The UK’s National Health Service after the Shingrix vaccine became available in 2013. NHS decided to give the vaccine to people in Wales born after September 1, 1933, but not to those born one week before. The two groups, in Wales, 80 years old in 2013, were otherwise identical. Each part of the study had thousands of patients.

The chickenpox vaccine reduced the number of people who became demented over the next 7 years by about 20%. The paper is from scientists at Stanford and several Swiss and German universities. It is tough statistical sledding to read but the data are serious. Twenty percent of patients is too few to be confident, but too many to ignore. See below for the reference.

This experiment has been repeated by combining other data from England and Wales. This type of analysis, involving thousands of patient records, has become possible by keeping records in searchable databases. Other versions of the chickenpox vaccine experiment use a more effective vaccine that became available in 2023. Does the newer vaccine protect better than 20%?

THE BODY SCIENTIFIC

Richard Kessin

Does a vaccine applied when people are younger, or given repeatedly, slow the onset of dementia even better?

Think of a slow acting virus that destroys or inhibits neurons or the synapses involved in memory. It could be Herpes zoster lingering from childhood chickenpox or another virus. The vaccine could induce antibodies and T cells that would stop the progression of the slow virus and stave off dementia. A viral cause of dementia would be extraordinary. And actionable.

A second discovery that may be helpful is the effect of weight loss drugs like Wegovy on dementia. These drugs may also help a number of problems including drug addiction and alcohol abuse.

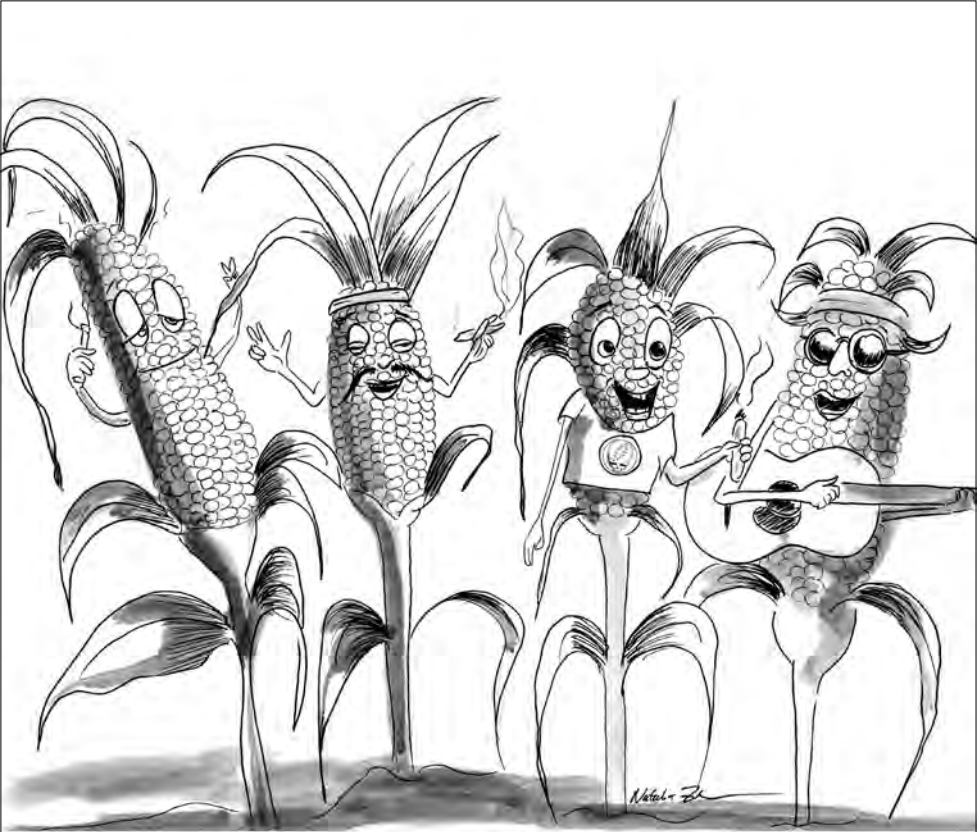
There are several ways to study the effect of these remarkable drugs. One takes advantage of the fact that loss of brain volume is a marker of Alzheimer’s disease. As the disease progresses damage spreads through the brain and it shrinks, which can be observed by magnetic resonance imaging.

One placebo-controlled trial analyzed 204 patients with mild Alzheimer’s disease at 24 clinics in the United Kingdom. Before the study began, all patients had magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) of their brains to evaluate structure. and volume. Half were given a daily injection of 1.8 milligrams of liraglutide/day, a drug used in weight loss and diabetes, while an equal number received a placebo. Those who received liraglutide lost less brain volume (about 50%) than untreated patients. Cognitive testing was done at 0, 24, and 52 weeks and researchers found that patients who received liraglutide had a slower decline in cognitive function—half that of untreated patients. They also said they felt better.

Like the Herpes zoster study the results are not conclusive but at this stage we are looking for a new approach, not miracles. Liraglutide and other GLP-1 analogues are licensed for obesity and diabetes, so its path to treatment for Alzheimer’s and other dementias could be relatively swift. Two independent and larger phase 3 trials are underway, with results due at the end of 2025. If the results are correct, one prediction would be that people who had been on weight loss drugs should not be entering memory care units. That analysis is difficult, and some of the databases are proprietary, but we will follow these experiments.

(References and information on how to join a clinical trial are available in the online version of this column.)

Richard Kessin, PhD, is Emeritus Professor of Pathology and Cell Biology at the Columbia University Irving Medical Center.



The corn is high.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tribute to Carol Kneeland, one terrific reporter

I had the privilege of becoming intimately familiar with the many communities of the Harlem Valley while editor of The Millerton News for nearly 20 years, from 2003 to 2022, until returning to my home state of Florida.

It was a position I adored. For starters, I could both report on and opine about issues I believed were of critical importance in the everyday lives of our readers. Doing so gave me the opportunity to meet countless people, many of whom I admired and from whom I learned a great deal through our interactions. Some I’m still in touch with and am honored to call friends.

I also worked with a number of incredible people: some at The Lakeville Journal and others whom I’d hired for the Millerton office. During my

tenure, the office moved from Main Street (yes, it was once half of what is now Irving Farm!) to the end of Main and South Center streets, second floor, and then to its current location on Century Boulevard, next to Northwest Lawn & Landscaping.

As with many small independent newspapers, the paper couldn’t afford decent salaries, so it was tough to attract and keep reporters — especially experienced reporters. Or consistent reporters.

So, imagine my surprise and delight when our office door opened one day and in walked a kind, gracious woman with a bouncy bob of white hair, twinkling eyes, and a warm smile. She asked timidly if she could help write anything for the paper on a volunteer basis, noting she wasn’t extremely mobile, so

most interviews would have to be done via phone.

Little did I know that offer — which I was wise enough to accept, with a trial run — would bring with it one of the sharpest minds I’ve ever encountered, along with deep insight, brilliant perspective, an endless capacity for compassion, empathy, kindness, and humor, and an extensive and impressive journalistic career.

Once I knew Carol Kneeland’s resumé, I realized the paper couldn’t afford her. But she didn’t want a cent. In fact, she refused a paycheck!

Carol insisted on volunteering. Every interview she hunted down, every article she wrote, she did for the sheer pleasure of knowing she was helping to keep community journalism alive.

That’s the kind of person Carol is.

She also happens to be a terrific reporter. And a terrific writer. And a terrific person. And a terrific friend.

And I think Carol deserves a huge thank you for the seven years of hard work she’s done for this newspaper.

Because sadly, as of July 25, Carol resigned from her “dream job.” I was devastated to learn the news, as I know it was a tough decision.

Whenever this paper’s been in a pinch, Carol’s come through — always — and always on deadline. She’s amazing. And I, for one, want to say congratulations and much thanks!

Whitney Joseph Shavelson

Former Editor, The Millerton News

Appreciate the support

We would like to personally thank everyone who came to our son, husband and dad, Scott Thornton’s viewing on July 24 at Hufcut Funeral Home. The outpouring of love, compassion and kindness from friends, family, colleagues, trustees, and the community was truly overwhelming. The amount of support we received was an amazing tribute to Scott and the countless people whose lives he touched during

his lifetime. Thank you to all who attended and who sent messages and gifts of condolences.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Jeanne Thornton Schwager (mom),
Becky Thornton (wife),
Sawyer Haab and Paxton Thornton (daughters) and family

Sharon, Conn.

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County Comptroller Aymar-Blair describes the job in talk at library

By LEILA HAWKEN
Special to the Millerton News

AMENIA — A rapt audience was on hand to hear Dutchess County Comptroller Dan Aymar-Blair detail the duties of his office during a talk at the Amenia Free Library on Tuesday, Aug. 5.

Staff members from the State Comptroller’s Office were also on hand to answer questions, inviting audience members to learn if they had unclaimed funds being held by the state in their names. One audience member was pleased to learn that indeed he had funds coming and received the forms needed to file a claim.

“The Comptroller’s Office watches over our financials,” said Deputy Town Supervisor Rosanna Hamm, who in-

troduced the program. “The Comptroller is the chief accounting officer for the county,” she added, noting that Aymar-Blair’s visit would be the seventh such town visit he had scheduled to talk about the county budgets and the work of his office, intending to visit all of the towns in Dutchess County.

“Hyde Park and Beekman are coming up next among the stops,” Hamm said.

Several slides were a part of Aymar-Blair’s presentation, outlining facts and figures.

For example, Aymar-Blair noted that in 2022, the Amenia Free Library Association received \$49,999.99 in Covid funding to support its programs and operations. The Town of Amenia had received \$376,814 in State Sales Tax

payments in 2024.

“Not many people know what a Comptroller does,” Aymar-Blair said, noting that he began his service in the office in January and found that to be so.

“We oversee the integrity of the books,” Aymar-Blair said, working on behalf of the people in providing independent checking and review of many aspects of the accounting books, focusing on analyzing large-scale or complex operations.

“We’re trying to make the government work better for the people,” Aymar-Blair said of the responsibility to weed out waste, abuse and mismanagement, with a view toward the long-term financial picture.

Aymar-Blair noted that he is the eighth Comptroller to serve in the office since 1968, although he is also the third in the past three years.

The office of 13 staff mem-

bers conducts claims (invoice) auditing, reviewing daily payments. Expenditures are the focus of the Comptroller; revenues are the responsibility of the finance office. The office approves purchase orders and reviews all contracts.

Informational reports and audit reports are issued regularly and available on-line, along with special reports as they are called for.

“We should always be striving to be better,” Aymar-Blair said.

Audience questions focused on cuts to Medicaid and other challenges. Aymar-Blair said that the “federal environment is a distraction and that federal funding is a total distraction.”

“My job is to look backward, not forward,” Aymar-Blair said in response, noting that he has a great team in his office who collaborate well.

“I would like to see better planning,” he said.



PHOTO BY NATHAN MILLER

The Turtles Building is located at the Washington Town Park on Route 44 in Mabbetsville.

Washington Senior Center receives grant to fund renovations

By LEILA HAWKEN
Special to the Millerton News

MILLBROOK — One of eight Dutchess County community centers serving seniors to receive a grant, the Town of Washington’s Turtles Building was recently awarded a Dutchess County grant of \$56,000 to fund renovations and improvements.

Renovations will include strengthening weatherization and the addition of a kitchen with new appliances

and a second restroom. The changes will provide an enhanced environment for senior activities and programs, important to maintaining a comfortable, welcoming place for seniors to assemble and interact.

Announced through the office of Dutchess County Executive Sue Serino, the grant is part of a \$500,000 county allocation made possible by the 2025 Dutchess County Municipal Investment Grant Program.

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LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF AMENIA
MATERIAL AND
EQUIPMENT BIDS
BIDS FOR THE PERIOD
9/18/25-9/17/26

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids for the purchase of material and equipment used by the Town of Amenia during the year will be received until 2 p.m. on Monday, August 25, 2025 at the Town Clerk’s Office, Town of Amenia, Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, NY 12501 and opened and read at the Amenia Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, on Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.

Bids are requested for the following road materials: Bank-run, sand, Item #4, crushed quarry stone and washed gravel, light, medium, and heavy stone fill, sub base NYS DOT Type #2, calcium chloride, bituminous mix hot and cold, road oils, concrete, catch basins and equipment rentals, Tree Work, Sweeping.

Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Highway office at 845-373-9922. All bids must include a notarized non-collusive statement and corporate bidders must file a corporate resolution with a corporate seal. All envelopes must be clearly marked “Bid 9/18/2025 to 9/17/2026”.

The Town Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Bids will be awarded at the next scheduled Town Board Meeting September 18, 2025.

Megan Chamberlin
Superintendent of
Highways
Town of Amenia
08-07-25
08-14-25

Legal Notice
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned Collector of School Taxes in and for the Northeast (Webutuck) Central School District, in Dutchess County the towns of Amenia, Dover, Northeast, Stanford and Washington and in Columbia County the town of Ancram has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of school taxes for the school year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

The collection period is September 2, 2025 through October 31, 2025.

For the purpose of paying

taxes, checks and money orders shall be made payable to School Tax Collector and mailed to P.O. Box 377, Wassaic, New York 12592; online payments visit <https://infotaxonline.com/FindProperty.aspx?40>

In person payments may be made at the Webutuck CSD, District Office Tax Collector Lockbox during regular school hours or by visiting on 9/11 4:00pm-6:00pm; 9/15 4:00pm-6:00pm; 9/25 4:00pm-6:00pm; 10/3 2:00pm-4:00pm; 10/17 2:00pm-4:00pm; 10/31 2:00pm-4:00pm; or by contact the Tax Collector to make other arrangements.

Taxes may be paid on or before October 3, 2025 without penalty (payments must be postmarked on or before October 3, 2025 to be penalty free). On all such remaining unpaid taxes after October 3, 2025, a two percentum (2%) will be added through October 31, 2025 at which time the remaining unpaid taxes will be turned over to the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance, Poughkeepsie, New York to be then receivable on the land tax bills for 2026 with a seven (7) percentum penalty.

For Dutchess County residents paying partial payments there will be assessed a 5% surcharge.

The first installment is due and payable by September 15, 2025. The second installment should be paid directly to the Dutchess County Commissioner of Finance by March 15, 2026 as indicated on the installment payment schedule portion of the tax bill.

Dawn Marie Klingner
School Tax Collector
08-07-25
08-14-25

**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF AMENIA**
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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the purpose and intent of

to whether the Town Board of the Town of Amenia shall adopt “Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025, Creating a New Chapter entitled “Food Trucks”.”

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the purpose and intent of the proposed Local Law is to regulate food trucks within the Town of Amenia in a manner that protects the public health, safety and welfare and provides permitting procedures that operate in conjunction with the regulations of Chapter 121. Zoning

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Town Board hereby determines that the enactment of the aforesaid Local Law is a Type I Action pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Part 617 (commonly known as “SEQRA”).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the proposed Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025 is available for review and inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk during regular office hours, at the Town Hall, Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia New York and on the Town’s website at www.ameniany.gov.

Dated: Amenia, New York August 7, 2025

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the purpose and intent of

the proposed Local Law is to repeal section 121-59. Zoning Board of Appeals and create a new section 121-59. Zoning Board of Appeals, for the purpose of reordering and restructuring the Code of the Town of Amenia, amending the appointment of Alternates and their designation to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals and adding new provisions for training and attendance requirements.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Proposed Action is a Type II Action as determined in 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(33) and, accordingly, the Town Board hereby expressly determines that this action is not an action that requires review pursuant to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the purpose and intent of

the proposed Local Law is to repeal Chapter 24. Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals and create a new Chapter 24. Planning Board, for the purpose of restructuring the Code of the Town of Amenia so as not to have redundancies and to codify the existing Planning Board and add provisions for the establishment of Alternate Members to the Planning Board.

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TOWN CLERK
08-14-25

Legal Notice
McIntyre Law PLLC, a domestic PLLC, filed with the SSNY on 7/18/2025. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to PO Box 554 Amenia, NY 12501. Purpose: Law. Section 1203 of the Limited liability Company Law.

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Legal Notice
NOTICE OF FORMATION OF STENDS DIGITAL LLC

Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on June 16, 2025. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY has been designated

as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: St Ends Digital LLC, 94 Yellow City Road, Amenia, NY 12501. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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07-24-25
07-31-25
08-07-25
08-14-25
08-21-25

Legal Notice
Notice of Formation of Tailored Tails Grooming LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/25/25.

Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Kim Czelowalnik, 15 Millstream Court, Pawling NY 12564. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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Legal Notice
Notice of Formation of Compa De Danza Folkl Regional Mexicana, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 7/24/25. Office location: Dutchess County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Karina G Powers, 26 Wing Rd. Millbrook NY 12645. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

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Legal Notice
Formation of LLC TrueClean Solutions, LLC. Filed with NY Dept. of State on 5/28/25. Office: Dutchess Co. NY Sec. of State designated agent for service of process. Mail to: 3 Neptune Rd, Ste Q19, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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PHOTOS BY ALY MORRISSEY

Oblong Junior saw higher than average traffic as friends and customers popped into the store during the block party to escape the heat and stock up on new books and toys.

Hundreds turn out for Oblong’s 50th birthday celebration

By ALY MORRISSEY
alym@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON — Hundreds gathered in downtown Millerton on Saturday to celebrate 50 years of Oblong Books, honoring its rich history in the village with a block party bash and a birthday cake cutting.

The festive atmosphere was more than just the aroma of popcorn and falafel wafting from food trucks and vendor tables — it was the spirit of community coming together to recognize a beloved Millerton institution that has put people at the center of their business since the beginning.

Since its founding in 1975 by Dick Hermans and Holly Nelson, Oblong Books has brought together people from all walks of life — many of whom gathered to commemorate this half-century milestone. South Center Street, which was partially shut down for the block party, buzzed with longtime customers, former employees and even those who happened upon the

celebration while walking or biking along the rail trail.

Tents lined the street offering free popcorn and Harney & Sons lemonade, sidewalk chalk for leaving colorful messages along South Center Street, henna tattoos, face painting and a raffle with book-filled bags sorted by genre. Food trucks, including The Flavor Bandits and Hudson Valley Falafel, kept attendees well-fed. Entertainment included live music by Josh Driver, who kicked off the party with an energetic solo set, and The Joint Chiefs, whose tunes inspired a few dancers in the crowd. Two stilt walkers from Mortal Beasts and Deities towered above the party, spreading cheer, high-fiving passersby, and posing for photos. Meanwhile, Millerton’s 175th anniversary committee hosted children’s games at the NECC playground.

Co-founder Dick Hermans began his remarks with an observation that earned laughs and neatly bookended his 50 years at Oblong. “When we



Former longtime Oblong booksellers Michelle, right, and Michael Charles, left, celebrated with son Emmett during the 50th birthday party.

first opened in 1975, people asked if we accepted credit cards,” Hermans recalled. “And yesterday at the Rhinebeck store, a young woman asked if we take cash.” He described with gratitude the arc of those five decades as “beyond belief.”

Hermans spoke briefly about the mission that has fueled Oblong’s success. “Books are a cultural expression that should be available to everybody without censorship and without prejudice,” he said. “One of the reasons we’ve succeeded is we are a store that is open and welcoming to everybody — and if the whole world were like that, we’d really have something.”

Founding partner Holly Nelson echoed his sentiment, recalling that Oblong Books was born during a time when collective action was beginning to change the world. “We knew as youngsters that we needed to put our beliefs into action,” she told the crowd, explaining that she and Hermans chose Millerton for its lively location. Young, idealistic and chasing the American Dream, the pair opened a small record and book shop in just 400 square feet on Main Street. “We couldn’t have voiced it then, but somehow we knew it went far beyond us,” Nelson said.

“The bookstore was 10 years old when I was born,” shared current co-owner Suzanna Hermans, who grew up

in the store, reading everything she could get her hands on and eventually ringing up customers as soon as she could see over the counter. It was in the bookstore that her father, Dick, met her mother, Priscilla, whom Suzanna credited as a quiet but pivotal force behind Oblong’s success, even though she was never employed in an official capacity. The bookstore, it turns out, has been a matchmaker across generations — her father met her mother there, and years later, Suzanna met her own partner among the shelves. “They literally found us,” she said with a smile.

Past employees Michelle and Michael Charles attended the celebration with their son, Emmett, and recalled how the store became the backdrop for their own love story. Together, their time at Oblong Books spanned from fall 2000 to 2012. The two high school sweethearts dated during their years at the store, eventually marrying in 2003 and inviting most of the staff to celebrate with them.

Reflecting on the significance of the milestone and the founding mission, Michelle Charles brought the focus back to people. “I’m realizing that the major connections in my life happened because of this store,” she said. “That just goes to show the power of an independent bookstore, and I feel truly happy to have been



Stilt walkers from Mortal Beasts and Deities teetered through the crowd. Above, River Cook, 18 months, is mesmerized by the stilt walkers.



A 50th birthday cake adorned with raspberries commemorated the bookstore’s golden anniversary.



Louise Lindenmeyr of The Joint Chiefs playing the mandolin. The Joint Chiefs provided music for the party along with opener Josh Driver.

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THEATER: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Sharon Playhouse launches new generation of performers

The Sharon Playhouse’s newest initiative, the Launchpad Company, is part of the organization’s educational mission. Developed under the leadership of Education and Community Director Michael Kevin Baldwin, Launchpad is a pre-professional program designed for emerging theater artists aged 15 to 20. The goal is to provide high-level training, mentorship, and fully staged production experience for young performers from the region. The company’s debut performance “Once Upon a Mattress” opens Aug. 22 and runs through Aug. 24 at Indian Mountain School’s Qianxun Performing Arts Center.

Mary Rodgers’ and Marshall Barer’s “Once Upon a Mattress” is a classic musical comedy that reimagines the fairytale “The Princess and the Pea.” Directed and choreographed by Will Nash Broyles, with music direction by Eric Thomas Johnson



PHOTO BY ALY MORRISSEY

Mollie Leonard (“Princess Winnifred”) center with the spear, surrounded by the cast of “Once Upon a Mattress” at Sharon Playhouse.

and assistant direction and choreography by Kimberly Wilpon, the production highlights the talent of these young performers in a fast-paced, heart-filled show that balances broad comedy with character-driven storytelling.

Mollie Leonard (Warren, Connecticut) stars as the unconventional

Princess Winnifred, whose arrival upends tradition in a kingdom ruled by strict laws and an even stricter queen. Tyler Rosenblum (Falls Village) plays Prince Dauntless, the shy royal whose marriage prospects drive the plot. The supporting cast includes Emily Burg (Hopewell Junction) as the formidable

Queen Aggravain and Richie Crane (Canaan) as the silent but expressive King Sextimus. Rounding out the court are Kennadi Mitchell (Lakeville) as the Minstrel, Samuel Kent (New Milford) as the Jester, and Alex Wilbur (Lakeville) as the Wizard.

Other featured performers include Callie

Audia and Carlo Desy as Lady Larken and Sir Harry, along with Oscar Samelson as the musical “Nightingale of Samarkand.” The ensemble includes young artists from across Connecticut and New York, each contributing energy and personality to the royal court onstage.

Design and technical

support come from a professional team, ensuring that Launchpad students are learning in a real-world production environment. The creative team includes David Palmieri (scenic design and technical direction), Kathleen DeAngelis (costume design), Timothy Nivison (lighting design), Graham Stone (sound design), and Nicole Damico (props). Karla Woodworth leads scenic artistry, and Bobbie Zlotnik designs wigs. Phoebe Singer serves as Production Stage Manager.

With “Once Upon a Mattress,” Sharon Playhouse isn’t just presenting a show, it’s investing in the future of local theater and offering young performers the tools to take the next step in their artistic journeys.

All performances will take place at the Qianxun Performing Arts Center, 211 Indian Mountain Road in Lakeville, CT. Tickets are available now at sharonplayhouse.org/mattress.

DANCE: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Jacob’s Pillow halts festival after tragic death

On Aug. 1, a dolly carrying staging platforms lost control on the sloped grounds of Jacob’s Pillow, the beloved dance festival in Becket, Massachusetts. In its path was production manager Kat Sirico, age 40, who succumbed to injuries sustained in the accident. The Berkshire District Attorney confirmed it was a tragic accident, with no criminal charges to follow. But such announcements don’t soften the edges of loss, they only mark its arrival.

What began as a weekend pause quickly turned into an announcement of a longer hiatus. By Aug. 5, the Festival’s leadership made the difficult decision to cancel the remainder of the season. This, they said, was in service to mourning, to remembering, to healing. “Their spirit, generosity, and dedication touched the lives of many,” said Pamela Tatge, executive and artistic director of Sirico. “Kat was not only a leader but a beloved presence. We owe it to

them, and to each other, to take the time to honor that.”

Sirico had returned to Jacob’s Pillow, where they had previously trained, to take on the role of production manager. This year was especially significant, marking the reopening of the newly rebuilt Doris Duke Theatre after it was destroyed by fire in 2020. The theatre, re-envisioned by the Dutch firm Mecanoo and infused with Indigenous design wisdom and sustainable

architecture, had just opened its doors July 6. Sirico played a key role in supporting this next chapter for the organization.

The ripples of this loss will be felt far beyond the Berkshires. Dancers, artists, vendors, audiences are all impacted. But in its statement, the Board spoke not only of grief, but of resolve: to re-emerge with deeper care, with more courage, and with a recommitment to what dance makes possible.



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Exterior of Ted Shawn Theatre.

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FILM: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Popcorn, posters and pride: Queer Cinema Club comes to The Triplex

For many LGBTQ+ people, film has always been more than entertainment — it’s been a mirror, a map and a lifeline. That’s exactly the spirit behind Queer Cinema Club, a brand-new initiative launching this month at the Triplex Cinema in Great Barrington with a screening of the 1999 cult classic “But I’m a Cheerleader.”

The Club is the brain-child of West Stockbridge resident Champika Fernando, a longtime film lover, queer community organizer and former software engineer, who’s looking to carve out space for LGBTQ+ folks to come together through the magic of cinema.

“I moved to the Berkshires five years ago with my partner,” Fernando shared. “I was really

surprised by how vibrant the queer community is here, but the ways people gather are so different from the city.”

Fernando hails from Toronto, where they attended queer film clubs that mixed movies with drag performances, director Q&As and poster art with party vibes. That’s the kind of multi-sensory, fully alive experience Fernando is hoping to bring to the Berkshires.

On Aug. 20, the Triplex will screen “But I’m a Cheerleader,” the candy-colored satirical comedy directed by Jamie Babbit that follows a perky high school cheerleader (Natasha Lyonne) sent to a conversion camp, only to discover her queerness — and her first love. It’s a film with a dedicated following, and a fitting first feature



PHOTO BY ROBIN BANKERT

Queer Cinema Club founder Champika Fernando

to kick off a club that’s about self-acceptance, humor, and community connection.

“There’s something about sitting in a theater and laughing, or crying, or just feeling together,” said Fernando. “I think

that matters, especially in rural areas, where queer folks can feel isolated.”

The event will open an hour before showtime for an informal pre-show cocktail hour that encourages people to linger

and connect. Down the line, Fernando hopes to collaborate with local queer artists to create original movie posters, host performances tied to film themes, and even partner with Queer Soup Night, another community-based initiative known for its food, warmth, and mutual aid fundraising based in Western Massachusetts.

— have deeply shaped their storytelling values.

“There’s such a narrow slice of queer film that gets recognized,” said Fernando. “I want to expand that. I want people to see themselves in ways they haven’t before.”

The Triplex, a community-run nonprofit, was eager to support the idea. General Manager Ben Elliott welcomed Fernando’s proposal, and the two have been co-developing the program for several months with a shared belief that the space should reflect and serve the people who use it.

Though the first event is being hosted in Great Barrington, there are hopes to expand the club to other local venues, from Millerton to Rhinebeck and beyond.

“The hope is to do something monthly or every other month,” said Fernando. “And maybe host at other indie theaters in the area — depending on where people are coming from.”

More than a screening, Queer Cinema Club is an invitation. To gather. To remember the first time a film made you feel seen. To watch something weird, or sad, or celebratory — together.

“Community is everything,” Fernando shared. “Especially in rural places, you can really feel the absence of it. I just want to help create one more space where queer people feel like they belong.”

Queer Cinema Club’s first screening of “But I’m a Cheerleader” will take place Wednesday, Aug. 20 at the Triplex Cinema in Great Barrington. Doors open at 7 p.m. for a pre-show gathering. Screening begins at 8 p.m. Tickets and more info at triplexcinema.com.

ART: ROBIN RORABACK

Rose Algrant Art Show celebrates local talent

The Rose Algrant Art Show has been a yearly tradition at the Cornwall Consolidated School since 1959 and returned this year on Aug. 8, 9 and 10. Cornwall artists of all talents and disciplines — from painting to shoe-making — are welcome to exhibit at the show.

The show is named for Rose Algrant, who came to Cornwall from Europe in 1942 during World War II to be near her son, a student at Rumsey Hall, an independent junior boarding and day school in Washington Depot, Connecticut. She took a temporary teaching job there but ended up staying for 40 years, becoming a beloved French teacher.



PHOTO BY L. TOMAINO

A visitor to the Rose Algrant Art Show, held at the Cornwall Consolidated School, studies paintings by artist Camilla Marie Dahl Busby.

Potter Betts Brown displayed her ceramic pieces and said history inspires her. “I love historical references.” The decoration on some of her pieces was inspired by ancient Greek vases.

Chris Henry of Chris Henry Designs sat behind a display of his jewelry. “I love living in Cornwall,” he said.

“There are a lot of artists in Cornwall — so many potters, painters, photographers.”

Painter April Stewart Klausner agreed. She came to Cornwall a few years ago and never left, delighted to find a community of artists. She takes photos while riding her bike and uses them as references for her

pieces, which combine watercolor with colored pencil. Of two of the paintings, Klausner said, “The bears were photographed in my yard!”

Other works in the show included drawings by renowned kinetic sculptor Tim Prentice. Sculptor David Colbert showed one of his geometric designs. Theresa Pattison and Camilla Marie Dahl Busby had paintings on display. Lauren Kendrick had works made from cloth. Moon Unit Zappa displayed colored drawings. Potter Sanha Peterson included candle holders among her wares.

Many other wonderful works were on display and visitors enjoyed browsing throughout the weekend.

Following Rose Algrant’s lead, fifteen percent of the sales went to the Cornwall Fire Department this year.

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Tangled research and development

The third week of July was hot and sticky and trout fishing opportunities were limited, so Gary Dodson and I went on a research and development mission in the Catskills.

One spot was a generally cold stream that runs into one of the New York City reservoirs. I'm being coy because this particular cat isn't exactly out of the bag but it has ripped it up some.

On the upstream side of the bridge it's a medium-sized brook with a lot of wild browns and rainbows, plus occasional brookies that are stocked in private water further up.

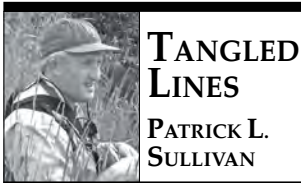
On the downstream side there is a big pool by the bridge which is gin clear most days and has large browns and rainbows that like to ignore flies.

Further down a bit the stream melds with the reservoir, gets a lot warmer, and it's a real crap shoot as to what's on the end of the line.

Could be a perch, a sunfish, a carp...or if all goes well, a smallmouth bass.

Gary concentrated on the bridge pool and I clambered downstream to try and annoy a smallie.

Which I did, after



several false starts with suicidal and tiny bluegills.

The winning combo proved to be a size 12 Surveyor nymph, usually deployed in a tight line rig for trout, but in this case attached on a short dropper (18 inches) to a size 6 Chubby Chernobyl.

The Chubby disappeared, I applied the upward lift, and the best smallie so far in 2025 obliged by jumping a couple of times before coming fairly meekly to the net. It was about 15 inches long, four inches wide, and starting to turn the bronze color of the adult smallmouth.

What made this doubly satisfying was I did it with light trout tackle -- a four weight rod and 4X tippet.

The boys at the fly shop will tell you this can't be done, which I always take as a direct challenge.

Next up was the East Branch of the Delaware near Downsville. Different set of problems here, starting with a water temperature of about 50, a difficult trail, and mud



PHOTOS BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

The best smallmouth bass of 2025, so far, was taken on light trout tackle for the sole purpose of bragging about it later.

that threatened to suck your boot off your foot.

Neither one of us had thought to bring anything warm to go under the waders, and why would we? It was 90-odd degrees out.

And then there was the fog caused by cold water meeting hot air.

All I got out of this was a good photo of Gary in the mist.

Next week I segue into fishing for largemouth bass (primarily) in a lake from a pontoon boat and/or belly boat.

I am a relative newbie at bass fishing with a fly rod, having only practiced it for 20-odd years.

Because I am unencumbered by conventional wisdom, I have developed or acquired techniques that the above-mentioned boys at the fly shop would scoff at.

Such as the Yo-Yo

Method. When I read about this online I thought the name came from the fact that anyone doing this would feel like a yo-yo. Wrong.

What you do is attach a heavy fly like a conehead Woolly Bugger to a short leader, say five feet.

Then attach two to three feet of stout tippet material to the bend of the hook with a clinch knot, and tie on a hard popper or other buoyant fly.

The heavy fly drags the buoyant fly down after it, but the latter is trying to go upwards.

This is exaggerated by short, abrupt jerks on the line, which causes the popper to go up and down.

This drives bass crazy. The Crawl 'n' Troll: The lake I fish almost always has a steady west to east wind, so it is entirely practical to go up



Gary Dodson trying to get something going in the frigid, foggy East Branch of the Delaware River in mid-July.

the lake ("up" meaning "west") and float back with the surface current and wind, trolling a fly or two behind.

One problem is the lake isn't that deep, 10-15 feet most of the way, and there's a lot of vegetation on the bottom that will snag your fly if it gets too deep. On sunny and hot days, the bass like to lurk in this vegetation.

This is the only time I have ever found an intermediate line to be of any use. It sinks, but very slowly, and allows me to drift weighted flies like the Conehead Woolly just above the vegetation. If I get snagged, I shorten the leader up. If I'm not getting any hits, I length-

en the leader a bit.

I generally use a nine foot, eight weight rod for this work, although sometimes I fool around with a 10 weight (so I can justify continuing to own it) or something much lighter (so I can brag about it to the boys at the fly shop).

But an eight weight is a good all-around choice.

You want short, stout leaders. The lightest I go is usually 2X. Bass are not leader-shy, and you will be chucking big flies. Using a long leader in these circs is absolutely begging to get a hook in the ear.

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AUGUST 14

Sidewalk Studio: Community Collage Project

The Center on Main, 103 Main St., Falls Village, Conn.
Aug. 2–31. Drop by anytime to add your creativity to a community collage on the theme of “Summer.” Open 24/7, supplies provided. Final artwork will be displayed at Off the Trail Cafe.

Indigo Workshop

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org
Artist Gail O'Donnell will lead an indigo and clay resist workshop at the David M. Hunt Library on Thursday, Aug. 14 from 2 to 4 p.m. Come Join us as we explore the exciting world of indigo! People have used and been fascinated by indigo for thousands of years. No experience necessary, all materials provided. Registration is required for this program as it is limited to twelve participants. Register online

10th Anniversary Concert

Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center, 14 Castle Street, Great Barrington, Mass.
Thursday, Aug. 14, 7:30 p.m. Berkshire Opera Festival celebrates 10 years with a special concert featuring highlights from past and future seasons. Performances by cast members of La Traviata, guest artists, and the BOF Orchestra and Chorus, led by Artistic Director Brian Garman.

Premium tickets (with post-concert party): \$125

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Run time: approx. 1 hour 30 minutes

AUGUST 16

101 Dalmatians, Kids

Sharon Playhouse, 49 Amenia Road, Sharon, Conn.
Saturday, Aug. 16 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Musical adaptation of the Disney classic, performed by local youth ages 8 to 11.

Grumbling Gryphons at Stissing Center

Stissing Center for the Arts & Culture, 2950 Church St., Pine Plains, N.Y..
Saturday, Aug. 16, at 10 a.m., the Grumbling Gryphons traveling theater will perform “Trickster Coyote Shares the Fire” at Stissing Center for the Arts & Culture. Join the cast and become part of the play. A drama workshop will take place at 9 a.m. More info at grumblinggryphons.org

AUGUST 17

Columbia County Jewish Festival

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AUGUST 22

Once Upon a Mattress

Indian Mountain School's Qianxun Performing Arts Center, 211 Indian Mountain Road, Lakeville, Conn.
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AUGUST 23

Box Fort Day at The Center on Main

The Center on Main, 103 Main St., Falls Village, Conn.
Aug. 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., build and explore a giant box fort at this free, drop-in event for all ages. Materials provided—just bring your creativity (and maybe some tall friends). Hosted by The Center on Main and the Falls Village Recreation Commission.

Dance Party: Bosphorus Boogie

Luther Barn, 17 Furnace Bank Road, Wassaic, N.Y.
Saturday, Aug 23, 8 p.m. to midnight
A late-night, all-vinyl dance party with Tim 'Love' Lee and Scott Anderson of the Capricorn Dream Sound Machine. Dress up and dance to a mix of Anatolian trance, Pan-African rhythms, and Western grooves. Part of an ongoing themed party series.

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Luther Barn, 17 Furnace Bank Road, Wassaic, N.Y.
Saturday, Aug 23, 3 to 5 p.m.
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Berkshire Opera Festival Presents Verdi's La Traviata

Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center, 14 Castle Street, Great Barrington, Mass.
Saturday, Aug. 23 at 1 p.m.; Tuesday, Aug. 26 at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, Aug. 29 at 7:30 p.m.
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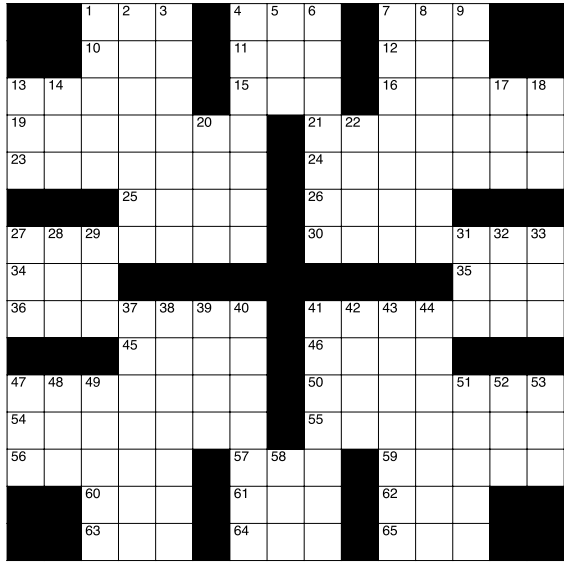
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Get a weight forward line in a bass taper, with the bulk of the weight concentrated in the first 15 feet of a 90 foot line. The poppers catch a lot of wind, and you'll be glad of the extra heft to punch through.
For flies, you want poppers. I prefer hard poppers to the deer hair or foam variety. A few big hopper and or beetle patterns will also work, as will a big Stimulator.
For subsurface, which is where the bulk of the action is, you need nothing more complicated than an assortment of big Woolly Buggers in various colors: Sizes 2-8 in olive, black, brown, and white. Get weighted ones, either conehead or beadhead, and save yourself the trouble of adding split shot to the leader. And always get the rubber legs if available.
If you want to get semi-fancy, the Big Y Fly Company sells an excellent bass streamer called the Bass Vampire. It's purple with yellow dumbbell eyes and comes on a 2/0 hook, which qualifies as a deadly weapon in most states.
Be prepared for a psychic change. This is very different than prowling a trout stream. It's not just chuck and duck, but it's not especially subtle, either.
And with several highly unpleasant trips to the dermatologist in my immediate past, I urge you to slather on the sunscreen, and reapply it frequently, while wearing your enormous hat.

Brain Teasers

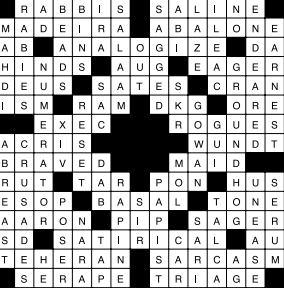
- CLUES ACROSS
- 1. Auto manufacturer
 - 4. The 23rd letter of the Greek alphabet
 - 7. Two-year-old sheep
 - 10. Member of indigenous people in Asia
 - 11. Airborne (abbr.)
 - 12. Actress de Armas
 - 13. Not moving
 - 15. Cool!
 - 16. Plants of the arum family
 - 19. Perceptible by touch
 - 21. Rorschach test
 - 23. Monetary units
 - 24. Art
 - 25. Cardinal number
 - 26. Dueling sword
 - 27. Hates
 - 30. Fixed in one place
 - 34. Pie ___ mode
 - 35. Moved on foot
 - 36. Passenger's spot on a motorcycle
 - 41. A way through
 - 45. "Rule, Britannia" composer
 - 46. Leader
 - 47. Flowing
 - 50. Common greetings in Arabic countries
 - 54. Solution for all difficulties
 - 55. Soft clothing fabric
 - 56. Building material
 - 57. Sea bream
 - 59. A way to cause to be swollen
 - 60. One and only
 - 61. Skin color
 - 62. Wreath
 - 63. Nevertheless
 - 64. They ___
 - 65. Sea eagle



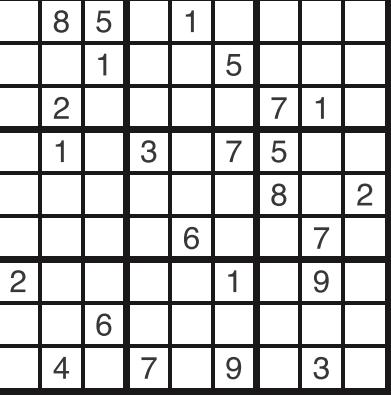
- 9. One-time empress of the Roman Empire
- 13. Engine additive
- 14. Chemistry solution
- 17. Written account
- 18. Consumed
- 20. Coming after all others
- 22. No (slang)
- 27. Government lawyers
- 28. Super Bowl winner Manning
- 29. Small amount
- 31. A way to save for your future
- 32. A way to travel behind
- 33. Midway between northeast and east
- 37. Head pain
- 38. Loud lawn insect
- 39. Actress Hathaway
- 40. Boat race
- 41. About fish

- 42. Nursemaid in India
- 43. Marketable
- 44. Tinier
- 47. Parts per billion (abbr.)
- 48. Paddle
- 49. Oneness
- 51. Bitter compound
- 52. Not around
- 53. Very fast airplane
- 58. Swiss river

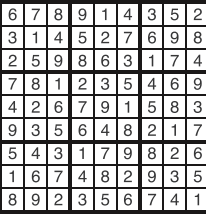
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Located directly across from the site of the former Roseland Ranch, 311 Hunns Lake Road is a turn key three-bedroom renovated ranch with a separate studio apartment on 15 acres which sold for \$820,000 on June 6, 2025.

May and June transfers total five in Stanford

By CHRISTINE BATES
Special to the Millerton News

STANFORD — In May and June in the Town of Stanford there were five transfers over the two months during the busiest period of the year. The median price for the last 12 months ending in June rose to \$600,000. Meanwhile the median price is \$661,000 in neighboring Washington, including the village of Millbrook, during the same time. There were 20 homes listed for sale in early August with seven over \$1 million and only five below the median

price point of \$600,000. 1355 Bulls Head Road — 5 bedroom/3 bath ranch on 3.71 acres sold for \$522,000 to Dale E. Blue. 2163 Bulls Head Road — 3 bedroom/2 bath ranch on 8.7 acres sold for \$530,000 to Margaret Lynch. 140 Hunns Lake Road — 3 bedroom/1.5 bath home built in 1870 on 1.83 acres sold for \$205,000 to Mill Lane Partners LLC. 311 Hunns Lake Road — 3 bedroom/2.5 bath raised ranch with apartment on two parcels with 15 acres sold for \$820,000 to Raquel Rubio

Higuera. 5976 Roue 82 — 4 bedroom/2.5 bath 4,289 square foot home on 41.7 acres sold by Jesse and Gail Bontecou for \$1.3 million to Frederic Pafford Delmhorst. *Town of Stanford property transfers from May and June are sourced from Dutchess County Real Property Office monthly reports. Details on property from Dutchess Parcel Access. Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Advisor with William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty, Licensed in Connecticut and New York.

Amenia sets hearings for proposed laws allowing for alternates

By LEILA HAWKEN
Special to the Millerton News

AMENIA — Changes to local laws to allow for alternate members on two town boards were assigned a date for public hearing at the regular meeting of the Town Board on Thursday, Aug. 7. The vote was unanimous to set the public hearing date. To assist the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals with having a sufficient number of members present to achieve a quorum, the change would allow for the appointment of alternate members. In the event of a regular member's absence, the chairperson of the Planning Board or the ZBA would be able to seat an alternate for that meeting. By unanimous vote the Town Board agreed to hold

public hearings on Thursday, Sept. 18, beginning at 7 p.m., to consider the changes to town law. A third public hearing will be scheduled on the same date to consider a new law that would regulate the operation of food trucks. Under the new proposed law, food trucks would require a special permit to be issued by the town's Code Enforcement Official. Residents would also need a permit to arrange for a food truck at a private function. In another matter, the project to construct a new town garage is underway with tree removal work having progressed with the work done by the town crew. A plan for accomplishing site grading work would need Town Board approval. Town Budget Officer Charlie Miller

is seeking that approval. He spoke to the Town Board and determined that a decision on the plan could be reached at the next Town Board meeting on Thursday, Aug. 21. Miller said the next phase of the site work would involve earth moving and storm water management in addition to cutting the access driveway apron. Those aspects could be offered out to bid separately from the main construction project, Miller said, adding that the work would be available to local contractors. Prompt Town Board approval would be important to keeping to the construction schedule, leading Miller to make the request for expedited decision. "We have the plans," Miller added.

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