

Fine Home Source Show ‘kicks it up a notch’ for 2015

By Ray Fashona

MILLBROOK – From fancy to functional, from decorative to utilitarian, whatever you want for your home is likely to be on display at the eighth annual Fine Home Source show.

The show, organized by Jimmy Crisp of Crisp Architects in Millbrook, is the place to start for those seeking an extravagant upgrade to their home or simply looking for some needed repairs. Crisp is known for designing elegant, historically accurate and energy conscious projects.

The show takes place Sept. 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Millbrook Bandshell, 3327 Franklin Ave. in the village.

Crisp said there will be more than 60 vendors represented this year, on par with last year, although, “The number is still in flux.”

Annette Santacroce, Crisp office manager, noted that the show’s vendors attend by invitation only. “We can’t take everyone,” she said. “There’s only so much space.”

“The show gets bigger every year,” Crisp said, adding he expects between 600 and 1,000 people to attend.

Crisp is proud of the diversity the show offers. Vendors include businesses from Dutchess Overhead Doors and Rocky Mountain Hardware to unique pottery by Margie Skaggs and decorative sculptures by Agrisculpture.

Crisp said the Home Source show is “kicking it up a notch” by having Rocky Mountain Hardware on board. The company will have a booth and a large display truck.

According to the Rocky Mountain website, “Whenever a need arose on a project for a particular type of hardware that just couldn’t be found, the company created it. This grew into the realization that there was a market for

a new line of hardware: a simple, handcrafted look that would work equally as well in a rustic log home, a Mediterranean-style villa, a French country house, or a more contemporary-style project.”

The company is based in Hailey, ID. To find out more, visit www.rockymountainhardware.com.

Crisp said when he was having a problem with his garage door recently, he called Dutchess Overhead Doors. “They are very reliable,” he said.

For more than 40 years, the Poughkeepsie-based company has been a local leader in sales, service and installation of garage doors. To reach the family-owned and operated business, visit www.dutchessoverheaddoors.com or call 845-471-1130.

Santacroce marveled at the usefulness and beauty of works by Margie Skaggs Ceramics, based in West Stockbridge, MA.

Made from stoneware or porcelain, Skaggs’ pieces include bowls, covered jars, vases, plates, platters, mugs and casseroles. Her influences are largely Asian and Native American. She favors traditional glazes from China (celadons) and Japan (shinos) often combined with slips, washes and other glazes. Additional decorative techniques include brushwork, slip or glaze trailing, stamping and carving.

Reach Skaggs at www.margieskaggs.com.

Agrisculpture describes itself as a company that “incorporates action, adventure, creativity and daring in transforming found implements into old-soul works of agricultural art,” many, Santacroce added, that use water.

To reach the Warwick-based company, visit www.agrisculpture.com or call 914-213-1598.

Returning to the show this year is a paint-out featuring 15 to 20 artists



A new kitchen by Crisp Architects and JEM Woodworking.

who will spend the day painting landscapes. At the show’s completion there will be a silent auction at which the pieces will be sold.

The \$2 suggested donation to attend the show will go to the Millbrook Rotary ShelterBox. ShelterBox is an international organization that provides emergency shelter and vital supplies to support communities around the world overwhelmed by disaster and humanitarian crises.

If there are families in need of emergency shelter, ShelterBox does what it can to help them rebuild their lives.

Besides home and garden needs, the show will cater to the palate too. Back this year will be Adams Fairacre Farms, offering a variety of cheeses, Clinton Vineyards with a wine tasting and Zoe’s Ice Cream Barn.

For information on the show, call 845-677-8256. For a complete list of vendors, visit www.finehomesource.com.

Besides the above-listed vendors, a sampling of others that will be at the show includes:

- Reardon Briggs, with locations in

Pleasant Valley and Millbrook. The company specializes in lawn and garden equipment, as well as paints and other hardware.

www.reardonbriggs.com.

- Shaari Horowitz & Alistair Jones Fine Furniture. In their Connecticut workshop traditional craft is reinterpreted and transformed into a contemporary art form. Intricate hand-painted patterns derived from old-world color palettes surround the gilded and glazed surfaces of hand-hewn and turned wood bowls. Each piece carries an original design based on classical sources with roots in medieval manuscripts, ancient textiles and the Frescoes of Pompeii. These bowls serve as both functional and decorative works of art. Reach them at 860-364-9866 or www.shaarihorowitz.com.

- Returning this year is Russell Bogdan Fine Paintings and Murals, based in Washington, D.C. Bogdan will come to your home and adorn the walls with murals of your favorite Italian landscape, a farm scene or just about anything you can imagine. Bogdan is a classically influenced artist with more than 20 years of experience doing commissions, designing custom paintings and murals for private and commercial spaces in the U.S. as well as Europe. www.russbogdan.com.

- Orvis Sandanona of Millbrook will be holding a fly fishing demonstration at the show. Orvis is the oldest permitted shotgun shooting club in the country. The club specializes in outdoor sports such as hunting and fishing. The main lodge was built during the presidency of Thomas Jefferson, and, using its richly textured past as a foundation, Orvis Sandanona has built a thriving, modern sporting-clays shooting ground that is consistently ranked among the very best in the nation. Reach Orvis at 845-677-9701 or www.orvis.com/sandanona.

- Cutco Knives, based in Erie, PA, was established in 1949. It is the largest manufacturer of kitchen cutlery in the United States and Canada. Cutco’s product line includes kitchen knives and utensils, shears, flatware, cookware and sporting knives. Reach the company at 800-828-0448 or www.cutco.com.



A new entertainment room by Crisp Architects and Bruce TV.