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Covering The News In Connecticut's Northwest Corner And Its Environs Since 1897



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Ibby Sadeh, the Class of 2026 Valedictorian, gives a speech to her classmates emphasizing the importance of diversity and understanding.

HVRHS

Graduates reflect on resilience, importance of community

By Ruth Epstein

FALLS VILLAGE – Under a mostly clear summer sky, with only occasional clouds and threatening rain, 80 seniors at Housatonic Valley Regional High School marked their final day of school during the annual graduation ceremony on Friday, June 19. As always, the school lawn was packed with family and friends gathered to watch a group of teen-

agers fulfill a rite of passage.

Student speakers acknowledged the importance of community, as several reflected on overcoming significant adversity in their young lives.

In his welcome remarks, Principal Ian Strever said a milestone was reached in a school known for its distinguished statue of Abraham Lincoln that greets visitors at the entrance. It has been four score and

seven years since the school's first graduation.

Several students talked about their challenges and how the school community helped them.

Class president Madison Graney, in an emotional speech, spoke about her father who has battled brain cancer for the past two years.

"One only needs to know Joe

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Historic Colonial Theatre goes on market after three-year revival

By Aly Morrissey

NORTH CANAAN – The owners of the historic Colonial Theatre have put the century-old landmark on the market, seeking a new steward for one of the community's most recognizable buildings.

After restoring and reopening the 27 Railroad St. venue in 2023, the Mallett and Fiorillo families have listed the property following three years of operating the theater as a community gathering space and event venue.

"After three fantastic years of being the lucky stewards of the incredible Colonial Theatre, we're ready to pass the torch," said co-owner Lenore Mallett, a local real estate salesperson who is listing the property through William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty.

The venue is listed for \$695,000 and features three floors totaling more than 10,000-square-feet, including two separate adjoining retail units.

Built in 1923, the theater has served as an entertainment venue and cultural centerpiece for generations. Originally known as

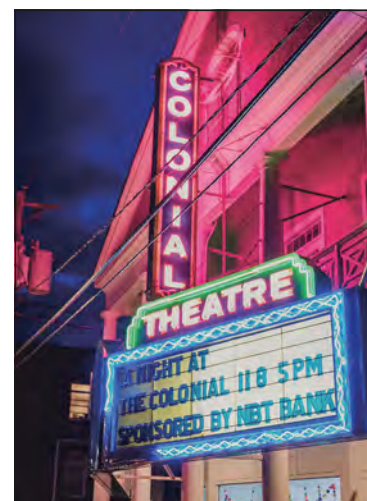


PHOTO BY REBECCA BLOOMFIELD

The Colonial Theatre lights up the North Canaan sky.

The Casino, the building housed a movie theater, bowling alley and second-floor ballroom. The building was revamped in 1929 and its name changed to the Colonial Theatre.

The current owners purchased the property in April 2023 for \$325,000, after it had been closed for years.

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Northwest towns to take control of Torrington Transfer Station July 1

By Christian Murray

A newly formed regional waste authority will take control of the Torrington transfer station on July 1, capping a year-long effort by Northwest Connecticut towns to keep the facility in public hands.

The Northwest Regional Refuse

Authority (NRRRA), representing several Northwest Corner towns, will assume ownership of the transfer station following legislation signed by Gov. Ned Lamont in May transferring the property to the consortium.

The authority was created in 2025 after a proposed \$3.25 mil-

lion sale of the Torrington Transfer Station to a private waste company alarmed local officials, who feared the loss of a public disposal option could eventually lead to higher costs and a monopoly on waste services in the region.

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Sharon BOF sends rejected school budget back to voters unchanged

By Alec Linden

SHARON – Following months of conflict between the Board of Finance, the Board of Education and concerned parents, Sharon residents will return to vote on the same budget proposal that was rejected in early May, with town officials opting to leave the proposal's

bottom line unchanged and instead set aside separate funding that the school could access if needed.

During its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 16, the BOF opted not to change the bottom line of the BOE's operating budget for Sharon Center School, instead moving to establish a special fund of \$35,000 to be drawn from the town's undesignated account upon the school's request. Voters will

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Westerlind opens first outlet store in North Canaan amid expansion

By Aly Morrissey

NORTH CANAAN – Westerlind Outdoor, a retailer specializing in outdoor apparel, gear and technical fashion, has opened its doors to its newest venture – the company's first-ever outlet store.

Located at 1 Railroad St. in North Canaan, the outlet offers shoppers access to past-season merchandise,

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Shoppers enjoy lower prices at the new outlet in North Canaan.



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Norfolk opens net-zero affordable housing complex with ribbon-cutting ceremony. Watch more at lakevillejournal.com.

POLICE BLOTTER: TROOP B

The following information was provided by the Connecticut State Police at Troop B. All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Passing collision

On the afternoon of June 15, Steven Falanga, 36, of North Branford, Connecticut was driving south on Route 63 near the intersection with Undermountain Road in Falls Village when an unnamed driver in a leased Honda Civic attempted to pass him. The Civic merged back into the rental Ford F250 Super Duty that Falanga drove, causing a collision. Neither driver was injured, and both vehicles sustained functional damage. The unnamed driver was issued an infraction for unsafe passing and operating a motor vehicle without a license.

Moving truck crash

Just after 3 p.m. on June 15, Devoge Darryl Brown, 18, of South Kent was driving a moving truck for Cornwall-based company Karl on Wheels on Millerton Road in Sharon when the vehicle drifted off the roadway, striking approximately 50 feet of

wire rope guardrail and ultimately hitting a tree. Brown was transported to Sharon Hospital by Sharon EMS for reported minor injuries, and the truck was towed from the scene. Brown was issued a written warning for failure to maintain lane.

Construction zone fender bender

On the morning of June 16, Jeffrey Romanowski, 69, of Amenia came to a stop at a flagger for a construction zone on Route 45 near the intersection with Flat Rocks Road in Cornwall. A trailing Subaru Crosstrek, driven by Karen Chase, 81, of Kent, failed to stop in time and collided with the rear of Romanowski's Toyota Sienna. Both vehicles sustained functional damage, and neither the drivers nor their passengers were injured in the incident. Chase was issued a verbal warning for following too closely.

The Lakeville Journal will publish the outcome of police charges. Send mail to P.O. Box 1688, Lakeville, CT 06039, Attn: Police Blotter, or send to editor@lakevillejournal.com.

Horn to begin summer door-knocking campaign in Cornwall

By Aly Morrissey

CORNWALL – State Rep. Maria Horn will kick off a series of volunteer door-knocking events across the 64th District, with stops in the Northwest Corner – including a first stop in Cornwall on Sunday, June 28, from noon to 3 p.m.

The events are part of Horn's re-election campaign and will continue through October in each of the district's nine towns, including Kent, Sharon, Falls Village, North Canaan, Norfolk and Salisbury.

"Door-knocking gives us a chance to let voters speak their minds about what's

most important to them," Horn wrote in an email to supporters.

Volunteers will receive training before canvassing neighborhoods and speaking with voters about local issues and the upcoming election.

Those who cannot walk door-to-door can support virtual phone banking.

Horn said the door-knocking effort is intended to help volunteers engage directly with residents while gathering feedback to inform outreach ahead of the November election.

Horn accepted the Democratic nomination for State Representative in the 64th District earlier this spring.



PHOTO PROVIDED

A group of volunteers in Falls Village showed up for Horn's 2024 door-knocking campaign. This year, supporters will hit the pavement in Cornwall on June 28.

Dr. Andrew D. Deacon named as new Region One assistant superintendent

By Aly Morrissey

FALLS VILLAGE – The Region One Board of Education has appointed Dr. Andrew D. Deacon as assistant superintendent, effective Aug. 10.

Deacon currently serves as principal of Lee H. Kellogg School in Falls Village and previously held administrative positions in the Milford and Torrington school districts.

Region One Board of Education Chair Pat Mechare said Deacon's experience, enthusiasm and ability to foster a positive learning environment will benefit the district. Superintendent Melony Brady-Shanley said Deacon's leadership will help advance the district's strategic priorities and support continued academic growth.

He holds degrees from Manhattanville College, the University of Bridgeport

and Sacred Heart University. He said he looks forward to working with educators, families and community members across the district's seven schools to strengthen teaching and learning opportunities for students.

Deacon replaces Dr. Jeanine Rose, who held the position since 2022 and will take over as superintendent of North Stonington Public Schools later this summer.



PHOTO PROVIDED

Dr. Andrew D. Deacon will take over as Region One's new assistant superintendent August 10, 2026.

Kent median home price climbs to \$577,000

By Christine Bates

KENT – Home prices in Kent remained relatively stable over the past year, with the town's 12-month trailing median price for a single-family home reaching \$577,000 for the period ending May 31, 2026.

The 12-month trailing median price of \$577,000 is 25% more than the \$460,000 median recorded for the period ending May 31, 2025. However, it remains 18% below the \$711,000 median recorded for the comparable period ending May 31, 2024. Kent's historic peak was reached in the 12 months ending in August 2024, when the median price climbed to \$753,000.

Sales activity remained relatively steady over the past year, with 27 homes sold during the 12-month period ending May 31, 2026, compared with 25 in the previous year and 29 during the period ending May 31, 2024. The record number of sales on a 12-month trailing basis was set in June 2021, when 77 were sold.

Inventory of all listed residential properties rose slightly to 22 by mid-June with high-end properties dominating the market, with 13 homes listed for more than \$1 million and only three priced below the median of \$577,000.

Rentals opportunities remained available, including furnished and unfurnished homes. Four summer houses were listed.

Eight parcels of residential vacant land were also listed for sale from \$175,000 to \$535,000.

May Transfers in Kent

16 Birch Hill Lane – 3 bedroom/1 bath home transferred by Kaitlyn Studley and Eric Devisio to Gene Freccia on May 1, 2026 for \$315,000
221 Fuller Lane – 4 bedroom/3 full bath/2 half bath contemporary home built in 2009 on 22 acres in the Macedonia neighborhood trans-

ferred by Sabin Howard and Traci Slatton to Robert Muller and Happy Rhodes on May 19 for \$2,075,000.

* Town of Kent real estate transfers recorded between May 1, 2026, and May 31, 2026, provided by Kent Town Clerk. Transfers without consideration are not included. Current market listings from

Smart MLS and market statistics from InfoSparks. Note that monthly recorded transfers may lag sales by a number of days and include properties not appearing on the MLS. Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Salesperson with William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty, Licensed in CT and NY.

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Check them out inside.

• Ocean State Job Lot



PHOTO BY ALEC LINDEN

Gas prices in Sharon dropped to \$4.05 on Monday, June 22.

Connecticut gas prices drop again

By Aly Morrissey

Northwest Connecticut drivers are getting some relief at the pump as gas prices continue to decline statewide.

According to newly released data from AAA Northeast, the average price for a gallon of regular gas in Connecticut fell 15 cents over the past week to \$4.06 as of June 22. That's down 58 cents from a month ago, when concerns about oil shipments through the Middle East pushed prices higher.

"Recent declines in oil and gas prices have coaxed the national average below \$4 a gallon

for the first time since March — welcome relief at the pump," said Mark Schieldrop, senior spokesperson for AAA Northeast.

AAA attributed the recent decline as a sign of stability in the global energy markets. While prices remain well above last year's average, the decline is welcome news for the Northwest Corner residents heading into the busy summer travel season.

The organization noted that gasoline and crude oil inventories remain historically low, which could continue to put pressure on prices in the weeks ahead.

A GIANT METAL MANTIS IS NOW PART OF A SUMMER CONTEST!



Izzy Fitch of Battle Hill Forge has strapped a giant mantis, built by artist Jim Hackett, to the roof of his car.

When you spot it, take a photo, post it on social media and tag @battlehillforge, @lakevillejournal and @themillertonews.

On July 20, names will be drawn at random and gift certificates to Battle Hill Forge will be awarded.

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Our Towns

Salisbury native trades NYC for outdoor summer tour

By Patrick L. Sullivan

MILLERTON – Salisbury native Elijah Stone returned to familiar territory Saturday, June 20, playing electric guitar and singing at the NECC Millerton Farmers Market.

Stone, 24, is the son of Lakeville-based artist Karen LeSage and Richmond, Virginia, musician and educator Joshua Stone.

“I feel lucky to come from a family of artists,” he said. “Less explaining to do.”

Stone released his debut EP, “Twenty-Second Catch,” in October 2025 and plans to release a full-length album later this fall.

With an early stop near his hometown, Stone has performances planned through the end of August spanning from Massachusetts into the Hudson Valley. Performances will include farmers markets, festivals and community



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Singer-songwriter Elijah Stone performs at the NECC Millerton Farmers Market on June 20.

venues.

Of performing outdoors, Stone said he likes the way they reach a wide range of ages.

“And the hours are better,” he quipped.

At the Millerton Farmers Market, Stone played several covers among an

eclectic set list of original music, including Stevie Wonder’s “Signed, Sealed, Delivered” and “Midnight at the Oasis,” made famous by Maria Muldaur.

His arrangements were simple and tasteful, while his vocals were precise and unstrained.

Stone also maintains close ties with childhood friends from the Northwest Corner. He recently collaborated with Kent native Nick O’Neil on the first full music video for his song “Look Listen.” The pair filmed the video in Manhattan in one of the last remaining phone booths in New York.

“Nick and I walked by the phone booth and knew we had to incorporate it into our next project,” Stone said. “It was a blast shooting with him.”

Stone attended Salisbury Central School, The Hotchkiss School and the University of Michigan. When he’s not touring as a musician, he teaches math in Washington Heights, New York City, where he just completed his second year.

For more information and upcoming performance dates, visit Stone’s website at elijahstonemusic.com.



PHOTO BY MADI LONG

A car races around Lime Rock Park during the 2026 Memorial Day season opener.

After third extension, Lime Rock regulation nears finish line

By Alec Linden

LIME ROCK – The Planning and Zoning Commission continued its hearing last week on proposed changes to Lime Rock Park’s operating regulations, with commissioners suggesting a resolution could be close.

“I think with some clarity from our lawyer, this should be very easy to move along,” commissioner Allen Cockerline said, referring to P&Z’s attorney Charles Andres, who was unable to attend the June 15 meeting.

The proposed regulation change was first brought before P&Z in May after the state Superior Court in Torrington approved an amendment to a decades-old legal agreement governing the race track.

Largely placing further restrictions on the Park’s operations, the proposed zoning change aims to transfer the language of that agreement into the zoning code.

During three hearing sessions since May 18, commissioners focused largely on drifting – when vehicles intentionally lose traction on the rear tires

while rounding a curve – due to its potential to cause tire smoke pollution. By the June 15 meeting, however, commissioners appeared largely satisfied by the track’s handling of the technique that involves limiting the hours of the practice.

Lime Rock President and CEO Dicky Riegel said the track has voluntarily followed the proposed regulations since 2022, even without any legal obligation, limiting drifting to two days per year, with a maximum of three 15-minute demonstrations on those days.

Cockerline said even so, “I just want to be sure we have safeguards in the future if it does become clearly a pollutant and nuisance.”

Land Use Director Abby Conroy noted that that may be difficult to achieve as it’s currently proposed given it is a regulation change and not a conditioned special permit. She and the Commission agreed that further consultation from Attorney Andres would be needed. After consultation with Lime Rock, the hearing was extended again, set to reconvene on July 6 at 6:45 p.m.

Local filmmaker documents life in Falls Village, releases 38th video

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE – Local filmmaker Eric Veden, who has been creating films about Falls Village since 2000, has released a new video, marking his 38th production featuring the people, businesses and everyday life of the community.

The latest video begins with scenes from the

2025 Fall Festival, featuring pumpkin decorating, live music and apple cider making.

Veden then sits down with Falls Village resident Barbara Lobdell, whose parents hailed from Wyoming. Describing her childhood as “low-drama, stable and happy,” Lobdell remembers leaving Laramie, Wyoming, after high school to attend the University of

Washington where she received a degree in history and art. She then earned a master’s degree in Library Science and a two-year degree in electrical drafting.

Lobdell’s journey took her to Prudhoe Bay, Alaska, where she worked as a draftsman for 35 years during what she described as “very much a man’s world.”

The film also features local blacksmith Will Blass, whom Veden describes as a “young, long-haired blacksmith extraordinaire.”

Blass traces his interest in metalworking to childhood.

“I grew up loving ‘The Hobbit’ and ‘The Lord of the Rings’ and decided I needed a magic sword,” Blass said.

Then, in high school, his attention turned to go-karts.

“Every time you want a new project you have to learn a new metalwork-

ing skill and it just kind of went from there,” he said of learning to forge and weld.

Blass said he got his first welder in eighth grade and started picking up tips from his father and cousin, Dusty Blass.

Another segment follows assistant librarian Anna Pattison and a group of children making 3D stars and lanterns at the Hunt Library, an activity that requires making cocoa first. It’s a representative slice of life at the library.

The film concludes with Alan Lovejoy at the library discussing his 2025 bicycle trip from Alberta, Canada to the U.S./Mexico border in Antelope Wells, New Mexico along the Great Divide.

To see the video, visit YouTube and search for “Eric Veden” or visit youtube.com/@ericveden4408. DVDs are also available through the David M. Hunt Library.

North Canaan receives \$2,500 grant for firefighter training equipment

By Christian Murray

NORTH CANAAN – North Canaan has been awarded a \$2,500 grant from the Northwest Community Bank Foundation to help fund the purchase of specialized equipment for the North Canaan Fire Company, First Selectman Jesse Bunce announced earlier this month.

The fire company plans to purchase a Multi-Force Forcible Entry Door training system, which allows firefighters to practice breaching doors and entering buildings under realistic emergency conditions.

The training system allows firefighters to practice forcible-entry techniques

on both inward- and outward-opening doors with metal and wooden jambs, replicating conditions commonly encountered during emergency responses.

The planned purchase includes a Multi-Force training door system, crush-door training slabs and a mobile wheel system. The total cost of the project is estimated at approximately \$10,960.

“This is an important investment in firefighter preparedness and public safety,” Bunce said. “Our volunteer firefighters put themselves on the line for the community every day, and providing them with high-quality, realistic training tools helps ensure they



PHOTO PROVIDED

First Selectman Jesse Bunce (left) and North Canaan Fire Company representative Isaac Freund display a \$2,500 check from the Northwest Community Bank Foundation.

are prepared to respond safely and effectively when seconds matter most.”

Town officials said the grant will help strengthen the fire company’s capabilities while reducing the financial burden of acquiring the specialized equipment.

“The North Canaan Fire

Company is an essential part of our town,” Bunce said. “We’re grateful to the Northwest Community Bank Foundation for recognizing the importance of ongoing firefighter training and supporting the dedicated volunteers who serve North Canaan.”

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Our Towns

Rehab of Kent's defunct swimming pond will take time, officials say

By Alec Linden

KENT – Efforts to restore Emery Park's long-closed swimming pond took a step forward last week, as engineers reported the decades-old foundation appears stronger than some expected. Even so, they said, it may be several summers before the swimming hole is back in working order.

Despite the longer than anticipated timeline, Parks and Recreation Commission Chair Rufus de Rham said during the June 17 meeting that the town remains focused on bringing back a place for residents to cool off.

"I know we have pipe dreams," said De Rham, referring to long-term intentions to install a pavilion, upgrade the playground and even build an office for the Parks and Recreation Department at the park, among other proposed projects. "But the pond is our No. 1 mission here."

Luckily, its bones are mostly solid, reported Cardinal Engineering Vice President Timothy Cermola. "The masonry and stone walls are probably sound," he said of the foundation. Officials had feared the entire basin would need to be re-excavated.

However, "anything concrete that was laid on the stone masonry has to be removed," he said, gesturing at the pool's lining, which is cracked and crumbling in places. Cermola noted that the first focus of a recently-commissioned study will be to determine how much of the masonry is suitable to keep, noting that anything unstable or at risk of becoming so will have to be replaced. The current concrete is intended to be upgraded to a long-lasting, rebar-supported gunite lining.

The pond, a stream-fed concrete basin that was dug out to its current shape in the early 1960s, served the town as a cooling off spot before shutting down during the COVID-19 pan-



PHOTO BY ALEC LINDEN

Cardinal Engineering Vice President Timothy Cermola points out the crumbling concrete lining of the defunct Emery Park swimming pond Wednesday, June 17.

dem. Currently, the only public swimming opportunity in town is at Lake Waramaug State Park.

Plans to bring the pond back into working order have been in the works for years with ample public support. The town sent out an RFP for its restoration late last year, but it was repealed due to complications with federal funds for the project.

Since then, officials have shifted their approach, opting to bring on Meriden-based Cardinal Engineering to survey the site and develop a master plan for the park, meant to guide the swimming pond restoration and the longer term projects. Part of the plan will be bringing the park's facilities, which span somewhat rugged terrain below a steep hillside, up to

compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, a requirement in public parks.

"This is where the money is well spent," Cermola said, though he noted it will be a significant undertaking. "This is a million dollar project," he predicted.

While the foundational structure may be more intact than some had feared, the finished product may look quite different to what's there now.

The general shape of the pond is subject to change, said Parks and Rec. Director Matt Frasher as he

perched on a sloping wall inside the basin. The curved floor is likely to be restructured with straight-down flat walls at the pond's edges for safety reasons, he said, and the overall depth may be reduced to five-feet.

A wide, oblong section that once accommodated 75-foot lanes for the local swim team may also be narrowed in the new design.

The town currently has \$400,000 in capital funds available for the swimming pond restoration, as well as an additional \$100,000 in funds from the American Rescue Plan Act which will expire this year. Another \$100,000 in capital has already been allocated towards upgrading the playground.

The Cardinal engineers anticipate the master plan will be complete by the end of summer, which will then act as a blueprint for next steps.

As the group dispersed, Commissioners were satisfied by the discussion, despite the temporal setbacks. "We want to do it right," said Chair De Rham. "That's the biggest thing."

"While we're working on the pond first," added member Keith Johnson, "it won't interfere with anything in the future... that's what the master plan ensures."



PHOTO BY MADI LONG

Community members gather for a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Haystack Woods, Norfolk's newest affordable housing complex. It includes 10 homes.

Norfolk opens Haystack Woods, net-zero affordable housing complex

By Madi Long

NORFOLK — Community members gathered for a ribbon-cutting ceremony Monday, June 22, to celebrate the opening of Haystack Woods, Norfolk's newly constructed affordable housing complex.

Kate Briggs Johnson, president of the Foundation for Norfolk Living, said she believes Haystack Woods is Connecticut's first net-zero affordable homeownership community equipped with battery storage and electric vehicle chargers. A net-zero development generates as much renewable energy as it consumes over the course of a year.

Haystack Woods features 10 homes, including ranches, cape-style houses, and two-story builds, each with two to three bedrooms.

Two homes have been closed, five more are scheduled to close and three houses remain available. The three remaining homes will be sold for \$261,000 and are three-bedroom houses for households below 80% the Average Median Income.

Each home within the complex features high-efficiency insulated construction and a dedicated solar array designed to generate its annual energy needs. The development has also earned LEED and Nation-

al Green Building Standard certifications.

The community wasn't built without struggle, Briggs Johnson said, as committee members spent an additional 12 months at PNZ and Wetlands Zoning meetings to transition the private road to a public road. This came with the help of the Norfolk Cemetery Association, which provided the easement to construct the road.

Jordan Seibert, a Haystack Woods homeowner, expressed her gratitude to the crowd.

"Like many people, I reached a point where homeownership felt increasingly out of reach," she said. "I'm fortunate to be purchasing a home at a young age, giving me the chance to be comfortable, put down roots, and think long-term about my future."

Prominent guests attended the ribbon-cutting, including Norfolk's First Selectman Henry Tirrell; Lt. Governor Susan Bysiewicz; Ricky Jordan, manager of Energy Efficiency at EverSource; Margaret Warner, Senior Vice President at Northwest Community Bank; Libby Borden of the Norfolk Land Trust; Maria Horn, Connecticut State Representative; and Seila Mosquera-Bruno, the commissioner of CT Department of Housing.



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Marilyn Josephine Kay

MILLERTON — Marilyn Josephine Kay (Masterson), 93, whose life was characterized by a quiet strength, graceful and cheerful presence, enduring athleticism and an abiding community spirit, passed away peacefully on June 11, 2026, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. A long-time resident of Millerton, New York with her late husband and local veterinarian Kent Kay, DVM, Marilyn spent her final years surrounded by the love and care of her Minnesota family.



Born Feb. 19, 1933, in New York City, Marilyn was the youngest of four daughters. Raised by a single mother, Marilyn learned early on the values of independence and determination—traits that would define her entire life. She excelled academically and athletically, attending Hunter College and channeling her passion for movement into work as a physical education teacher.

Marilyn's life took a beautiful turn when she married her husband, Kent Kay, DVM, a young man she had grown up with in New York City. Together, they made the bold choice to leave the city for a quieter life in upstate New York. Settling in the small town of Millerton, they built a vibrant, full life together, including a successful small town veterinary practice serving the surrounding dairy farms. Kent attended to the animals while Marilyn served as office manager and ran the business, all while balancing raising four sons. The boys worked in the clinic at an early age, growing up in a lively household surrounded by animals, both large (Sweetheart, a St. Bernard) and small (Charlie, a stray chihuahua), that became fast

friends. Marilyn also believed in showing up for her community. She and Kent were pillars of their historic local church, St. John in the Wilderness in Copake Falls, New York. Whether she was lending her voice to the choir, serving on the vestry, or helping with church operations, Marilyn's faith was always paired with action.

A PE teacher at heart until the very end, Marilyn was happiest when she was moving. She shared her love of the water by teaching swimming and lifesaving. She was an accomplished skier, an avid walker in her later years, and a fierce, competitive tennis player who could still command a court in her 80s. Additionally, according to family lore, she was a champion napper and could catch a few winks when needed, anytime and anywhere, including the New York subway where she never missed her stop.

Marilyn was predeceased by her husband of 68 years, Kent, and her son Timothy. She is survived by sons Christopher Kay of New York, New York, Eugene (Jane) Kay of Plymouth, Minnesota, and Clinton Kay of Boulder, Colorado; daughter-in-law Melanie Kay of Millerton, wife of her late son Timothy. Grandchildren include Emily, Jessie, Alexander, Alycia, Gabrielle and Genevieve Kay, and a great-grandson, Atlas.

Arrangements are being made by Peck & Peck, Copake, N.Y. A memorial service is planned for the fall in Copake Falls, N.Y. Memorials may be given to Church of St. John in the Wilderness, P.O. Box 180, Copake Falls, N.Y. 12517, or to the Animal Humane Society.

Natacha (Nathalie) Kondratiev

MILLBROOK — Natacha (Nathalie) Kondratiev was born on August 4 1960 in New York City. She grew up, with her five siblings, in Flushing, NY. Natacha went to school at the Lycée Français in New York City. She spent many summers in France with her family where she was able to indulge her love of horses daily, almost to the exclusion of all else. She loved horses from early childhood, and that love dominated her life until the very end.



Natacha went to NYU with the intention of studying for a degree in veterinary medicine but switched majors and received a BA in French. She continued her love for horses in her late teens by taking riding lessons from professionals at Waterfall Farm in Danbury, Connecticut. When Paul Okolowicz moved Waterfall Farm to North Mabbettsville Road in the Millbrook Hunt Country, Natacha followed him there, eventually becoming employed as groom and riding instructor.

When Waterfall Farm ceased operations after many years, Natacha's reputation as a reliable and caring horsewoman was such that she had many offers to work in other Millbrook barns. She worked for Dr. David

Hammond's veterinary practice as a foal watcher as a supplement to her barn duties at the various stables in the area.

Natacha also gave her love to the beagles and bassets of the Sandanona Harehounds. She lived for many of her last years at the Thorndale kennels, feeding and looking after the fifty hounds that lived there two. She was quick to adopt old beagles from the pack, giving them a homeplace for the remainder of their days.

When not caring for horses and hounds, Natacha could be found immersed in the stories of fiction and fact that tantalized her curious mind. She was an avid reader and friends knew that a gift card at the local Merritt Book Shop was always welcome.

For the last decade of her life, Natacha was plagued with severe heart ailments and other health problems. She persevered with good humor and courage until her body could no longer keep her soul and spirit within. Natacha died in Vassar Hospital, with her siblings beside her, on Saturday, February 21, 2026.

A private burial service for the family was held at St. Peter's Cemetery, Lithgow, Millbrook, NY, on Tuesday June 24th, 2026.

Donald Harry Duncan

MILLERTON — Donald Harry Duncan, 78, a lifelong area resident died peacefully on Tuesday, June 16, 2026 at his home in Millerton, NY, surrounded by his loving family. Beloved husband of Sharon E. (Drake) Duncan and loving father of Bruce, Alex and Steven Duncan, adored grandfather of Sydney, Chelsea, Bailey, Gabriel, Ariana, Braeden and Tony and caring brother of Patricia Flood and James Duncan.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday July 1, 2026 from 11am to 12pm at South Amenia Presbyterian Church, 229 South Amenia Road, Wassaic, NY 12592. A funeral

service will begin at 12pm at South Amenia Presbyterian Church. Reverend Zora Cheatham will officiate. A communal reception in Don's honor will be held immediately following the service in the fellowship hall next door to the church. Burial at Irondale Cemetery will take place in the future. To send an online condolence to the family, flowers to the service or to plant a tree in Don's memory, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com Arrangements have been entrusted to Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546.

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OUR TOWNS

Kent monument move awaits further detail

By Alec Linden

KENT — For a second time, the Board of Selectmen tabled a proposal to move the Kent Veterans Monument from its current position next to the Swift House to Town Hall during a June 16 meeting, citing a need for more information.

Marty Lindenmayer, former first selectman and a member of the Kent Veterans Memorial Advisory Committee, outlined the plans to the BOS, explaining that the move is intended to place the commemorative plaza in what he described as a more convenient and serene location.

"Every event, every celebration and every recognition we do there is interrupted with Route 341 traffic," he said, noting that tree growth and a lack of parking have also caused issues.

Currently located just east of the historic Swift House building on Route 341, the proposal would

reposition the monument to a grassy area between the western facade of Town Hall and Kent Green Boulevard. The plan was approved by the Veterans Memorial Advisory Committee on May 15, but must receive the selectmen's endorsement before it can move forward.

The monument was installed at its current site in 2009, and contains five plaques honoring soldiers who served in World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, as well as additional military operations in Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, Operation Desert Storm and the broader Gulf War era. Lindenmayer said that it was the only option presented to the Committee at that point and that the time has come to re-home the monument in a location "more available to the townspeople and more presentable than where it is now."

In an initial letter to the BOS on May 22, Lindenmayer noted that moving the monument would also disentangle it from

the Swift House, which faces an uncertain future as a municipally-owned property.

The selectmen's reactions to the proposal have been lukewarm. First Selectman Eric Epstein noted at both the June 16 meeting and a May 28 special meeting that residents had reached out with several concerns, including a lack of public input on the plans.

Selectman Lynn Worthington put her thoughts more bluntly: "I fear that it is just a few people that are against the Swift House and are using this as another opportunity to have another reason why we shouldn't have the Swift House," she said during the May 28 meeting.

"The reasons that they're giving for moving it just don't make a lot of sense to me," she added, noting her skepticism that the Town Hall location would draw more pedestrians than on "one of the two major roads of our town." Worthington

also advocated for a public forum on the issue.

At the June 16 meeting, Epstein asked Lindenmayer to return with elevation and layout drawings for the proposed site before the Board could issue any decision.

Lindenmayer reported that the project price was estimated between \$7,500 and \$8,000 dollars with some volunteer prep work on the site, and that the Veterans Memorial Committee and American Legion Post were fundraising to offset costs.

He said a new monument for 44 veterans of the Revolutionary War from town, confirmed by both the Historical Society and Daughters of the American Revolution, had already been commissioned by the Legion, and is intended to be ready for viewing in time for July 4 celebrations. Ultimately, it is intended to join the five other plaques at the Veterans Monument.

"In conjunction with the 250th, I think it's a great way to go forward," he said.

Jeremiah Joseph Larsen

HARWINTON — Jeremiah Joseph Larsen, 44, of 274 Litchfield Rd. died Sunday June 14, 2026 at the Yale New Haven Health Center in New Haven. Jeremiah was born May 9, 1982 in Bristol, CT. He was the son of Jeffrey L. and Ruth M. (Wilkinson) Larsen of Harwinton, CT

Jeremiah graduated from Lewis Mills High School in Burlington. He worked for several local landscapers in the Northwest Corner including Leno's Lawn Service, Green Acres Landscaping and most recently Paul Kaminski Landscape Management in Harwinton. Jeremiah was an avid hunter and fisherman. He loved spending time with his two sons, Hayden and Finn Larsen, of East Canaan, CT and extended family. He and his ex-wife Jessica Stratman continued to work closely to

provide the best for Hayden and Finn. Jeremiah also was known for his love of cutting grass.

In addition to his parents and sons Jeremiah is survived by his brother Zachariah W. Larsen and his fiancée, Marcie Perswald both of Bristol, CT and Zachariah's daughter Skyla Larsen of Norfolk, CT along with numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday June 25, 2026 from 11:00 am until 12:30 pm in the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home 118 Main St. North Canaan, CT 06018. We will then process to Hillside Cemetery in East Canaan, CT for a graveside service 1:00 PM. Memorial donation may be sent to Hayden and Finn Fund 274 Litchfield Rd. Harwinton, CT 06791.

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LET'S HEAR IT...



THIS WEEK

Summer is here, bringing long days, local events, gardens, lake time, family visits and, for some, a chance to slow down.

What are you looking forward to this summer? Is there a place you plan to visit, a restaurant you want to try, a show or concert you hope to see, a trail you want to explore or a summer tradition you never miss?

Send your responses to social@lakevillejournal.com by Monday, June 29 at 10 a.m. or comment on Facebook or Instagram. We'll publish a selection in next week's paper.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Should communities hold on to fireworks, embrace drone shows or find room for both?

"Ask the dogs ..."

— Heron Hill

"This is a tough question. Drone shows are much more expensive and mostly unaffordable to small towns who have yearly traditions of fireworks. However, fireworks really aren't good for multiple reasons, including the environment, wildlife and our Veterans. Wish there was a happy-medium like a silent firework!"

— Jessie Lawrence, Canaan

"Perhaps instead of each individual town igniting fireworks we could combine resources for a regional drone show. It's way past time we should take climate action & consider air quality & effects on animals & humans with PTSD."

— Lisa Palmer

"Prefer drone shows. Safer and quieter.

Drought conditions, wildlife, vets and first responders with PTS and anxious pets."

— Chloe Keyzn



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to community and volunteers for Fix-it

The organizers of the second annual Salisbury Fix-it Pop-Up would like to thank the community and the volunteers for making this year's event a wonderful community building event. On May 23, over seventy people attended with over 100 items in need of repair. Our skilled volunteers - Paul Bascik, Rob Buccino, Arthur Fort,

Angela Lomanto, Shepherd Myers, Pastor John Nelson, Karin Noyes, Bob Palmer, Pat Palmer, Barbara Reeves and Steven Wolf - worked diligently to repair as many items as possible. A shout out to Karen Vrotsos for promotional emails and scheduling through the library and Sarah Curtis for assisting with registrations. Thank you to

Barbara Bettigole and the Salisbury/Sharon Transfer Station for supporting the signage around town. Thank you to the Congregational Church of Salisbury for the use of the parish hall. Thank you to the Lakeville Journal for putting our event in your events calendar and for printing Patrick Sullivan's photo and article that

appeared in the May 28 issue of The Lakeville Journal.

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Does declining immigration mean growing employment?

The immigration policies of the Trump administration may have some unexpected consequences in an era when Baby Boomers are leaving the workforce. Couple that with the AI boom, and we may be in for decades of lower productivity and a declining workforce.

Illegal immigration has already fallen by over 80% since Trump took office, while legal asylum seekers entering the U.S. has dropped by 99.9%, according to the Cato Institute. The reduction in legal immigrant entry have also been effective and are 2.5 times lower than illegal entries.

Last week the Republican House passed an additional \$70 billion in spending for an immigration crackdown bill. They passed their bill by 2 votes. Now the legislation moved on to the Senate. The money will fund immigration enforcement. Clearly, the war on immigration continues.

In retrospect, today's anti-immigration policies collides with one of the enduring American myths; that of the 'melting pot.' It was a cornerstone of American identity for decades. Without immigrants, so the story goes, there would be no United States. In one sense that is true, since the only inhabitants of North America in the time of the colonies were native Americans.

Although America's population makes up about 4% of the world's total, it accounts for 17% of all international migrants. As of 2023, more than 47.8 million immigrants lived in the U.S. That was the largest absolute number in the nation's history. This foreign-born population accounted for 14.3% of the total population, almost as high as its 1890 peak of 14.8%. Historically, when immigration numbers have reached this level, there has been a backlash in attitudes towards immigrants.

THE RETIRED INVESTOR BILL SCHMICK

In past columns, I have delved into America's love/hate relationship with immigrants. As early as 1751, Benjamin Franklin worried about the number of Germans "swarming" into the colony of Pennsylvania. Suffice it to say that in the most recent presidential election, the majority of voters approved of Donald Trump's anti-immigration rhetoric.

One result of these efforts has been a steep decline in U.S. population growth. One of the steepest in many years. Why does that matter? For one thing, lower population growth equates to a smaller workforce over time. The Congressional Budget Office had projected that higher-than-expected immigration levels between 2024 and 2034 would have increased U.S. GDP by an estimated \$7 to \$8.9 trillion.

Their analysis, along with that of many economists, argues that immigration was vital to economic growth. It does so by expanding the labor force and boosting consumer demand. Today, as the number of new immigrants decline precipitously that rosy view of economic growth and productivity is no longer a sure thing.

The analysts at the Federal Reserve Bank closely monitor employment, since full employment is one of its most important objectives. This year, they found that the monthly job gains required to keep unemployment steady (the breakeven

rate) have now dwindled to near zero. Few economists expected to see the results of this drop off crop up so soon in the monthly employment figures. The immigration slowdown seems to be having an outsized impact on labor force growth.

Normally, a decline in job growth would signal an economic slowdown, but not this time. Employment growth has been anemic, and yet GDP growth has forged ahead. The combination of lower immigration, retiring Baby Boomers, and the advent of labor-saving AI is impacting job growth but not GDP growth, or at least not yet.

As for the labor market overall and its impact on the economy, both the retiring Baby Boomer workforce and declining immigration do not bode well for productivity growth. There is a hope that artificial intelligence will reverse the hit to productivity, but others argue that it will only do so at the expense of labor.

In my next column, I will expand on the benefits of immigration and exactly how the lack of it can hurt U.S. productivity.

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America's 250th anniversary

I have a small but real connection to America's 250th birthday.

My six-times-removed great-grandfather, Elijah Joyce (1752-1804, b. Charlotte County, Virginia, d. Guilford County, North Carolina) fought the British as a Private in the Guilford County North Carolina Militia under Captain Alexander Hunter. He was at the Battle at Moore's Creek Bridge, February 27, 1776, the first of the Revolutionary War in North Carolina. I do not know how much combat action he saw there. This brief but important battle effectively ended Royal rule in North Carolina ("First in Freedom" is the slogan on NC license plates). Elijah's Continental Army pension stubs are in the State Archives in Raleigh.

I don't take inordinate personal pride in this knowledge, but it is interesting. I can't really know how Elijah viewed his service. It may be unfair to judge an ancestor's actions through our knowledge of subsequent history. I suspect he knew Patrick Henry, as they were neighboring landowners in Virginia. I imagine Elijah scorned the British, given the bad treatment they had given his ancestors in the lowlands of Scotland and later in Ireland. Perhaps he wanted 'the English' just to get out of his immigrant father's new home land. Elijah did not die in the fight for Independence, but probably of natural causes years later. He is likely buried somewhere on the land his father purchased along the Mayo River in North Carolina, but the exact location of his grave is not known. I do not know if he was wounded in battle. I will note and remember the man named Crispus Attucks (of both African and Wampanoag descent), the first person killed in confrontation at the Boston Massacre, and many Patriots after.

Branches of my family tree in America reach back to the 1640s in Virginia. Some people would call me a 'Heritage American,' a term I have no use for. There were already

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people from West Africa in the same colony who had arrived as early as 1619, in chains. And of course, there were the Powhatan, who had lived on that same land for perhaps 12,000 years.

Part of Elijah's military service under Captain Hunter, perhaps the major part, involved attacks on the Cherokee (Tsalagi) people of western North Carolina. In response to colonist uprisings the British encouraged Native tribes to attack white settlements in western North Carolina, and then abandoned the tribes. Patriot militia retaliated against the tribes in the summer of 1776. In the 18th century, the Tsalagi Nation was huge, stretching across what is now western North Caro-

lina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia. The Tsalagi were a highly developed society with a complex knowledge of their own history, language (Kituwah), and spiritual practice. The near complete extermination of this civilization by European settlers was a crime against humanity, a stain on our culture. Much as we might wish, we cannot change that history, but we should not forget it happened.

Now, here we are, Americans. Descendants of the Tsalagi, Mohican, Bantu, Igbo, Ashanti, Scots, Irish, Jews, Maya, Spanish, French Huguenots, Filipinos, Vietnamese. And many more.

The battle for independence we still must fight is the one against any notion that we not one people. Now, perhaps more than ever before in our history we need to act in solidarity.

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Viewpoint

The greatest game ever played?

This year's NBA Finals, in which the New York Knicks beat the San Antonio Spurs to end a 53-year championship drought, was tense and tight throughout. Game Four, in which the Knicks overcame a 29-point second-half deficit to win 107-106, is universally acknowledged to be the masterpiece of the series. But it was more than that: it was the greatest game ever played in the history of American team sports.

That's a bold statement, for sure. But I don't believe I'm suffering from recency bias. Nor am I saying this because I'm a 66-year-old lifelong Knicks fan who was wrapping up junior high school when they last won the title. Hear me out:

A truly great game requires the coming together of several elements. First, the stakes must be high, which eliminates games played during the regular season no matter how extraordinary they are. Playoff games are a must, preferably in the championship round.

Second, the drama must be of the highest order, which usually involves overcoming seemingly insurmountable odds in the form of a massive comeback. High drama certainly can come in other forms, such as Don Larsen's perfect game in the 1956 World Series or Wilt Chamberlain's 100-point game in 1962, but those are superlative individual achievements. What most sports fans consider a great game usually involves a thrilling team comeback.

Third, a great game should have an iconic, signature play, such as Bobby Thomson's bottom-of-the-ninth home run to beat the Dodgers and advance to the 1951 World Series, or LeBron James's full-court rundown to block Andre Iguodala's layup to win the 2016 NBA Finals.

Game Four had it all. The stakes were massive. A Knicks win would put them up 3-1 in the series and in the catbird seat, given that only one team had ever come back from a 3-1 deficit to win the Finals. A Spurs win would, after their Game Three win, even the series at 2-2 and return the momentum and home-court advantage to them. To be sure, it was not an elimination game for either team. But it was critically important.

The comeback was insane. The Knicks were getting demolished. The Spurs were unstoppable. They made fourteen threes in the first half, a Finals record for any half. They led 76-49 at the half, the most first-half points ever scored by a road team in a Finals game. They led by 29 at the 9:40 mark of the third quarter. During the entire 2025-26 regular season and playoffs, no team had overcome a 29-point deficit, at any point in the game. At that point, the Knicks had a 0.4% shot at winning.

And then it happened, slowly at first, with the Knicks chipping away — hitting singles, as Jalen Brunson said after the game. By 9:33 of the fourth quarter they had cut nine points off the lead — but they were still down by 20, and still had only a 0.4% chance to win. In the last thirty years of playoff basketball, teams other than the Knicks were 3-751 when

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down by 20 or more in the fourth quarter.

In the next nine minutes the Knicks erased all but a point off the lead. And with two seconds remaining, OG Anunoby capped it all off with the greatest single play in Knicks history. In an astonishing display of athleticism and grace under pressure, OG swooped in from beyond the three-point line, soared over two Spurs defenders, and tipped in Jalen Brunson's missed three-pointer for the win. The degree of difficulty was off the charts.

In that moment millions of hyperventilating Knicks fans lost their minds.

The Tip, as the play will forever be known, was, in Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's eloquent words, "as beautiful an encapsulation of the majesty of sports as anything you're ever likely to see. The seemingly impossible happened."

The Tip completed the greatest comeback in NBA Finals history and the second greatest comeback in NBA playoff history (after the Clip-

pers' 31-point third-quarter comeback in the first round of the 2019 playoffs).

So there you have it: super-high stakes, an unprecedented comeback, and the most unforgettable of game-winning plays. Can any other game match that?

I don't think so. Let's look at some of the usual contenders.

The 1951 Giants game ending with Bobby Thomson's home run — "the shot heard round the world" — was perhaps the most famous baseball game ever played. But that was not a World Series game (it was a playoff game to decide the National League championship), he hit it with one out, not two, and it helped the Giants overcome a three-run ninth-inning deficit — impressive but not in the same league as surmounting a 29-point disadvantage. What's more, it was a pop fly that traveled just 315 feet — dramatic for sure, but not comparable to the stunning magnificence of OG's play.

Tom Brady's Patriots overcame a second-half 28-3 deficit to win the 2017 Super Bowl: the greatest comeback ever to win the championship. But it lacked an iconic last second, score-flipping, game-winning moment.

The helmet catch — David Tyree's unbelievable grab of Eli Manning's desperation pass to sustain the drive that allowed the New York Giants to beat the hitherto-undefeated Patriots in the 2008 Super Bowl — was amazing, but that game involved nothing like the Knicks' comeback.

Game Six of the 1986 World Series is also a good contender, since it was an

elimination game for the Mets and they came back in the bottom of the tenth with two outs, no one on base and losing 5-3. But they won that game on a wild pitch and the famous Bill Buckner error, and it's hard to say that a game ending on miscues should be considered the greatest game ever.

Sports fans are a disputatious lot, and I'm certain good arguments can and will

be put forth for other worthy contenders that I haven't even mentioned. But right now nothing else comes to mind. So I'm just going to say it (again): the greatest game ever played in the history of American team sports took place in New York City at Madison Square Garden, the Mecca of hoops, on June 10, 2026.

James Speyer lives in Sharon. He is very happy.



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The days are in bloom

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

125 years ago — June 1901

LIME ROCK — A building burned down here Tuesday afternoon that was built when Lime Rock was young. It was the old structure standing near the north end of the wheel foundry. Years ago it was used as a dwelling, but of late it has served as a store house. A spark from the foundry ignited it on the roof. A large crowd gathered and the new fire hose was brought out for the first time. James McCusker played an inch stream upon the flames and pretty much everything else in the vicinity, including himself, for an hour. The old time buildings with oak frames do not burn as rapidly as the modern balloon and this fire was kept under control from the start.

With the approach of the Fourth comes the danger of frightening nervous horses. It is all right for the boys to burn their powder on that day of days but they should not get premature and set off their fire crackers in the streets, before hand. On the Fourth horsemen are on the lookout for such things but at present they are not expected and a little patience and forbearance may prevent serious runaways. Any right minded person will not indulge in premature celebrating and all others should be made to refrain from it.

The Twin Lakes depot was burned to the ground on Tuesday morning between 11 and 12 o'clock. It is thought a spark from a locomotive started the blaze.

We understand that Judge Jerome and Dr. G.L. Hurd expect their automobiles here in the near future. Judge Jerome's machine is operated by steam and Dr. Hurd's by the gas explosive system.

Charles Molesphini of New York has been spending a short time in this village with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Molesphini.

He is in this section to rest and recuperate, his health having been impaired by overwork in the capacity of court reporter for the Associated Press.

100 years ago — June 1926

Henry Ford has again reduced the price of his flivvers, and thus increased the hazard to life and limb just that much more. Outside of that fact this is "rattling" good news.

Frank C. Bartle is building a new barn at his place on Bostwick Hill.

No, dear reader, there is no truth in the statement that the new bathing suits will be made of fig leaves. At least not yet awhile — possibly later on.

LIME ROCK — Mr. Salem is having a well drilled on his place.

Fireworks of all kinds are on sale at the home of George Parsons. Telephone orders taken care of.

50 years ago — June 1976

Ralph Ingersoll Scoville of Cornwall was pacing methodically toward the awards table, one of 160 Housatonic Valley Regional High School graduates receiving diplomas during last Thursday's commencement exercises. The student in front of him accepted a diploma. Then the organist played a fanfare. "Ladies and gentlemen," intoned Principal Edward M. Kirby over the public address system, "...with distinction, the 4000th graduate of Housatonic Valley Regional High School, Ralph Ingersoll Scoville." HVRHS board chairman Adela Eads then handed the surprised Mr. Scoville his diploma while the crowd of 1,000 applauded.

According to the Connecticut Extension Service, the canning lid crisis of 1975 will not be repeated this year. But two Tri-State area busi-

nesses asked this week had no lids to sell, and no assurances of receiving any in the near future. Out of the other six businesses questioned, four said they had plenty of lids available, and two said they had some, but were rationing them.

SALISBURY — A set of silhouettes of an old-time Salisbury family, discovered by chance in a 1904 Connecticut magazine, may be seen in one of the houses featured on the coming weekend's tour of historic homes and sites. The Camp-Ball house on Under Mountain Road now belongs to George Gillette, who believes it to be the oldest home in the town. The silhouettes are of Thomas Ball and his wife, Lois Camp Ball, and their six children, Maria, Robert, Sally, Emily, Caroline and James. Mrs. Ball was the daughter of Deacon Hezekiah Camp, who had built the house in 1746 and members of the Ball family occupied the home for more than 100 years. Robert Ball increased the holdings from 500 to nearly 900 acres, including the Lee farm across the road. The property was inherited by Robert's daughters, with the Camp-Ball land going to Edith (Mrs. George Clark) and the Lee farm to Mary (Mrs. Donald Warner).

The Canaan Fire Company proudly displayed its spacious new quarters Sunday afternoon as it invited the public to inspect the new firehouse at the intersection of routes 44 and 7.

FALLS VILLAGE — Two men hired to perambulate the borders of Falls Village completed their long walk over three days last weekend, locating all but two of the town's boundary markers. Howard Reed, a teacher at Lee H. Kellogg School, said he and fellow teacher David Parmelee traversed the distance on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, locating 14 of the markers. Reed said that the

search took them through wooded areas and over ledges. Many of the markers were only piles of stone, many hidden by overgrowth. The men failed to find the markers at the Canaan, Falls Village and Norfolk corners and the Cornwall, Norfolk and Falls Village intersection. These markers may be hidden by bushes and the locations may have to be visited again.

NORFOLK — Mary Welz of Norfolk joined other Democratic Town Committee chairmen from the 8th Senatorial District and members of the State Central Committee Wednesday for a luncheon at the Governor's residence as guests of Gov. Ella T. Grasso.

Joseph Hamzy and Ted Daalhuizen helped members of the Geer staff take three residents on a fishing trip recently. The fish were caught at Camp Freedman in Falls Village and cooked at the Salisbury Town Grove.


25 years ago — June 2001

SHARON — Patricia

Chamberlain has kept a tissue box nearby during her last week as Sharon Center School principal. An open house was held Sunday afternoon in the school cafeteria for those wishing to say goodbye and offer congratulations to the 12-year principal, who will assume the duties of Region 1 assistant superintendent July 2.


FALLS VILLAGE — When the Housatonic Valley Regional boys' tennis team takes the court for the start of the 2002 season, it will do so without the leadership of the man who has guided the program from the first day of its existence. Russ Coward of Salisbury, known as "Doc" to students and players, has stepped down from the head coaching position of the Mountaineers netmen after guiding the squad since its initial season of competition in 1989.

These items were taken from The Lakeville Journal archives at Salisbury's Scoville Memorial Library, keeping the original wording intact as possible.



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Denise Manning Keyes Page presents *Legacy of a Wealthy Slave* in Falls Village June 20.

Storyteller shares ‘Legacy of a Wealthy Slave’ at Center on Main

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE – Connecticut storyteller Denise Manning Keyes Page spoke at the Center on Main on Saturday, June 20, engaging an audience with the first two parts of her trilogy, “Legacy of a Wealthy Slave,” which traces her journey to learn about her ancestors and family history.

Page described herself as a storyteller, which she said is different from writing a memoir or delivering a lecture. Storytelling is performance, she said, and brings information to life.

In that spirit, she opened with the first installment of her trilogy, *Midnight Mariah*, assuming the voice of her late mother, Dorothy, and transporting the audience to a small, dark room in 1927.

As a young girl, Dorothy lay awake, frightened. Her mother – Page’s grandmother – was battling breast cancer, and Dorothy listened for the sound of her breathing, just to know she was still alive.

Then a train that regularly passed through at night, known to Dorothy as “Midnight Mariah,” approached.

The beds began to rock and sway, a big bright light filled the dark room, and

the train’s horn pierced the darkness.

“Mommy, did you hear her?” she asked.

“Yes, Dorothy,” her mother replied weakly. “Now you must get some sleep.”

The story served as more than a childhood memory of her mother’s. It also illustrated how little Dorothy knew about earlier generations of her family, in particular her great-great grandfather, Alfred C. Manning, who had been enslaved in North Carolina and worked as a ship carpenter before the Civil War.

According to Page, Manning eventually purchased his freedom and moved to New Haven, where she said he secured a patent for a device used to dock ships. His invention was successful, and he sent two of his sons to Yale University.

Page said she spent decades asking her mother for stories about the family. It was only at the end of Dorothy’s life that she mentioned an uncle and an aunt.

Page recalled that in 2002, she was seized by a sudden urge to go visit her mother and try once again to glean information about her ancestors.

Page attributed this urge

to what she called “the Divine Whisperer.”

During that visit, Dorothy mentioned “my father’s brother and sister.”

“All my life she told me her father was an only child,” Page said.

She theorized that Dorothy had suffered a childhood trauma that led to memory loss or suppressing part of the family’s history.

The second part of the performance, *The Archivist’s Gift*, begins in 2024 when Charles “Chaz” Warner Jr. of Yale contacted Page with information about the Manning family in Edenton, North Carolina.

At long last, she said, pieces of the puzzle began to fall into place.

Research revealed that there were three Mannings at Yale: John Wesley Manning, Class of 1881; Henry Edward Manning, Class of 1880; and William Edwin Manning, Class of 1915.

The story is not complete, Page said, leaving audience members wanting to learn more. Part three about Alfred Manning is still in progress.

But Page’s theme is consistent. “It’s not about the longing to be free of trauma,” she said. “It’s about the longing to be free to be.”

Cornwall Consolidated School graduates praised for shining light on local history

CORNWALL – The sun set on both the eighth grade graduation ceremony and the Class of 2026’s time at Cornwall Consolidated School on Tuesday, June 16, with a lineup of speeches, awards and a celebratory pizza truck.

Wearing blue graduation gowns and caps adorned with gems, drawings and personal flair, the class of eight received both individual and group accolades from school leaders and community members.

CCS principal Leanne Maguire reflected on her three years with the class, saying she had watched the students grow from sixth graders into confident young adults. She said the school’s theme, “Out of this World,” was about more than just academic success or awards – though many were distributed during the ceremony.

“A school’s culture doesn’t become ‘out of this world’ just because of data points or awards on the wall,” Ma-



PHOTOS BY ALY MORRISSEY

Eighth-grade graduates at Cornwall Consolidated School toss their caps into the air June 16.

guire said. “It happens because of the people who set the gravity.”

Calling the graduates leaders and role models, she said, “You have been the gravitational pull of our school this year. You didn’t just hold a title. You built genuine, connected relationships and showed our younger students what kindness, inclusion and true leadership look like in action.”

The students’ Troutbeck Symposium project was highlighted by several speakers, who praised their work researching Naomi Kane Freeman.

“You unearthed history and brought profound recognition to our town,” Maguire said, referencing the section of Great Hollow Road that was given the honorary des-

ignation of Naomi Freeman Historic Road in recognition of the woman believed to be the first Black landowner in Cornwall. She purchased an acre of land in 1828, according to the Cornwall Historical Society. Student work also led to the placement of a headstone for Freeman at Calhoun Cemetery.

Student speakers were Halley Villa-Arip and Izabella Francesca Coppola, while Tom Brown, Class of 1970, was the guest speaker and delivered humorous and poignant remarks.

The graduates were Claire O. Barbosa, Willow B. Berry, Skylar Corinne Brown, Izabella Francesca Coppola, Vivienne Laurie DiRocca, Willa Elizabeth Lesch, Franco Aburto Nenen, and Halley Villa-Arpi.



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Our Towns

Two students, one lasting legacy at Lee H. Kellogg School

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE – With just two graduating eighth graders – Sophia Lynn Dudley and Edith Louise Losh – the Lee H. Kellogg Class of 2026 was small in number but left a lasting impression on the school, a sentiment that echoed throughout the graduation ceremony Tuesday, June 16.

Principal Andrew Deacon said when he took over in the middle of the academic year, he turned to the two students for advice.

“I could not have asked for two better leaders,” he said. “Instead of guiding them, they guided me. Their leadership, heart and unique spirit filled the building.”

The students also reflected on their time at Lee H. Kellogg school.

Dudley said that while her time at the school is ending, she will carry her experience with her.

“I will never have to say goodbye to my memories,” she said.



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN
Edith Louise Losh (left) and Sophia Lynn Dudley take home awards, diplomas June 16.

She recalled how her friendship with classmate Losh grew over the years, even when the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted their second grade year with remote learning.

“It was a difficult change for our teachers and our friends but we made it through,” she said.

Her final piece of advice

for younger students was to “slow down, look around, appreciate what life has to offer.”

Losh said she also cherishes the memories and the stories that go with them, and looks forward to her next academic adventure.

“I feel ready to make more memories into stories in high school,” she said. “You all have a chapter in my book.”

Both students received the Peter G. Lawson Citizenship Award. First Selectman David Barger praised the pair for their “dedication to the community in quiet and insightful ways.”

English teacher Christine Dascanio praised the students’ selfless spirits and relayed a joke about the pair.

“We can’t be a sandwich because there’s nothing between us!”

Dudley won the Superintendent’s Award, Losh won the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education Leadership Award, and they both won the Presidential Award of Educational Excellence.



PHOTO BY ALY MORRISSEY

Kent Center School eighth grader Lyra Wilder receives her diploma with a smile on June 16.

Kent Center School eighth graders prepare for next chapter

By Aly Morrissey

KENT – The rain stopped and the skies cleared just in time for Kent Center School’s eighth grade graduation ceremony, shining light on the Class of 2026 as they marked a major milestone and said goodbye to their middle school years.

Following the ceremony, families and friends enjoyed cookies and refresh-

ments while reflecting on the occasion on the school playground.

Twenty-three graduates took part in the ceremony, which opened with remarks from students Olivia Cabrera and Seamus Dietrich, followed by a welcome from Principal Michelle Mott.

Graduation essayist Nicholas Love shared an original reflection on his time at the school.

“KCS has been more than just a school,” Love said. “It is where friendships were formed and memories were created.”

Alumna Reegan Blore returned to KCS to deliver guest remarks before Principal Mott and members of the Kent Board of Education presented diplomas to the graduates.

Earlier in the day, students received awards in 22 different categories.



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North Canaan Elementary School graduates shoot confetti into the air June 15.

North Canaan grads celebrate next step

By Aly Morrissey

NORTH CANAAN – Twenty-seven students graduated from North Canaan Elementary School during a ceremony held in front of the school Monday, June 15. Several students received academic awards in subjects

including English language arts (ELA), math and science.

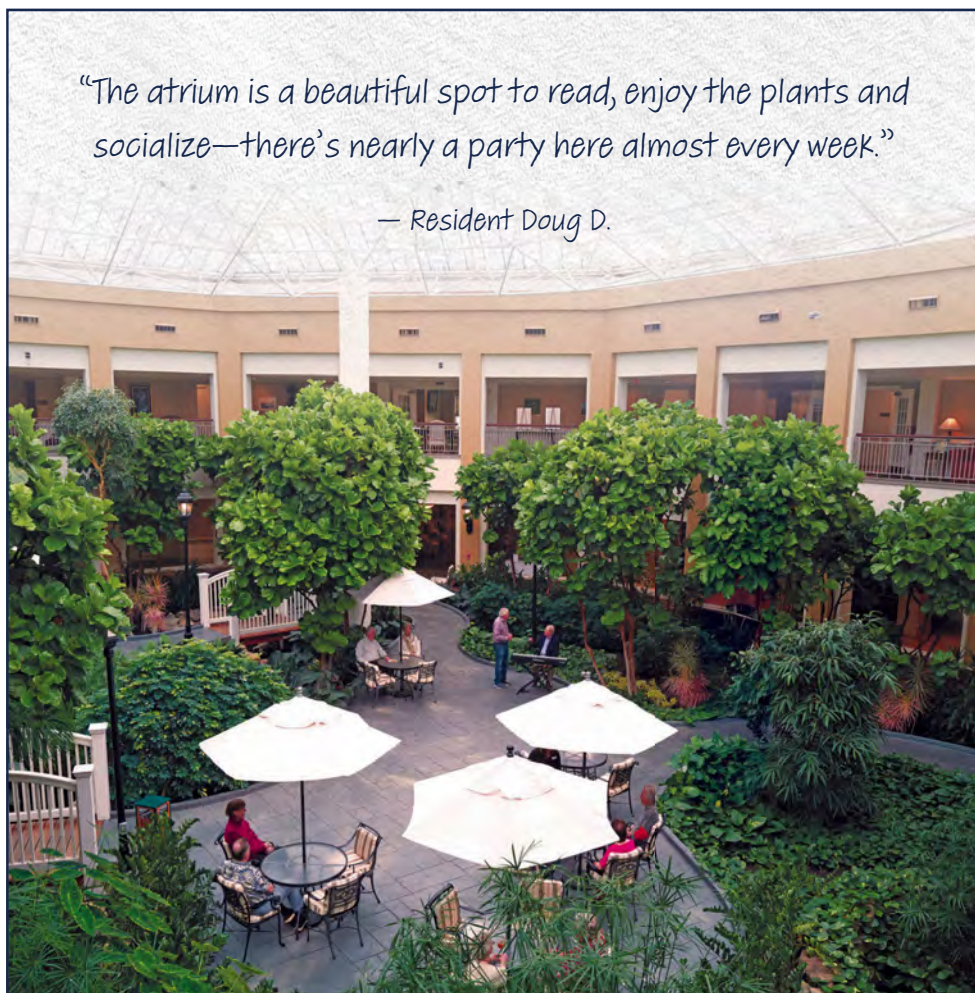
A highlight of the ceremony was a collaborative “Where I’m From” presentation. Inspired by the poem by George Ella Lyon, each graduate wrote a personal reflection about the people, places, memories and experi-

ences that shaped them.

The individual pieces were woven together into a single work celebrating both their shared community and unique identities. The ceremony concluded with the class singing “Landslide,” accompanied on guitar by Taylor Gulotta and Mr. Reed.

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Salisbury Central School graduates urged to 'enjoy the process'

By Patrick L. Sullivan

LAKEVILLE – The 38 members of the Class of 2026 marked the end of their time at Salisbury Central School with an outdoor graduation ceremony at the school Thursday, June 18. While rain briefly threatened the event midway through, the shower quickly passed and the ceremony continued.

Following a land acknowledgment recognizing Indigenous peoples as the original stewards of the land and the Pledge of Allegiance, three students delivered remarks reflecting on the lessons they learned at SCS and the support they found there.

Eighth grader Brook Kain said that fitting in and belonging are not the same.

“Salisbury Central doesn't ask you to change



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Alumna Darcy Boynton delivers special remarks during the Salisbury Central School graduation June 18.

who you are,” she said. “I thought I would never find real friends, but I realized it was because I was hiding who I really was. Here, my differences were accepted.”

Evelyn Hall spoke about being persuaded to audition for the seventh grade play, something she initially thought was a mistake.

“As we progressed I slowly began to enjoy the process,” she said, noting that it became one of her favorite experiences at SCS.

“If we assume the outcome, we close off what is possible,” she said.

Sarina Lemmy said during her time at Salisbury Central taught her that “challenges are not obstacles, but stepping stones.”

SCS alumna and parent Darcy Boynton, who has directed the school musical for the last five years, served as the keynote speaker.

She told the graduates, “The pace of life is about to pick up. Your life, for the next decade and beyond, will be so exciting and full of growth. But there may be

moments when what lies before you begins to look like a long line of goals, stretching to the horizon, so many checkboxes to mark off.”

Boynton said that goals and achievements keep people motivated and on track, but urged students to appreciate the process.

“I firmly believe that the people who are the most successful, in any endeavor, are process-oriented. We want to win our games, yes. Of course we do. We want to get the good grades, the prizes, the praise. There's nothing wrong with that. But those moments are ephemeral, fleeting. The process is where we spend most of our time, where we grow.”



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The three graduates of Sharon Center School's class of 2026 are from left: Nathan MacMillan, Gunnar Begley and Layne Beman.

Three students, one memorable send-off at Sharon Center School

By Ruth Epstein

SHARON – A cheering audience gave Sharon Center School's three graduates – Gunnar Begley, Layne Beman and Nathan MacMillan – a warm send-off Wednesday evening during the 2026 eighth grade graduation ceremony.

While many awards were presented during the ceremony, school officials acknowledged they had a difficult time choosing among the trio, resulting in several honors being awarded to all three students.

In her speech, Principal Carol Tomkalski recognized the small size of the class. While many middle schools recognize larger graduating classes, she said Sharon Center School's class size gave educators, friends and families an opportunity to celebrate something more personal.

“Three students, three unique personalities and three different journeys,” she said, comparing the graduates to their favorite game of chess.

She noted that chess players begin with the same pieces, the same opportunities and the same starting position, yet no two games are the same – just as in life. Challenges along the way, she said, foster growth and build character.

“Another lesson chess teaches is that every move matters,” Tomkalski said. “Not because every move is perfect, but because every move creates possibilities. You don't need to know ex-

actly who you will become, you simply need to focus on making the right move now.”

She also honored the students' initiative to build handmade chess tables as their legacy gift to the school, one that will inspire friendly competition among chess enthusiasts for years to come.

“Future students will gather, compete, laugh, connect and build community because of the gift you chose to leave behind,” she said. “That is what a legacy is. Not simply something you leave. But something that continues to make a difference after you're gone.”

Each graduate spoke briefly about the impact Sharon Center School made on their lives, citing lessons in confidence, treating others with kindness and the memories that will forever be etched in their minds.

All three students received the President's Award for Academic Achievement, the American Citizenship Award, the Sharon Center Award, the American Legion Award and the Sharon Woman's Club Arts & Crafts Award.

The Ted Christinat Science Award went to MacMillan, the Jack “Compo” Composi Award to Begley, the Lucia M. Gulino Art Award to Beman and the Barbara Yohe Math Award to MacMillan.

Leonardo Cajilima, a 2022 graduate of the school and the recipient of the Sharon Center School Cup Award, presented this year's award to MacMillan.



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Graduate Evelyn Hall reflects on her time at Salisbury Central School during a commencement speech June 18.

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become delinquent on Tuesday, August 4, 2026. As soon as the tax becomes delinquent, it shall be subject to interest at the rate of 1.5% per month from July 1, 2026 until the same is paid.

Bills may be viewed and paid online by going to the Tax Collector's page on the Town of Kent website at www.townofkentct.gov. The Tax Collector's office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

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GRADUATION

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Graney's signature traits are determination and selflessness," she said.

She thanked Housatonic and Falls Village communities for the immeasurable impact they've had on her family's life. She also expressed deep gratitude to all her friends "who gave me the joy of laughter and unforgettable memories that brought light into the darkest time in my life."

Graney, fighting back tears, said of the Housatonic community, "This small yet mighty place has allowed me to be vulnerable with you all, stand on this stage and share something that, for months, I refused to acknowledge or talk about. This community has made me confident in my ability to ask for help and advocate for myself."

Essayist Hannah Johnson also praised the supportive community, explaining that her high school experience has been largely consumed by various health conditions that

impacted her both physically and mentally.

"At these times when I was at my weakest, I used what little strength I had left to cling tightly to my friends, family and passions, using them to propel myself forward," she said.

Johnson also related that one person who had a profound impact on her life was her grandfather, who suffered from dementia and died before she arrived at Housatonic.

Valedictorian Iby Sadeh described her capstone project in which she set up a little library at the entrance to the Appalachian Trail in Falls Village. It was stocked with books that had been banned in several states.

"I chose this project not only because I love to read, but because of my passionate support of free speech, intellectual freedom and a diversity of perspectives," Sadeh said.

As a Jewish student at

Housatonic, where representation of her religion can be hard to find, Sadeh said she never felt alone.

"Students here understand the importance of individuality. It is what makes us the way we are, what makes ours a strong and diverse community."

Salutatorian Alexa Meach, who plans to study political science, said education should be used with a purpose and applied to achieve a greater good. She encouraged her classmates to work with people who are different from them and collaborate to achieve any goal worth pursuing.

Noting the country is going through a deeply divided time, she said, "I feel an obligation to acknowledge the lack of empathy I've seen and endorse a return to the needed morality across our globe."

Guest speaker Lori Bucco, an English teacher at the school, advised the graduates to embrace humanity and live

their story. "Make it epic," she said.

Superintendent Melony Brady-Shanley shared advice she received from her father.

"Don't look for a job," she said. "Look for a purpose in life. When you find what you love, it will feel more than a job — it will be a calling."

The following awards were presented during the evening:

- Good Sportsmanship Medals: Wesley Allyn and Madelyn Johnson

- Good Citizenship Medals: Madison Graney and Shanaya Duprey

- Chamberlain Arts Achievement Awards: Victoria Brooks and Alex Woodworth

Judi Moore, who had a distinguished 40-year career at the high school, was presented with the Community Award of Merit.

Julie Lang, the longtime principal's executive secretary who is retiring this year, was also recognized for her service.

THEATER

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"We got the doors open to the public and showed the space can be used for everything from fundraisers and movies to book tours and comedy shows."

Since reopening, the theater has seen an eclectic mix of events and tenants, including retail businesses, an art studio, a photography studio and a bakery.

"The space is incredibly versatile, and we can't wait to see what comes next," Mallett said.

Prior to the 2023 purchase, the building underwent a \$1 million restoration in the early 2000s that brought the building back to its earlier Art Deco design.

The sale comes as North Canaan continues to see renewed activity downtown,

with several new businesses opening in recent years. The owners said they want to see the "contagious energy continue to spread."

The Colonial Theatre will remain open during the sales process, and the owners encouraged residents and visitors to attend community movie nights and other events throughout the summer.

Beyond restoring the building itself, the owners sought to reestablish the theater as a gathering place. Through community events, neon marquee messages and an active social media presence, they worked to bring new energy and personality to the historic venue and create opportunities for residents to connect.

TRANSFER STATION

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Municipal leaders argued that private ownership could result in higher tipping fees — the per-ton charges municipalities pay to dispose of household trash — a major expense that directly affects local budgets and taxpayers. The state ultimately blocked the sale, prompting municipalities to organize a regional authority to take over the facility instead.

The NRRRA includes Salisbury, Sharon, Cornwall, Falls Village, North Canaan, Norfolk, Goshen, Colebrook and Torrington. Kent is not participating because it already belongs to the Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority, a separate regional waste authority that NRRRA plans to emulate.

The Torrington Transfer Station has served as a key disposal hub for Northwest Connecticut communities for decades. Its future became uncertain after the state announced plans to end its operation of the facility more than a year ahead of schedule.

Officials across the Northwest Corner quickly embraced the NRRRA proposal. Voters in member towns approved ordinances to join, creating a coalition aimed at maintaining local control over waste disposal.

"The concern that a lot of people have is that if the site were sold to a private hauler, there could potentially be a monopoly in the Northwest Corner when it comes to garbage," Sharon First Selectman Casey Flanagan said when the town approved the ordinance. "That might not be an issue today, but five or 10 years from now it could be a major problem for communities like ours."

Cornwall First Selectman Gordon Ridgway said the authority will allow towns to work together on disposal contracts, recycling initiatives and grant opportunities while maintaining local oversight.

"We will hopefully get the lowest price possible," Ridgway said. "We're not in it to make money. We're in it to manage costs."

The NRRRA is still in its infancy and has yet to finalize tipping fees, though officials expect them to remain largely unchanged.

Falls Village First Selectman Dave Barger said preserving local control was a key reason his town joined the authority.

"It provides us with an opportunity to stabilize tipping fees," Barger said. "It provides us with local control. We can also set our own recycling policies."

Barger said the authority's broader goal is to preserve a public option for waste disposal rather than relying entirely on private contractors.

The governing board, made up of the first selectman from each member town, will oversee future decisions regarding disposal contracts, recycling programs and operations at the Torrington facility.

For residents, little is expected to change immediately. Local transfer stations will continue operating as they do today, and existing collection systems will remain in place.

The difference, local officials say, is that decisions about the region's waste disposal system will now be made by the municipalities that use it rather than by the state or a private operator.

BUDGET

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also be asked to approve the fund during the budget vote, which is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Monday, June 29 at Town Hall, immediately preceded by a public hearing at 5 p.m., also at Town Hall.

The amount is just over half of the approximately \$69,000 that the BOE was asked to remove from its budget draft in April to keep the bottom line flat from last year at \$4,165,513. That action, which followed a multi-year trend of requests from the BOF for a 0% increase for the SCS budget, sparked outcry from concerned parents.

Speaking at the May 8 town meeting where the budget proposal was rejected, SCS parent Emily McGoldrick said that the school is poised to thrive, but that it "can't improve with its hands tied behind its back."

The BOF has repeatedly stated that its motivation is to correct an accounting error made several years ago that left the school with an "inflated" budget due to a state law known as the Minimum Budget Requirement, or MBR, that prevents municipalities from reducing education spending year to year. Several members have indicated that due to inflation and increased operating costs, this may be the last year it can ask for a flat budget, but the Board has remained steadfast in keeping the bottom line flat for 2026-27.

The BOF has stated on several occasions that its justification for requesting a zero-increase budget is that the BOE has finished

the past five fiscal years with unspent budgeted funds. As of the June 16 meeting, SCS administrators calculated that the school would be left with \$90,000 in surplus at the end of this year.

School advocates remained dissatisfied following Tuesday's action by the BOF.

"At this point, I don't understand what they want," said Marlene Woodman, who identified herself as a senior resident concerned with the future success of the school. Several days after the meeting, she said she was still unclear on how the new fund would work, especially with the "paltry" amount, in her words.

School administrators were also initially skeptical. Region One Superintendent of Schools Melony Brady-Shanley has suggested that the town establish a dedicated school line item in the municipal budget to help with operating and maintenance costs, reiterating at the June 16 meeting that the approach is "the most economical way to support both the education budget and municipal budget without touching the MBR."

The proposal that was ultimately moved forward by the BOF differs by instead drawing the money from the town's undesignated fund on a contingency basis rather than creating a designated line item.

"It's an as-needed thing," explained Hecht, noting that the approach does not impact either budget's bottom line, "and it's not going to go away."

A few days after the meeting, Hecht said in order to access the funds, the school will have to demonstrate that the budget would not support a specific expense.

"This is just the way to not tax people in advance for funds that may not be needed," he said of the fund, "but if they do need them, these funds are available."

During Tuesday's meeting, BOE Chair Philip O'Reilly said the idea of having to approach the BOF with a specific request to access the funds made him uncomfortable. "The 'if-needed' piece is something we're both nervous about," he said, gesturing towards Brady-Shanley.

"One hundred percent," she affirmed with a nod.

Still, several days after the meeting O'Reilly said that the suggestion was a gesture of cooperation amongst what has been a contentious period for the town. "Nobody is a loser here," he said; "Everybody got something, but not everything, that they originally wanted."

"I will do everything that I can do to ensure our school has everything it needs to meet the needs of all our kids."

Delayed budget could impact town spending

At the same meeting, BOS' proposed operating budget bottom line was reduced by approximately \$30,000, partially due to cuts in line items for the recently hired

Land Use Administrator and Fire Marshall and Building Inspector. The latter two, previously proposed as separate positions, were hired as a combined role the previous Friday.

If a new budget isn't passed by July 1, both the town and school will operate under the current 2025-2026 plans. While that leaves the school budget flat, which is currently proposed, it could impact municipal spending which has several increases in the proposed 2026-2027 budget.

Town treasurer Tina Pitcher said that until a new budget is approved, road work isn't being ordered, nor are new vehicles and town equipment, and employees, with the exception of the unionized road crew, won't see their 3% cost of living raise. It will also impact the pay structure for new hires, such as Nikki Blass, who begins her role as the Land Use Administrator on July 1.

First Selectman Casey Flanagan said that he will proceed cautiously regarding any town spending until a new budget is approved.

During a June 9 meeting, the Board of Selectmen preemptively set the mill rate in response to a request from Tax Assessor Donna Christensen so that she can begin preparing real estate tax bills to be sent in July. For now, the mill rate has been set at the current amount of 11.15.

WESTERLIND

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unique finds and discounted items from a range of outdoor and lifestyle brands carried by the company. The opening marks the latest step in Westerlind's recent expansion across the region.

The North Canaan location follows the opening of a new Westerlind boutique in Kent earlier this spring. In addition to the newest stores in Kent and North Canaan, the company — which first opened its doors on Main Street in Millerton — also operates in Great Barrington, Massachusetts; Hudson, New York; Litchfield, Connecticut; New York City; and Rhinebeck, New York.

Westerlind's roots are in Millerton, where founder Andrea Westerlind opened the company's original storefront. The Millerton location

is also home to the Westerlind Pantry, a specialty food shop offering bread, pantry staples and other provisions.

Founded by the Swedish-born designer and entrepreneur, the company has built a reputation for blending outdoor performance gear with contemporary fashion. Its stores feature apparel, footwear and equipment from a curated selection of outdoor lifestyle brands, with an emphasis on craftsmanship, functionality and design.

The new outlet targets outdoor enthusiasts, travelers and shoppers looking for high-quality gear and clothing at reduced prices while expanding Westerlind's presence in the Northwest Corner and neighboring Hudson Valley.

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Pilar Proffitt with some of her art presented at Galerie Dernier Cri in New York City.

The Renaissance spirit of Pilar Proffitt

By Richard Feiner & Annette Stover

Pilar Proffitt is forging a remarkable artistic path grounded in her long history in Northwest Connecticut. Proffitt is a true Renaissance woman with a quirky sense of humor — a visual artist, architect, designer of interiors, furniture and products, and curator of home furnishings.

Her latest grand project is still quite literally under wraps. Large windows obscured by construction paper on a bustling avenue in Manhattan prevent passersby from peeking into the 15-story boutique hotel designed and furnished by Proffitt for an international hotel group, which is nearing completion. The hotel's lobby, restaurant, common areas and rooms stand out

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MUSIC

A classical summer begins: eight Tanglewood picks

By Thomas Jensen

The Tanglewood classical music schedule is loaded with gems. Here are eight to consider:

Thursday, July 9, 8 p.m., in Ozawa Hall. The dynamic duo of Augustin Hadelich, violin, and Seong-Jin Cho, piano, take on works by Brahms, Janacek, Beach and Prokofiev. Whether you get seats in the hall or sit outside on the lawn, you will not regret getting to this one.

Friday, July 10, 8 p.m., in the Shed. Seong-Jin Cho plays Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 and excerpts from "Swan Lake." This special evening features dancers from Boston Ballet and will be wonderful for the ears and the eyes.

Saturday, July 18, 8 p.m., in the Shed. The BSO, with Joe Hisaishi conducting, Jean-Yves Thibaudet on piano and

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COMMUNITY

At 95, Elyse Harney celebrated with Honorary Doctorate

By Natalia Zukerman

On May 19, Elyse Deublein Harney returned to St. Joseph's University in New York City, her alma mater, where she graduated in 1952. Before the crowd gathered for the university's 107th commencement ceremony, the Salisbury resident, entrepreneur and community leader received an honorary doctorate and delivered the commencement address to the Class of 2026.

The recognition arrives at a meaningful moment for the Harney family. In February 2027, Elyse Harney Real Estate will celebrate its 40th anniversary, joining Harney & Sons Fine Teas, co-founded by Elyse and her husband, John, in 1983, as one of two enduring family businesses that have shaped both the region and the family's legacy.

At a moment when many people are expected to reflect on their accomplishments, Harney used her commencement address to talk instead about possibility.

"God has a job for you," she told the graduates. "Something that you alone can do."

That line may very well be the organizing principle of a life that has included hotel management, raising five children, launching two businesses, serving on local boards, helping found the Salisbury Volunteer Ambulance Service and, somehow, still finding time to reopen conversations about preserving historic institutions.

One of the most striking parts of Harney's address centered on beginning again.

When she and her husband



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Elyse Deublein Harney (center) celebrates with Keith Harney, Elyse Harney Morris, Paul Harney and Michael Harney after receiving an honorary doctorate from St. Joseph's University.

were 50 years old, the partners of the White Hart Inn in Salisbury, where John was general manager for many years, decided to sell. Suddenly, the couple needed a new source of income.

John launched what would become Harney & Sons Fine Teas, and Elyse opened a real estate office across the street.

"Simple as that, I did," she told graduates with characteristic understatement.

Of course, anyone familiar with the growth of Elyse Harney Real Estate knows there was nothing simple about it. What began as a small local office became one of the most respected real estate firms in the region, helping define the market across northwestern Connecticut, the Hudson Valley and the Berkshires.

Her commencement address wandered delightfully through subjects that rarely appear together: Nobel Prize-winning genetic research, French entrepreneurs, Catholic education, self-driving cars, German teachers and divine purpose.

At one point, Harney reflected on the women who educated her at St. Joseph's.

"They made it very clear we could do whatever we wanted to do, if we were willing to work for it," she said. "Being a woman was not a handicap."

For graduates entering a world transformed by artificial intelligence, political upheaval and economic uncertainty, Harney offered neither nostalgia nor easy reassurance.

"AI is here," she said. "We have to learn to use it and to

control it."

After discussing technology, entrepreneurship and faith, Harney turned to the subject of consciousness. Quoting author Michael Pollan, she shared the final lines from his new book, "A World Appears: A Journey Into Consciousness," that she said had stayed with her:

"Consciousness is a miracle, truly. It is the most mysterious of things, and yet it can be put in one short sentence: I open my eyes and I see the world."

Then she offered her final message to the graduates.

"Open your eyes and see the world."

At 95, Elyse Harney is still opening her eyes and seeing the world. Thankfully, she's still telling the rest of us what she finds there.

THEATER

Take a trip to WWII England with the Sharon Playhouse's 'Swingtime Canteen'

By D.H. Callahan

Dateline: 1944. A platoon of our boys are stationed in London, waiting to be sent to the mainland to fight the Axis powers and liberate Europe. While they wait, a group of glamorous gals from Hollywood are sent over to distract them with singing, dancing and a few memories of home.

That's the scene at "Swingtime Canteen," the new production now on stage at the Sharon Playhouse.

From the moment you enter the playhouse, the stage takes you right back to another time, with recruitment and War Bonds posters setting the tone alongside soldiers' footlockers and blankets. When the lights go down, the smiles of the cast light up the room, and the audience is quickly recast as a troupe of American G.I.s.

What follows is a jukebox musical in the truest of sense, bouncing from one 1930s hit to more "contemporary" 1940s tunes and back again, all performed with the kind of polished finish audiences have come to expect from the Sharon Playhouse.

The gals in the band are our entire cast, and they spin yarns in between numbers, throwing the spotlight back

and forth between the five singing-and-dancing sensations. But they don't stop there. Between piano, saxophone, drums and even a banjo, they work with the musicians on stage to create that quintessential '30s

and '40s sound.

"Swingtime Canteen" transports its audience to a time when, unlike today, there was very little division among

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... Pilar Proffitt

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for their attention to design — from the furnishings, colors and fabrics to the mosaic floor tiles, hardware, wrought-iron gates and stairs, selection of antique books, and the art on the walls. The collection includes paintings by Proffitt, photographs by Wassaic Project co-Executive Director Jeff Barnett-Winsby, time-lapse photography by Xan Padron and classics from the Warhol Factory.

Proffitt and her husband and business partner, Robert Bristow, are well-known leaders in the art and architecture communities, and their home, studio and workshop in Lakeville; store and office at 16 Main St. in Salisbury; and gallery space in Norfolk are vibrant hubs for arts and design in the region.

Proffitt has been coming to the area since she was a teenager. Originally from Puerto Rico, her mother moved to the New York City area in the 1970's. Her artist and architect father encouraged her interests in art and design and her deep desire to create. At school, she excelled in math and art and soon realized that this was all she wanted to do. "Think logically and then break the mold with creativity," she said.

Armed with a degree in visual art from Trinity College, she pursued advanced studies at Berkeley and Pratt before receiving a master's degree in architecture from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia, where she met Bristow. Both landed apprenticeships in Boston and were drawn to the arts community in Norfolk centered around the Yale Summer Arts Program. The area quickly became their personal and family anchor.

They started Poesis, a furniture design and manufacturing studio, with a small loan from



A rendering of King Winery, one of Pilar Proffitt's current interior design projects.

“Think logically and then break the mold with creativity.”

PILAR PROFFITT

her mother. They landed a major house project and soon met a hotelier at a party who hired them on the spot to design a hotel in Washington, D.C.

Proffitt said, "I was hooked because it combined everything I wanted to do creatively: design experiences in the broadest sense with all the supporting pieces of the puzzle — furniture, objects, art. My father felt that architecture was the Renaissance profession: It holds the seeds of art, design, engineering and all the other ingredients. For me, it all starts with art."

Proffitt is devoted to the area. She and Bristow raised their family in Lakeville. Their daughter Grace, a sculptor, attended Hotchkiss and is pursuing her MFA at University of

Pennsylvania. Their daughter Ellis, also a graduate of Hotchkiss and Trinity, is a mathematician and aspiring actress in Los Angeles; and their son Sam attended Salisbury School and is a junior at Trinity, majoring in art history with a minor in architecture. They all are carrying forward the family's passion for arts, architecture and design.

Proffitt's interior design work and unique furniture pieces welcome visitors at Hotchkiss' Art Center, the Scoville Memorial Library, her own whole hOuse shop in Salisbury and, soon, across the street in the new Jam Food Shop, which is expected to open this fall.

The region's many museums and galleries include some of Proffitt's favorites, from Mass MoCA and the Clark to Salisbury's Geary, Mad Rose in Millerton, Jack Shainman in Kinderhook and Art Omi in Ghent. Proffitt loves the connections and new opportunities brought to the community by the in-

crease in full-time residents, as well as impromptu get-togethers with friends — recently watching a Knicks playoff game at the tavern bar at the White Hart. Moments like that keep her grounded here.

In addition to the White Hart, Proffitt is a fan of area restaurants, including Fern for a quick pasta at the bar; Isabela in Amenia, where Michelin-starred chef Jose Ramirez Ruiz is from Puerto Rico; and Clare de Boer's Stissing House in Pine Plains.

A perfect day for Proffitt is spent working in her studio overlooking Lake Wononscopomuc, without distractions, rain or shine. It is a quiet and peaceful place that supports her many architecture and design projects. When asked what she would say to a younger version of herself just starting a career, she responded, "Don't be so shy. As one of my professors told me, 'Sometimes you just have to crash the party.' Draw, write, run, play tennis. And travel!"



PHOTO BY L. TORMAINO

Ken Musselman with his paintings "Red Apple #2" and "Nine Servings Daily." His show, "Time Passages," opens Saturday, June 27, at Hunt Library in Falls Village.

ART
Ken Musselman marks new chapter with farewell exhibition

By Robin Roraback

Hunt Library in Falls Village will host a farewell show of the work of well-known local artist Ken Musselman, beginning with an opening reception on June 27 from 5 to 7 p.m. The show will run until July 31.

Musselman, a longtime resident of the Northwest Corner, recently moved to Woodbury, Connecticut, where he will begin a new phase of his life.

After the loss of his wife of 43 years, Cathy, three years ago, the prolific artist took a break from painting.

"I am finally getting back on my feet," he said. "I am beginning to paint again."

"Time Passages" is a collection of his paintings from past years. With this show, he said, he will be "getting rid of the old and starting new." He intends to "move in a different direction," which involves a monochromatic palette. "I am in a sepia mood right now," he explained.

Musselman has long been known for his whimsical paintings. He recalled his first one, depicting deer ice skating, which was sold at P S Gallery in Litchfield.

He explained how he gets his ideas. "I sit and visualize things," said Musselman. "I paint from my head."

He is also known for local landscapes, still lifes and flowers. His wife was from East Canaan, and her family's Ford Farm inspired many of his paintings.

Musselman, who always loved drawing, was studying to be an aviation struc-

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ART

Bugs! crawl their way into Upstate Art Weekend

By D.H. Callahan

Artist and curator Charlotte Woolf thinks bugs get a bad rap. Her new multimedia show at Fox Trot Farm and Flowers in Stanfordsville seeks to change how people see these creepy-crawly creatures.

This time of year, there's no way to escape the onslaught on bugs closing in from the wild. The little flyers and crawlers somehow penetrate even the tightest window screens. If there's a crack in a floor board, it might as well have a big neon "Enter" sign. Like zombies from "Night of the Living Dead," they approach with dispassionate determination.

But bugs aren't just trying to make you squirm. Woolf's show, "Bugs!," highlights the underappreciated roles that insects, arachnids and myriapods play in our lives. They break down natural waste, serve as food for birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish and mammals, and pollinate about 75% of the food humans eat. Without bugs, our world simply doesn't work.

To shine a different light on them, Woolf has enlisted more than 40 artists working in a wide variety of media, from fiber artists and tattooists to writers, sculptors and painters for a full weekend of art and activities.

The "Bugs!" show is part of Upstate Arts Weekend, an ever-growing celebration of the arts happening throughout the Hudson Valley. This year, the weekend kicks off on Thursday, June 25, at Olana State Historic Site, the estate of celebrated American painter Frederic Church, whose 200th birthday will be part of the celebration.

Events are being held all over the valley, including a dance party at Assembly in Kingston on Friday night. Beyond the official gatherings, Upstate Art Weekend is a chance to find new art and interact with artists and like-minded creative people.

The shows themselves are far too numerous to list. Even the official Upstate Art Weekend website has more information than a

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"Butterfly in the Stomach" by Hanna Washburn at "Bugs!" part of Upstate Art Weekend.

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COMMUNITY

CHORE Garden Party raises support for seniors, caregivers

By Ruth Epstein

Community members gathered at the hillside home of Jamie Delany and Michael Cullen on Saturday, June 20, to help ensure that their senior and disabled neighbors are able to remain independent.

The event was the annual CHORE Service garden party. The organization provides a variety of everyday support services people rely on, such as help with errands and light housekeeping, while also providing employment opportunities for local residents.

As guests strolled through the expansive gardens and enjoyed hors d'oeuvres, cocktails and one another's company, they were thanked by staff and board members for their support.

"Because of your support, this past year has been one of meaningful growth and impact," Jane MacLaren, CHORE Service director, told the audience. "Together we provided nearly 10,000 hours of essential services — an 18% increase over last year — and served 254 residents in our community. We also provided part-time employment to more than 50 caregivers."

She shared the story of one couple in which the husband is slowing down. While he is largely independent, his wife does not feel comfortable leaving him alone for long periods. Her life had



A large crowd gathered at the home of Jamie Delany and Michael Cullen for the annual CHORE Service Garden Party.

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become centered on caregiving, and she felt the need for some time for herself.

She called CHORE, and now, once a week, a caregiver takes her husband out to run errands, giving him an opportunity to stay active and connected while providing her with a break from constant responsibility.

"That's the difference a few hours can make," MacLaren said.

She announced that CHORE is expanding its services to include nonmedical respite care for unpaid caregivers like this wife. The organization also plans to expand its transportation program in response to growing demand for rides to medical appointments and

social events.

"We look forward to sharing more about these new and expanded initiatives with you in the coming weeks and to demonstrating how your support continues to shape our neighbors' lives."

Board Vice Chairman David Becker spoke about the Fund the Cause initiative, which has a goal of \$30,000. The funds will be earmarked for transportation to medical appointments.

He noted the beauty of the Northwest Corner but said its lack of transportation options can create significant challenges for many residents.

"Uber doesn't exist in this part of the state," he quipped, adding, "No one

should miss medical appointments because they don't have a ride."

Among the attendees was Darcey Markelon of Litchfield, a CHORE caregiver. She signed up four years ago after retiring as a special education teacher in New Milford. She currently has two clients, and her enthusiasm for the work quickly became apparent.

"I've always enjoyed working with the elderly; it's so rewarding," Markelon said. "My clients and I have developed close relationships. I look forward to seeing them every week, and they look forward to seeing me."

For more information, visit choreservice.org

... 'Swingtime Canteen'

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The set for "Swingtime Canteen" transports the audience to WWII London.

Americans. The war they were fighting had a 97% initial approval rating from U.S. citizens. In a year when the nation is celebrating its 250th anniversary, the production serves as a reminder of a moment when Americans largely shared a common purpose and a

common enemy. Even if the swinging songs of the '30s and '40s aren't your thing, the production is a marvelous little escape to a time when life was a little simpler and the lines between good and evil were a little clearer. For showtimes and tickets, visit sharonplayhouse.org

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mere mortal could comprehend. But with a little determination, visitors can sift through filters to organize events by region, medium or price, though many of the shows are free to the public. There's even a feature to help plot an itinerary, complete with recommended routes

based on drive time, location and preferred pace, making it easier than ever to see as much art as the human heart desires.

For more info about Upstate Art Weekend, visit upstateartweekend.org and for more info on "Bugs!" visit foxtrotfarmflowers.com/events.

...Tanglewood

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Song Hee Lee, soprano, will perform Hisaishi's "Adagio for Two Harps and Strings," Ravel's Piano Concerto in G, Hisaishi's "Da-Ma-Shi-E" and Hisaishi's "Symphonic Suite from Princess Mononoke." The multitalented Hisaishi will be the most accomplished Japanese artist to grace the grounds since Ozawa's time. Not to be missed.

Sunday, July 19, 2:30 p.m., in the Shed. The BSO, with Andris Nelsons conducting, Daniil Trifonov on piano and Thomas Rolfs on trumpet, presents a powerful program: Haydn's Symphony No. 22, "The Philosopher"; Shostakovich's Piano Concerto No. 1; and Beethoven's Symphony No. 2. This is quite a lot to take in. Rolfs remains one of the orchestra's most compelling virtuosos, and his trumpet playing is always worth hearing live. Trifonov, legendary on piano, playing another Russian legend's finest music; extraordinary. Then, Beethoven. Better get there early.

Friday, July 24, 8 p.m., in the Shed. The BSO, with Andris Nelsons conducting and the brilliant Augustin Hadelich on violin, performs Mozart's Violin Concerto No. 5 and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 3, "Polish." Hadelich is worth seeing again and again; the tones he produces are so sweet.

Saturday, July 25, 8 p.m., in the Shed. The BSO, with Andris Nelsons conducting and Paul Lewis on piano. The super-catchy Mozart Piano Concerto No. 27, K. 595, will have Lewis demonstrating his artistic command of tempo and tone while dancing and blending delightfully with the



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Aerial view of The Shed at Tanglewood.

orchestra. Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 follows after intermission, and you'll practically float home.

Thursday, July 30, 8 p.m., in Ozawa Hall. The Danish String Quartet, which brings a lot of energy to the stage, performs Stravinsky's "Suite Italienne," Beethoven's String Quartet No. 16 in F, Op. 135, and arrangements of Danish folk songs. Come to hear Frederik, Rune, Asbjørn and Fredrik. Skål!

Friday, July 31, 8 p.m., in the Shed. The BSO, with Esa-Pekka Salonen conducting and Yefim Bronfman on piano. The power of Wagner's "Prelude and Liebestod" from "Tristan und Isolde," followed by Sibelius' Symphony No. 7 and Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 5, "Emperor," will leave you feeling like you are the new emperor.

Other events of note: Friday, July 17, 8 p.m., in the Shed. The BSO per-

forms John Adams' selections from "Nixon in China." Also, don't miss Laurie Anderson's curated series of events Aug. 13, 15 and 16.

For a full schedule and tickets, visit bso.org/tanglewood

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The documentary *Bar None: Cannabis Redemption* will screen at Stissing Center in Pine Plains Saturday, June 27 at 7:30 p.m. Although cannabis is now legal in much of the U.S., hundreds of thousands still carry the weight of past convictions — and tens of thousands remain behind bars. The film follows 13 people caught in the justice system who've turned their lives around by entering the legal cannabis industry. The screening will be followed by a Q&A with the film's creator. Tickets are available at thestissingcenter.org

Tri-Corner Calendar

JUNE 25

Delano Dunn: Echoes in the Margin
Troutbeck, 515 Leedsville Road, Amenia, N.Y.
Wassaic Project presents *Echoes in the Margin*, a solo exhibition by Delano Dunn curated by Mickalene Thomas and hosted at Troutbeck. Through collage and mixed-media works, Dunn reimagines how Black identity and desire have been shaped, represented and understood. Opening reception June 25 from 5 to 7 p.m. Exhibition on view through Nov. 29. Free. More information at wassaproject.org.

Dine Out for a Cause

The White Hart, 15 Under Mountain Road, Salisbury, Conn.
Dine out at The White Hart and a percentage of the proceeds will support Housatonic Valley Association that works to protect the lands and waters of the Housatonic River Valley.

BUGS!

Foxtrot Farm, 6862 Route 82, Stanfordsville, N.Y.
June 25 to 29

Foxtrot Farm & Flowers presents "BUGS!," a group exhibition curated in partnership with artist and curator Charlotte Woolf exploring insects, ecology and interdependence. Programming includes farm activities with Dutchess County Combworks, tattoo pop-ups, workshops, readings and an opening celebration with food from Chaseholm Farm, Thistlepass Farm and Fair Play Hospitality. The opening celebration takes place Friday, June 26, from 6 to 10 p.m.

JUNE 26

REAL PEOPLE REAL STORIES

Ancram Center for the Arts, 1330 County Route 7, Ancram, N.Y.
Ancram Center's annual storytelling series returns with original stories from four local residents. Guided by program director Paul Ricciardi and lead teaching artist Sarah Katan, storytellers Jolie Kobrin-sky of Hudson, Steven Favreau of Ghent, Joan Coombs of Stockbridge and Bonnie Long of Taghkanic share personal narratives about risk-taking, family, community and the value of money. 7:30 p.m. Tickets at ancramcenter.org.

Connecticut Tunes and Tales of the Revolution

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org
Musician and storyteller Kent Besocke presents "Connecticut Tunes and Tales of the Revolution" at 6 p.m. on the library lawn. Featuring songs and stories accompanied by guitar, banjo and mandolin, the program explores Connecticut's role in the American Revolution. Bring chairs, blankets, food and beverages. Free.

Happy Hour Piano Series: Broadway Singalong with T.J. Thompson

American Mural Project, 90 Whiting St., Winsted, Conn.
From 5 to 7 p.m., AMP's monthly happy hour series features an audience-participation Broadway singalong with pianist T.J. Thompson, blending live music and libations in a casual, interactive setting. Tickets are \$8 in advance. americanmuralproject.org

JUNE 27

Opening Reception: "Life2: Bonnie Kozek"
The GOOD Gallery, 23 South Main St., Kent, Conn.
Opening reception 3 to 6 p.m. for Bonnie Kozek's new exhibition.

Homespun Kent: Revolutionary Households

Kent Historical Society, 4 Studio Hill, Kent, Conn.
Come partake in Kent Falls brew, cider, wine and nibbles and bring an appetizer to share (or a picnic to enjoy on the lawn) at 5 p.m. and discuss the Crown and the case for independence.

Christian Sands Trio at Music Mountain

Gordon Hall, 225 Music Mountain Road, Falls Village, Conn.
Christian Sands, Piano, Isaac Levian, Bass, and Ryan Sands, Drums, play the music of Dave Brubeck. Christian Sands is one of the most exciting voices in jazz today, known for his dynamic blend of swing, blues, gospel, and Afro-Caribbean rhythms. 7 p.m. Tickets at musicmountain.org

Constance Old: Notes from My Kitchen, 2007-2026
Cornwall Library, 30 Pine St., Cornwall, Conn. cornwalllibrary.org
June 27 through Aug. 22

The Cornwall Library presents an installation of collages by Constance Old, created from self-adhesive stickers and upcycled materials, exploring themes of consumer excess, material reuse and contemporary life. An artist's reception will be held June 27, 5-7 p.m. (in-person only). Registration is requested at 860-672-6874 or CornwallLibrary.org. The exhibit remains on view through Aug. 22.

Explore the Native Gardens of Falls Village

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. On the Falls Village Green
Pick up a brochure with a map and a self guided tour of the pollinator pathway from Railroad Street to the David M. Hunt Library. 12 p.m. Garden tour of the library native plant gardens with the garden's designers Page Dickey and Deborah Munson. 10:30 a.m. Special Native Plant Saturday Story time at the library for kids of all ages, with stories, a snack and a flower bookmark craft.

Film Screening "Bar None: Cannabis Redemption"
Stissing Center, 2950 Church St., Pine Plains, N.Y.
At 7:30 p.m. in Banning Hall, get ready for the Hudson Valley premiere of the award-winning documentary "Bar None: Cannabis Redemption." Through the stories of 13 formerly incarcerated individuals who became advocates, entrepreneurs and leaders in the legal cannabis industry, *Bar None* explores second chances, equity and justice in a changing society. A live Q&A with the filmmaker and several documentary subjects will follow the screening. Tickets at thestissingcenter.org

Barnum Festival Champions on Parade
Shelton High School, 120 Meadow St., Shelton, Conn.
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at 6 p.m. for the first East Coast Drum Corps International show of the summer: The Hurricanes, a nonprofit organization, prides itself in being the only world class all-age drum corps in New England, and draws its members from throughout Connecticut, New England as well as New York. Gates open at 5 p.m. Tickets are available at the door or online at Tiketor.com/Hurricanes.

Barbara Grossman: How I Got Here: Space, Color and Pattern

Washington Art Association, 4 Bryan Plaza, Washington Depot, Conn.
June 27 to Aug. 8

This retrospective exhibition features paintings from across Barbara Grossman's career, exploring her longtime interest in color, pattern, interior spaces and the human figure. Grossman is a member of the National Academy of Design and a founding member of New York's Bowery Gallery.

Opening Reception: Saturday, June 27, 4 to 6 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Homespun Kent: Revolutionary Households Opening Reception

Seven Hearths, 4 Studio Hill Road, Kent, Conn.
The Board of Trustees and staff of the Kent Historical Society present the opening reception for *Homespun Kent: Revolutionary Households*. 5 p.m. RSVP required by emailing director@kenthistorical-society.org

"Women Laughing" Screening & Q&A

The Moviehouse, 48 Main St., Millerton, N.Y.
A panel discussion with directors Liza Donnelly and Kathleen Hughes, moderated by filmmaker Pamela Hogan, will follow a screening of "Women Laughing," a documentary exploring the history and impact of women cartoonists at *The New Yorker*. 7 p.m. For tickets and information, visit bit.ly/TMH-women-laughing.

Sigrid Gray Lecture: "On the Edge: Mills Park Community Experiment"

Spencertown Academy Arts Center, 790 NY-203, Spencertown, N.Y.
Spencertown Academy Arts Center's Hidden Gardens Lecture Series presents horticulturist and designer Sigrid Gray at 9:30 a.m. Gray will discuss the transformation of a small village green in Kinderhook into a meadow park, exploring the challenges, community response and lessons learned through the project. Tickets are \$20 and include refreshments. Registration is available at spencertownacademy.org

JUNE 28

Closing Party: Sara Farrell Okamura
LABspace, 2642 NY Route 23, Hillsdale, N.Y.
Closing reception for Sara Farrell Okamura's solo exhibition of paintings, "On The Precipice." 1 to 5 p.m.

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Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary Summer Art Show

Merwinsville Hotel, 1 Browns Forge Road, Gaylordsville, Conn.
June 28 through Sept. 11

2 to 4 p.m. Opening reception June 28 featuring works by more than 20 local artists exploring the theme of America's 250 years, along with strawberry shortcake, iced tea and lemonade. An end-of-show celebration will be held Sept. 11 at the annual meeting. Artwork is for sale, with proceeds benefiting ongoing preservation of the historic 183-year-old hotel. Admission and Sunday tours are free; donations are welcome. Information: merwinsvillehotel.org or 860-350-4443.

... Ken Musselman

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tural mechanic in the Navy when he painted a mural in the mess hall. He recalled, "They told me, 'You're wasting your time being a mechanic.'" So he painted murals and created technical illustrations instead.

After the Navy, while living in Florida, an opportunity arose for a job as a graphic designer at Dotty Smith's in Lakeville, a women's fashion and jewelry company that closed in 2001. Musselman applied and moved to the region where his wife had grown up.

Later, he worked full time as a painter, with work in five galleries. He was in his studio "14 hours a day, seven days a week" to keep the galleries supplied.

"Time Passages" contains favorite Musselman themes, including cows, local land-

scapes, still lifes, flowers and barns, on both large canvases and 4-by-4-inch canvases, in styles ranging from whimsical to realistic.

He is now semi-retired. Future plans include painting portraits inspired by family photos. "I'm not going to chase it anymore. I'll let it come."

Musselman is concentrating on a "leap of faith, a new chapter in life."

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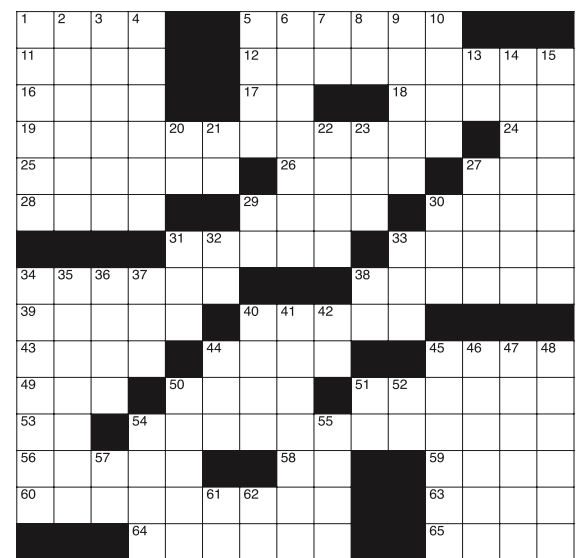
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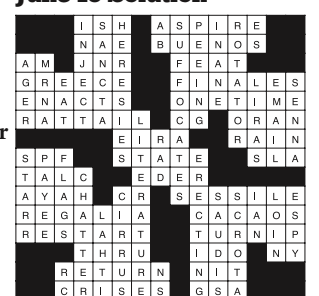
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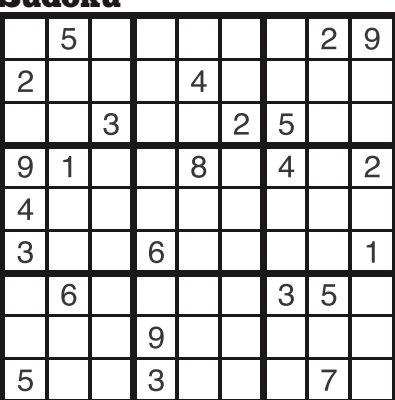


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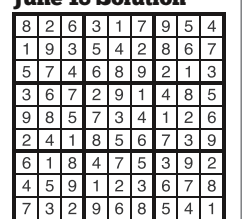
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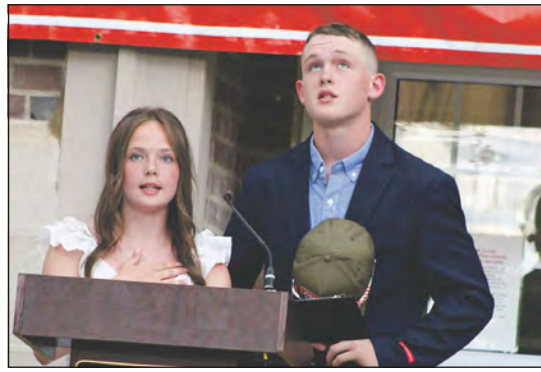


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