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Spring Is Bustin' Out All Over! Sprucing Up Gardens & Grounds



A water cascade and rock garden provide movement, sound and excitement. Selecting plant material and design elements for your garden is intriguing and rewarding at Poundridge Nurseries.



Granite Sculpture by William Royell at Avantgarden

A beautiful garden incorporates a pleasing balance of form, function and decorative plantings with realistic maintenance. Focal points such as water elements, terraces or containers contribute variety and texture.

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Miller's Landscaping (764-5491), David Anderson Landscaping (764-4916) and Poundridge Nurseries (764-5781) will develop an overall landscape design, install your plantings, etc. They can also provide year-round care and maintenance of your property.

Added interest is achieved with accessories – inviting furnishings, whimsical sculpture, fountains, bird feeders, etc. Unique art, decorative items and furniture, can be found at Avantgarden (764-0010) and Poundridge Nurseries.

In Pound Ridge, trees form the backdrop for our outdoor vistas. Essential tree care and maintenance is provided by Mill River Tree Service (764-8291). See the article on page 3.

Enjoy an outdoor living area that is personal and refreshing – a special space for you and your family.

Memorial Day Holiday Antiques & Farmers Market, May 28

Monday, May 28th, is the date for the first Holiday Antiques & Farmers Market of the season. The market will run from 9 am to 5 pm in Scotts Corners.

In addition to a popular Farmers Market, the show has assembled dealers of items from antiques and furniture to jewelry, art and collectibles, who will display their wares for a "family fun day" conveniently in our own community.

The Farmers Market will offer duck and chicken eggs, baked goods, smoked fish and meats, produce and more.

This event is a prime time to hunt for treasure among the intriguing and eclectic displays.

CALENDAR OF PRBA SPECIAL EVENTS

Memorial Day Holiday Antiques & Farmers Market

Monday, May 28, 9AM-5PM

Labor Day Holiday Antiques & Farmers Market

Monday, September 3, 9AM-5PM

Tom Pisco Memorial Car Show Pound Ridge Business Association & Pound Ridge Police Benevolent Assoc.

Saturday, Sept. 8, 10AM-4PM
(Rain date Sept. 9)

with Barbecue, in the Town Park

September Sidewalk Sales

Friday & Saturday, September 14 & 15

16th Annual Art & Crafts Festival

Saturday & Sunday, October 13 & 14,
10AM-5PM

8th Annual Halloween Walk

Wednesday, October 31, 4-6PM

5th Annual Tree Lighting

Saturday, December 1, 5-6PM, Firehouse

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Welcome to Pound Ridge!

Back by popular demand is the PRBA "Welcome to Pound Ridge" – a bag filled with coupons and gifts from our members introducing our shops and businesses to new residents. Community information is also included. Co-chairs Maryellen Walsh (Houlihan Lawrence) and Wendy Cummings (Penny Whistle Toys, The Gift Garage) are working with the Newcomers Club which will be delivering the packets.

Call Maryellen at 764-5762 for info.

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The 2007-08 Little Book of Numbers has been mailed to each of the 5,000+ postal patron families and businesses in Pound Ridge and Bedford Village. The Little Book's advertising section has grown from 90 local advertisers in 1990, to almost double that in the current issue. Road maps of Bedford and Pound Ridge locate streets in both towns.

Publisher Ricky Silbersher is spending the year in Australia with her daughter Scout, but returned to work on The Little Book with graphic designer Ruth Mendes of Wordcraft & Graphics, Unlimited. This collaboration goes back to the '90s when Ricky revived publication of the popular local directory. Ad sales representative is mom Joan Silbersher (Antiques & Tools).

For additional copies, call 764-5122.

All Your Yesterdays One-Year Anniversary

All Your Yesterdays, owned by Vida and Robert Barbo at 34 Westchester Avenue (across from Pound Ridge Veterinary) is celebrating its one-year anniversary.

The shop offers an eclectic array of antiques – reasonably priced – ranging from early American furniture, copper pots, ogee mirrors,



many early prints, an unusual early shoe-foot table, a unique 19th-century primitive dollhouse with glass windows to an assortment of smalls – early china and glass, among the many other items.

Whatever your penchant for collecting, you might find something interesting to add to that collection. Product placement is offered and free delivery within 30 miles is an added incentive.

Normal store hours are Wednesday-Sunday 11:00-4:00, or call 764-3063 for an appointment.

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Another important part of tree care is pruning dead or damaged branches for both safety and aesthetics. Spring is a great time to walk the property with

the customer and check for hazardous trees. Some of the things we look for are:

Tree Hazard Checklist

- Are there large dead branches in the tree?
- Are there detached branches hanging in the tree?
- Does the tree have cavities or rotten wood along the trunk or in major branches?
- Are mushrooms present at the base of the tree?
- Are there cracks or splits in the trunk or where branches are attached?
- Have any branches fallen from the tree?
- Have adjacent trees fallen over or died?
- Has the trunk developed a strong lean?
- Do many of the major branches arise from one point on the trunk?
- Have the roots been broken off, injured, or damaged by lowering the soil level, installing pavement, repairing sidewalks, or digging trenches?
- Have the leaves prematurely developed an unusual color or size?
- Have trees in adjacent wooded areas been removed?
- Has the tree been topped or



John Depew removing a dead tree.

otherwise heavily pruned?

- Has the site recently been changed by construction?

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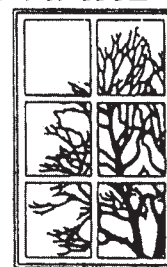
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4. News Briefs from Our Members

- DiNardo's has introduced an innovative new menu for the back dining room. The traditional menu is still used in the front room. However, choices from the traditional menu are always available for the asking. 764-4024
- Linda Ciana has returned to Pound Ridge bringing her styling and coloring skills to Salon Perri. 764-5733

- Future Value Associates has moved its offices to Pound Ridge. Temporarily located in the shopping center, upon completion of renovations, their permanent offices will be at 36 Westchester Avenue. 764-1217
- Thank you, Larry Bass, DDS, who again successfully chaired March Daffodil Days selling bunches of daffodils to businesses to benefit the Cancer Drive. 764-5541

Summer Events at Antiques & Tools

Antiques & Tools of Business & Kitchen is sponsoring a 4th of July Antiques & Farmers Market on Wednesday, July 4, from 9am-4pm.

On the weekend after the 4th of July, the 11th Annual Townwide Tag Sales Days, which have become a much anticipated event, will take place Friday through Sunday, July 6-8.

Participants will hold tag sales at their homes throughout Pound Ridge. Maps showing the locations of these

sales will be available at Antiques & Tools. Joining in the event will be community organizations whose sales will be located in Scotts Corners.

2nd Sunday Antiques Markets have resumed (6/10, 7/8, 8/12, 9/9, 10/14) from 11am-4pm with 10 to 12 dealers outside the shop, including a farmers market.

For information and to register for the Tag Sales, please call Joan Silbersher, 764-0015 or 5122.

Pilates Pound Ridge

Spring has finally arrived! Have you kept your New Year's Resolution? Do you have spring in your step? If not, it is time to find a convenient time and place to do activities. Make it a habit like brushing your teeth, but be flexible. If you miss an exercise opportunity, work activity into your day another way. Remember: You have only one body, one life and one spine.

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Built in 1833 as his home by Horatio Lockwood, Manhattan restaurateur Emily Shaw opened her Inn here in 1939, quickly earning a reputation for warm hospitality, good food, good drink, good company, refuge from the noise (it was more recently renamed The Inn at Pound Ridge). Retaining the Inn's historic character would include a lengthy and thoughtful

renovation for its new owners Michael and Susan Covino of New Canaan, Ken and Cindy Rudolph of Bedford, and Mario and Carla Lisanti of Westport. So began their labor of love.

The main dining room provides a formal setting with wide-beamed ceilings, stone fireplaces, wood plank floors and French doors opening to a terrace overlooking the lawn and English wedding garden. It has been refurbished to its original splendor and features hand-carved Louis XIV chairs in truffle velvet and damask, Ralph Lauren silk taffeta drapes in Tiffany blue, cream and truffle, antique gold finials and silk shade sconces. This decor continues upstairs into the Bridal Party Suites with custom silks in chocolates and creams and hand-carved complementary furniture.

The result is the new **Emily Shaw's Inn at Pound Ridge**; a very bright and elegant look perfect for weddings and romantic fine dining expertly prepared by Executive Chef Greg Gilbert, most recently from The Kittle House. Chef Greg has designed a full menu of what he calls "simply American cuisine."

"My dishes have culinary influences from around the world, especially right here in Westchester where I support and utilize local farm-raised products," states Chef Greg.

Previously a darkened area downstairs with fieldstone fireplaces and French doors opening on a garden patio, the casual mood of **Americana 12 – Piano Bar & Grill** incorporates the original hand-hewn ceiling beams and barn-siding walls to create a warm and cozy updated atmosphere in classic navy and burgundy with wood, stone and copper elements and revealed stone walls filled with candles.

The main focus of the bar and dining area is the baby grand piano providing classics nightly while diners feast on American casual cuisine of seafood, steaks and other American "comfort foods." A full menu will be served till 12 midnight, a decision made by the owners – all professionals who work late nights and understand the frustration of being turned away by area restaurants serving till only 9 or 10. Also in the planning are periodic appearances by great musical acts including recording artists performing acoustic acts, jazz ensembles, gospel and more.

Americana 12 also features a private Wine Cellar Room renovated in a rustic Old World look with 200-year-old tables imported from a French vineyard. Parties of up to 22 can enjoy the ambience and privacy of this cozy room to sip their wine in front of the fireplace or attend one of the intimate wine tasting dinners to be offered by the owners.

Americana 12 opened in early April of this year and will be serving lunch from 11:30 to 4pm, and dinner nightly until 12 midnight. The more formal upstairs, **Emily Shaw's Inn at Pound Ridge**, will be serving Sunday Brunch and will be available for private functions.

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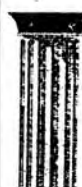
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In her former life, Lorella worked for Fortune 500 companies as a marketing executive in the consumer packaged-goods industry (she holds a Bachelors Degree in Business) . . . until, of course, the arrival of Alexandra, a very "enthusiastic" 6-year-old, hence the name of her new home design business. Anticipating the demands of motherhood, Lorella knew she would never return to corporate life. About 4 years ago, she embarked on a journey

to recreate herself as a mother and as a professional in a new industry.

Always having a personal love for home decorating and antique collecting, something Lorella shares with her husband, Paul, she decided to enroll in the Residential Interior Design program at Fairfield University. She expects to graduate at the end of 2007. Now she can not only do something that she loves, but also help others with the design difficulties many homeowners experience when decorating their homes. "What color do I paint the bedroom?" "What do I do with these windows?" "Does the furniture work in this room?" Oh, how frustrating it can all be!

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