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FROM THE DIRECTOR

In 2022, we prioritized our strategic plan goals at the library. We focused on building community, celebrating diversity, helping our community become resilient, working on improving our financial position, and continuing to curate a relevant collection.

Our first Volunteer Fair was a success and over 150 people came out to learn how they could help others in our community. We introduced a new seed library where you can take seeds to grow and harvest. We also continued to digitize important local history resources from the Bennett College Collection and Millbrook Round Table Archive.

Local businesses and organizations worked with us to create exciting library programs. We partnered with the Millbrook Arts Group on another fabulous winter concert series and many other programs. The Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies supported children’s nature and science programming. The Millbrook Historical Society held fascinating educational programs on local history for everyone to enjoy. These are just a few of our community partners and we feel so lucky to have such great people to collaborate with right here in Millbrook.

We would like to thank the trustees who retired in 2022 and early 2023 for their service: Nicole Anderson, Sarah Gonzalez, Kim Moffitt, Elizabeth Vila & Jeff Zelevansky. Many people make the library a special place, including our staff, board members, wonderful group of volunteers, and YOU! If you haven’t been to the library in a while, stop by and say hello. We are planning another year of fun events, adding great new items to our collection, and working to meet more members of our community.

As we step into the new chapter of 2023, we are excited to build on the work we did in 2022 and continue to support our community in innovative ways.

Courtney Tsahalis, Director

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Adirondack Mountain Club
- Alzheimer's Association
- Angels of Light
- BJs Christmas Tree Farm
- CAPE of DC
- Cary Institute
- Cornell Cooperative Extension
- DAY ONE Early Learning Community
- DC Office of Aging
- Dog Meadow
- Dreaming of a Chance
- Dutchess County Pride Center
- Dutchess County SPCA
- Dutchess Land Conservancy
- Food of Life/Comida de Vida Pantry
- Grace Immigrant Outreach
- Green Briar Adult Home
- Hope Rising Farm
- Innisfree Garden
- Lyall Church
- Medical Reserve Corp
- Mental Health of America - Dutchess Chapter
- Merritt Bookstore
- Millbrook Arts Group
- Millbrook Business Association
- Millbrook Central School District
- Millbrook Early Childhood Education Center
- Millbrook Fire Department
- Millbrook Historical Society
- Millbrook Rotary
- Millbrook School Theater Department
- Mindful Yoga with Liz
- Sharon Hospital
- Stewart's Shops
- The Art Effect
- The Fountains at Millbrook
- & Many More!
"It was so fun! I liked that there was a balance of reading and activities; it helped my child to stay interested. And having the songs written out, helped me, as an adult, to participate." - From Toddler Story Time

“As someone who has tabled at many of these types of events in the past, this felt like a well-oiled machine, regardless of the newness of the event.” - From our Volunteer Fair

“This is the best library I've ever been in!” -From a 3rd grade student

"We have to keep learning. Your library takes its job seriously in so many ways. I appreciate that.” From an Alzheimer's & Dementia program
The Friends of the Millbrook Library held a successful mini-golf tournament this year for the first time since 2020. They also funded many popular adult library programs, and supported the library through the book sale.

The Friends enjoyed passing out candy and free books on Halloween and complimentary cocoa and cookies on the library porch during the Parade of Lights. If you would like to join our Friends group, please reach out!

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Audited financial statements and our 990 are available on our website at millbrooklibrary.org/financial-reports-audits/. A hard copy will also be available in the library director’s office.