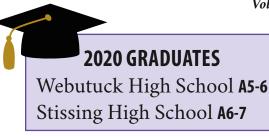




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ORIGINAL IMAGE FROM LIBRARY OF CONGRESS: DIGITALLY ENHANCED BY RAWPIXEL Precaution during the Spanish Influenza Epidemic would not permit anyone to ride on the street cars without wearing a mask, including those pictured above in this image from Seattle, Wash. (ca.1918), according to the Library of Congress.

Parallels between one pandemic and another A reflection on the 1918 Spanish Flu

n days past — not so very long ago - small town newspapers acted Las backyard fences: Visitors were introduced, trips noted, luncheons NOTEBOOK reported and activity in general was Carol Kneeland tracked. And so, it is not surprising to read in copies of local newspapers from the 1918s and 1919s, hundreds of reports of the details of the Spanish Influenza — who had it — who recovered – who was tending the sick – and, sadly – who succumbed to the deadly illness. The trip down memory lane is especially timely as we deal with the coronavirus pandemic today, watching hundreds of thousands die the world over. Imagine opening the newspaper not knowing if it was to be a harbinger of news good or bad. Readers were torn when neighbor learned that neighbor was ill. Was the house to be avoided — or was needed nourishment to be shared? Those century-old reports were unlike those of this year's COVID-19 pandemic, which is shrouded by HIPAA regulations that keep names discretely hidden. Reports today center on numbers. Victims of the 1918 epidemic had names and faces; the scourge was personal, and it was everywhere.

REPORTER'S

Puppies Behind Bars prepares service dogs in Millerton

By KAITLIN LYLE kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON - Visitors of the village might have recently spotted puppies walking around the grass on Railroad Plaza with a group of volunteers trailing behind them, leashes in hand. Little do they know that these adorable bundles of energy will soon be sent to prison facilities across the state and trained as either explosive-detection canines or service dogs as part of the Puppies Behind Bars program.

Based in Manhattan, Puppies Behind Bars trains "prison inmates to raise service dogs for wounded war veterans and first responders, as well as explosive-detection canines for law enforcement," according to its website at www.puppiesbehindbars.com. After being trained in the prison facilities for two to three years, the dogs are directly sent out to their law enforcement recipients.

Speaking as the program's founder and president, Gloria Gilbert Stoga explained that the service dogs will be given to police and fire departments as well as to first responders





PHOTO BY KAITLIN LYLI

Crouching down to his level, Puppies Behind Bars volunteer Mary Janie Chapin encouraged Coach the puppy to go out and socialize at Railroad Plaza in Millerton.

Schools reevaluate special-ed and summer plans in light of COVID-19

By KAITLIN LYLE kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

mote learning. When the coronavirus outbreak forced New York schools Andrew Cuomo announced that the

On Thursday, May 21, Governor

Responses varied. In the same week that one game was canceled, an-

other home team's victory was touted. The Sharon Messenger portion of The Harlem Valley Times from that time period reported the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was postponed "...owing to the prevailing epidemic of influenza and the consequent closing of schools, movies and churches and the objection to any public gathering...'

Bowling at one church was suspended due to the influenza, while another's Sunday School was resumed after several weeks of closure. Schools were closed and opened and then closed again although students were allowed to take the required Regents examinations. Life went on as Fatty Arbuckle and Tom Mix invited residents to leave their troubles behind and find entertainment on the silver screen.

Even without the illness, times were fraught. The world was at war. Thousands upon thousands of families had seen their sons leave to fight

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HARLEM VALLEY - Recognizing that a student's academic development continues well beyond the classroom and beyond the academic year, school districts throughout the state and the region have taken action over the last few months to ensure students will continue to receive a quality education, regardless of the shift to re-

to shut down this past March, school districts took the necessary measures to offer distance learning to its students, with guidance from the governor. Now that this year's summer school and special education programs have also been moved online to deal with the health crisis, school districts - and students - will have to adjust to the changes.

2020 summer school semester will be conducted remotely in order to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. As written on his website, www.governor.ny.gov, Cuomo announced that, in addition to developing a plan for summer school, school districts must develop a plan for students with dis-

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Protests and counter protests held for social justice in Millbrook

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE judithb@millertonnews.com

MILLBROOK – There are some things that people don't expect to happen in the ritzy community of Millbrook - including marches and protests for social justice. But that's exactly what has been happening, with three in particular just this past week. One was

not a planned protest, but occurred when people, through social media and word of mouth, were told that on Monday, June 8, there would be a counter All Lives Matter protest to the Black Lives Matter (BLM) protest that took place on Sunday, June 7.

On Monday, a group of about 85 gathered at 4 p.m. at the Village Green, mostly young people. There were the usual cars passing by with well wishers honking their horns. Deputies from the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office, troopers from the New York State Police barracks and the officers from the Millbrook Police Department were also present, as were Village Trustees Mike Herzog and Tim Collopy, to en-

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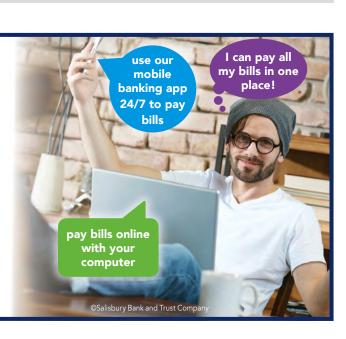
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OBITUARIES

Antoinette 'Toni' Margaret Crawford

SALISBURY- Antoinette and Danielle Murphy and her

lifelong area resident, died Saturday, June 13, 2020, at her home in Salisbury, surrounded by her loving children following a courageous battle with cancer.

Toni worked as a hairdresser at Noble Horizons in Salisbury and was also a produce clerk

at LaBonne's Market in Salisbury. Born June 20, 1948, in Great Barrington, she was the daughter of the late Shirley (Curtis) and Robert A. Smith Sr.

She was a 1966 graduate of Housatonic Valley Regional High School and the Torrington Beauty Academy. She was a past member of the Lakeville Hose Company Ladies Auxiliary and a longtime parishioner of Saint Martin of Tours Church of St. Mary in Lakeville.

She enjoyed spending time with her loving family and many friends. She will be dearly missed by all.

Toni is survived by three children, Michael White and his wife, Sarah, of Salisbury, Christopher White of Salisbury, N.C.,

"Toni" Margaret Crawford, 71, a husband, Robert, of Elizabeth City, N.C.; her brother,

> Robert A. Smith Jr. of Salisbury; her sister, Michelle Salerno and her husband, Anthony, of Waterbury, Conn.; her grandchildren, Mercedes, Austin, Caleb, Jacob, Alexander, Summer and Gage; and several nieces and nephews and many friends.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday, June 20, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Ave., Millerton. A funeral service will follow at 11 a.m. at the funeral home, the Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker officiating. Burial will be private.

All New York, Connecticut and CDC guidelines will be in effect, including facial coverings and social distancing.

Memorial donations may be made to the Lakeville Hose Co., P.O. Box 1969, Lakeville, CT 06039; or Noble Horizons, 17 Cobble Road, Salisbury, CT 06039

To send an online condolence, go to www.conklinfuneralhome. com

Christine Wells

NORTH CANAAN - Chris- Falls Village; her niece, Natalie tine Elizabeth Wells, 32, of 57 High St. died June 11, 2020, at Hartford Hospital.

She was born July 27, 1987, in Sharon, the daughter of Alfred M. Wells of North Canaan and Diane Shippa-Paden of Sheffield, Mass.

Christine worked as the payroll clerk for the North Canaan Stop & Shop. She had been with the company since she was 16 years old.

A confessed homebody, Christine still loved the outdoors, her family, going to the ocean, camping and reading books.

She had earned a 2nd Degree

Wells, and her nephew, Payton Wells, both of North Canaan. She is also survived by her boyfriend, Jason Tweed; and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. A Celebration of

Christine's Life will be held on Saturday, June 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral

Home in North Canaan. When a family loses their an-

gel, and it's time for her to go.

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Helen (Sczawinski) Hintz

SALISBURY - Helen (Sczawinski) Hintz passed peacefully at Noble Horizons on June 9, 2020, just days after celebrating her 89th birthday. Her last hours were an outpouring of love and support from the many friends and caregivers she had made at Noble, her home for the last seven years.

They all added such value to her life, as she did to theirs with her open-door policy, her willingness to listen and to share her hugs and kisses, both the personto-person ones and, as of late, the Hershey ones.

It was said in many different ways that Helen "makes it rewarding for us to come in to work each day."

Helen lived most of her life in Bristol and in Terryville, Conn., where she was born on June 4, 1931, to Helen (Parciak) and Walter Sczawinski. She lived with her loving brothers, Raymond and Wadtz, all of whom predeceased her.

Helen was married for 35 years to Frederick Hintz of Bristol, and to Peter Driscoll, of Greenwich, Conn., in the earlier vears.

A lifetime of caring for others was a staple in her life as she went on to be an elementary school teacher for more than 40 years. She especially enjoyed teaching children to read and was a prolific reader throughout her life. Helen attended Central Connecticut Teachers College and received her master's degree there at the age of 52. She always enjoyed learning, as well as teaching, and had a sharp inquiring mind, up until her last days.

Helen was a very humble person, and one who always felt deeply for the underdogs, the oppressed people of the world, children and minorities. She felt strongly about fair play, equal rights and justice for all. She wanted to save every stray dog and cat, and she did for many. One special cat, Annie, who wandered the halls of the nursing home, sensed that and adopted Helen as her own.

Helen developed a very special friendship with Claire Carney, of Wethersfield, Conn. They shared many a theater date in Hartford, and attended many Glenn Miller Orchestra concerts.

She will be dearly missed by her daughter, Noreen Driscoll, her granddaughter, Shana Sullivan and great-grandson, Zachary Sullivan, all now of North Canaan, for her wit, her warm hugs and her relentless search for eagles in the sky! Her son, Peter Driscoll, and grandson, Dylan, from Lake Worth, Fla., also mourn her passing. Her grandson, Ben Breslauer, from Crested Butte, Colo., will see his loving grandmother in the flight of the eagles in the mountains.

There will be a private graveside service and a Celebration of Life on Sunday, July 12, at 1 p.m. at her daughter's home at 40 High St., North Canaan.

Memorial donations in her name can be made to the Jane Lloyd Fund, Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation, 800 N. Main St., Sheffield, MA 01257; or to the Noble Horizons Employee Fund, 17 Cobble Road, Salisbury, CT 06068.

The Funk Funeral Home in Bristol is honored to serve the family. Go to Helen's memorial website page at www.FunkFuneralHome.com.



LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF AMENIA** A Public Hearing on the

of the Open Meetings Law not be extended through July 2, 2020, then the Public Hearing will be conducted on July 2,

Joan Carolyn Kauttu

NORTH CANAAN - Joan husband run a resort in Puerto Carolyn Kauttu, PhD, daughter of Vallarta, Mexico.

Carl and Edna Kauttu, was raised in North Canaan, where her father owned a local pharmacy. She died at her family home on Bragg Street at 80 years of age.

Having attended Canaan Central School and two years at Housatonic Valley Regional High

School, Joan graduated from the Mary A. Burnham School for girls in Northampton, Mass. She received her bachelor's degree from Wheaton College and a doctorate in Biological Science from the University of California, San Francisco, where she was recognized as a Regents Fellow.

Joan taught anatomy to medical school students, but then spent a number of years helping her

After a divorce, Joan returned to North Canaan to care for both her parents and her

> Aunt Marion Parish. Joan was known throughout life for two qualities above all others: her sense of humor and her desire to help wherever needed.

Those who were lucky enough to call her a friend knew those qualities well.

Her burial service will take place at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 24, at the family plot in the Village Cemetery in Collinsville, Conn., with the Rev. Canon Lance Beizer officiating.

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



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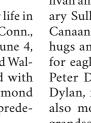
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Trinity Episcopal Church 484 Lime Rock Rd., Lime Rock Virtual Sunday service 10:30 AM Trinity Lime Rock Facebook page Virtual Coffee Hour & Bible Study Rev. Heidi Truax trinity@trinitylimerock.org (860) 435-2627



Black Belt in Ketsuka Karate from the Hamzy School of Self Defense.

In addition to her mother and father, Christine is survived by her stepfather, Steve Paden of Sheffield: her two brothers. Lucas Wells of North Canaan and Michael Wells of Watertown, Conn.; her grandmother, June Shippa of

on the sea life must be, to open arms awaiting and the warmth of gentle breeze.

She leaves behind the burdens, no more sorrow should she bear, and gives to us her love to hold until we meet her there.

waiting, dancing on the foamy tide. Franchise Renewal Agreement What a magical journey sailing between the Town of Amenia and Cablevision Systems Dutchess Corporation will be held before the Town Board on July 2, 2020, at 7:00pm.

Due to public health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, the Town Board with the Town of Amenia will not be meeting in person in accordance with Governor Cuomo's Executive Orders. The July 2, 2020 Town Board meeting will be held via video conferencingandatranscriptwill be provided at a later date. The public will have an opportunity to see and hear the meeting live and provide comments. The public can watch the live meeting on cable television at Channel 22 on the Amenia Altice Television System or by livestream on the internet at www.youtube.com/ameniatv/ live. All parties and citizens wishing to comment live shall have an opportunity to be heard as to the Franchise Renewal Agreement between the Town of Amenia and Cablevision Systems Dutchess Corporation through a media platform called Zoom by entering the meeting ID: 993 9388 3283 and the meeting password: 693114 or by following this link: https:// zoom.us//99393883283?pwd =UHpCajY5bTlCZXprZ08r dmZxakpTdz09. Members of the Community may also participate by phone by calling the phone number: 1(929) 205-6099, followed by entering the above meeting ID and password when prompted. Comments may also be provided via email prior to the meeting to the Town Clerk, Dawn Marie Klingner at dmklingner@ameniany. gov. Please check the meeting agenda posted on the website for further instructions to access the virtual meeting and for updated information.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE should Governor Cuomo 's Executive Orders suspending the requirements

2020, at 7:00pm, at Town Hall, Town of Amenia, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, New York, 12501, at which time all parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the proposed Cable Franchise Renewal Agreement may be reviewed and downloaded on the Town's website at www. ameniany.gov or by email upon request to the Town Clerk, Dawn Marie Klingner at dmklingner@ameniany.gov. Dated: Amenia, New York

June 4, 2020. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD DAWN MARIE KLINGNER TOWN CLERK 06-18-20

TOWN OF PINE PLAINS DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held by the Town of Pine Plains Zoning Board of Appeals on the 23rd day of June, 2020 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall, 3284 Route 199, Pine Plains, New York, for the purpose of hearing all persons for or against the area variance application submitted by Christopher Wyant for property located at 9 Willow Street, Town of Pine Plains, Dutchess County, Tax Map ID #134200-6872-13-231492.

All interested parties will be given the opportunity to be heard with regard to the proposed action requesting the maximum rear yard setback for a proposed workshop to be 10 feet in lieu of the required maximum of 40 feet. The application is available for review at the Pine Plains Town Hall during regular business hours.

By order of Scott Chase Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals 06-18-20

The Sharon United Methodist Church 112 Upper Main Steet, North End of Sharon Green Touching Lives - Lifting Spirits 10:45 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery Care No Sunday School in Summer The Rev. Margaret Laemmel 860-364-5634 sharonumc5634@att.net

Canaan United Methodist Church 2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT 11 a.m. Worship Service "Open Hearts – Open Minds – Open Doors" Rev. Lee Gangaware 860-824-5534 canaanct-umc.com canaanctumc@gmail.com

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The Lakeville United Methodist Church 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:30 a.m. Worship Service Sunday School 9:15 a.m. 'Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors' The Rev. Margaret Laemmel 860-435-9496 Lakevillemethodist@snet.net

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MILLERTON/AMENIA

Millerton library provides essentials to help with crisis

By CAROL KNEELAND Special to The Millerton News

MILLERTON - Necessities that are not covered by the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) that provides nutrition assistance to low-income individuals and families (previously known as the food stamp program) may now be obtained free of charge through the NorthEast-Millerton Library thanks to a \$3,500 grant from the Foundation for Community Health, Inc., which "invests in people, programs and strategies that work to improve the health of the residents of the northern Litchfield Hills and the greater Harlem Valley."

Head Librarian Riannon Leo-

Wednesday, June 11.

"We've already put in a large order and will soon have items available for distribution," she said. "It will be handled in the same way we now distribute books with patrons making their selections for curbside pickup."

The program is open to anyone in need, whether a library patron or not. Orders may be placed over the phone or through a link on the home page at www.nemillertonlbrary.org. To be sure that language is not a barrier, those ordering can click on photos to make their selections.

Along with Leo-Jameson, Youth Services Coordinator Kris-

Jameson announced the grant on Tomaino will prepare care packages, which will then be bagged and placed outside the library on Main Street for pickup at a time scheduled by phone.

> Leo-Jameson said in addition to shelf-stable food, necessities such as paper towels, toilet paper, feminine hygiene products and pet products will be available. Other items, which may not be included in the initial list, may also be requested.

> The program is an outgrowth of the successful Tiny Library Food Pantry in Veterans Park, which continues to receive overwhelming support from the community.

> For more information, call

tin McClune, who procured the 518-789-3340; the library is logrant, and library assistant Louis cated at 75 Main St., Millerton. Oakhurst Diner grateful to celebrate a decade in business

By KAITLIN LYLE kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

MILLERTON - From delivering top-notch service to its diners on a weekly basis to creating a program to keep the community fed during a global health pandemic, the Oakhurst Diner has been going the extra mile to support the community it serves throughout its many years in business. Located at 19 Main St. in Millerton, the diner celebrated 10 years in business on Monday, May 18, prompting employees to reflect on their time spent at the classic diner and in the close-knit community to consider how the business has carved a name for itself in the village over the last decade.

Though the Oakhurst Diner officially opened for business in 2010, the diner and its classic Silk City dining car structure came into the village around the 1960s. Formerly known as the Millerton Diner, the restaurant changed hands several times over the years before Paul Harney and Justin Panzer bought it in May of 2010. Paying homage to the village's former Oakhurst Inn, the owners changed their restaurant's namesake to the Oakhurst Diner and kept it stocked it with local products, such as tea from Harney & Sons Fine Tea and meat from Herondale Farm in Ancramdale. Between the classic diner dishes and the more exotic cuisine, there's always something delicious to eat at the Oakhurst Diner. Dropping by the diner for breakfast, lunch or dinner, diners are guaranteed to find a diverse crowd of customers seated at its



Located at 19 Main St. in Millerton, the Oakhurst Diner celebrated a decade in business on Monday, May 18. Pictured here are the various employees who have helped keep the diner running in in the village during the past 10 years.

booths and atop the stools in front of its counter. Appealing to locals and visitors from all walks of life, the diner has received acclaim in recent years from The New York Times for its "midcentury nostalgia" and from The Berkshire Edge for its "culinary adventures."

Having joined the diner during its initial year of business, Sienna Finkle, a waitress at the Oakhurst Diner, was 15 years old when she started working there as a busser. After working on and off at the diner for the past decade, she spoke highly about her experience there. "I just feel like people love coming here," Finkle said. "It's really great that we've been able to give back to the community." When the coronavirus pandemic first struck in March, the Oakhurst Diner promptly adapted to the changing business economy by reducing its employee count and offering curbside and takeout service to the local community. In April, when many businesses were shut down due to the pandemic, the diner launched

a program geared toward supplying area residents in need with free meals. With generous donations from the local community, the program took off and the diner was able to keep operating and ensure its beloved community would have food to look forward to during the pandemic.

Today, the diner's hours of operation run from Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., takeout only. As of now, the diner hasn't yet opened its dining room to the public, but is instead continuing to provide curbside and takeout service until further notice. Residents can place an order by calling 518-592-1313. They may also go online to the diner's new website at www.oakhurst-diner.com. "Under the current circumstances, I'm just really grateful to the customers for coming back and allowing us just to be here even under different circumstances," said Oakhurst Diner manager Claire Caramanica. "I'm proud to be a part of it."

A new way to meet that furry friend

Pets Together lets people and animals visit, virtually

By JUDITH O'HARA BALFE iudithb@millertonnews.com

BANGALL – In times of stress, people often look for comfort with their family or friends. During this time of isolation due to the COVID-19 pandemic, finding such comfort might not possible, leaving many feeling abandoned and lonely.

Social isolation is considered by public health officials to be a public health threat; individuals who lack a sense of belonging and over long periods of time show a 29% higher mortality rate than those who aren't lonely.

One way to deal with the coronavirus blues comes from Animal Farm Foundation (AFF), which is a national nonprofit that "trains pit bull dogs to assist people with disabilities," according to its website, www.animalfarmfoundation.org. It also trains pit bulls for police service and offers dogs for adoption out of its Bangall location.

AFF is now offering Pets Together, a free virtual program that allows people to visit with an animal of one's choice: dogs, cats, chickens, rabbits, goats and yes, even cows. Kim Wolf, a master of pub-

lic health and master of social work candidate at the University of Georgia, worked with AFF Executive Director Stacey Coleman to create Pets Together. The program allows those who are not able to have a pet of their own to visit with some of the AFF's animals, and their keepers. Most people favor visiting with the farm's dogs and cats, though many love to watch the antics of the baby goats. For others, larger farm animals such as horses or cows, or smaller



Buttons the dog is a true gentleman, who is looking to make everyone's day a little better during the pandemic. People can visit with him by booking an appointment on www.petstogether.org.

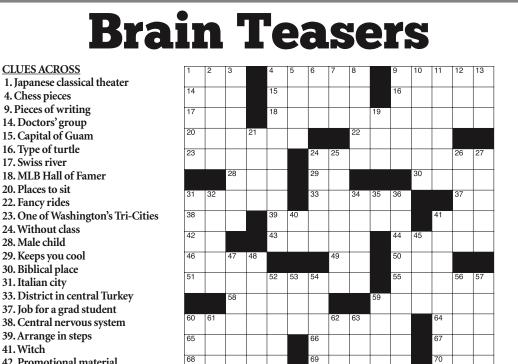
ones such as chickens, ducks or goats, reminds them of earlier times, different times, perhaps of a former life on a farm.

"We gave this program its own identity as we hope that it will endure even after this time of social distancing is over," states the Pets Together website. "Feelings of isolation and loneliness existed before COVID-19 and will still exist after. We'll always be here to help."

The program is free and easy to access; go to www.pet-

stogether.org. There one will find a video introduction to the program and the animals. as well as a calendar to book an online visit with one's choice of animal. It's easy, and by watching the introduction viewers can become familiar with the format and learn what to expect from their virtual visit. Look for Shenanigan the goat; Groot and Happy, a dog and cat best friend duo; Ruckus and Kayla, a dog team; and many other wonderful animals to choose from.





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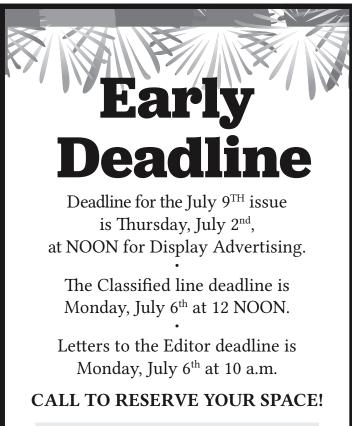
Paola Velez, the pastry chef of Kith/Kin in Washington, D.C., has launched a worldwide Virtual Bake Sale, June 15-20, called Bakers Against Racism.

Everyone who wants to "see radical change against systemic and structural racism" is invited to participate. In the Tri-state region, a group of chefs, home cooks and bakers, including Ariel Yotive from Troutbeck in Amenia, Serge Madikians from Serevan in Amenia, cookbook author Jessie Sheehan and Johnny Dearth at The Lantern in Wassaic will be selling from the porch at The Lantern with a contactless payment and pickup on Saturday, June 20, from 2 to 4 p.m.

The Lantern is located at 10 Main St, in the hamlet of Wassaic.

Funds will be donated to organizations including the NAACP; learn more at www.bakersagainstracism. com. For more information, email erika@wassaiclanterninn.com.

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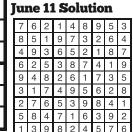
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Pine Plains rallies for racial justice at non-partisan gathering

By KAITLIN LYLE kaitlinl@millertonnews.com

PINE PLAINS - Inspired to take a stand as a community in the fight against injustice, Pine Plains residents joined together with their local civic leaders and clergy in solidarity for racial justice at a non-partisan gathering held behind the town's clock tower on Route 82 on Sunday, June 14.

Donning face masks and adhering to the state's rules of social distancing in the days of the coronavirus pandemic, attendees began heading in the direction of the clock tower in the late afternoon, uniting as a community while keeping a distance from one another. Along with a strong community spirit and a will to bring about change in their world, many came to the gathering with signs in hand, adding volume to their call for change.

"It's obviously a long time coming," said area resident Julia Conyers.

"And absolutely necessary," added area resident Alaina Harvey. "On a positive note, it has been nice to see people come together in all this.'

By the time the clock tower chimed 4 p.m., announcing the rally's official start, there was a massive crowd in attendance, totaling nearly 225 people. Praising her town's efforts in coming together to support the Black Lives Matter (BLM) movement, Pine Plains resident Gwen Breen said, "I'm so proud of us — there are a lot of people who care about human dignity."

Presenting himself as the gathering's first speaker, Jim Petrie from the Pine Plains Democratic Committee launched the gathering by thanking everyone for showing their support as a community.

"These are historic times and we're at the tipping point," Petrie said as he attributed systematic racism to creating a system in



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From left, Pine Plains residents Jim Jackson and Jim Petrie were among many speakers to give a voice to racial justice during a town rally on Sunday afternoon, June 14.

which tragedies like the death of Minneapolis Black man George Floyd frequently happen at the hands of White police officers.

"It's time to think about what we can do individually, in a community and in our workplace to stop systematic racism," he said.

Speaking from his observations from the last few weeks, Pastor Ryan Larkin from the First United Presbyterian Church of Pine Plains shared how he's been shocked by Floyd's death as well as by how much he didn't know about the issue of racism in this country. Having been fortunate enough to have access to "great" teachers to guide his understanding, Larkin offered a personal apology for being behind on his knowledge and a promise to do better, both on an individual level and as a congregation.

"This is humanity and this is a path available to us all, and I hope you will choose it," Larkin said as he led the gathering in a prayer for courage "to step up when and how we are needed."

"Too often the pursuit of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness is cut short," said Dutchess County Legislator Gregg Pulver (R-19) as he cited centuries of in-

2020 Valedictorian Halie Every leads Millbrook's Class of 2020

equality across the country.

Refusing to believe that people are born with hate in their hearts, Pulver declared, "Hate has no place in this heart, no place in this town, no place in this country, no place in this world... What we must embark on is the mission of teaching love."

Unlike 50 years ago, Pulver reminded his audience that everyone now has their own microphone, which has allowed people to gather together in a coalition like never before, and he encouraged everyone to harness that energy for the good of society.

"We can accept today, but we cannot and will not accept tomorrow," he said before announcing that, in conjunction with the county and Dutchess County Sheriff's Office personnel, he and **Dutchess County Executive Marc** Molinaro aspire to review every single policy of every single police department in Dutchess County, starting Monday, June 15.

Governor Andrew Cuomo has already called for all police departments in New York state to be reviewed and reformed by April 1, 2021 – or risk the loss of state funding.

Following up with Pulver's announcement, Pine Plains town Supervisor Darrah Cloud took a moment to thank the Pine Plains Police Department for its work in serving the community and treating everyone equally while doing so.

"We are blessed because we can say to them, 'You have to treat everyone equally,' and they are



Left photo, from left, Shane Lischin and Anya Sheckley celebrated the Black Lives Matter movement at Saturday's rally, while Pine Plains resident Patrick MacMurray and his dog, Buffy, showed their support for the fight against injustice with many others from their community.

happy to," Cloud said.

Tracing his Pine Plains roots over several years, town resident and former coach Jim Jackson, who is African American, talked about his family's history in Pine Plains as well as his own. As he shared stories of the people who left an impression on him over the vears, he recounted the history of individuals who have stepped forward to stand in solidarity and protest inequality.

"It takes courage and persistence to stand up for human rights and dignity," Jackson said. Acknowledging that many of

the people in attendance who

have watched the video depicting "the callous murder of George Floyd," Jackson observed how more and more people are coming together to stand up against racism. Urging his community to keep the conversation about racism going with openness, honesty and courage, he reminded his audience that "true progress begins with us."

Keeping in the spirit of peace and justice for all people, Father Steve Schunk from the Church of the Regeneration offered two prayers to advocate for honoring and celebrating diversity.

"As we go out today and in

the world, let us remember life is short," Schunk said, "...so be swift to love and make haste to be kind."

As a parting message to his community, Petrie brought out his guitar and led the gathering in singing "Amazing Grace," and a gentle harmony arose over the crowd, broken only by applause at the very end. Following the gathering, attendees were invited to stick around and spend some time together, an invitation many were more than happy to seize after months of quarantine. Others decided to stand alone along the town sidewalks, signs in hand, to continue the call for justice.

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MILLBROOK - Halie Every started her schooling at Elm Drive Elementary School, and this year, 2020, she completes her primary years of education as Millbrook High School's valedictorian. By all accounts, Halie has been a great student, excelling not only in her studies, but in sports as well. She participated in lacrosse and in varsity cross country in her junior year; she was captain of the team in her senior year, an honor she especially treasures. She was also on the JV volleyball team and on the varsity cheerleading squad.

Aside from sports and academics, Halie performed with the band and chorus for four years and was actively involved with the Drama Club, the Interact Club and the Yearbook Club. Her favorite subjects have always been math and science – especially math — she likes it for its logic and dependability. Both subjects will help her immensely as she pursues her interest in civil engineering, which she will undertake starting in the fall at Villanova University in Pennsylvania, if all goes according to plan (not a given with the coronavirus pandemic, of course, but Halie has her fingers crossed).

Halie is used to challenging herself; she took International Baccalaureate courses in math, chemistry and history. Being a part of the Environmental Club, she said, had a lot to do with her

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choice of civil engineering as a major in college and as a career path.

There are a lot of things to think about upon graduating, acknowledged Halie, including leaving old friends and making new ones. She said she'll keep in touch with her friends from Millbrook through Facebook, Instagram and other means.

And she knows she'll miss her parents, Heidi and Zane, and brother, Zane. She also has two dogs, Daisy and Barley, but she hopes to visit home often. She'll have other things to keep her busy as well; she likes to paint and play the ukulele.

Halie said she loves Millbrook, and she feels certain she got a topnotch education in the Millbrook district. Because the school system is small, she said she felt that all of her teachers were "there for her," in the classroom and "on a deeper level."

Like most of this year's graduates, Halie realizes there are traditions she is missing out on, like prom and the traditional commencement ceremony, but she also knows that the administration is taking special care to make this year's graduation great in spite of the circumstances caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Millbrook has always been such a supportive and attentive community," she said. "I'm so grateful to have grown up in a place like this, and I can't wait to take all that I have learned here with me in the future."



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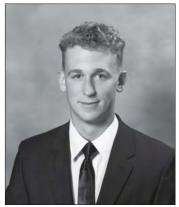
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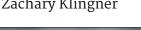


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The North East Community Center would like to give a big congratulations to the seniors in our Youth Council who will graduate this year.

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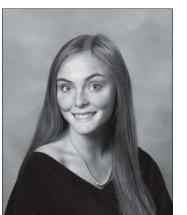
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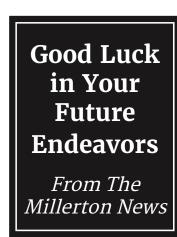




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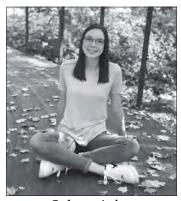




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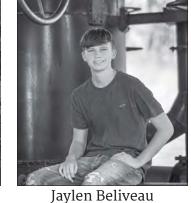


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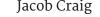
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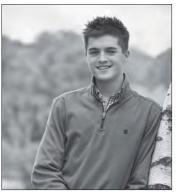




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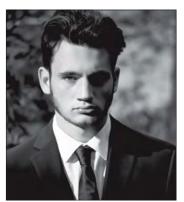
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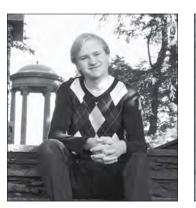
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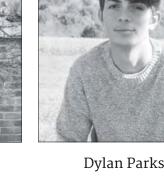
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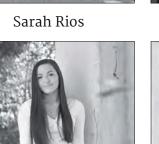


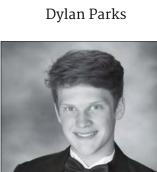


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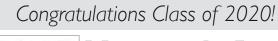


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EDITORIAL Don't forget the 439,892-plus who have died from COVID-19

t's been heartening to see so many people — of all races, of all socio-economic groups, of all ages – take to the streets throughout the Hudson Valley, the state, the country and the globe to peacefully protest systemic racism and all that it stands for in the 21 days since the May 25th death of George Floyd. Were all of those protests peaceful? No. At the onset, many were tainted by extreme violence, with criminals intent on lashing out and looting, hurting others and the cause. In the days since, however, most rallies have been calm, if not totally safe in the midst of a global health pandemic. We'd like to address that pressing topic here now, as it really is a matter of life and death.

Emotion can cause people to forget logic. And the raw emotion associated with the Black Lives Matter (BLM) protests seems to have made thousands of protesters - people who, we hope, would otherwise be concerned about catching and spreading a deadly viral disease — forget about observing basic hygiene practices to protect their health and that of those around them.

Because although the world is calling out for justice, our first priority must remain protecting ourselves and our loved ones from the spread of COVID-19. We are still in the middle of a major health crisis here. It is irresponsible to not obey Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines and recommendations to social distance and to properly wear face coverings (that cover the mouth and nose) when out in public — especially when at events where people are yelling, shouting, chanting, rallying or singing.

During a pandemic, getting in close proximity to other people can be dangerous. One proven way the coronavirus can spread is through viral respiratory droplets, which can be inhaled in shared air space with another person, or can land on surfaces that are then touched by a person who then touches his or her mouth, nose, eyes, etc. And we've all read or heard about those studies where scientists and/or doctors state that even 6 feet of distance is likely not enough to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

It takes up to two weeks for symptoms of the coronavirus to show. Experts expect the impact of so many protests in so many locations throughout the nation — throughout the world — will likely take a couple of weeks before they, too, make themselves known. But Governor Andrew Cuomo is so concerned that protesters may be exposing themselves to COVID-19 that he's advised anyone who is at a protest to get tested, ASAP. He said as much at his press conference earlier this month.

"If you were at a protest, go get a test, please," he implored. "The protesters have a civic duty here also. Be responsible. Get a test."

CDC Director Robert R. Redfield agrees demonstrators should get tested, and told Congress on June 4 that he fears his agency's message that people must continue taking safety precautions to avoid getting ill is getting lost, especially as so many are attending protests.



Military force vs. police force

hen you go into the military on a volunteer basis, you go to "boot camp," where they assess your fitness and capability. The aim of the modern military - any branch is to be efficient with their responsibility to defend America against foreign foes.

Part of the need for efficiency surfaced after the Vietnam era when we changed to a volunteer force. And, in that new recruiting process, the goal for the military was, to the extent possible, to determine each applicant's potential expertise. In other words, if you were a math whiz, it was likely they tailored your training and employment in that area of need; like radar or accounting. What's the point of putting a math whiz in a crowd fight with boots on the ground? It's a waste of resources. Seen from another angle, what's the point of putting a crack marksman into a warehouse billing department? The U.S. military – all branches – does its best to allocate the right talent into the right job from the day of recruitment. This led to recruitment away from blindly "serve your nation" to "come find a career." And the end result? The finest military on earth where morale and pride of the role of protector is higher than in previous decades and the public appreciation of our fighting women and men has never been higher. Of course, in recent polls the internal morale as regards the commander in chief has dropped to under 50% and the disconnect between Blue Star families and their community continues to be worrying (U.S. Army paper, 2/15/19). But overall, the career women and men in the military

A VIEW FROM THE EDGE Peter Riva

are proud of their choice to join and serve, as they should be.

Part of the problem facing the police — and we may hopefully be in a post-Vietnam-like inflection point — is that no one joining the police force gets that same early career assessment. In training, every officer is run through the same training and put on a beat. The motto seems to be, if you can make it on the streets dressed in blue, you can remain a police officer, part of the "team of brothers in blue."

A helicopter pilot I knew in L.A. said it took him two years on a beat before he could use his helicopter license and become a pilot again. Why would anyone with half a brain risk that special talent on a violent East L.A. street in the '80s? He got wounded in his first year, survived and had to stick out the next year in a squad car before he could even transfer to helicopters. His force called it a "baptism of fire." Not only is this kind of "training" wasteful of taxpayer dollars, it supports a culture of police being a force separate from the public and in a constant battle zone — often against the very public they are meant to protect. And if even 10% of the men and women in blue are way out of their talent and comfort zone in riot gear, why is anyone surprised there are missteps and more violence? Frightened people do frightening violence because they are panic-protecting themselves,

not the public they were hired to serve. That frightened officer is likely not an evil person, just way out of his or her comfort zone and acting in panic. In a panic, your oath of office goes out the window.

What's the solution? The police forces of the USA need to learn from the military's post-Vietnam change in recruitment and training methodology. They need to weed out those who only come to kill (yes, the military does that — as should the police), and determine and train the most beneficial talents of each woman and man to run a more efficient, cost-effective, public-acclaimed force — there to serve and protect, not to serve to control, and certainly to serve the public in a more purpose-focused and safer — way for all.

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

Failed towns and states...

VETERAN'S CORNER Larry Conklin

n response to Millerton resident John Walter's letter to L the editor in the May 14 issue of The Millerton News entitled, "The pains of over-restrictive zoning," I say, "Well done, John." I will add my own comments to his opinion.

What John speaks of is not the recent result of COVID-19, but an ongoing, long-term decay of our area towns and villages and their representative states due to manipulative politics, lawyers and a public not caring or keeping their eyes "on the ball."

We, myself included, have allowed our communities and states to be hijacked by overzealous self interest and self-serving individuals. I agree with John. Millerton, Hillsdale and Copake, and in Connecticut, Cornwall, Danbury and Falls Village, amongst a few, had been thriving communities in the past. They were vibrant, active towns.

I ask you all one simple question. I hope, but doubt, many will answer honestly. Why is it that every failed state in this nation is controlled by a particular political party? I'm independent. I don't take sides. I vote for the well being and security of my town and this still-great nation. I take my voting responsibility seriously, as should you. Be responsible when you vote. The consequences may come back to haunt vou.

Thank you, John Walters. Keep up the good fight.

Millerton resident Larry Conklin is a Vietnam veteran and a member of both the Millerton American Legion Post 178 and the Couch-Pipa VFW Post 6851 in North Canaan, Conn.

"There is a potential, unfortunately, for this to be a seeding event," Redfield said.

Protesters should get tested for COVID-19 if possible five to seven days after protesting, which is the median incubation period for the virus. Those who get back negative test results but may still be experiencing some symptoms are advised to practice social distancing with those they live with for two weeks, just in case their results are false negative, as they often can be. Likewise, protesters who can't get tested right away are also advised to social distance at home. That's especially important if house-mates are vulnerable, older than 50, have chronic health conditions, etc.

We're not saying not to protest; we understand the drive to right past wrongs. Locally, we have seen dozens of protests throughout the region during the past couple of weeks - all reportedly peaceful. We applaud those who have participated in such a civil fashion and who have stood up for such vitally important issues. We hope the social justice movement continues onward, safely, without exposing people to additional danger: Disease, racism, hate — they can all be deadly.



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Soon-to-be summer skies ...

THE MILLERTON NEWS

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A letter in response to Washington County Sheriff Jeffrey Murphy's guest column from last week's Millerton News

As a response to the death of George Floyd and the ensuing protests across the nation, your guest column seems more part of the problem than part of the solution. One might expect Sheriff Murphy, speaking on behalf of his colleagues, to offer something besides a defensive screed.

He begins by calling Floyd's murder "a great injustice" and immediately pivots to attacking the sometimes violent reaction as an "excuse to commit other senseless, brutal acts, which unjustly deprive more innocent people of their lives ... " ignoring the fact that protesters were overwhelmingly peaceful. Follows a description of police as upholders of the right to peacefully protest (with no mention of the numerous exceptions to this characterization), with another pivot to a demonization of vio-

lent protesters, who turn peaceful protests into opportunities to "assault, murder, loot, burn and spread anarchy."

The words he reserves for politicians are even worse than those used for the "officer who unjustifiably took the life of George Floyd." Because they talk about "systemic racism," politicians are accused of "disgusting conduct, which itself fuels racism on all sides." Systemic racism is an evidence-based fact, stemming from our history of slavery and its legacy. As for "racism on all sides," no. Racism is an ideology based on the idea of white superiority, needed to justify slavery, and on flawed science. There is no functioning ideology of black racism, no "black supremacy."

The sheriff goes on to make the preposterous charge that politicians accuse all police officers in the U.S. of racism, because of the

actions of one! He does to "the politicians" what he accuses them of doing to the police: "sowing hatred and distrust... with... irresponsible rhetoric." Most politicians reflect their constituents, and the murder of George Floyd was one of many, "the straw that broke the camel's back," seen on video. How many went unseen? THAT is why people are up in arms.

Finally, and perhaps most problematically, the sheriff acknowledges bad community relations, but blames "the false view of police as the oppressors which has been inculcated into many minority communities, and which allows opportunists to take advantage of such things as the George Floyd tragedy to foment more hatred and more chaos."

Minority communities' distrust of the police goes back decades, when police enforced segregation

and facilitated lynching; slave patrols even formed the basis for modern day police departments. And police in the modern era have done little to earn community trust. The sheriff boasts of "training... recognizing implicit bias," something he has not shown himself able to do, when he blames outside agitators and politicians for bad community relations, while ignoring the systemic, brutality, corruption and racism of his own institution.

Ultimately, the biggest problem with Sheriff Murphy's column is that it would seem to be, itself, an example of the "blue wall of silence" that shelters police misconduct, without which, George Floyd might still be alive today, thanks to three officers free to act swiftly and in concert.

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across the country for officer wellness purposes. The service dogs are trained in 92 commands while the others are trained for explosive-detection. Overall, Stoga reported that there's a high graduation success rate among the explosive-detection canines and a 50% graduation success rate among the service dogs. The dogs that don't pass their training are adopted out to families.

Though the puppies normally go into the prison facilities at 8 weeks of age, the coronavirus pandemic has prompted the program to keep them for another four weeks, during which time they will have an additional opportunity to socialize. Once they reach 12 weeks of age, the puppies will head to prison. Among some of the prisons that participate in the program are, in New York, the Fishkill Correctional Facility in Beacon, Bedford Hills Correctional in Bedford Hills, Downstate Correctional Facility in Fishkill, Otisville Correctional Facility in Otisville, Wallkill Correctional Facility in Wallkill, and, in New Jersey, the Edna Mahn Correctional Facility for Women in Clinton.

As far as whether COVID-19 has influenced the program in any way, Stoga said, "It literally doesn't mean anything to us we've been doing this for 23 years. The only impact for us right now is the puppies have to stay out for an extra week, but we're not doing anything in response to CO-VID-19."

In recent weeks, the Puppies Behind Bars program has been bringing its canine charges to the village of Millerton to help them socialize with people as well as become familiar with the different noises and stimuli in the area, the sidewalks and other environmental factors that might show up in their training. Given its tremendous volunteer base, the program has had no problem getting volunteers to walk the puppies each week and help them socialize.

"The Millerton community has been wonderful," Stoga said. "They've been absolutely welcoming and delightful in helping us get to know people in Millerton, and they've been so generous to come out and help us with the puppies."

Even with the pandemic going on, Ibrahim Amasha from Puppies Behind Bars said he was surprised by the number of incoming volunteers who have offered to help. By the beginning of June, he said the puppies will be ready for the next step in the program.

In the meantime, Amasha said, "The puppies are having a good time, the people are having a good time, everyone's being safe."

Every morning for the last couple of weeks, volunteers could be seen walking around Railroad Plaza with a bag of treats in one hand and a leash fastened to a puppy's collar in the other. For about an hour each day, Railroad Plaza was littered with black and white puppies eager to explore the world around them. Even from the Main Street head of the Harlem Valley Rail Trail, bicyclists could hear the yip of puppies wanting to play.

"This is really an exquisite program," said volunteer Joanna Porreca as she walked Kady the puppy around Railroad Plaza.

For more information about Puppies Behind Bars, go to www. puppiesbehindbars.com.

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abilities "who participate in extended summer school year programs over the summer to ensure they receive instruction."

Drawing from his own experience as the parent of a child with autism, Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro sent a letter to Cuomo on Friday, May 22, emphasizing the importance of offering services to special education students throughout the summer and making sure the needs of students and their families are carefully considered. Fully aware that the most daunting challenge for students with disabilities is "overcoming the stress of change and inconsistency," Molinaro underlined the value of creating a careful and student-centric approach in moving forward with addressing these needs.

"Throughout this process so many of our schools and teachers have gone above and beyond to provide quality education during these difficult times," he stated.

While he observed that many students with special needs have adapted well to "the new paradigm of remote learning" and the various online platforms entailed, Molinaro also mentioned that there are students who are struggling from the absence of face-to-face interaction with teachers and specialists. Above

lies bridge the gap until schools can provide a more conventional educational environment once more.

"The unique circumstances, needs and challenges of special needs students and their parents/guardians, as well as educators and specialists, must be considered." Molinaro wrote. "I know this is a difficult and complex task to set a path forward that addresses the health, safety and educational needs of all students... Having been engaged in issues related to the provision of quality special education services for years, I am willing to help in any way."

Following Cuomo's announcement regarding this year's summer school programs, Harlem Valley school districts have been examining their summer school programs and informing their families about the anticipated changes as set forth by the governor.

In a letter sent out to families living in the Pine Plains Central School District on Thursday, June 11, Pine Plains Superintendent of Schools Martin Handler reported that its summer school program and special education Extended Year Program will be held online this year. While he made note of Cuomo's Executive Order to allow summer school for special needs students with a 12-month program to be inperson, he shared the district's current plan to have the program remain online, citing on a later date that the "time before the program starts is not adequate to do the necessary planning to keep our students and staff safe and healthy.

"As you can imagine, there are a number of problems with changing these programs to inperson," Handler wrote in his letter to district families, "most notably the very short amount of time before they are scheduled to begin. In addition, there are some concerns about placing these youngsters in the position of being the first to return to classes in the school buildings. For those reasons, we have made the decision to have our direct instruction for these special needs students remain online."

Regarding plans for the North East (Webutuck) Central School District's summer school program for special education students, Webutuck Superintendent of Schools Raymond Castellani explained the program will likely remain online for the time being.

"We are still dealing with unprecedented times where we have to balance the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff with their academic needs," he said, "which we know would be best met in person, and we're trying to find the balance that allows some contact with our teachers and students that we can continue to help progress."

After reviewing the parameters

summer school was the best option for its students. At this time, she reported that the district is doing an inventory of families interested in its ESY program. Looking ahead, Eraca said some of the program's lessons will be live while other lessons will be asynchronous, which will allow for more flexibility. She added that since the student-teacher ratio will be low due to the number of participating students, there will be a greater level of concentration on making sure students succeed.

When asked whether she is concerned about the quality of special education dropping as a result of remote learning, Eraca replied, "I'm concerned about everybody with remote learning. For some, it's a great modality; for others, it's not."

As far as how teachers are contending with the shift to remote learning, she said, "They've done a phenomenal job with adaptability. We were in a great position from the get-go because of our one-to-one initiative, so our staff are very familiar with utilizing the technology and we fared much better than our neighboring school districts."

Despite repeated phone calls placed and emails sent to school district personnel with the Millbrook Central School District, no one in the administration replied to questions posed by The Mil-

sure all stayed peaceful. Another protest took place

on Friday, June 12, when a small group met in front of Washington Town Hall. After spending less than an hour there, demonstrators moved to the Village Green. This group was also made up of young people, including some from the middle and high school.

Asked why he was participating, Royal Parker, an African American, answered, "I protest because it's one of the ways I know how to bring people together for a common goal. I protest to make a change in the world for the future generations to come. I protest because I was taught to by my grandparents and mother.

"I have been protesting since the first time George Bush Jr. was selected by the Supreme Court justices in this nation's capitol," he added. "I have met some amazing people while protesting, people who restore my hope and faith in a better place where a person isn't judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

Parker is a teaching assistant who works for the Dutchess County Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) at Salt Point. Parker was one of the protesters who came to Millbrook for Monday's rally to counter balance the All Lives Matter protest, which didn't end up taking place; he came back to show his support for BLM again on Friday.

The only unpleasantness reported was that people in a few cars verbally harassed the protesters; one in particular with an adult couple came by three different times. Parker and others encouraged the younger participants to keep their cool and not be cajoled into reacting.

"That's what they want, and we won't give it to them," said Parker.

At a Village Board meeting on Tuesday, June 9, and in private conversations, village trustees said they were worried about

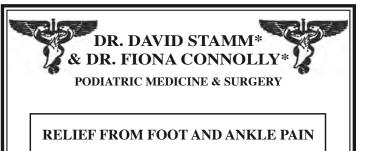


brook to rally in support of Black Lives Matter.

troublemakers. Some business owners were also worried that after being closed for three months due to the coronavirus pandemic, if things get out of hand with protesters there could be looting or fires, as there have been around the country and in New York City, and merchants wouldn't be able to protect their livelihoods. The board agreed organizers should obtain a permit to protest and have insurance waivers, in case of damage or injury and so the village wouldn't incur any unforeseen expenses.

Millbrook Police Officer Jared Witt said the many protests that have taken place thus far have been peaceful and uneventful. He stated that New York police officers pledge to preserve and protect the constitution, which includes the right for citizens to protest in a peaceful manner.

Witt also thanked local disabled war veteran Derek Davis for guiding young protesters in the "right direction" during the protests.



all, he stressed that special-ed services must be available to special education students throughout the summer to both support their growth and help their fami-

with the school district's stakeholders, Webutuck Director of Student Services/Curriculum and Instruction Jennifer Eraca said the district felt the virtual option for

lerton News regarding its plans for summer school and special education programs this summer before press time to contribute to this article.

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for their lives — others had seen their daughters leave to nurse those in need.

And now this - a frightful infection

Betsy Strauss of both the Amenia and North East Historical Societies recently presented a lecture to the former in which she explained that two of that town's own soldiers had died of the virus — one before he left the country and the other across the sea.

Indeed the country's military had been sorely hit with the first cases allegedly reported at Fort Funston in Kansas, where hundreds became infected - some dying - others spreading the virus in America and abroad.

The Red Cross called for thousands of masks. Ironically those were sent to military installations instead of staying locally, where they could have also provided protection. Eventually the use of masks did spread to the civilian population, with some laws requiring their use as we have seen today.

Residents looking for good news found some of the year's best in The Harlem Valley Times on Nov 9, 1918. In a harbinger of the Armistice, Chester, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Reed of Amenia Union, wrote from France.

"...I know that you want to hear that I am still on the job and that Battery B is doing its share in proving to the Hun that he is in for a good licking..."

Sadly, the same page also reported that Amenia's Thomas Sheehy died of influenza at Camp Wheeler, Virg., where he had gone for training only a week before his death. Happily, it reported three other soldiers were returning home after having survived the virus.

Experts did their best to provide advice, but as William Tatum III, Dutchess County historian, noted, some came at a heavy price. Exercise, it was believed, would provide some protection, and so residents were urged to become fit with gym memberships offered in enclosed buildings with infected droplets filling the air as many breathed those viral droplets in.

Newspapers far and wide, including both The Millbrook Mirror and Roundtable, printed information from the U.S. Public Health Service Official Health Bulletin, including an effort to clarify the source of the pandemic.

"Although King Alphanso of Spain was one of the victims of the Influenza Epidemic in 1893 and again this summer, Spanish authorities repudiate any claim to influenza as a 'Spanish' disease," stated the bulletin.

It went on to warn, "If the people of this country do not take care the epidemic will become so widespread throughout the United States that soon we shall hear the disease called the 'American Influenza.'"

Regarding unproven treatments, it further warned, "Only such medicine should be given as is prescribed by the doctor. It is foolish to ask the druggist to prescribe and may be dangerous to take the so-called 'safe, sure and harmless' remedies advertised by patent medicine manufacturers." Such words of advice might have benefitted some of our own leaders trying to stay healthy in today's pandemic.

To aid in providing safe care, the bulletin suggested a clothe covering should be worn by caregivers who would also "do well to guard against breathing in dangerous disease germs by wearing a simple fold of gauze or mask while near the patient.

In the end, according to the Center for the Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), about 500 million people or one-third of the world's population eventually became infected with the Spanish Flu, with the number of deaths estimated to be at least 50 million worldwide, with about 675,000 deaths occurring in the U.S.

But end it eventually did, and people continued to read their hometown news, recognizing and rejoicing in the fact that at least for the time — the word "influenza" no longer blackened the text. We look forward to a time when similarly, the word "coronavirus" vacates the pages.

With the recent activity in our real estate market it occurred to me that perhaps the new members of our community should be introduced to our history. A wonderful introduction to life in the northwest corner can be found in the writings of two former residents, those being Christopher Rand and Hal Borland. Christopher wrote the elegant book, "The Changing Landscape" which reflects upon Salisbury's evolution from farming to a weekend community. Hal Borland lived and wrote about the countryside up on Weatogue Road by the Housatonic River. All of his books are wonderful and chronicle the beauty of nature that surrounds us. These writers remind us why we also have chosen to live here in the hills.



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ART: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

Because Everything Is Better With a Little Bit of Honey

vive Points Center for the Visual Arts in downtown Torrington opened again to the public on June 5, with a show that features the apiary artwork of Randy Orzano of Sharon, Conn.

Anyone who's driven through the outer edges of Sharon on the way to Millerton, N.Y., has seen Orzano's work, in a sense. Those are his beehives out in the middle of a grassy field behind the farmhouse he shares with his wife, Gretchen Hachmeister, who is the executive director of the Hotchkiss Library of Sharon.

But as anyone knows who "keeps" bees, you don't really keep the bees and they're not really "your" beehives.

This is more true for Orzano than it is for most beekeepers: Rather than boldly determining that he wanted to raise a colony of bees, and buying all the gear, he just kind of found a bunch of discarded bee boxes at the town's transfer station swap shop several years ago.

He consulted with a friend who's an experienced bee expert, and then decided to keep the boxes and try to attract and care for a swarm of his own.

He succeeded. Bees live in his boxes in his yard, but really it's the bees' domain,



Randy Orzano had been keeping bees and making art for years when he got the idea of having the bees "participate" by leaving honey and other bee products on his sketches. His work is in a new show at 5 Points in Torrington.

one which they will of course defend with determination, as anyone knows who has ever tried to mess around with a hive. That's why there are beekeeper suits, and special protocols for visiting the hive — and trying to extract the honey that the furry, buzzing colony has grown.

Orzano views the bees



PHOTOS BY RANDY ORZANO

cle some 16 years ago when they were still young, by sketching them. And, as children do, they took his drawings and drew on top of them.

Orzano was fine with



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Works by Rodney Alan Greenblat, including "GodOverCatskill," above, are included in a visually joyful new show at Hudson Hall.

ART: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

A Show that Dares You Not To Smile

fter a dark winter and spring, L Lwe could all use some bright color and whimsy. The opening of Hudson Hall in Hudson, N.Y., will offer a solid shot of both when it reopens to the public on Saturday, June 27.

Hudson Hall is a repurposed former town hall, now used for media and arts activities. Their new show, which runs until Aug. 3, features the paintings of Rodney Alan Greenblat, a New York City artist who gained fame in the 1990s as a designer of video game characters including PaRappa the Rapper and for his children's books featuring Thunder Bunny (and a universe of adorable ancillary merchandise).

Now a resident of the Hudson River Valley, Greenblat had a store

in the center of Catskill. N.Y., featuring cheerful merch based on his characters and designs. The store closed down last winter but will open sometime this year in Leeds, N.Y. There is also a "virtual" shopping experience, with products available online at www.whimsyload.com/ big-gallery.

To see the artwork in full size and living color, stop by Hudson Hall, while observing quarantine precautions: Visitors must make a reservation and wear a mask while taking a guided tour of the show (which is called Something To Look Forward To). Tours will be offered at 4 p.m. on weekends; the cost is \$10 for nonmembers.

For more information, go to www.hudsonhall.org.

Early Deadline

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time as an artist and not as

the civil engineer he used to

So already there's a lot of complexity in the relationship between Randy and the bees.

But there's more. Orzano is clearly a competent artist. He works in pen and ink and watercolor. His work might catch your eye but not hold it if it weren't for another layer that he adds on to the images he makes.

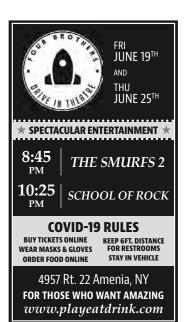
It started with his two children, whose lives and growth he began to chroni-

that, even intrigued. And when the bees came along and took up residence on his property, and as he got to know them, he began to sketch the bees and then wondered what would happen if he let them have access to his images.

So he slid some of his finished work into the hives and the bees did just what his children used to do: They added their own artistic embellishments, although instead of colored marker they did their work with honey and with something called propolis, also known as "bee glue," which is a sticky substance that acts kind of like bee plaster. It seals cracks and builds smooth walls. Sometimes they chew up the edges of Orzano's paper and use it for the beehive. It's a partnership, just as the honey is a partnership.

Through the years Orzano has added layers to the work, often literally so, by

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ART: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

We'd Like To Have **A Word With You**

rt galleries in Kent, Conn., are slowly L Lunfurling and welcoming the world back in - with COVID-19 quarantine restrictions in place, of course.

Andrew Craven's Craven Contemporary opened June 6 with a show called Wordsmiths, featuring (as the name implies) art that has words and lettering. Most prominent is the work of graphic designer/artist David Shrigley, perhaps best known for designing a Scottish soccer team's perky vellow mascot, although the much-exhibited artist has also done books, videos and more — almost always with words playing a central part in the work.

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Also at the gallery now are Jonas Wood, Hank Willis Thomas, Will Boone, Geof **Oppenheimer**, Barbara Kruger, Tony Oursler and Deborah Kass.

The show remains up until Aug. 2. The gallery is at 4 Fulling Lane in the center of Kent, Conn., and is open Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m.

Appointments are not required but they are appreciated. Craven wears a mask and requires that visitors wear masks, too. Only one visitor is allowed in the gallery at a time. Hand sanitizer and gloves are provided.

For more information or to make an appointment, email cravencontemporary@gmail.com or call the gallery at 646-355-8142. Images from the show can be seen at www.artnet.com/ galleries/craven-contemporary/artworks.

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FREE CLASSES IN THEATER, BASEBALL AND MORE

The Marvelwood School in Kent, Conn., is offering free summer classes to any student entering grades nine through 12 this September. The week-long courses are in a wide variety of academic and non-academic subjects including Introduction to Economics, History of Space, College Essay Writing Workshop and Theater Production.

High school graduates in the Class of 2020 may also enroll. All classes are online except Gardening, which will be held on campus in the Marvelwood Garden (all Centers for Disease Control and state of Connecticut best practices for health and safety will be in place).

All courses will be taught by Marvelwood School faculty members with two exceptions: History of Baseball will be taught by local baseball hero Willy Yahn, who played baseball for Housatonic Valley Regional High School and the University of Connecticut, and is currently a third baseman for the Bowie Baysox, a AA affiliate of the Baltimore Orioles organization.

The second non-faculty class is taught by former Marvelwood teacher Elizabeth Radday, now of EdAdvance in Litchfield, Conn. She will offer Personal Interest Project, a mini Capstone course, which will run the full six weeks with students scheduling individual meeting times with her.

Go to the school's website at www.marvelwood.org/summer for more information and to register. The six-week series begins June 29 and runs through the week of Aug. 3.

RACING: PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Auto Racing in an Age of Quarantine

Skip Barber, the owner and operator of Lime Rock Park in Lime Rock, Conn., said he doesn't anticipate the track holding any major events before Labor Day weekend because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The track has been open already for some small events, such as a private car club on Friday and Saturday, May 22-23. The activities were instructional, not racing.

Barber said the track is following state guidelines for the first phase of reopening businesses, and adding some additional precautions.

There are no meetings, he said, and only one person is allowed in a car at a time.

Moving forward, car clubs must submit detailed information about participants, so that, "We get all the contact tracing information."

Barber said nobody is



folding the paper and by also inserting canvas into the hive. The bees like it; they use the canvas for their own renovation projects, just as they do with the paper. Sometimes the images that Orzano slips into the hives are of the bees themselves. Sometimes they depict

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plants. Sometimes they're large and portrait-like, sometimes they're small and pattern-like.

See them for yourself at Five Points, which is at the center of the Torrington renaissance.

The gallery is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. and by appointment. All visitors must wear masks and observe social distancing protocols. The show will remain up until July 11.

Five Points is at 33 Main St. in Torrington. Call 860-618-7222 or go to www. fivepointsgallery.org.



allowed in the buildings

at the track, except to use

the bathroom. Participants

must bring their own provi-

sions, as lunch is not being

Despite the scaled-down

nature of the activities, there

"There appears to be a

And even if some sort of

event is held on Labor Day

weekend, Barber expects

it will be "really restrict-

ed," and likely without any

spectators. That is normally

the weekend of the Historic

Festival, with a vintage car

parade through Salisbury,

Conn., and Falls Village,

Conn., vintage car racing

pent-up demand to get out

is interest in coming to the

served.

track, he said.

and do something."

PHOTO BY TOM BROWN

through the weekend and a Concours d'Elegance car show on Sunday.

On Wednesday, June 10, the track held a small event for employees from Lowe's in Torrington and for the media.

Facilities Supervisor Jocko Jacopino went over the COVID-19 precautions.

He said that visitors have their temperatures taken at the gate. Anyone with a temperature above 100.4 degrees F is asked to move off to the side and wait 10 minutes, then get screened again. If that person is still above 100.4, he or she will not be allowed to enter.

So far it hasn't happened, he added.

Jacopino said that the

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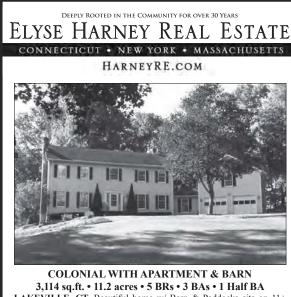
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