

My name is Rick Dunham and I'm running for re-election to the Millbrook Board of Directors.

My wife Stacie and I moved to Millbrook about 9 years ago along with my son, Jake, who was two at the time. We didn't know anyone in the neighborhood, but we were welcomed with open arms. Not long after moving here, I decided to run for a spot on the board. My reasons were simple. I wanted to give back to the neighborhood that so warmly accepted my family.

I joined the board at the same time Mark Dinino took over as President, first as Secretary then as Vice President. Together, along with Jerry Blake and a group of dedicated, hard-working neighbors, we've witnessed firsthand a spectacular transformation in this neighborhood. More and more families have moved into Millbrook, contributing to a much stronger sense of community among our neighbors and pride in Millbrook that didn't exist before. With the help of the activities committee and Jen Dangora, we've seen new and exciting opportunities pop up to get to know our neighbors. From Picnic in the Park, Santa in the Park, Millbrook Yard Sales, and others, I've watched how this neighborhood has grown closer and I'm so happy to have been a small part of it.

Two major accomplishments I am the most proud is working with Mark and a dedicated group of neighbors to bring a brand new playground to the development. What was once a source of embarrassment has become a symbol of cooperation and community. I've seen more kids playing at the playground than ever before. And due to winter storms and overzealous plows, we were forced to improve our signage at the entrance. I was honored to be a part of the group that, along with Burns Landscaping, updated our entrance to something worthy of displaying the name 'Millbrook'. We no longer have to give directions to someone by saying 'We're at the bottom of the hill. Oh, Signage? Well, there's a hand painted sign that you can't really see, but just keep an eye out at the base of the hill and you'll find us...maybe.'

A lot of you know me and the type of person I am. I've coached many of your kids in baseball, or cheered them on in soccer. I've always been the type of person who wants to be involved. A few years after moving to Rockland I ran as a virtual unknown for Selectman. More recently, I ran for Rockland School Committee. My reasons, still, are to give back to the town that has given my family so much and to have a say in the direction of things that affect me. It is why I just recently joined the Finance Committee in Rockland for a three year term and why I want to continue to serve on the Millbrook Board of Directors.

So when it comes time to vote I ask for you to allow me to remain serving on our board, and to continue the work we've started, to make Millbrook the greatest neighborhood in town.