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From Smash the Avocado to Sombrero Toss, the Roeliff Jansen Community Library offered a fiesta of fun activities for its young patrons at a community celebration of Cinco de Mayo on May 5.

## Friends have fiesta fun at Roe Jan Library

COPAKE — The Roeliff Jansen Community Library, located at 9091 Route 22 in Copake, put together a fun, festive and family-friendly community celebration for Cinco de Mayo last Thursday, May 5.

Cinco de Mayo is the annual celebration to commemorate the anniversary of Mexican General Ignacio Zaragoza and his troop's victory over the Second French Empire at the Battle of Puebla in 1862.

Between the lovely spring weather last week, the community's cheerful spirits and the contri-

butions of local eateries, the Roe Jan Library had all the ingredients necessary for a special celebration.

From 4 to 7 p.m., patrons enjoyed a festive fiesta, dining on spicy Aloha Tacos while participating in a few appropriately named games, from Smash the Avocado and Pin the Tail on the Donkey to the Sombrero Toss.

Participants also received the chance to broaden their minds by learning Spanish at the celebration before settling down for the library's evening screening of "Encanto."

— Kaitlin Lyle

## U.S. Rep. Delgado tapped as new lieutenant governor

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ALBANY — U.S. Rep. Antonio Delgado (D-NY-19) has a new title: Lieutenant Governor Antonio Delgado.

That change of rank was announced on Tuesday, May 3; he will be the third lieutenant governor in New York State in less than a year.

Governor Kathy Hochul is appointing the 45-year-old Rhinebeck resident to the second-highest post in the Empire State to serve the remainder of former Lt. Gov. Brian Benjamin's term, after Benjamin was forced to resign following being arrested and indicted on

federal corruption charges.

Delgado is now also on the June primary ballot rather than Benjamin, only possible after the state Legislature recently passed a new bill introduced at Hochul's behest.

The bill that amended the state election law allows a candidate to remove his or her name from the ballot if that person gets indicted, as in Benjamin's case. The bill's passage permitted a very brief — but long enough — opportunity to remove Benjamin's name from the ballot in time for the governor to find a new running mate.

The bill was not popular and was fiercely fought, by both Repub-

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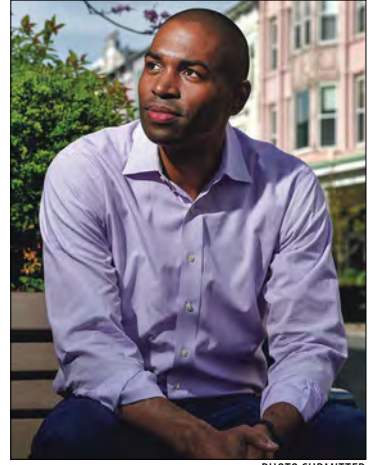


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U.S. Rep. Antonio Delgado (D-NY-19) has been appointed by Governor Kathy Hochul as her new lieutenant governor.

## Former Legislator Michael Kelsey released from prison

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HUDSON — Former Dutchess County Legislator Michael Kelsey (R-25) was released from state prison Thursday, May 5, after serving six years for molesting two Boy Scouts during an August camping

trip in 2014.

The then 38-year-old Salt Point resident was sentenced to serve seven years in a Hudson prison for sexual abuse. At the time of the trial, District Attorney Mary Rain had asked for the maximum sentence of 11 years.

Kelsey was an attorney who served on the Dutchess County Legislature in 2009, representing the towns of Amenia, Pleasant Valley and Washington, when charged with the crimes. He was also a

leader of the Fishkill Boy Scout Troop 95 Venture Patrol when the crimes took place.

Kelsey was found guilty on May 12, 2016, and was convicted on charges of first-degree sexual abuse and first-degree attempted sexual abuse, both felonies; misdemeanor counts of forcible touching; and two counts of endangering the welfare of a child.

The charges stemmed from a

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## Local Girl Scouts face cookie crisis

By CAROL KNEELAND  
Special to The Millerton News

HARLEM VALLEY — With a motto of "Be Prepared" ingrained into their training ever since their founding in 1912, Girl Scouts have been ready to take on whatever they face — but the year 2022 has been especially challenging as Mother Nature has put a serious damper in their cookie fundraising efforts.

Since the now famous Girl Scout cookies were first sold in Muskogee, Okla., in 1917, proceeds from the ever-popular treats have gone a long way toward funding the Scout programs for millions of girls, including 28 of whom attend the North East (Webutuck) and Dover Union Free Central School Districts.

The treats themselves also help them to live up to their slogan: "Do a good turn daily."

This year, however, the weekend sales have been stymied despite the best efforts of supporters Kelly's Creamery (Dover Plains), Orlando Family Hardware Store (Wingdale), Boyce Park (Wingdale), Savarese Septic Service (Wingdale) and Wingdale's Mobile, which provided an indoor spot for cookie sales for a time.

In past years, by now the troop would have placed at least two orders on their cookie stock. But as of press time on Tuesday, May 10, the troop had more than 1,500 boxes

remaining from its original order yet to be sold.

A passionate and determined supporter of the program, Troop Leader Wendy Carey McDougall said she is determined to meet their goal.

"My girls will never go without," she said, explaining that without earning proceeds from their cookie sales, members of Troop 10478 must pay for badges, medals and other expenses themselves. That's not easy, as Dover and Webutuck are neighboring communities that are "almost 50% in poverty," noted McDougall.

"Normally troops would charge the parents for badges and medals, but we have multiple families that don't even have a vehicle," she said,

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### Village Board reviews comments

## Millerton mulls over police options

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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MILLERTON — Following a fiery public hearing on the future of police services in Millerton, the Village Board held a workshop meeting on Monday, May 2, to review the April 20th public comments, openly discuss its options and decide on

its next steps.

A video recording of last month's public hearing on the proposed local law to abolish the Millerton Police Department (MPD) and instead contract with the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) for police services is at www.vil-

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From left, Webutuck High School senior Jaide Sweeney was congratulated by Webutuck Counselors Vinnie Merindino and Darlene McLaughlin on her bright future on Decision Day alongside her fellow seniors Jordan Dyer, Teyvon Thrasher, Otto Eisermann and Lizzie Eisermann.

## Warriors celebrate Decision Day

WEBUTUCK — With the end of their primary and secondary academic career years in sight, Webutuck High School (WHS) seniors proudly declared their future plans to their teachers and peers at the

school district's annual Decision Day, held on Monday, May 2.

From 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m., WHS Principal Katy McEnroe shared the high school's tradition of setting up a table in

its senior lounge and treating students to doughnuts, coffee and goodie bags.

Out in the main lobby, a bulletin board was decorated with paper balloons. Students were encouraged to write

down what their plans are for the fall on each of the balloons and attach the party favors to the bulletin board to add to the festive pre-graduation atmosphere.

— Kaitlin Lyle

## Friends dig in to help spruce up Spencer's Corners Burying Ground

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MILLERTON — The not-for-profit group, Friends of Spencer's Corners Burying Ground, formed earlier this year to "begin the daunting job of restoring this historic cemetery on Merwin Road," according to member and town Supervisor Chris Kennan.

He explained last week that the clean up is a long-term project that will take time and money.

"However, the cemetery is the oldest in Millerton [and Dutchess County], and is close to the original settlement at Spencer's Corners," said Kennan; one headstone dates back to 1701. "That settlement was established before the Village of Millerton, or the Town of North East."



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Members of the Friends of Spencer's Corners Burying Ground showed up at the Merwin Road site to clean up the cemetery on Saturday, May 7. Above are, back row, from left, Charlie Campbell, Ralph Fedele, Tom Thornton, Lyman Terni, Justin Sinisi, Alice Quinn, Laurie Kerr, Jack Campbell, Jim Campbell and Claire Goodman (also helping, but not pictured, were Kevin Elliott and Levi Elliott).

As Benjamin Franklin was once quoted as saying, "Show me your cemeteries, and I'll show you what kind of people you have."

The Friends of Spencer's Corners has a small board of dedicated local residents, including Claire Goodman, Ralph Fedele and Jim Campbell, noted Kennan.

The group gathered for a clean-up day at the burying ground this past Saturday, May 7. While chilly, volunteers ready to get to work.

The crew was organized

by Campbell, and gathered to collect brush, remove leaves and begin cleaning headstones, according to Goodman.

"This is the first activity of the season to initiate a campaign to raise funds for, and awareness of, the future restoration and conservation of this historic site," she said. "Many of the headstones and monuments have toppled over due to ground heaving and have been severely weathered and fractured."

Goodman said as well as physical restoration efforts, a

full record and site map is also being created to memorialize those buried there, and to expand upon the history of the people and the originators of our Millerton and North East communities."

## Dems and GOP hold caucuses Incumbents rerun for Village Board

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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MILLERTON — The Millerton Democratic and Republican Caucuses were both held on Tuesday, May 3. One incumbent candidate was cross-endorsed to return to office and one received a single endorsement to fill the return to the Village Board.

Two seats are open as a result of both candidates' two-year terms expiring at year's end. The new terms begin on Tuesday, July 5, and run through June 30, 2024.

Incumbent village Trustees Matthew Hartzog and Alicia Sartori, the current deputy mayor, were renominated at the caucuses to rerun for the two trustee positions.

According to Chair of the North East Democratic Committee Jon Arnason, the Democratic Caucus was "very straightforward" and only took half an hour.

Both candidates are registered Democrats and both were nominated by the Democratic Committee to run on their ticket for the Village Board.

Describing the Republican Caucus also as being

"very straightforward," North East Republican Committee Chair Edie Greenwood said the committee cross-endorsed Sartori, who accepted its nomination for her to represent them.

Asked if the committee nominated a second candidate for the other open seat on the board, Greenwood said it did not.

Both caucuses were held at Village Hall at 5933 North Elm Ave. (Route 22) in Millerton, with the Democratic Caucus starting at 6 p.m. and the Republican Caucus beginning at 7 p.m.

This year's Village Election is scheduled for Tuesday, June 21. In New York State, villages may opt to set their fiscal years and their election cycles on a different annual schedule than towns are required to do, and therefore villages do not have to hold elections in November.

The polling place for registered Millerton voters will be at Village Hall from noon to 9 p.m.

For more information on the 2022 Millerton Election, continue to check [www.villageofmillerton.net](http://www.villageofmillerton.net) and The Millerton News for updates.

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The Sharon Audubon Center is in high gear this month of May. Bird Tours are offered on each Saturday alternating between the Center and the Miles Wildlife Center. Registration is required online at <https://sharon.audubon.org/>. There is also the annual Audubon's Birdathon starting on May 11th and going to May 17th. The point is to count and record as many different bird species as possible to get a sense of the health of their populations. Also, on May 29th, there is the annual Raptors and Riesling event that helps support their Wildlife Rehabilitation Clinic, who work with injured and orphaned birds. For information and tickets, please go to <https://act.audubon.org/a/raptors-and-riesling-2022>.



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### MILLERTON IN BRIEF

#### Learn about early education

On Friday, June 3, at 5:30 p.m., at the Irondale Schoolhouse at the Main Street entrance to the Harlem Valley Rail Trail in Millerton, the guest speaker Susan Webb of Birmingham, Ala., also known as Schoolmarm Susan Webb, will talk about early education.

Earlier that day she will present an historical program to fifth-graders from Webutuck's Eugene Brooks Intermediate School and take them back in time to 1890, to talk about what school was like back then. Webb, who travels throughout the U.S. enlightening students and adults interested early American education with such programs, will dress in period clothing. At 5:30 p.m., she will present a session for adults.

There is limited seating to this free event; pre-registration is required.

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Turning to her first poetry collection, poet Rage Hezekiah read aloud a selection of poems that captured joy at The Freya Project's Readings for Joy on Friday night, May 6.

Attendees of The Freya Project's Readings for Joy lent author Marcia DeSanctis their undivided attention as she read aloud her essay at Troutbeck.

## The national Freya Project comes to Troutbeck to share poems of joy

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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AMENIA — Rather than be consumed by the fear brought on by recent headlines, The Freya Project offered the community an evening to reflect on happier moments at its Readings for Joy event held at Troutbeck in Amenia on Friday, May 6.

According to its website, www.freyaproject.com, The Freya Project stands as “an organization that uses storytelling to inspire community-based activism.”

As part of its mission, The Freya Project invites women and non-binary people — including authors, actors, teachers, doctors and activists — to read at its events; all proceeds raised go toward supporting small nonprofits working in their location communities.

Its recent reading raised funds to support the Roe Fund, which, according to the fund's website at www.abortionfunds.org, annually provides direct financial help to Oklahoma women seeking family planning services who could otherwise not have afforded them.

With a light spring rainfall trickling down outside, the

Troutbeck ballroom provided a nice, cozy space for the readings. By 5:30 p.m., there were more than a dozen people in the ballroom with more arriving as the evening progressed.

Although The Freya Project Co-Founder Nonie Brzyski was unable to attend the event, her sister Kate White shared how thrilled they were to hold it at Troutbeck. White gave an overview of how The Freya Project got started and of its overall mission.

In talking about the Roe Fund, White explained the project is funded entirely by donations. After a draft Supreme Court opinion leaked last week that could reverse the Roe v. Wade decision that has protected a woman's right to safe and legal abortions, putting in jeopardy the future of women's ability to access the procedure, she said the timing to gather in support of the Roe Fund couldn't have been better.

White said the four presenters at Troutbeck were asked to describe a day in which they felt joy. Halimah Marcus was the first reader.

With a microphone in hand and words splayed on the podium, Marcus read an original piece she written for

the occasion about a moment inspired by a trip to Coney Island. The audience let the words wash over them, laughing at Marcus' gentle sense of humor.

The laughter continued throughout the night, though the delivery changed from prose to poetry to essays.

Though admitting her poetry tends to gravitate toward sadness, poet Rage Hezekiah selected a few poems that captured joy.

“Thank you all for showing up for a very good cause at a very important time,” said author Marcia DeSanctis before reading aloud “Seven Drafts of Coffee,” an essay from her book “A Hard Place to Leave,” which captured the seven-stage cycle she's experienced between leaving and returning home from assignments.

While she acknowledged the writing was about a day when she felt joy, Leigh Newman, the final author that evening, said she feels joy every day. She chose to write about “joy and terror,” a nickname given to her by her agent.

Newman interlaced hilarity and relatability as she read about the subtle joys of home life and the terrors that have

“burrowed like a tick” into every joy she's experienced.

Thanking all the readers for filling the room with joy, White invited attendees to consider buying the signed books and make a donation to the Roe Fund.

## Webutuck celebrates May 14 New health center grand opening

WEBUTUCK — The North East Webutuck Central School District (WCSD) Board of Education (BOE) inched closer to seeing plans for its long-awaited school-based health clinic realized at its April 4 meeting.

Turning the floor over to Webutuck nurse Charles Davis, Superintendent of Schools Raymond Castellani described the imminent opening of the WCSD health center as “probably the most proud moment of my educational career.”

Observing it's been almost three years since the health center was first proposed, Davis outlined the journey to the clinic's creation, from the time the idea was inspired to the extensive research that went into the benefits, partnerships and actions the district will reap.

As Davis outlined the

numerous services that will soon be provided for students, the BOE was informed that recently Webutuck had successfully secured a mental health provider to join as one of the providers at the clinic.

In collaboration with its healthcare partner, Open Door Family Medical Center, the WCSD will celebrate the grand opening of the health center with community members on Saturday, May 14, at 11:15 a.m.

As announced by the district, the WCSD health center will not only serve all three schools — including Webutuck Elementary School, Eugene Brooks Intermediate School and Webutuck High School — but it will also be the first school-based health center in the Mid-Hudson Valley.

— Kaitlin Lyle

### AMENIA IN BRIEF

#### Volunteers needed at St. Thomas' Food of Life Pantry

The St. Thomas Episcopal Church's Food of Life/Comida de Vida Pantry, located at 40 Leedsville Road in South Amenia, needs volunteers to help get food to those struggling to make ends meet during

these desperate times.

St. Thomas has its own garden as well as a pantry and provides fresh and non-perishable food and other essential items for those living in the Harlem Valley and over the border in Connecticut.

For more information or to sign up, go to www.stthomasamenia.com/volunteer. Questions may be sent to the pantry's volunteer coordinator at samantha@stthomasamenia.com.



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### With honors

Recognizing the academic achievements of the newest members of the Webutuck National Junior Honor Society (NJHS), the North East (Webutuck) Central School District held an induction ceremony on Wednesday, April 27, at 6 p.m. in the Eugene Brooks Intermediate School cafeteria to recognize their accomplishments. Parents and other family and friends joined Webutuck educators and administrators plus current NJHS members to welcome the four new eighth-grade members and five new seventh-grade members into the Society. A reception was held in the high school cafeteria following the ceremony.

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## OBITUARIES

### Celebration of Life:

#### Helen Wike Humeston

A celebration of the life of Helen Wike Humeston (7/7/1922—7/12/2021) will be held on Saturday, May 28, at her beloved Wike Brothers Farm. Her family invites any and all people who would like to share their memories of Helen (and if applicable Don) to join them. We know she made an impact in her 99 years, and we would love to hear your remembrances. The celebration will be an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. at 38 White Hollow Road in Sharon.

## SPORTS

# Walk for Ukraine in Millerton to step off Saturday, May 14

By KAITLIN LYLE  
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MILLERTON — In its latest endeavor to rally support for Ukraine, another fundraiser will be held in the village of Millerton to show its solidarity for the war-torn nation on Saturday, May 14. The Solidarity Walk for Ukraine will start at 9 a.m. at the head of the Harlem Valley Rail Trail (HVRT) at the Main Street entrance.

Since the news of Russia's invasion of Ukraine first made headlines, Harlem Valley residents have shown their support for the Ukrainian people, from posting signs of support at their homes to attending community events to raise awareness and funds.

In Millerton, Polish-born part-time Millerton residents André Wlodar and his wife Kim have been instrumental in organizing several major fundraisers to support for Ukraine, raising more than \$300,000.

They are currently working with Garage Galleri owner Svend Lindbaek; the space is located at 2 Main St. and is now set up as a temporary fundraising headquarters.

Garage Galleri is located at the former Gilmore Glass Works and Lindbaek donated it to the Wlodars' United with Ukraine, selling lawn signs, posters, T-shirts, stickers and tote bags there to raise funds for the nonprofit Sunflower of Peace to help victims of the war; the space hosts fundraisers for United with Ukraine; it also holds community coffee hours there to generate local support for the important cause.

Now hard at work promoting the Millerton Solidarity Walk for Ukraine, Wlodar credited Millerton acupuncturist Lisa Wood for coming up with the idea for the walkathon. Wood, on the other hand, was effusive in thanking Wlodar for making the walk possible.

The idea, Wlodar said, is to get as many participants as possible. Along with seniors and children, Wlodar has even invited dogs and "brave cats" to partake in this event.

Led by Charlie Kyle from The Music Cellar, there will be a brass band providing music, and T-shirts and lawn signs will be available for purchase.

Wlodar clarified the walk is "less of a fundraiser and more of a community event because we're not asking for money," for registration fees, adding if anyone wants to buy a T-shirt and donate money to support Ukraine, they're welcome to do so.

After speeches are made, the community is invited to walk or bike as far as they'd like along the HVRT, whether it's one mile or the 20.1 miles all the way to the Wassaic Metro-North Train Station in Amenia.

Transportation to Millerton will be provided to those looking to return to the starting point. Participants are encouraged to wear the Ukrainian national colors of yellow and blue and bring flowers and signs to make this a positive event.

"We just want people to come," Wlodar said, adding with a laugh, "I'm hoping for a thousand people — I'm optimistic."

Drawing inspiration from philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche's words, Wood said she read Nietzsche's thoughts on the decline of society and how "there will come a point in the future when people will not know what's real."

Those words rang true, she said, after she spoke with a friend who didn't believe that Ukraine is currently under attack by Russia.

Wood said Nietzsche also said "not knowing is a form of nihilism."

"We are not hopeless and to believe you're hopeless is to succumb to nihilism. In fact, in just doing this little walk, it has been so beautiful how many people gave their advice and resources," Wood said. "This walk, for me, is about knowing that the situation for humanity, the situation in Ukraine, the situation in my personal life is not hopeless, and I don't have to sit around shrugging my shoulders saying 'What can I do?' I'm excited by how many people are willing to come together and make something happen."

CORNWALL — John Joseph O'Donnell of Mesa, Arizona, passed away May 1, 2022, with his devoted wife Nancy and daughter by his side after a long and brave battle with cancer.

John was born March 26, 1939, and lived in North Cornwall for most of his life. His parents, who predeceased him, were Thomas Joseph O'Donnell of North Cornwall, and Agnes Elizabeth (Akerberg) O'Donnell originally of Jersey City, N.J. John was the only child of a dairy farming family and learned to work hard and be responsible at a young age, a quality that defined him and that he taught all his children.

John graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School in 1957.

Throughout his life he enjoyed horseshoes and bowling. After a hard day's work, he spent summer evenings zipping lightning-fast pitches past batters on the softball field and wowing with his left-handed horseshoe delivery.

John was a wood worker. He chopped firewood (lots of it), built his own house and made furniture and lamps from the trees of Cornwall. Once he even built a wooden bridge for cars to pass over

a stream. When faced with a challenge, he figured it out. In later years, John spent more time traveling, gardening, and reading Louis L'Amour novels.

John was an active member of the Cornwall Volunteer Fire Department for so many years that he achieved "lifetime" status. He took great pride in his role of maintaining Cornwall's cemeteries for over 50 years.

John is survived by his loving wife Nancy with whom he was married for nearly 30 years. Together they found new friends and better winter weather in Arizona, took long road trips to see family and the countryside, and traveled to exotic locations on cruises.

In addition to Nancy, John is survived by his four children — Deborah Miller of Sheffield, William O'Donnell of North Cornwall, Kellie Cutler of Truckee, California, and Keryn

"Beth" O'Donnell of Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

In addition, John is survived by three beloved stepchildren — Shelley Lenox of Delta, Colorado, John Palaski of Carlsbad, New Mexico, and Margaret Brazeal of Rock Springs, Wyoming. Together, John and Nancy have 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

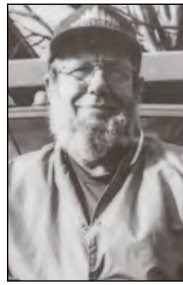
John approached his health issues with resolve and his signature dry sense of humor. He always enjoyed making the fabulous staff at Mayo Clinic in Phoenix, Arizona, smile. His family are forever grateful for their excellent care.

Special thanks to Terri with East Valley Hospice in Mesa, Arizona, for her exceptional care of John in his remaining days.

A graveside service will be held in the North Cornwall Cemetery at a later date.

Please send donations in John's name to: Mayo Clinic - Cancer Research Department of Development, 200 First St., SW, Rochester, MN 55905.

## John Joseph O'Donnell



## Evelyn "Ruth" Machia

NORTH CANAAN — Evelyn "Ruth" Machia, 90, of Canaan.

Wife, Mother, Step-mom, Grandmother, Great Grandmother, Sister, Aunt AKA Mom, Meme, Gram, Sis, Mooch, Aunt Ruthie was born in New Milford on February 27th, 1932, to Evelyn Francis Swett (Howard) and Raymond Gilbert Swett.

Ruthie passed away at Fairview Hospital on April 28, 2022, with her children by her side.

She is survived by her loving husband Irvin (Tarzan) Machia of Canaan.

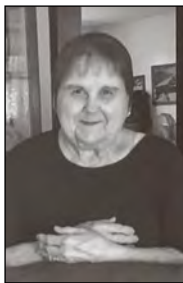
She is Mom to six Chil-

dren and Step-children, Many Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren, she loved her family and extended family and had a sense of humor that shined her entire 90 years.

She loved to fish and spend time with her Grandbabies and Great Grandbabies

Her presence will be greatly missed, and her memory will live on fondly in so many of the lives that she has touched.

Mom did not want funeral services, but we will be holding a celebration of life Family and Friends Picnic in her honor at her daughter Tammy's at a date to be determined.



## Thomas Page

KENT — Thomas Page, 74, of Cobble Road, died May 4, 2022, at New Milford Hospital. He was the loving husband of the late Dawn Page.

Thomas was born March 26, 1948, the son of the late George and Sophia Naboriny Page. He was a graduate of Oliver Wolcott Technical School. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. Upon returning, Thomas married Dawn on August 21, 1972. He was a mechanic and worked for the

Kent School until his retirement in 2018.

He is survived by his cousin Lori Brown and her husband David and their son Michael. He was predeceased by his sister Nancy Manley.

A graveside service will be celebrated on Thursday, May 12, at the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Kent at 11:00 a.m. with military honors. All other services are private. The Kenny Funeral Home, 41 Main Street, Sharon has care of arrangements.



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Week of May 15, 2022

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<p><b>St. John's Episcopal Church</b> 12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Rev. Paul Christopherson SUNDAY SERVICE 10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II) In-Person and on You-Tube <a href="http://www.stjohnssalisbury.org">www.stjohnssalisbury.org</a> 860-435-9290</p>	<p><b>St. Thomas Episcopal Church</b> 40 Leedsville Road Amenia Union, NY SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30 IN-PERSON AND ONLINE Visit our website for links Rev. AJ Stack 845-373-9161 <a href="http://www.stthomasamenia.com">www.stthomasamenia.com</a> A Community of Radical Hospitality</p>
<p><b>North Canaan Congregational Church, UCC</b> Joyfully opening our hearts and doors to all God's people 172 Lower Rd./Rt. 44, East Canaan CT Worship services Sundays at 10 am <a href="http://www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational">www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational</a> 860-824-7252</p>	<p><b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b> 484 Lime Rock Rd., Lime Rock In person services on Sundays 8:00 and 10:30 A.M. Livestream at 10:30 on <a href="http://www.trinitylimerock.org">www.trinitylimerock.org</a> The Rev. Heidi Truax <a href="http://trinity@trinitylimerock.org">trinity@trinitylimerock.org</a> (860) 455-2627</p>
<p><b>FISHES &amp; LOAVES FOOD PANTRY, A MISSION OF OUR CHURCH</b> is at Pilgrim House, 30 Granite Ave., Canaan Tuesday 4-6 pm &amp; Thursday 12-2 pm <a href="http://www.fishesandloavesnorthcanaan.org">www.fishesandloavesnorthcanaan.org</a></p>	<p><b>Unitarian Fellowship of NW CT</b> Join our virtual Zoom service on Sunday, June 12 at 10:30 a.m. For information, contact Jo Loi at <a href="mailto:jokialoi@gmail.com">jokialoi@gmail.com</a> All are Welcome</p>
<p><b>The Lakeville United Methodist Church</b> 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" Pastor Joy Veronesi 860-435-9496 <a href="mailto:Lakevillemethodist@snet.net">Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</a></p>	<p><b>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH</b> Immaculate Conception, 4 North Street, Norfolk St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 5 pm, St. Joseph Church Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary Sunday 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm St. Joseph Chapel or Church Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078</p>
<p><b>Promised Land Baptist Church</b> 29 Granite Ave., Canaan, CT Where you will find: A Warm Welcome! Helpful Bible Messages, A Place to Grow! Sunday School - 10am Sunday Worship - 11am Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - 7PM (860) 824-5685 VISITORS WELCOME! <a href="http://www.promisedlandbaptist.org">www.promisedlandbaptist.org</a></p>	<p><b>UCC in CORNWALL</b> Congregational Worship Sunday, 10 am <b>Cornwall Village Meeting House</b> 8 Bolton Hill Rd, Cornwall Outstanding Church School (10 am) Mission Opportunities Warm Fellowship following Worship 860-672-6840 FB - UCC in Cornwall Rev. Micki Nunn-Miller, Minister Welcoming all - including the LGBTQ Community</p>
<p><b>Falls Village Congregational Church</b> 16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village 10:00 a.m. Family Worship Coffee Hour A Friendly Church with a warm welcome to all!! 860-824-0194</p>	<p><b>Sharon Congregational</b> 25 Main Street, Sharon, CT Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Visit our website <a href="http://sharoncongregationalchurch.org">sharoncongregationalchurch.org</a> for current online Bible studies and Sunday services Join us in our fellowship hall for in-person Bible study, Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Contact us at 860-364-5002 or <a href="mailto:info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org">info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org</a></p>
<p><b>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church</b> 656 Smithfield Valley Rd. Route 83, Amenia, NY Services every Sunday 10 a.m. <a href="http://www.thsmithfieldchurch.org">www.thsmithfieldchurch.org</a> 21st Century Theology in an Historic Building</p>	<p><b>All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church</b> 315 Twin Lakes Rd., Salisbury, CT Divine Liturgy Sunday at 9:30 A.M. Rev. John Kreta 860-824-1540 <a href="http://allsaintsofamerica.us">allsaintsofamerica.us</a></p>
<p><b>SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA PARISH</b> 860-927-3003 The Churches of Sacred Heart, Kent St. Bernard, Sharon St. Bridget, Cornwall Bridge MASS SCHEDULE SATURDAY VIGIL 4 PM - St. Bridget SUNDAY MASSES 8 AM - St. Bernard 10 AM - Sacred Heart WEEKDAY MASSES Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday &amp; First Friday 9 AM - Sacred Heart</p>	<p><b>Canaan United Methodist Church</b> 2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT 11 a.m. Worship Service "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" Rev. Lee Gangaware 860-824-5534 <a href="mailto:canaanct-umc.com">canaanct-umc.com</a> <a href="mailto:canaanctumc@gmail.com">canaanctumc@gmail.com</a> We hope you will join us!</p>
<p><b>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall</b> Join our intimate Episcopal service via Zoom Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Email Rev. Mary Gates at: <a href="mailto:mngates125@gmail.com">mngates125@gmail.com</a> for an invitation to the Zoom service If you don't have a computer you can participate via phone.</p>	<p><b>Millerton United Methodist Church</b> 6 Dutches Avenue, P.O. Box 812 Millerton, NY 12546 Services on the 1st &amp; 3rd Sunday of each month at 10:00 A.M. 518-789-3138</p>

Do you have a family member or friend in the military who would be interested in the news from home?

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PINE PLAINS/AREA

**BOE budget season**

# Public hearing, Candidate Night May 11

By KAITLIN LYLE  
kaitlin@millertonnews.com

PINE PLAINS — Taking the next step forward in the 2022-23 district budget process, the Pine Plains Central School District (PPCSD) Board of Education (BOE) held a public hearing for the adopted budget on Wednesday, May 4, at 7 p.m.

After delivering an overview of its mission and vision statement, Assistant Superintendent for Business Monica LaClair outlined budget priorities around teaching, learning, equipment and facilities as well as financial trends taking place in the district.

Adopted by the BOE on Wednesday, April 20, the 2022-23 PPCSD budget totals \$35,253,160, showing an increase of \$1,076,485 (or 3.15%) from last year's budget.

The tax levy limit totals \$25,466,368 (showing an increase of \$756,325, or 3.06%, from last year). The total state aid comes to \$8,320,592 (showing an increase of \$289,057, or 3.6%, from last year).

Breaking the adopted budget into three parts, LaClair reported that out of the \$35,253,160 budget, the administrative budget came to \$3,984,506; the program budget came to \$27,944,007; and the capital budget came to \$3,324,647.

She also delivered detailed numbers for all three components and examined the fiscal plan by projected revenues, through a full value tax rate analysis among Dutchess County schools, and through an assessment analysis.

The budget vote will be held in person on Tuesday, May 17, from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Stissing Mountain Junior/Senior High School cafeteria off Route 199.

Voters in need of an absentee ballot should pick up an application in the District Office at the high school;

download the application online at [www.ppcsd.org](http://www.ppcsd.org); or contact District Clerk Julia Tomaine at 518-398-7181, ext. 1408.

Completed absentee ballots must be received by Tomaine no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17.

In addition to the budget, three propositions will be on the ballot, including to authorize the purchase of two 71-passenger school buses.

Voters will also be asked to vote on propositions to authorize the BOE to establish a capital reserve fund known as the Bus Purchase Reserve; to fill two open BOE seats in the school board election; and authorize the district to establish a student as an ex-officio member of the BOE.

The two newly elected school board members will each serve three-year terms, starting Friday, July 1, and ending June 30, 2025.

This year's candidates include incumbent BOE members Ambie Fredericks and Chip Couse and Pine Plains resident Scott Cavey.

Since there were no public comments, the BOE opted to proceed with its meeting. Superintendent of Schools Martin Handler said a budget newsletter would be mailed out to district voters on May 5, and would include the summary outlined by LaClair.

**BOE Candidate Night**

A Candidate Night will be held in the junior/senior high school library on Wednesday, May 11, at 7 p.m. BOE candidates will present themselves and answer questions from the public.

**Arts Fair**

Come Monday, May 16, the district will hold an Arts Fair at the junior/senior high school from 4 to 7 p.m. Along with visual arts displays, there will be various family activities, a chili bowl, a sundae bar and live music. The public is invited to attend.

# Art, architecture book sale made possible by anonymous donor

By CAROL KNEELAND  
Special to The Millerton News

STANFORDVILLE — A special treat for art lovers of all sorts awaits them at both the Stanford Free Library and at the Bangallworks work space this weekend.

The "rare opportunity to purchase books at a great discount from a carefully curated collection," exists, according to Stanford Free Library Director Christa Cerul.

The special event was made possible by an anonymous donation, generously made by a library patron who contributed 200 volumes from her own collection. Funds from the sale will be used in the future to support art-related events at the library.

Cerul noted the books range "from visual arts to architecture with emphasis on Medieval, Venetian, Dutch, Modern and Contemporary periods," with "something for everyone." They feature

a mix of "art, design and architecture" books at both locations.

Two library board members, Pamela Deitrich and Kari Lorenson, with the help from library staff member Debra Cardillo, have been working for a month or two with the local collector "on the nitty gritty" in order to prepare the book sale, said Cerul.

The sale will run with the aid of 11 volunteers and other board members, who have transported the books from location to location.

"Everybody's pitching in to do their part," noted Cerul.

The books are of high quality, with a number of coffee table books available at each site.

Costs for the books will range from \$1 to \$20 per book. In addition to the sale, a silent auction will be held for one special book at each location.

Instead of determining ahead of time what sorts of



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Pamela Deitrich, left, and Kari Lorenson, two members of the Stanford Free Library Board of Directors, were among the volunteers preparing for the special sale of art books this coming weekend.

programs will be supported by the resulting funds, patrons will be asked to fill out a survey at each sale site to indicate what they would like to see done at the library.

Cerul said the survey might include possibilities such as inviting visiting artists or offering workshops, as well as asking for open-ended suggestions.

The book sales will take place on Thursday and Friday,

May 12 and 13, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday, May 14, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The library is located at 6035 Route 82 and Bangallworks is located at 97 Hunns Lake Road. There will be no preview available.

For more information, email [stanfordlibrary@optonline.net](mailto:stanfordlibrary@optonline.net), visit its Facebook page, go to [www.stanfordlibrary.org](http://www.stanfordlibrary.org) or call the library at 845-868-1341.

**AREA IN BRIEF**

**Pulled Pork Dinner May 21 at Grange**

STANFORDVILLE — The Stanford Grange #808 will host a take-out only Pulled Pork Dinner on Saturday, May 21, at the Stanford Grange Hall, 6043 Route 82, Stanfordville, at 5 p.m.

The menu will include pulled pork, macaroni & cheese, cole slaw, roll and homemade lemon pound cake for dessert.

A \$17 donation per

dinner is requested.

Drive to the back of the Grange Hall, pay for your dinner and get your food through your car window;

For reservations, call 845-868-7869.

**Plant Sale**

PINE PLAINS — The Pine Plains Garden Club will hold its annual Plant Sale on Saturday, May 21, from 9 a.m. until noon at the American Legion Hall, North Main Street in Pine Plains.

Flowers, vegetables and herbs grown by members will be sold with proceeds benefiting the Garden Club Scholarship Fund.

For details, email [pineplainsgardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:pineplainsgardenclub@gmail.com).

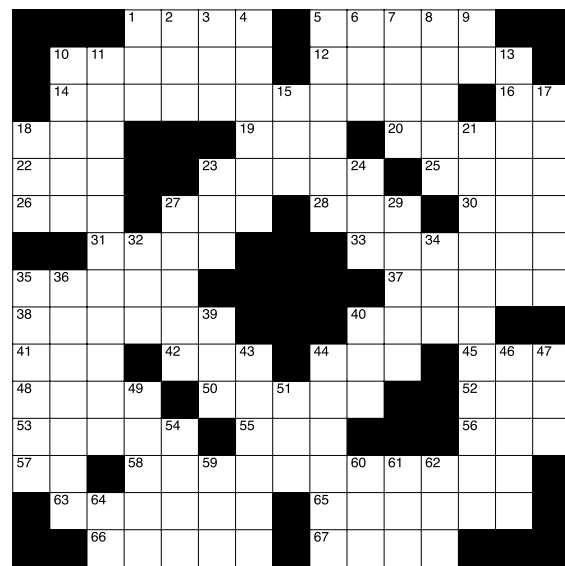
## Brain Teasers

**CLUES ACROSS**

1. Amounts of time
5. A ship's place at a wharf
10. Point a finger at
12. Large, burrowing rodent
14. Raises the stakes
16. Measure of illumination
18. Cast out
19. One who is staid
20. A word used for emphasis
22. Military missions
23. Wet with rain
25. Selling at specially reduced prices
26. Word element meaning ear
27. \_\_\_ student,
28. Blood relation
30. Make into leather
31. One billionth of a second (abbr.)
33. Containing salt
35. A seat
37. A type of fine pottery
38. You're caught red-\_\_\_!
40. "Heat" director Michael
41. Expression of creative skill
42. Title of respect
44. Crony
45. Payroll experts
48. Actress Remini
50. Famed consumer advocate
52. Indigenous Thai person
53. Fitzgerald and Baker are two
55. Cooking tool
56. Decorate a cake with frosting
57. The seventh note of a major scale
58. Transfer from private to state ownership
63. A set of five
65. Removes
66. Foolish persons
67. Lower parts of a wall

**CLUES DOWN**

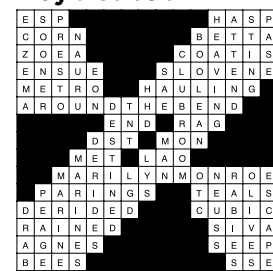
1. Old EU money
2. Some put it on steak
3. Sign language
4. Sowed on the ground
5. Tags
6. Everyone has one
7. Arguments
8. N. African capital
9. Midgame (abbr.)



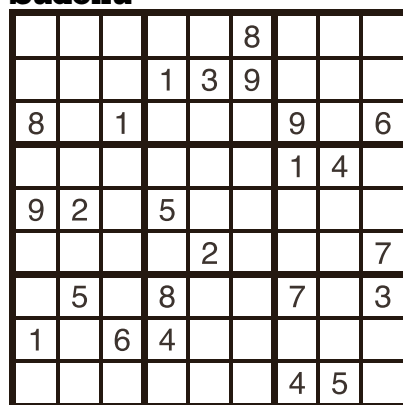
10. Change as needed
11. Functioning as a consonant
13. An island in the north Atlantic
15. Carpenter's tool
17. Small football player
18. Ghosts say it
21. Explain through logic
23. Having ten
24. Criticize
27. Arms of the sea
29. Belonging to a bottom layer
32. \_\_\_ Caesar, comedian
34. Licensed health care pro (abbr.)
35. Swiss cottage
36. Cleft lip
39. Loud, unpleasant noise
40. Disfigure
43. Kayakers traverse them
44. Authored

46. Small freshwater fishes
47. Macabre poet
49. Carthaginian statesman
51. Principle underlying the universe
54. Common Japanese surname
59. The bill in a restaurant
60. Small constellation
61. Chap
62. Equal
64. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)

**May 5 Solution**



**Sudoku**



**May 5 Solution**



Level: Intermediate

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**DELGADO** *Continued from Page A1*

licans and Democrats. Many dislike changing laws mid-election cycle, even if would have helped the Democratic governor find someone to join her ticket. The bill barely passed in the state Senate.

The Harvard Law and Oxford educated Delgado, who has Afro-Latino heritage, is said to make an appealing running mate for Hochul come November. He was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2018 and would have been seeking his third two-year term in the 2022 Congressional elections.

He commented on his change in roles and transition to Albany in a newsletter emailed to his constituents on Monday morning, May 9.

"Thank you for entrusting me with the great responsibility of serving you in Congress. As you may have seen, last week, the Governor selected me to serve as the next Lieutenant Governor of New York," wrote Delgado. "In the coming weeks, I will continue in my role as your representative and will work to ensure a smooth transition. Please know that my team will continue working on behalf of New York's 19th Congressional District, providing help with federal agencies and other constituent services until a new member of Congress is elected."

Delgado will have to resign from his Congressional seat, though as of the 9th his

office did not respond to inquiries of when he plans to do so. That will lead to a special election to see who will fill out the remainder of his term.

Delgado had reportedly already built up a sizable \$6 million war chest for his 2022 Congressional campaign. The popular Republican Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro announced his candidacy for the 19th Congressional District months ago, promising what would have been a heated race.

Since the announcement of Delgado's new appointment, Democrats including Ulster County Executive Pat Ryan and State Senator Michelle Hinchey (D-46) have also expressed interest in running for Delgado's Congressional seat.

The 19th Congressional District includes all of Columbia, Delaware, Greene, Otsego, Schoharie, Sullivan and Ulster Counties and parts of Broome, Dutchess, Montgomery and Rensselaer Counties.

Delgado was born and raised in Schenectady by parents who worked for General Electric. He completed his undergraduate studies at Colgate College and earned a Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford University. Afterward he attended Harvard Law School, where he met his wife, Lacey, a filmmaker from Woodstock. They are raising their two sons in Rhinebeck.

**COOKIE CRISIS** *Continued from Page A1*

so the sales allow for a level playing field for any girls who want to be Girl Scouts.

McDougall noted that because the Scouts receive only a small percentage of the cookie profits, the girls are always especially appreciative when cash donations are also made.

The always frugal McDougall said, "We use our resources wisely," adding a shout out to the generous community members who consistently support request lists and drop boxes left at local schools and at the Salisbury Bank.

"They leave craft supplies and paints, so I try to save as much money as I can on the supplies so that we can put that toward adventures" said McDougall; the girls learn and also earn rewards.

Troop 10478's most recent outing was a camping trip at Rock Hill Girl Scout Camp in Mahopac.

Earlier, the younger girls not yet ready to be Girl Scouts known as "Daisies" earned a visit to Build-a-Bear in Poughkeepsie, with the older Cadettes planning an outing in June to Six Flags in Lake George.

Looking forward several years, the group is also planning a dream adventure to Savannah, Ga., the home of Girl Scout Founder Juliette Gordon Low, which will involve a number of Scouting activities.

While cookie sales bene-



**Girl Scout Madison McDougall posed for a photo in her Cadette vest last fall.**

fit the Girl Scouts, the treats themselves also help them to live up to their slogan: "Do a good turn daily."

That's because the troops often donate the famed baked goods to first responders, nursing home residents, families in need and military service personnel. A variety of care packages are actually sent to the members of the military four times a year, with special efforts being made during the COVID pandemic when cookies could



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**Mom and Girl Scout Leader Wendy Cary McDougall's brother, Joe Carey, also got into the act to help teach members of Girl Scouts Troop 10478 earn their astronomy badge. He loaned the girls some astronomy books to do so. One Scout, Illiyanna, fell asleep with one of the books and was still holding it when she awoke.**

not be sold in person.

McDougall said as the girls progress through the years, they earn recognition at various levels — bronze, silver and gold. Not all Scouts make it to the end of the program, but those who do are often met with scholarships and even a boost in rank if they decide to enlist in the military.

McDougall said she expects during the coming graduation season, those who stayed with the Scouts to make it to the end and further pursue the military, and to mark their accomplishments by wearing golden tassels.

McDougall said she herself is a lifelong Scout whose

mother was "the best Scout leader ever." In addition to her family, especially her husband Sam and brother Joe Carey, who recently taught an astronomy course for her troop, she partners with Nikki Savarese, Denise Smith, Lelanne Ottley, Lisa Blake and Meaghan Iozzo.

McDougall is hopeful that all the troop's remaining cookies will soon be sold at locations listed on the troop's Facebook page, with the Dover Elementary School parking lot being a likely spot.

Anyone in the area as far north as Millerton wanting a delivery of "any number [of boxes] — no minimum!" may call or text her at 845-821-8532 to arrange for a delivery of or to pickup the delectable delights. Payment may be made through Venmo@troop10478. Donations are also always appreciated.

This year, as a result of the pandemic, S'moores are not available, said McDougall.

**Available cookies:**

- Thin Mints
- Tagalongs
- Do-Si-Dos
- Lemon Ups
- Trefoils
- Samoas
- Adventurfuls

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**KELSEY** *Continued from Page A1*

camping trip to Cranberry Lake, St. Lawrence County, in 2014, when Kelsey was said to have sexually molested two 15-year-old Boy Scouts who were under his supervision.

The two Scouts were 16 and 17 when they both testified at the trial. Their testi-

mony, along with a recorded phone call between one of the victim's mothers and Kelsey about the incident, helped seal the case for the prosecution.

Kelsey had represented himself for a time before hiring a well-known defense at-

torney. He also leaned heavily on religion for his defense; he had pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Ultimately, the jury took just one day to deliberate with the entire trial taking less than a week.

Now that Kelsey has been

released from the Hudson prison, he will remain under the supervision of the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision's Dutchess County office, with conditions. His parole won't expire until 2032.

**POLICE** *Continued from Page A1*

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The board met on May 2 at Village Hall at 6 p.m.; five residents attended.

Mayor Jenn Najdek said some of the biggest questions asked at the hearing were how much contracting with the DCSO would cost and what hours the one deputy per shift would serve.

Broaching a few key points, Najdek said, "I think we need to put the village first," adding Millerton has, for years, funded the MPD to patrol throughout the village and the town, which bankrolls about 20% of the annual police budget, while the village takes on 100% of the financial burden and liabilities.

Najdek predicted it's likely the village's contract with its part-time police force will not be renewed. If the board does continue it, she said there are items the board wants to work on with the town of North East.

As it stands, the town covers 43.7 square miles of land while the village covers only 0.6 square miles. If the village abolishes the MPD, the DCSO would only be hired to patrol the 0.6-square-mile section; the town would have to establish its own contract with the DCSO or another agency for police services to protect town residents and business owners.

As trustees delved deeper into their discussion, Deputy Mayor Alicia Sartori emphasized the village is currently liable for all incidents that occur in both the town and the village while overseeing the MPD. The town isn't responsible for anything that happens in either the town or village while the MPD is the local police agency in charge.

Trustee Laurie Kerr said the "part where we're paying more than our share" for police services could be fixed, but the liability issue can't be corrected easily.

Sartori said if Millerton is going to spend more money and have police patrol the village, the police should account for their time in the village.

Should Millerton contract with the DCSO, Sartori said the contract with the Sheriff's Office would only be to patrol within the village. The DCSO would also assume all of the liabilities, alleviating that pressure from the Village Board and therefore from village taxpayers.

Kerr considered how keeping the MPD might benefit the village since some residents said they wanted the police to be more connected with community members at the public hearing. She suggested there should be both clear expectations for police officers introducing themselves and some accountability for how they do that.

If Millerton were to keep the MPD, Kerr said, "We have to seriously discuss what it

means to manage a police department because that's not an easy thing to do."

This posed the critical question if Millerton has the bandwidth to do that, Kerr said, and if Millerton can have a manageable police department. She said overseeing the MPD is "a two-way street."

Najdek brought up a comment made at the public hearing concerned about the MPD's hiring practices. One resident said it wanted people hired who are familiar with "community policing."

Trustee Matt Hartzog raised concerns about the police officers being sent to train at the county's Police Academy in the past. This opened up a discussion about the MPD's staff. In the event that officers stay with the MPD, Sartori said the village wants to hire more experienced officers; she emphasized the Village Board should be part of the department's hiring process.

Considering how low the MPD's pay scale is, Trustee Dave Sherman suggested the board take a look at police salaries, since that will affect future budgets.

Addressing the public, the mayor explained one obstacle of the process is that the board can't legally discuss certain details in open session (such as personnel and salaries), while other issues are public knowledge. Najdek added she's often asked how the board can make an informed decision about the MPD's future without knowing all the answers to all of the questions.

Before opening the meeting to public comment, Najdek recommended the board put in writing that not all questions were answered at the public hearing, adding the board is still in the discussion process.

The board then approved a special workshop meeting for Tuesday, May 10 (this paper's pressday), at which time only

the MPD and its future would be discussed. For more on that meeting, read next week's Millerton News.

"This is us deciding what is the plan," Najdek said of the process.

Observing from the board's discussion that managing people is a challenge, resident DeLora Brooks noted it's a challenge the board must learn to handle. Regarding the police hiring process, she said, "If you want somebody that's got training, experience, etc., you're going to have to pay."

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## AN AFROBEATS CELEBRATION

PS21 in Chatham, N.Y., opens its summer season with a program of Nigerian dance called "Re:INCARNATION" by Qudus Onikeku and QDance on June 3 and 4.

"Re:INCARNATION" celebrates the cycle of birth, death and rebirth and Africa's powers of reinvention in a show that draws on Afrobeats, Afro dances and Black aesthetics. Tickets are \$40 (\$35 for PS21 members)

For tickets and for information on other programs scheduled for this summer, go to <https://ps21chatham.org/>.



PS21 opens its season with a program of Nigerian music and dance.

PHOTO FROM PS21

## MYSTERIES: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

# Mystery Thrillers Onstage in New Productions

Anyone who is a fan of the long-running "Midsomer Murders" television series understands that any English Country Murder Mystery can easily be translated into a Litchfield County/Tristate region murder mystery. So many elements remain the same: Large estates (some with sheep), Wellington boots, Range Rovers, foxes screaming in the night, people riding horses.

So it makes sense that

two small regional theaters are staging classic murder mysteries this summer.

The Sherman Players in Sherman, Conn., are performing an English Country Murder Mystery written by Anthony Shaffer called "Whodunnit" from now until May 21. The show opened on Broadway in 1982; its plot resembles that of the 1976 silly film "Murder by Death," which starred almost every actor alive in that decade, plus the

author Truman Capote.

Long story short: A large group of people with secrets they'd kill to protect are invited to an English country house, where the host reveals that he is preparing to blackmail each and every one of them.

Obviously, murder and hilarity ensue.

The large cast is made up of actors from Connecticut and New York.

Remaining performances are May 13, 14, 20 and 21 at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays with a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee on May 15. Tickets are \$24 for adults and \$12 for students. Reservations can be made

online at [www.shermanplayers.org](http://www.shermanplayers.org) or by calling 860-354-3622.

The play "Deathtrap" is set in Long Island and holds the record for the longest running comedy-thriller on Broadway. I know it best from the 1982 film that starred British actors Michael Caine and Christopher Reeve.

The action has been moved from The Island to Litchfield County in a new production by TheatreWorks New Milford.

The show opened May 6 and performances continue until Saturday, May 28. Show times are 8 p.m. with a matinee on Sunday, May 22. Tickets are \$25 for reserved seating. Students and military personnel and veterans with ID will be admitted for \$20.

Reservations can be made online at [www.theatreworks.us](http://www.theatreworks.us) or by calling 860-350-6863.

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## FOUR SOLO SHOWS AT GB PUBLIC THEATER

The Great Barrington Public Theater begins its summer season with four plays performed in June and July at the Daniel Arts Center's Liebowitz Black Box Theatre at Bard College at Simon's Rock in Great Barrington, Mass.

From June 3 to 12 the featured show is "Grief, the Musical ... a Comedy," written and performed by Alison Larkin, with music by Gary Schreiner and directed by James Warwick.

When you fall in love for the first time in your 50s and the worst happens, you have a choice. You can hide under the bed — or, you can write "Grief, the Musical ... a Comedy."

From June 16 to 19 Robin Gerber's new play, "The Shot," based on the life of Katharine Graham, Pulitzer Prize-winning publisher of The Washington Post, is on the stage. "The Shot" stars Emmy-nominated and award-winning

actress Sharon Lawrence in the role of Graham.

"Leave Your Fears Here" (June 30 to July 10) is a memoir written and performed by stage and screen actor James Morrison.

Morrison recounts his 10-year-old son Seamus's journey from brain cancer diagnosis though his treatment and ultimate recovery.

The final play in the GB Public Solo Fest is "The Bard The Beat The Blues," a new solo piece that is a compilation of Shakespeare monologues, Beat poetry and live music composed and performed by Will LeBow. This piece will run in rotation throughout the Solo Fest (June 8 to July 8). Great Barrington Public Theater Artistic Director Jim Frangione will direct.

Tickets are between \$20 and \$50. Order online and get more information at [www.greatbarringtonpublictheater.org](http://www.greatbarringtonpublictheater.org).

## SHARON PLAYHOUSE SEEKS 10-MINUTE PLAYS

Sharon Playhouse in Sharon, Conn., will once again host its Festival of New 10-Minute Plays, with performances planned for Sept. 16-18.

The Writers Playgroup Festival is committed to giving the talented writers, performers, directors, and technicians in the Northwest Corner of Connecticut as well as the neighboring communities in New York

and Massachusetts a platform to showcase their talents in their own backyard and see their visions realized. The Playhouse also hope to empower people of all ages to use their voice and creativity as vehicles for self-expression.

Submissions are due no later than June 15. For more information and for details on how to submit, go to [www.sharonplayhouse.org](http://www.sharonplayhouse.org).

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IMAGE FROM IMDB

There will be a screening of an award-winning Ukrainian film in Great Barrington on May 21.

### FILM FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER FOR UKRAINE

Berkshire International Film Festival is partnering with the Triplex Cinema in Great Barrington, Mass., to present a special Stand With Ukraine fundraising event screening of Roxy Toporowych's 2018 Ukrainian award-winning film "Julia Blue."

Toporowych will be in attendance for a Q&A and discuss how the cast and her family and friends are defend-

ing themselves.

BIFF will present the film on Saturday, May 21, at the Triplex at 11 a.m. The filmmaker, BIFF and the Triplex have forgone all costs to bring this to the community and 100% of all the proceeds from the event will go to Ukraine relief organizations.

Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased online at <https://biffma22.eventive.org/schedule>.

### STREAMING: ED FERMAN

## Two Exceptional Dystopian Thrillers

**"SEVERANCE"**  
Apple TV+ has joined the fierce battle among streaming services with some fine new shows. It's the home of the feel-good shows "Ted Lasso" and "Coda" (Best Picture Oscar). Their new series, "Severance," was created by Dan Erickson and directed by Ben Stiller. I'm not sure how it will make you feel, but the strange and unnerving plot will surely seduce you and keep you guessing through all nine episodes.

A mysterious and cultish corporation known as Lumon Industries employs persons whose workplace and outside lives are "severed" by an implanted microchip. The workers, or "innies," sit robotically at computers, dragging numbers into folders and parroting the dogma of the company and its leader.

It reminded me of a future version of L. Ron Hubbard's Church of Scientology.

At the end of the work day, they enter their outside lives; "innies" and "outies" have no memory of their other lives. This is surely a dark and eerie premise, but the show veers unpredictably from horror to humor.

In episode one we meet Helly (Britt Lower), a new recruit who does not quite buy into the severed life. Her boss, Mark (Adam Scott), and co-worker Dylan (Zach Cherry) gradually become her allies in an uprising that becomes increasingly tense and disturbing.

Another co-worker,



IMAGE FROM IMDB OF SEVERANCE

Adam Scott and Jen Tullock in "Severance."

Irving (John Turturro), befriends Burt (Christopher Walken), who runs a neighboring department. Some casting or directing genius has placed these two fine actors into a surprising relationship.

The episodes start slowly but build rapidly into a surprising and cliffhanging conclusion, as Helly's "outie" life is revealed. Britt Lower's Helly is especially engaging, but all the actors are terrific. This is the kind of intelligent, well-written and -acted thriller that puts stuff like "Squid Game" to shame. Don't miss it.

### "CHILDREN OF MEN"

Alfonso Cuaron has directed a wide variety of acclaimed films, including the Harry Potter movie, "Prisoner of Azkaban," "Gravity," and the autobiographical Netflix film "Roma" (2018), which won him the Academy Award for Best Director. But his best film, in my view, is this political thriller based on the novel by P. D. James.

The movie opens with a street scene in a near-future London, where a crowd is mourning the death of the youngest person on the planet. He was 18. No babies have been born in 18 years. A world without children has led to despair, social unrest and worse. Many cities are in flames, but Britain soldiers on, crowded with unwanted refugees.

The scene shifts to the home of Jasper (Michael Caine), who sits with his friend Theo (Clive Owen) smoking pot, listening to the Beatles, and specu-

lating about reasons for the absence of fertility. Jasper says: "I was at a dinner party where an eminent scientist was asked this question. He replied: 'I have no idea, but this stork is delicious.'"

This is a rare light moment in this fierce and thrilling film. Theo meets with Julian (Julianne Moore), an activist who enlists his help in escorting a young black refugee named Kee (Clare-Hope Ashitey) to safety. Kee, it turns out, is — miracle of miracles — 8 months pregnant.

"Children of Men" is very much a director's film, notable for its futuristic production design and long takes, especially of furious action scenes, as Theo guides Kee through refugee camps and the beginnings of civil war.

There is little letup in the darkness and intensity, but there are many heroic moments and characters, and a sense of hope in the final scene. Rent or buy on Amazon, Apple and others.

## CALENDAR

Items are printed as space permits. All entries can be found in our full calendar at [www.TriCornerNews.com/events-calendar](http://www.TriCornerNews.com/events-calendar).

### ART

**The Re Institute**, 1395 Boston Corners Road, Millerton, N.Y. [www.thereinstitute.com](http://www.thereinstitute.com)  
Pattern and Time: Geoffrey Young, Carol Diehl, Moira Kelly, Mark Olshansky, Tara Foley, Stephen Westfall, on display until June 25.

### BOOKS

**Hotchkiss Library of Sharon**, 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. [www.hotchkisslibrary.org](http://www.hotchkisslibrary.org)  
Snackable Bakes with Jessie Sheehan, May 17, 7 to 8 p.m.

### DANCE

**Fisher Center at Bard**, Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y. [fishercenter.bard.edu](http://fishercenter.bard.edu)  
Senior Projects in Dance and Multidisciplinary Studies, May 12 to 14.

### MOVIES

**Gilson Cafe & Cinema**, 354 Main St., Winsted, Conn. [www.gilsoncafecinema.com](http://www.gilsoncafecinema.com)  
Father Stu, now playing.

**The Moviehouse**, 48 Main St., Millerton, N.Y. [www.themoviehouse.net](http://www.themoviehouse.net)  
Now playing: Everything Everywhere All at Once, The Bad Guys, The Duke, Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness

### MUSIC

**Close Encounters with Music**, at the Mahaiwe, Great Barrington, Mass. [www.cewm.org](http://www.cewm.org)  
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MILLBROOK

# Millbrook Horse Trials canceled

By **JUDITH O'HARA BALFE**  
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MILLBROOK — A great deal of time, effort and energy made the return of last year's Millbrook Horse Trials (MHT) a great success after time off the year before because of the COVID pandemic. Many horse enthusiasts were looking forward to this year's event once again, expecting it to be even bigger and better. But an announcement on Thursday, May 5,

put an end to those hopes. It stated the following:

"With great regret, the Board of Millbrook Horse Trials announces the cancellation of this year's event, which was scheduled to be held Aug. 4-7 in Millbrook, N.Y. Unfortunately they have not been able to come to a mutually acceptable agreement with one of the landowners on whom they rely to host the competition."

The announcement was posted on the MHT's website, [www.millbrookhorsetrials.com](http://www.millbrookhorsetrials.com).

Chairman of the Board Simon Roosevelt of Millbrook said the problem arose because of a disagreement with one of two properties used for the trials, Coole Park Farm, which is operated by Linda Bushnell of Riga Meadow Equestrian.

The board hopes to be able to come to an agreement with Coole Park Farm, which is located at 1031 Bangall Amenia Road in nearby Amenia. MHT is hoping it can use the site for the 2023 horse trials.

Coole Park Farm has two sections that are used in the trials. The other site used for the MHT is leased from Millbrook School located on 131 Millbrook School Road in the town of Washington. While that location plays host to the cross-country courses in the trials, it has only two small arenas.

Last year was MHT's 20th year; the event is a major draw in the region for horse lovers and equestrians near and far, including those at the Olympic level. It also brings countless horses and trainers from all over the world.

The MHT is an important event in the sporting world, as evidenced by the fact that the U.S. Eventing Association (USEA) has stepped in since news of this year's cancellation was announced. It promised to help try to save the MHT.

"The USEA has committed to assist Millbrook to make sure that this incredibly important event continues into the future," said President of USEA Max Corcoran. "We will work with the organizers of Millbrook to solve this and make sure that the event is viable."



PHOTO BY JUDITH O'HARA BALFE

Students from Elm Drive Elementary School took part in the school's annual Arbor Day tradition of planting a new tree in the village of Millbrook on Friday, April 29.

## Elm Drive students celebrate Arbor Day

By **JUDITH O'HARA BALFE**  
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MILLBROOK — Children from kindergarten through second grade at Elm Drive Elementary School took part in the annual Arbor Day celebration on Friday, April 29, by helping plant a Swamp White Oak tree on Elm Drive near the school.

Principal Michael Setaro spoke to the group about the importance of trees. Arborist Dennis Gendron, from Twin Brooks Gardens, followed. He handed out a few saplings out to the children, showing them the roots, and then tell-

ing them the tree they were helping to plant started in the nursery almost 10 years ago.

The second-graders took turns shoveling dirt around the tree, which had already been set by Gendron. The younger students and teachers stayed to watch and cheer them on.

Also present were Superintendent of Schools Laura Mitchell; Millbrook Mayor Tim Collopy, Trustee Mike Herzog and his wife Maryanne.

Herzog serves as chairman of the Shade Tree Committee for the village. Millbrook has long been recognized as a Tree City USA honoree.

### MILLBROOK IN BRIEF

#### Learn of Quakers & anti-slavery activism

The Millbrook Historical Society will meet on Thursday, May 19, at 7 p.m. at the Millbrook Library at 3 Friendly Lane to discuss Quakers & anti-slavery activism in eastern Dutchess County.

In the middle of the 18th century, Quaker communities spreading across eastern Dutchess County and

#### Millbrook 4-H at the Dutchess County Fair

On Sunday, June 5, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., help financially disadvantaged Dutchess County children earn a trip to the Dutchess County Fair at a fair-food themed luncheon, with a live auction at the Millbrook Winery.

to points beyond. The area soon had the largest settlement of Quakers outside of Philadelphia.

Explore some of the cultural and political aspects of their culture and their link to local history and national events.

For more information on this free event, go to [www.millbrookhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.millbrookhistoricalsociety.org).

#### Angels of Light annual fundraiser

On Saturday, June 4, Angels of Light will hold its annual fundraiser at Orvis Sandanona, located at 3047 Sharon Turnpike.

There will be live music, a live and silent auction, food tastings, an open bar, a Cluck Truck and Twisted Sisters Soft Ice Cream.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education of the Northeast Central School District, Dutchess and Columbia Counties, New York, will hold a Public Hearing on the Budget in the High School Library at the Webutuck High School Building, Haight Road, Amenia, New York, on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7:00 P.M., for the purpose of presenting the budget document for the 2022-2023 School Year.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the budget for the 2022-2023 school year, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the District during business hours, between 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., prevailing time, at the Webutuck Elementary School, Eugene Brooks Intermediate School, Webutuck High School and at the District Administrative Office between 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, effective May 3, 2022, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays. Copies of the Budget will also be available at the Northeast-Millerton Library and the Amenia Free Library.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Annual Meeting, Election of Members of the Board of Education and Vote on the Budget of the qualified voters of the Northeast Central School District, will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at the Webutuck High School gym, Haight Road, Amenia, New York, between the hours of 12:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, when the polls will be open for the purpose of voting by voting machine:

A. To elect two (2)

members to the Board of Education, both seats commencing July 1, 2022 and expiring on June 30, 2025, to succeed John Merwin and Chris Mayville whose terms expire on June 30, 2022.

**B. PROPOSITION I:** 2022-2023 Northeast (Webutuck) CSD Budget Shall the 2022-2023 Budget as adopted by the Board of Education in the amount of \$ 25,039,114, with anticipated revenue exclusive of taxes in the amount of \$ 8,065,415 and the amount to be raised through taxes of \$ 16,973,699, be approved?

**C. PROPOSITION II:** 2022-2023 Transportation Vehicle Purchase

SHALL the Board of Education of the Webutuck Central School District be authorized to: (1) acquire two (2) transportation vehicles, one (1) wheelchair accessible mini-bus and one (1) utility vehicle at a maximum aggregate cost not to exceed \$170,000; (2) expend such sum

or so much thereof as may be necessary for such purpose; (3) levy the necessary tax therefore, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education taking into account state aid received; and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$170,000, and levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due?

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

The election and budget vote shall be by machine or absentee ballot. The hours during which the poll shall be kept open shall be from 12:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, or for as long

thereafter as necessary to enable qualified voters who are in the polling place at 9:00 P.M. to cast their ballots.

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

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that absentee ballots will be available for this Election and Vote. Applications for absentee ballots for the School District Election and Vote may be obtained at the Office of the District Clerk at the Webutuck High School building, Haight Road, Amenia, New York on school days during school hours, or on the district's website at [www.webutuckschools.org](http://www.webutuckschools.org) beginning March 1, 2022. The application must be returned to the District Clerk by May 10, 2022 if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, May 16, 2022, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received at the Office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, on the day of the Election and Vote, May 17, 2022.

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

A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District at the said District Administrative Offices during regular office hours, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, including the day of the Election and Vote. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge the acceptance of the ballot of any person on such list, by making his/her challenge and reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.

The Education Law also makes special provisions for absentee voting for "military" voters of the District. Specifically, the law provides a unique procedure for "military ballots" in school district votes.

Whereas absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots must be received by the voter by mail, a military voter may elect to receive his/her absentee ballot application and absentee ballot by mail, email or facsimile. The military voter must, however, return his/her original military ballot application and military ballot by mail or in person. The Clerk of the Board shall transmit the military voter's military ballot in accord with the military voter's preferred method of transmission, or if no preferred method is identified by mail, not later than twenty-five (25) days before the vote. The Clerk of the Board must then receive the military voter's military ballot by mail or in person not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the vote.

**AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board

of Education in accordance with Education Law §§2035, 2008, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with and directed to the District Clerk at the District Office, on or before April 18, 2022; must be typed or printed in the English language; must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District; and must state the name and residence of the candidate, and the name and residence of each signer. However, the Board of Education will not entertain or place before the voters any petition or any proposition if its purpose is beyond the power of the voters or is illegal, or any proposition requiring the expenditure of monies which fails to include specific appropriations for all such expenditures required by the proposition.

Therese M. Trotter  
Clerk of the Board  
Northeast (Webutuck)  
Central School District  
05-05-22  
05-12-22

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The above application is open for inspection at the Town Hall.

Persons wishing to appear at such hearing may do so

in person or by attorney or other representative. Communications in writing relating thereto may be filed with the Board at such hearing. Dated: May 9, 2022.

Julie Schroeder  
Chair  
Zoning Board of Appeals  
05-12-22

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EDITORIAL

Help avert the Troop 10478's cookie crisis

Our beloved Girl Scouts are dealing with a serious cookie crisis this year, due to a confluence of issues due in no small measure to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

As recently as of this March, the Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York reported they were not able to bake their delectable desserts due to supply chain problems — an issue many bakers, chefs, restaurants, supermarkets and others in the food industry became concerned about and then had to grapple with ever since COVID broke out in the U.S. in early 2020.

Little Brownie Bakers of Louisville, Ky., which has been providing cookies to the Scouts for more than three decades, didn't specify which ingredients are in short supply. It did make a statement that online ordering for Girl Scout cookies was extended to May 8.

In addition to that headache, local troop members, like those of Troop 10478, have been challenged by Mother Nature. Members of Troop 10478 live within the financially challenged North East (Webutuck) and Dover Union Free Central School Districts.

Under normal circumstances, the troop would have not only sold much of its original cookie stock, said Troop Leader Wendy McDougall, but already have placed orders to restock its cookie supply at least twice.

However, as of press time on Tuesday, May 10, Troop 10478 had more than 1,500 boxes remaining from its first original order still on hand, still waiting for customers to buy the baked goods. Much of the reason why is because many of the Girl Scouts' scheduled cookie sales were rained out this spring.

The lack of sales places an extra strain on the 28 members of the Webutuck/Dover troop, where members reside in communities whose residents live in nearly 50% poverty, according to McDougall.

The Scout leader further explained that cookie sales help the girls fund regular Scout costs like badges, medals and other expenses. Without those cookie proceeds members must pay for such fees themselves, which as we all know can add up quickly.

The cookie sales go a long way in helping troop members make up the difference, said McDougall, as normally the Girl Scouts organization charges parents for badges, medals, etc. Because Troop 10478 has "multiple families that don't even have a vehicle," those sales level the field for local girls longing to be Scouts who are financially disadvantaged.

Of course, all of that depends on actually selling the cookies. As mentioned in volunteer reporter Carol Kneeland's front page article this week, all of Troop 10478's remaining cookies will soon be sold at locations now listed on Facebook, with the Dover Elementary School parking lot being a likely spot.

Those located as far north as Millerton interested in ordering the famed Thin Mints or any other variety of Girl Scout cookies should call or text 845-821-8532 to arrange for a delivery or pickup.

Payment may be made through Venmo@troop10478. Donations are also greatly appreciated.

There are presently roughly 2.5 million youth and adult Girl Scouts worldwide. The organization was founded in 1912 by Juliette Gordon Low; its motto is "Do a good turn daily."

We hope you will, and if you are able to that good turn will include reaching out to support our local Troop 10478 with a purchase of their tasty treats.

Trust us when we say it will mean a lot to those 28 young ladies. We are sure they will savor the sweetness of such support, the result of a community pulling together to offer help when it's needed most.



Amenia supervisor changing tune about settling with mine company

I was pleased to see an article about the threatened settlement between the town of Amenia and the gravel mining company Kent Hollow, Inc., in The Millerton News of May 5.

As the resident who spoke to town Supervisor Victoria Perotti about the matter, however, I found some of her statements regarding our conversation confusing.

When I went to see her on April 8, I asked her to explain what had occurred in the executive session meeting about Kent Hollow litigation that was on the March 16 agenda.

She replied that the town and Kent Hollow were negotiating a settlement that would allow Kent Hollow to increase mining on their property at 341 South Amenia Road.

I'm not sure why she stated in the article, "There's no settlement — I don't know where all this came from."

My information about the settlement came directly from her. I was pleased to read her declaration that the Town Board is "standing by our ZBA and

we're in discussions, but nothing has been done, no settlement, no agreement, no nothing," and I hope that is true — but it directly contradicts what she said to me.

Ms. Perotti couldn't give me any specifics, as the issue is in litigation, but she did tell me the Town Board and Kent Hollow were negotiating details of quantity and timing of gravel mining. She assured me that it would be "at least a few weeks" before a settlement was reached.

A few weeks didn't seem like much time to me, so my husband Phil Sicker and I worked as quickly as we could to bring the news of the settlement to our neighbors whose land, like ours, abuts Kent Hollow, and to other Wassaic and Amenia residents.

Since the negotiations have taken place in secrecy, we didn't feel confident that we would be alerted by the town should the settlement be finalized.

The idea that the board's negotiations have been "transparent," as Ms. Perotti claims, is absurd. If I hadn't happened on a mention of the March executive session meeting online, none of

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

National energy prices are also a local concern

This week I was shocked to learn fuel oil has topped \$6 per gallon. Since many area residents rely on oil heat, this could very well become a budget buster this fall. Hopefully we're looking at an anomaly that will correct itself soon.

The war in Europe and a government bent on the elimination of fossil fuel at any cost has led us down this road.

I suspect our politicians will come up with even more giveaway programs as infla-

tion runs its course. Elementary economics dictate that will lead to more inflation as we continually kick the can down the road.

The problem is, eventually you wind up with a lot more takers than givers. At some point the system fails. Putting it quite simply, what we're doing now isn't working.

To me we're throwing the baby out with the bath water. This country runs on oil; the vast majority of items we consume rely on it too.

I don't have a problem looking for ways to reduce its use. But this headlong attack without any concern for consumer pocketbooks is reckless.

During our last energy crisis, I recall conversations about people, especially seniors, trying to make a decision between purchasing food, heat or medication.

I wonder how many of us will fall into that category should things continue in this direction? Something to think about.

John Walters

Millerton

Letters to the editor are due by 10 a.m. Monday mornings to be published in that week's issue. There is a 500-word limit for letters, which must be signed by the letter-writer with their full name and hometown. Please also include a phone number as all letters must be verbally confirmed before publication.

We also remind readers that the views expressed on this opinion page are not those of The Millerton News and The News does not support or oppose candidates for public office.

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.

Millerton News does Dover proud, on Earth Day and every day

Thank you for reporting on the Dover Earth Day Celebration & Fair and including us in your Earth Day editorial. You help keep Dover and the Harlem Valley on the map — literally and figuratively.

Assistant Principal of the Dover Middle School Emily Krieger attracted organizations from New Jersey, New York City and west of the Hudson to join exhibitors from the Harlem Valley and nearby organizations and businesses to share the same message: The work of a single steward (or detective dog) will generate positive outcomes all around.

Reporter Kaitlin Lyle has an eye for detail and is a storyteller at heart. Her article deftly connects three exhibitors who think globally and work locally: the Pollinator Pathway Project, the Waterman Bird Club and the Invasives Strike Force. Each in their own way illustrates how local habitats support the ecosystems of the larger Appalachian Mountains landscape, and provide information about what students can do here to steward this magnificent "Wild East" flyway in which we live.

To protect and improve the habitat of the bluebird, the Waterman Bird Club Bluebird Trail project has installed over 490 nesting boxes to date.

The countywide bluebird trail is monitored by over 19 volunteers. These additional nesting sites alleviate competition from more aggressive

birds like house sparrows, an invasive species.

To bring it home, Susan Iannuci and Sariena Masiero displayed and raffled off a bluebird box. With that one box, the winner will help boost the population of our state bird.

Because birds travel the larger landscape, WBC works with Audubon New York and Connecticut, and ultimately Audubon nationwide.

The Invasives Strike Force team is part of a national anti-invasives organization. As Kaitlin observed, Arden Blumenthal and her invasives-tracking Detective Dog Peat were show-stealers. Arden, Peat and their colleague Ryan Goolick were first-time exhibitors, and Peat demonstrated his sharp scenting skills in the school courtyard.

This crew is working locally on a search and destroy mission to save a section of the Appalachian Trail in Dover from "Sticky Sage," an invasive which if left untreated would spread across the Appalachian landscape.

Janet Pickering and her partner-in-planting Master Gardener Michelle Lam started the Dover chapter of the national Pollinator Pathway Project. They were on hand to demonstrate how planting a garden, no matter how small, or leaving a section of lawn unmown — while monitoring invasives — will increase biodiversity and support the birds and insects that connect the dots along the way.

us would have had any idea that a settlement was imminent.

Our concerns, as the article of May 5 noted, are as follows: the noise, air and water pollution that the expanded mine will produce; the threat to endangered species and other wildlife from the mining; decreased property values; and the increase in loud and dangerous truck and heavy equipment traffic on our narrow, winding country road.

In addition, though, we are deeply distressed by the lack of transparency shown by the Town Board, and by the board's apparent willingness to subvert its own Master Plan.

Ms. Perotti said to me in person, about the lawsuit, "We're tired of it, and they [Kent Hollow] are tired of it."

If a wealthy company can continue a lawsuit until the town of Amenia is "tired of it" and backs down, what meaning do our zoning laws have? Why bother to create a Master Plan at all?

Diane Zahler  
Philip Sicker

Wassaic

In articles and editorials, The Millerton News creates connections and community within the ecosystem of the Harlem Valley towns and the larger landscape. Your paper is the voice for our side of the county, and you tell our stories in our own words.

Your message is one of cautious optimism, and you wear it well.

With gratitude,  
Stacy DuHamel  
Wingdale



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