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Remembering Catherine Roraback

Local civil rights lawyer won crucial women's rights case in the 60s

By Kathryn Boughton

NORTH CANAAN — Catherine Roraback must be spinning in her grave.

The fiery civil rights lawyer, who made Canaan her home, fought for women's rights throughout her long life and in 1965 argued *Griswold v. Connecticut* all the way to the Supreme Court, thus establishing women's right to use contraceptives.

The decision, based on the right to marital privacy, became the foundation in 1973 for *Roe v. Wade*, which ensured abortion rights. The conservative majority on the current Supreme Court struck down *Roe v. Wade* on Friday, June 24, leaving in doubt the future of other liberal rulings based on the right to privacy.

Roraback, who died in 2007, would be furious at, but not surprised by, recent events. She was never sanguine about the



CANAAN HISTORY CENTER

Catherine G. Roraback



PHOTO BY JOHN COSTON

Roraback's sign preserved in Canaan.

"We have already seen patients having to travel thousands of miles from Texas to receive safe legal abortion care in Connecticut."

Amanda Skinner, President and CEO of Planned Parenthood of Southern New England

With overturn of Roe v. Wade, CT gears up for a surge of patients seeking abortions

By Jenna Carlesso
CT Mirror

On Friday, June 24, Planned Parenthood of New England's website carried two sentences in large white letters: "Our doors are open. Abortion is still safe and legal in Connecticut and Rhode Island."

They expect — even hope — the message will be read as an invitation by those who lost their ac-

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PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Dick Paddock talked about the east-west railroad that connected the Northwest Corner to the rest of the state and beyond.

How east-west railroad changed Northwest Corner

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — Dick Paddock likes to tell people that the bucolic scenery of the Northwest Corner is "a post-industrial landscape."

The topography featured lots of hills and lots of water. Harnessed properly, water power was an effective, efficient and renewable power source.

Towns such as Salisbury, Norfolk, and North Canaan were home to the iron industry, mills, and lime kilns.

But the hills and valleys made transportation of goods and people difficult. Especially to the east.

And that's where the east-west

railroad came in.

Paddock, a historian and author, spoke about the Central New England (it had several other names) railroad that operated from 1871 to 1927, when passenger service ended, at the Salisbury Congregational Church Saturday, June 25. The talk was sponsored by the Salisbury Association Historical Society.

After the Civil War, there were seven railroads running north-south routes through Connecticut, including the Housatonic Railroad from Bridgeport to Pittsfield.

The east-west railroad was the brainchild of Edward T. Butler of Norfolk, who wanted to connect with the north-south railroads with the Northwest Corner's industries and people.

Service began on Dec. 21, 1871,

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Affordable Housing Plan

Kent assesses needs of young adults, families and local workers

By Debra A. Aleksinas

KENT — A Community Feedback Forum sponsored by Kent's Housing Plan Steering Committee on Wednesday, June 22, focused on an assessment of the town's housing needs for young adults and young families as well as options for people who work in town.

The Zoom event was the second community forum seeking input from residents as the town looks to expand its affordable housing stock. The committee is being assisted by Jocelyn Ayer, director for the Litchfield County Center for Housing Opportunity and a land use planner, who has been providing technical assistance to Kent, and numerous other Northwest Corner towns, in developing their affordable housing plans.

"This will head us in the direction of a draft and final plans for our state requirement to come up with a strategy for housing in Kent," said Jean Speck, a member of the committee's steering committee and the town's first selectman. "We are not the canary in the coal mine. We will benefit from all the other towns that came before us."

Assessment of existing housing stock

The forum started with a recap of the three elements that are included in the town housing plan:

Resident Housing Needs survey results and data analysis; an assess-

ment of existing housing stock and goals and strategies to meet identified housing needs.

Ayer noted that the committee's efforts are being coordinated with the town's Plan of Conservation and Development update which the Planning and Zoning Commission is currently working on. "This Housing Plan will be a guiding document. It won't have regulatory authority," she explained.

The Housing Plan, she said, will focus on options for young adults and families as well as options for residents to downsize to one- or two-bedroom homes with lower maintenance and accessibility features.

Definition of affordable, dedicated housing

Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) defines affordable housing as housing that costs 30% of the income of a household earning 80% or less of the area median income (AMI). The CGS definition of dedicated housing is that which must be monitored in some way — by deed restriction or by a state agency, for two examples — to ensure households are income eligible and rent/mortgage stays affordable.

Kent currently has 67 units that qualify as "affordable," representing 4% of Kent's housing stock, according to data provided by the committee. An online poll taken during the forum asking, "How many dedicated affordable homes would we want to see created over the next five years?" Thirty percent of respondents indicated they would

support a goal of 20 homes in five years. Forty-three percent answered "no," that the number should be higher and 13 percent felt it should be lower.

According to Ayer, Kent had 460 households under 80% of the area median income. These households would

be eligible for affordable housing and represent 40% of the town's housing stock. In addition, she said, 199 households are severely cost burdened, which means they are paying more than 50% of their income on housing costs, and 107 households are currently on waiting lists for the dedicated units.

The Templeton Farms multi-family rental housing already has a "very, very long waiting list" of 79 seniors, and that wait could be up to five years or more, Ayer

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"We are not the canary in the coal mine. We will benefit from all the other towns that came before us."

Jean Speck, Kent Housing Plan Steering Committee member and first selectman



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Friday.....Cloudy, high 94°/low 62°
 Saturday.....Thunderstorms, 82°/66°
 Sunday.....Cloudy, 82°/62°

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.

Drove into a pole

On June 23 at approximately 3:15 p.m. on Route 44 near Salisbury School a 2011 GMC Acadia driven by Cassidy May Knutson, 19, of North Canaan traveled off the road and struck a Frontier utility pole. No injuries were reported, though the vehicle sustained disabling damage. Knutson was issued an infraction for failure to maintain the proper lane.

The Lakeville Journal will publish the outcome of police charges. Contact us by mail at P.O. Box 1688, Lakeville, CT 06039, Attn: Police Blotter, or send an email, with "police blotter" in the subject line, to johnnc@lakevillejournal.com.

Online This Week

Look for these stories and more, exclusively at www.tricornernews.com.

Kent selectmen allot federal ARPA funds to fire department, school board

The Board of Selectmen allocated American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the Kent Volunteer Fire Department and the Board of Education at a meeting Wednesday, June 22.

New chair for Falls Village finance board

Joel Jones was chosen as the new chair of the Falls Village Board of Finance at the regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 13. Jones replaces Dick Heinz, who stepped down as board chair (but not from the board itself).

Salisbury plans July 4 festivities

SALISBURY — Independence Day will be celebrated at the town Grove in Lakeville on Monday, July 4.

The annual festivities will begin at noon with the reading of the Declaration of Independence by Heman Allen (a.k.a. Lou Bucceri). Both Heman and his famous brother, Ethan Allen, lived

in Salisbury for a period of time.

Following the reading, the Salisbury Band will entertain the crowd. Pack a picnic lunch or enjoy hot dogs and soft drinks sold by members of EXTRAS, the after-school and summer day-care program in Salisbury.

There is no rain date.



PHOTO BY JOHN COSTON

Dunking the trooper!

North Canaan Resident Trooper Spencer Bronson took the plunge over and over on Saturday, June 25, at the Family Fun Week event at Lawrence Field in North Canaan as young hurlers hit the target.

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PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property transfers were recorded at Sharon town hall in 2021.

Aug. 4, 19 South Ellsworth Road from Danielle Naylor to Jennifer Naylor and Kathryn Frucher for \$740,000

Aug. 5, 103 South Main St. from Stanton Yuwono and Matthew Weaver-Yuwono to Little Wing Exp. LLC for \$157,000

Aug. 6, 306 Millerton Road from MTR Properties-Sharon LLC to Timothy and Danielle Sinclair for \$100,000

Aug. 18, 104 Cedar Road from Thomas and Doreen Farrell to Michael Morrissey for \$350,000

Aug. 20, 29 Boland Road from the estate of Joan Loper to 29 Boland Road LLC for \$475,000

Aug. 25, 104 East St. from John Lynch to Michael and Carol Lynch for \$550,000; and property on East Street from John Lynch to Michael and Carol Lynch for \$350,000

Aug. 26, 35 New St. from Scott Delohery to 35 New Street LLC for \$200,000

Aug. 30, property on Modley Road from Beverly Jean Stevens et al to Michael Johnson for \$362,632; and 70 Modley Road from Beverly Jean Stevens et al to Michael Johnson for \$37,368

Sept. 1, 103 Sharon Valley Road from Cook-Alley Trust to Christopher Andrews for \$615,000

Sept. 2, 461 Cornwall Bridge Road and 1 Ceme-

tery Road from Bozzi Realty LLC to Graham Stanton and Kristy Foss for \$2,700,000

Sept. 2, property on Jackson Road from Ellen Sykes to Arcadia II LLC for \$1,000,000

Sept. 7, 34 Sharon Station Road from Donna and Peter Peterson to Cheryl Hinkson and Qualeik Kempson for \$199,900

Sept. 8, 246 Millerton Road from Lawrence and Joan Budish to Jordan Maxwell Hyatt and Peter Maxwell Dolchin for \$900,000

Sept. 13, 155 Sharon Valley Road from Nancy Hegy Martin to Herbert Moore and Dylan Mattes for \$258,000

Sept. 20, property on Joray Road from F&S Investments LLC to 29 Joray Owner LLC for \$2,285,000; and 99 Calkinstown Road from Barclay Prindle and Amy Schuchat to Home Farm LLC for \$2,325,000

Sept. 23, 11 Gay St. from Amy Schuchat to Bee Tree Veterinary Clinic LLC for \$237,500

Sept. 30, 73 Herb Road from James Gillespie to Leonard and Gabrielle Poudier for \$205,000

Oct. 4, 36 Silver Hill Road from Robert Booth et al to 36 Silver Hill Sharon LLC for \$417,500; and 21 Fairchild Road from Elizabeth Geyer to Michael and Tracy Rand for \$1,200,000; and 170 Fairchild Road from Josephine Wright and Gary Schlesinger to Matthew and Jessica Harris for \$4,000,000; and 30 Jewett Hill Road from

Steven Ames and Stephanie Wakeman to Nina Kjellson and Sanford Zweifach for \$5,000,000

Oct. 6, 3 Holland Road from Rory O'Connor to Rebecca Trahan for \$300,000

Oct. 12, 143 Cedar Road from Nicholas Kalogiannis to Daniel Locke Bell and Angela Benedetto for \$330,000

Oct. 14, 289 Low Road from the estate of Gerard Insolia to Barbara Ann McCollum for \$789,000

Oct. 18, 51 Jackson Road from Michael and Tracy Rand to Pauline Moore for \$410,000

Nov. 1, 21 Modley Road from Pamela Stevens et al to Henry Showah for \$250,000

Nov. 9, 36 Great Elm from the estate of Benjamin Heller to Edward and Mary Harvey for \$1,800,000

Nov. 10, 55 Hospital Hill Road from the estate of Linda Decker to Long Springs Farm LLC for \$160,000

Nov. 12, 12 Guinea Road from Patricia Cody to BDS Investments LLC for \$375,000

Nov. 15, 292 and 296 Gay St. from Charles Chumas and Jennifer Justiss to Sun Life Group LLC for \$750,000

Nov. 16, 72 Herb Road from James Gillespie to Samantha Cook and Kellen Medway for \$705,000

Nov. 19, property on Smith Road from Secluded Waterways LLC to Mary Dowdle for \$80,000

Nov. 22, 10 Dunbar Road from Caroline Herrick to Richard and Margeurite

Merli for \$575,000

Nov. 24, 214 Cornwall Bridge Road from Ruth and Shirley Nelkin to John and Susan Banta for \$490,000

Nov. 30, 229 West Cornwall Road from Michael Singer to Jerry Lapoint for \$292,500; and 40 Robert St. from Randi Kish to Nathaniel Bekoe and Megan Reed for \$264,000

Dec. 2, 58 Jewett Hill Road from Barbara Lewis and Barbara Yessel to Patrick and Martha Goupit for \$535,000

Dec. 7, property on Jackson Road from Derek Sandberg and Hilary Novik to Liza and

Greg Reiss for \$390,000; and 42 Bartram Road from Lynda Randall to Keith Korman for \$247,000

Dec. 13, 91 Main St. from H&R Holdings LLC to Vivace Holdings LLC for \$550,000

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Our Towns

Freeman summer exhibit opens at the Cornwall Historical Society

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — Years in the research and planning, the summer exhibit at the Cornwall Historical Society compellingly charts the stories of multiple African-American and Indigenous families who lived productive 19th-century lives within the town's picturesque borders. But their histories were written on porous paper, having all but disappeared from the notice of historians.

"Finding Freeman|s: Wisdom for Contemporary Cornwall from Its 19th-century Black and Indigenous Neighbors" is the title of the exhibit that is the work of residents Ann Schillinger and Ryan Bachman. They began with archeological exploration of a local tract that had been owned by Cornwall's last enslaved African-American resident, Naomi Freeman, who had gained her freedom. She bought the property for her family in 1828 that included her freed husband who used the name Obadiah and their daughter, Sarah.

Exhaustive historical research into the Freeman family led to finding other African-American individuals and families as well as indigenous residents who called Cornwall home in the era that included the time of the local Foreign Mission School.

The project drew the interest of Connecticut Humanities (CTH) that provided funding and whose representatives co-curated to present the researched information in a way that would provide the historical per-

spective and inform today's Cornwall residents about how that past history melds with present-day Cornwall.

"We called Frank and he was interested in working with us," said local historical society Curator Suzanne Fateh, as she welcomed visitors to a preview showing on Wednesday, June 22. Co-curator Frank Mitchell of CTH detailed the exhibit along with team partner Lucianne Lavin, Director of Research and Collections of the Institute for American Indian Studies in Washington, Connecticut.

Mitchell noted that he has been coming to Cornwall since he was a graduate student. "It's been great to get to know the town and its history," he added.

"There is a lot of fluidity in the relationships among the African-American residents and the indigenous residents in the work of building identity," Mitchell said of the challenge of developing a life as a freed person, no longer enslaved, but also not a citizen.

Enslaved people were gradually becoming emancipated in the years following the Revolutionary War, as early as 1805, Mitchell noted, but having never lived independently, were often unsure of how to proceed. Their first step would likely lead them to a boarding house where people in similar circumstances found shelter. The Cornwall exhibit shows a multi-generational narrative of ascent, using the Freeman family story as a starting point.

"For some reason, we today are separated from these stories," Mitchell said. Be-



PHOTO BY LEILA HAWKEN

Guest curator Frank Mitchell points out historic photos during a tour of the current summer exhibit at the Cornwall Historical Society, "Finding Freeman|s."

ginning in the 19th-century, stories of the indigenous and formerly enslaved families were being deleted from the historical narrative.

The indigenous people gradually moved away from town. The quest for citizenship and abolition of slavery dominated the public conscience.

"Now that we know this, how do we move forward," Mitchell asked on behalf of the exhibit that suggests the inquiry. The people of that time wrestled with some of

the same pressures of modern times, particularly faced by immigrants. They can't stay; they can't work. People were gaining their freedom, but they were unable to vote and there was no real plan to change that.

Until its closing date of October 15, the exhibit will be open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and on Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission is free, but donations are welcome. For more information, go to: cornwall-historicalsociety.org.



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Rory O'Connor and one of the newly renovated rooms at the Iron Masters Inn on Main.

Iron Masters Inn completes renovations

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — The Iron Masters Inn on Main — 229 Main St. in Lakeville, to be exact — is now renovated and open for business.

New owner Rory O'Connor of Lakeville bought the property in April 2021 and with his son Rory Patrick O'Connor and friend Nina Khatashvili, has been busy replacing carpets, upgrading the WiFi, and a thousand other things.

A reporter (who happens to live next door) took a tour on Monday, June 20.

Asked about the increased number of cars in the parking lot overnight, O'Connor said that core clientele, such as parents of private school students and patrons of Lime Rock Park, have been returning to the hostelry as word of the new ownership and renovations spread.

The major project remain-

ing is the lobby area.

Everything else is clean and tidy.

The bedrooms are adorned with landscapes by Lakeville artist Karen LeSage.

O'Connor said Khatashvili handled the design elements, and he and his son, with a small army of contractors, handled everything else.

(As the tour progressed, the younger O'Connor was busy with a backhoe, ready to plant a new tree.)

O'Connor said while materials were expensive, he did not have a problem finding contractors. The renovation proceeded three bedrooms at a time.

Rooms start at \$199 per night, and should a guest require assistance, O'Connor lives a couple hundred yards away.

O'Connor was optimistic. "We had a good season last year, and we're off to a better start."



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Join SML staff to view garden landscapes, outdoor sculptures and the first of three indoor installations at the BBG's Leonhardt Galleries. The exhibition is curated by the renowned collector and museum trustee Beth Rudin DeWoody. Visitors may also take BBG's guided botanical tour at 11am. Members of the SML group will take separate cars (or carpool) to meet at the venue in Stockbridge, MA. Registration is required.

Saturday July 23, 10:30am-1:30pm

EXPEDITION TO A LOCAL ART GALLERY & ARTIST STUDIOS

Join SML staff for a view of the Gary Stephan show at Furnace - Art on Paper Archive, in Falls Village, and for visits to the studios of artists Kathleen Kucka and Leora Armstrong, in Falls Village and Amersville. Registration is required.

July through August

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On July 11th and 12th, the Sharon Sewer and Water Commission will be flushing the water mains between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. On July 11th, all lines north of West Main Street including West Main and Hospital Hill will be completed. The remainder of the system will be flushed on July 12th.

Customers can expect to experience intermittent decreases of water pressure with the potential for discolored water. Limiting water consumption will help to minimize the impact on individual service lines. It is also advisable to refrain from doing laundry, as potential iron and manganese slugs could result in staining.

If any customers notice that their water is discolored or turbid after 4:00 PM they should run their water until it clears before consumption or laundry. Past experience has shown water quality to return to normal within a couple of hours. We apologize for any inconvenience that this might cause you, and thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns, please call VRI at 860-364-0457.

06-30-22

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The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Application #2022-0185 by Todd and Veronika H. Bromberg for a Variance, 130 Cobble Road, Salisbury Map 55, Lot 17 per Section 304.1 and 300.2 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 immediately after the regularly scheduled business of the meeting or at 5:30PM, whichever occurs first. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom (Remote Meeting by Live Internet Video Stream and Telephone), where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The application, agenda and meeting instructions will be listed at www.salisburyct.us. Written comments may be submitted to the Land Use Office before 4:00PM on Thursday, June 30, 2022, Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, P.O. Box 548, Salisbury, CT or via email to aconroy@salisburyct.us. Paper copies may be reviewed, by appointment, Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:00AM and 3:30PM.

Salisbury Zoning Board of Appeals
Stacie Weiner, Secretary
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Legal Notice

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Application #2022-0187 by Sarah Vogus for a Variance, 278 Twin Lakes Road, Salisbury, Map 63, Lot 5 per Section 304 and 300.2 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 immediately after the regularly scheduled business of the meeting or at 5:30PM, whichever occurs first. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom (Remote Meeting by Live Internet Video Stream and Telephone), where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The application, agenda and meeting instructions will be listed at www.salisburyct.us. Written comments may be submitted to the Land Use Office before 4:00PM on Monday July 11, 2022, Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, P.O. Box 548, Salisbury, CT or via email to aconroy@salisburyct.us. Paper copies may be reviewed, by appointment, Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:00AM and 3:30PM.

Salisbury Zoning Board of Appeals
Stacie Weiner, Secretary
06-30-22
07-07-22

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF SALISBURY JULY 7, 2022 7:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM

A Special Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings in the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut, will be held via Zoom on

Thursday, July 7th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen to approve the updated 5-year Local Capital Improvement Plan (LOCIP) for the Town, a copy of which is available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk.

2. To act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen to convey real property and improvements thereon located at 17 Perry Street to the Salisbury Housing Trust for a purchase price of \$1.00, and on such other terms and conditions as may be approved by the Board of Selectmen.

3. To act upon a proposed Ordinance prohibiting the feeding, baiting or attracting of bears, a copy of which is available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk.

The Board of Selectmen will post a notice on the Town's website (<https://www.salisburyct.us/>) not less than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the Town Meeting providing instructions for the public on how to attend and provide comment or otherwise participate in the meeting.

Dated at Salisbury, Connecticut this 21st day of June, 2022.

Curtis G. Rand
First Selectman
Christian E. Williams
Selectman
Donald K. Mayland
Selectman
06-30-22

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY STATE AND DISTRICT OFFICES ONLY

Notice is hereby given that a Primary of the political party listed below will be held in your town on August 9, 2022 for nomination to each office indicated below.

Notice is also hereby given that the following are the names of the party-endorsed candidates, if any, for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street address of said candidate. The party endorsed candidates, if any, are indicated by an asterisk. Additionally, the following are the names of all other candidates who have filed their certificates of eligibility and consent to primary or have satisfied the primary petitioning requirements in conformity with the General Statutes as candidates for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street addresses of said candidates.

Office-Secretary of the State
Party-Democratic
Candidate-Stephanie Thomas Maritza Bond
Address-81 William St., Norwalk, CT. 06851
784 Quinnipiac Ave., New Haven, CT. 06513
Treasurer
Democratic
*Erick Russell Dita Bhargava
Karen DuBois-Walton
215 Stevenson Rd., New Haven, CT. 06515
502 Cognewaugh Rd., Greenwich, CT. 06807
58 Pearl St., New Haven, CT 06513.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this day of June, 2022.

DENISE W. MERRILL
SECRETARY OF THE STATE

The foregoing is a copy of the notice which I have received from the Office of the Secretary of the State, in accordance with Section 9-433 of the General

Statutes. As provided in said notice, a primary of the referenced party for nomination to the state or district offices therein specified will be held on August 9, 2022. The hours of voting at said primary and the location of the polls will be as follows:

HOURS OF VOTING:
6:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES - Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068
Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following location Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068
Dated at SALISBURY, Connecticut, this 23rd day of June, 2022.

Town Clerk
Patricia H. Williams
Town of SALISBURY
06-30-22

Official Notice of Democratic Primary

Notice is hereby given that a Primary of the political party listed will be held in Sharon on August 9, 2022 for nomination to each office indicated below. Notice is also hereby given that the following are the names of the party-endorsed candidates, if any, for nomination to each office indicated together with the street address of said candidate. The party endorsed candidates, if any, are indicated by an asterisk. Additionally, the following are the names of all other candidates who have filed their certificates of eligibility and consent to primary or have satisfied the primary petitioning requirements in conformity with the General Statutes as candidates for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street addresses of said candidates.

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Dita Bhargava: 502 Cognewaugh Rd. Greenwich, CT 06807
Karen DuBois-Walton: 58 Pearl St, New Haven CT 06513.
Dated at Hartford, CT this 23 day of June, 2022,
Denise W. Merrill, Secretary of the State. The foregoing is a copy of the notice which I have received from the office of the Secretary of the State in accordance with Section 9-433 of the CGS, as provided in said notice, a primary of the referenced party for nomination to the state therein specified will be held on August 9, 2022. Hours of voting 6 AM to 8PM at 63 Main St., Sharon, CT. Absentee Ballots will be counted at 63 Main St. Dated at Sharon, CT this 23 day of

June, 2022.

Town Clerk
Linda R. Amerighi CCTC
Town of Sharon
06-30-22

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF REPUBLICAN PRIMARY STATE AND DISTRICT OFFICES ONLY

Notice is hereby given that a Primary of the political party listed below will be held in your town on August 9, 2022 for nomination to each office indicated below.

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Office-United States Senator
Party-Republican
Candidate-Themis Klarides Leora R. Levy
Peter Lumaj

Address- 66 Governors Way, Madison, CT. 06443,
59 Pecksland Rd., Greenwich, CT. 06831,
745 Mill Plain Rd., Fairfield, CT. 06824

Secretary of the State
Republican
Dominic Rapini Brock Weber
Terrie E. Wood
4 Mariners Way, Branford, CT. 06405

17 Lancewood Ln., Wolcott, CT. 06716
50 Saint Nicholas Rd., Darien, CT. 06820

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this day of June, 2022.

DENISE W. MERRILL
SECRETARY OF THE STATE

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HOURS OF VOTING:
6:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES - Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT

06068. Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following location Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068
Dated at SALISBURY, Connecticut, this 23RD day of June, 2022.

Town Clerk
Patricia H. Williams
Town of SALISBURY
06-30-22

Official Notice of Republican Primary

Notice is hereby given that a Primary of the political party listed will be held in Sharon on August 9, 2022 for nomination to each office indicated below. Notice is also hereby given that the following are the names of the party-endorsed candidates, if any, for nomination to each office indicated together with the street address of said candidate. The party endorsed candidates, if any, are indicated by an asterisk. Additionally, the following are the names of all other candidates who have filed their certificates of eligibility and consent to primary or have satisfied the primary petitioning requirements in conformity with the General Statutes as candidates for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street addresses of said candidates.

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Peter Lumaj: 745 Mill Plain Rd, Fairfield, CT 06824
Secretary of the State *Dominic Rapini: 4 Mariners Way, Branford, CT 06405
Brock Weber: 17 Lancewood Ln. Wolcott, CT 06716
Terrie E. Wood: 50 Saint Nicholas Rd. Darien, CT 06820
Dated at Hartford, CT this 23 day of June, 2022,
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June, 2022.

Town Clerk
Linda R. Amerighi CCTC
Town of Sharon
06-30-22

The deadline for legal notices is Friday at 4 p.m. for publication the following Thursday.

Notices can be emailed to legals@lakevillejournal.com or mailed to The Lakeville Journal, ATTN: Legal Notices, PO Box 1688, Lakeville, CT 06039

Go to www.tricornernews.com/legalnotices to view current and past legal notices.

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OBITUARIES

Katharine Hochswender

LAKEVILLE — Katharine Lynn Miyajima Hochswender, 28, took her own life after many years of suffering and pain, on the day before her 29th birthday. She died June 27, 2022.



Kate was born June 28, 1993, in New York City and lived in Manhattan for the first few years of her life. Shortly after she was born, the family purchased a house on the Sharon Green, where she spent weekends and vacations until she was old enough to attend school.

Kate was born with a magnificent brain, an enormously loving and kind heart and great beauty and yet, somehow, from the day she was born she suffered from endless physical ailments as well as severe panic, anxiety and depression. It was as though the many gifts that had been bestowed on her had to be balanced out by a body that wouldn't allow her to find peace and happiness; or as she would sometimes say, she wasn't quite built for this planet, like Superman on "Smallville," a television series she loved.

For those who were fortunate enough to know her, Kate was the most wildly glittering jewel, the funniest, smartest, most beautiful little creature. Even during the worst of her suffering she was kind and generous, and was able to see the humor in almost every situation. I know that for her, the hardest part of leaving this world was knowing how hard it would be for me to lose her and to live on without her.

Those who knew her will also know that our lives had become an endless series of doctor visits and cluster headaches and fear of what the future would hold. She felt that her illnesses would never abate for long enough to let her live a normal independent life, with a job and friends and travel. With joy and freedom.

After kindergarten in Manhattan, we moved to Sharon full-time and Kate attended Sharon Center School, the Marvelwood School in Kent and then Bard College in Annandale-on-Hudson. So many wonderful teachers and administrators helped her through the difficulty of her anxiety-laden school years, and we thank you all.

We thank Theresa Terry from Region One Pupil Services for sending her to the Archbridge School in Bethlehem, Conn., which helped her find peace for several years.

Thanks also to Dan Gates, Marietta Whittlesey, Bruce Janelli and David Ott, who helped coax her along and comfort her through some of her most difficult periods.

For every job that Kate took on after college, she gave 100% — always to the point where it made her physically ill and she would have to quit. We especially thank Anne Day, Carol Sadlon, David and Shelley Maffucci and Amy Reiss for trying so hard to make it possible for her to keep going.

Kate's hobbies and interests were legion, too many to list. For someone who suffered from agoraphobia and rarely left the house, she knew about wonderful things and taught me about the world and other people in ways that no one else will ever be able to equal.

For the last weeks of her life, we began every day by playing The New York Times puzzles and then Bananagram, wonderful hours together that I'm glad I could spend with her.

She is survived by me, her mother, Cynthia Hochswender; and her uncle, aunt and cousin, Jerome, Makiko and Daniel Lehrman of Irvine, Calif.

She was predeceased by her father, William "Woody" Hochswender; her paternal grandparents, Lyn and William Hochswender; and her maternal grandparents, Nat and Kaz Lehrman.

Kate asked that we hold a funeral for her. It will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 10, at our home, 14 Lakeview Ave., Lakeville. If you choose to join us, please think of a story to share about Kate, something funny she said or a wild outfit she wore. You can email me at cindyinsharon@gmail.com with questions, or if you would like to send something for me to read.

The Kenny Funeral Home in Sharon will handle arrangements.

Thank you to the State Police and the Salisbury Volunteer Ambulance for their kindness.

Memorial donations may be sent to Friends of Firefighters at www.friendsoffirefighters.org, a charity supported by her favorite actor, Steve Buscemi; or to Rabbit Island in Japan, which she dreamed of visiting, www.rabbit-island.info/en.

She loved rabbits and she was and will always be my little bunny. I loved her so very, very much.

Celebration of Life

Ardys Mae Walrath

A Celebration of Life for Ardys Mae Walrath, 100, of North Canaan, who died on January 4, 2022, will be held July 9, at 11:00 a.m. at the Canaan United Methodist Church, North Canaan. Reception following at the family home.

For more obituaries, see page A9

Salisbury affordable housing information session on June 30

SALISBURY — There will be an informational meeting Thursday, June 30, 6 p.m. at the Salisbury Congregational Church parish hall on the Salisbury Housing Committees plan to develop land donated to the organization by Jim Dresser for affordable housing.

HARTFORD — Roger Dean Chapell, 71, of 36 Oakland Terrace, Hartford, passed away May 13, 2022, after being stricken at his home. He was born February 24, 1951, in Hartford, son of the late Richard Chapell and Elaine Coulthard.

Roger graduated from the Housatonic Valley Regional High School in Falls Village in 1970 and then went on to the University of Connecticut and earned a bachelor's degree in music. He spent many years providing private lessons in classical, flamenco and modern guitar. He also performed on the lute with

the Amherst Musical Festival Early Opera Series and guitar with the Connecticut Society Guitar Ensemble. Roger had written works for orchestra and was the former president of the Manchester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale and performed in many concerts with this organization. He was also a graduate of Wesleyan University and earned a master's degree in history/culture of social policy. Roger was also a former employee of the Windham Regional Community Counsel Social Service Organization.

In his early life, Roger enjoyed reading classic books,

fishing and traveling. One of his greatest thrills was to have been able to meet Andrés Segovia, one of the greatest classical guitarists of all time. He attended one of Segovia's concerts and, after the performance, the two chatted and Segovia asked Roger to play for him. Segovia was impressed with Roger's technique, style and flair.

Roger is survived by his two brothers, Randy R. Chapell of Salisbury, and Glen Chapell of Lakeville; his sister Sherri Murphy of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. Roger was predeceased by his sister Darlene Chapell. He is also survived by his stepmother Ruth Gilhooly of North Canaan,

and seven stepbrothers and stepsisters: Katherine Wingard of Valatie, New York; Steven Wingard of Cottekill, New York; Rebecca Stucke of Swanton, Vermont; Jerri Wingard of Raymond, Maine; Terri Bunce of North Canaan; Jayne Ridgway of Cornwall and Russell Wingard of Falls Village.

Funeral services will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the care of the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home, 118 Main Street, Canaan, CT 06018.

Donations in Roger's memory, honoring his and our father, can be made to The ALS Association (www.donate.ALS.org).

Roger Dean Chapell

Juliet Lydia Johnson

NEW MILFORD - Juliet Johnson, age 94, of Old Farms Lane, New Milford, died May 28, 2022, at Candlewood Nursing Home after a long illness with Dementia, Alzheimers.



Juliet was born February 11, 1928 in Sharon, the daughter of the late Michael and Anna Johnson. She graduated from Sharon Center School, Housatonic Valley Regional High School, and Hartford School of Nursing. She went on to be the head nurse at Hartford Hospital for 20 years. She worked for Dr. Dwight Wood for 40 years and Hartford General Insurance for 10 years. She retired with over 60 years in the nursing industry as a Registered Nurse.

Juliet was an avid traveler with her best friend Hyacinth whom she worked with for over 20 years in nursing. They were both inseparable in everything they did.

Juliet was an avid photographer and one of her life long dreams was to become a professional figure skater. She loved people and doing things for them. She donated a lot of her spare time to her favorite charities. She loved flowers, cooking and sewing, which she learned in 4-H and Home Economics at Housatonic Valley Regional High School.

In her leisure time she enjoyed her favorite music which was classical, country western and big band.

She also enjoyed going to the Opry and live concerts with her family and friends, especially her niece and nephew to Radio City Music Hall in New York City to see The Nutcracker. She also enjoyed going to Lebanon Valley Speedway to watch her brother Ron race his stock car.

She is survived by her brother Ronald Johnson, Greg and Jeannie Johnson of Southington, their children Donovan and Eva Marie; Michael and Thelma Johnson, their daughter Dorothy of New Milford; William and Diane Palmer of Falls Village, their daughter Nicky; Robert and Cheryl Johnson of North Carolina and their children Heather and Jenna; Matthew and Jenna Bodnar, Edward and Melisa Tyburski of Newington, Todd Tyburski of North Carolina, Lynn Tyburski of Newington, Chris and Heather Johnson of Amenia, their children Dereck and Chris.

Her close friends Harry Buda of Bloomfield, Mary Ann Murphy of Bloomfield, Katherine Carlson of Newington, Ralph Dunbar of Sharon, John Boadle of Pine Plains, George Popp of Wappingers, New York, Pete Pederson of Sharon, Barbara Bartrum of Sharon.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. All other services are private. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sharon Volunteer Ambulance or Sharon Fire Department, P.O. Box 357, Sharon, CT. 06069. The

Stanley M. Singer

Stanley M. Singer, 92, of Estero, Florida and of Schwenksville, Pennsylvania, died peacefully on June 7, 2022, at his home in Pennsylvania, after a year-long battle of old age illnesses. He was born on Nov. 11, 1929, in Brooklyn, New York, to Hyman and Esther Singer. He was graduated from the Boys High School and received his Bachelor of Science degree from New York University Stern School of Business. He served in the United States Army for two years during the Korean War. While he was training in Missouri, the war ended in 1954, so he did not have to go to Korea. Nevertheless, 25 years later, he met a Korean woman while running in Central Park, New York City. They were married soon afterward and were happily together until his death. He lived in Manhattan until age 60, then resided in Sharon, Connecticut, until age 89, and then moved to Pennsylvania. He enjoyed living at his winter residence in Bella Terra, Estero, Florida, every fall and winter since 2011.



Stanley was a salesman. He worked for the Gilman Paper Company for 24 years, and various other compa-

nies in New York City and Lakeville, Connecticut. One of those companies was Runner's World Magazine. He started its New York City office in 1981, and was promoted to advertising sales manager soon after. He was pivotal to Runner's World Magazine's success at that time and eventual acquisition by Rodale, a major publishing company.

Stanley was a unique, witty person with a great sense of humor. He would light up any room he walked into. He loved running, was passionate about the fitness movement, enjoyed singing at parties, piano bars, and Irish pubs in New York City in earlier years, and wrote poems and lyrics in later years, some with Ken Lauber, a now retired composer. He ran the New York City marathon seven times and the Boston marathon twice. He was a member of the 92nd St. Y in New York City for many years, where he was an amateur coach for the adult runners.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Chooryang (AKA Choo), two nieces and four nephews. A memorial service was held June 13, 2022, at Hawthorne F. H., Hawthorne, New York.



Memorial Service

Marian Schwaikert

A memorial service for Marian Schwaikert will be held at St. John's Church in Salisbury at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 2.

Those unable to attend may view the service online at St. John's Episcopal Church at www.youtube.com/watch?v=6c2DqkrqTAG



Worship Services

Week of July 3, 2022

Call ahead or visit websites for updates on remote or in-person services.

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Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker
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860-364-5260
www.christchurchsharon.org

St. John's Episcopal Church
12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT
Rev. Paul Christopherson
SUNDAY SERVICE
10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II)
In-Person and On YouTube
www.stjohnssalisbury.org
860-435-9290

St. Thomas Episcopal Church
40 Leedsville Road
Amenia Union, NY
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For information, contact Jo Loi at joaloiui@gmail.com
All are Welcome

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9:30 a.m. Sunday School
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Pastor Joy Veronesi
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Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary
Sunday 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church
DAILY MASS SCHEDULE
Wednesday 6pm
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Thursday 8am
Immaculate Conception Church
Friday 8am
Church of St. Mary
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Pastor Sun Yong Lee
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sharonumc5634@att.net

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16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village
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Rev. Lee Gangaware
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canaanctumc@gmail.com
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SUNDAY MASSES 8 AM - St. Bernard 10 AM - Sacred Heart
WEEKDAY MASSES Monday, Tuesday & First Friday 9 AM - Sacred Heart
Wednesday 9 AM - St. Bernard

All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church
315 Twin Lakes Rd., Salisbury, CT
Vespers Saturday at 5:00 P.M.
Divine Liturgy Sunday at 9:30 A.M.
Rev. John Kreta
860-824-1340
allsaintsofamerica.us

Millerton United Methodist Church
6 Dutchess Avenue, P.O. Box 812
Millerton, NY 12546
Services on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 10:00 A.M.
518-789-3138

Our Towns



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

A participant in Rebecca Lee's photography workshop got close to a spongy moth caterpillar.

Get close with your cellphone camera

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — Photographer and artist Rebecca Lee took a group of nine people around the grounds of the Scoville Memorial Library and down the nearby Rail Trail on Saturday, June 25, advising on how to use cellphone cameras to take pictures of nature — and demystifying the more technical aspects of cellphone cameras in the bargain.

Lee advised the group to concentrate on composition and subject. In particular, she urged the photographers to get close to the subject, rather than using the zoom function.

The group peppered Lee with questions. “How do I delete photos? I can delete them but I can't figure out how to empty the trash.”

As everyone was using different devices, Lee had to

take a look and fiddle around a bit before finding the work-around.

A spongy moth caterpillar obliged the group by hanging off a tree. Several in the group took a stab at getting a photo of it, and Lee took advantage of the moment to explain how the “portrait” setting focuses on the subject while leaving the background out of focus, whereas using the standard setting usually results in the camera's auto-focus feature trying to get everything in the frame in focus.

Lee also advised bracketing photos. This means (in this context) taking several photos of the same subject, from different angles, and picking the best.

“You can always delete the others,” she said, which got a laugh from the woman who had been struggling with that function.

Aiding the elderly, Chore Service turns 30

By Alexander Wilburn O'Kelly.

CORNWALL — Chore Service celebrated its 30-year landmark with a summer fundraiser on Saturday night, June 25.

A vital nonprofit in an aging community like that in the hills of Litchfield County, Chore Service volunteers provide aid and assistance to elderly, disabled or immobile residents. Through helping with grocery shopping, household cleaning, snow plowing and lawn care, Chore Service allows these residents to continue to live safely, but independently in their own homes.

The annual summer party has been held at notable homes in the area, with past hosts including antiques dealer and garden designer Michael Trapp, and Klemm Real Estate's Graham Klemm and Cody

This year, after a two-year hiatus due to COVID-19 restrictions, the party was revived in the lush but intricately tidy perennial gardens of John and Juliet Hubbard in Cornwall, where guests were invited to wander twisting stone paths through bundles of lavender penstemon in bloom.

“My mother needed help years, and ago. I was working full time, and I didn't know what to do,” Priscilla McCord, a long-time member of the Chore Service board, said at the party. “When the family isn't there, Chore Service is the eyes and ears for our elderly clients. When clients have families who work or have their own children, Chore Service is there to check in on a regular basis. When they need our help, we are that help.”



PHOTO BY ALEXANDER WILBURN

Board member Priscilla McCord with garden party host Juliet Hubbard at the Chore Service 30th anniversary celebration.

Bear-feeding ordinance on town agenda in Salisbury

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — An ordinance prohibiting the feeding of bears is on the agenda for a special town meeting Thursday, July 7 at 7 p.m. (online).

The other items are to approve the five-year Local Capital Improvement Program (LOCIP) plan and to sell 17 Perry St. to the Salisbury Housing Trust for \$1.

In an email Monday, June 27, First Selectman Curtis Rand fleshed out the agenda items.

On feeding bears: Voters will be asked “to approve an ordinance that prohibits feeding, baiting or attracting bears. There have been sev-

eral instances of intentional feeding of bears in residential neighborhoods; this is scary for neighborhood residents and it is bad for the bears, who can easily become habituated to food sources. This ordinance would offer a legal way to make this activity cease, including a fine of \$100 for the first offence, with \$25 increases if activity continues. There will likely be instances of unintentional feeding such as garbage and summer bird feeding, and if approved, we acknowledge the need will be education and patience as residents find ways to lessen the attraction of these food sources to bears without fear of fines.”

On 17 Perry St.: This parcel of land was the site of the former Decker's Laundry, which was abandoned in the 1980's. After careful consideration and confirmation of federal and state funding to ensure that remediation would be possible, the Town moved to acquire the property and oversee the clean-up. The three goals for this project were to eliminate environmental issues in the neighborhood, to hold the town harmless for the financial issues, and finally to re-use the property for affordable housing.

“Any future housing proposal will be subject to final remediation data as well as

approval from the Salisbury Planning and Zoning Commission.”

On LOCIP funds: “Every-year the State of Connecticut gives small towns funds for capital improvements; Salisbury receives approximately \$43,000 per year. We can use these funds for capital projects but not things like vehicles, painting, salaries and other non-capital improvements. Towns can accumulate LOCIP funds and Salisbury currently has \$143,000 available. Each expenditure must be part of a 5-year plan that has been approved by-town meeting.”

For the agenda and link go to www.salisburyct.us.



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Our Towns

Part-time lake patrols aim to keep peace on Twin Lakes

By Debra A. Aleksinas

SALISBURY — In response to ongoing noise complaints from lakefront property owners on Twin Lakes, the town has reinstated a part-time police patrol headed by newly appointed Salisbury Resident State Trooper Will Veras and aided by a staff of two retired law enforcement officers.

The announcement was made during a membership meeting of the Twin Lakes Association (TLA) on Saturday, June 18 at Camp Isola Bella, attended by about 50 people, including First Se-

lectman Curtis Rand.

Rand, Veras and TLA President Grant Bogle fielded questions and complaints, and explained how the program will roll out this summer, with a goal of having it fully implemented next season.

Salisbury lost its town constable due to state cutbacks, forcing TLA members and the town to scramble this year for a way to keep peace while allowing safe recreation on the lake.

“We appreciate the support we are getting from the town in getting lake patrols back this year. It was not easy,

and Curtis really worked hard at that,” said Bogle.

Veras, who works out of Troop B in North Canaan and lives in Torrington, explained that he will be supported by retired law enforcement officials Al Bison and Marc Puzzo, who bring 55 years of combined service to the job. “Just the presence of them will make a big difference,” he said.

Patrols not predictable

Responding to a question about how often the patrols will monitor lake activity, “My experience has been that we don’t want it to be predictable. Will and Al will

figure out what works and what the town budget can support,” said Bogle.

Several residents asked for advice on how to file complaints and who to call when an issue surfaces, since the patrol officers are not local and may not be present when problems occur.

“If there is a significant issue that happens, call 911. If there is anything else, Grant has the phone number for me and my two guys,” said Veras.

Rand, who noted that he “almost got swiped” by a boater recently while in his kayak, suggested that people “keep it as controlled as you can. We will make the phone calls.”

Noise complaints, said Bogle, are difficult to deal with. “The realization is that there is no noise ordinance in Salisbury so what is noise to you or me may not be noise to somebody else.”

The TLA president said he is optimistic the patrol will reduce complaints. “Just the mere presence of having the boat out there slows people down,” he said.

Responding to a question about how to handle disturbances from party boats and late-night revelers, Rand suggested residents gather as much information as possible about the offenders. “If it’s the middle of the night we are not going to get to them, but if you know who it is, we will get to them the next day.”

Veras said there is no one-size-fits-all solution, and that lake residents should “police each other. You can get



PHOTO BY DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS

Grant Bogle, right, president of the Twin Lakes Association, Salisbury First Selectman Curtis Rand, center, and the town’s new Resident State Trooper Will Veras fielded questions during a TLA membership meeting on Saturday, June 18 to discuss noise complaints on the lakes.

a plate number of a vehicle at the boat launch, all these little things are what it takes to make change.”

Call for noise ordinance

TLA board member Dan Kadlec said he feels that the town needs to take enforcement a step further by adopting a noise ordinance. “We would like an ordinance that allows us to say, ‘Hey, if you don’t cut it out, we are going to have an accident.’ We’d like some teeth so we can take action and so that we are not just ignored.”

Last year, Rand said if the TLA drafted an ordinance addressing noise and safety issues, he would bring it to a vote. At Saturday’s meeting, the first selectman explained that even though the town

does not currently have the manpower to enforce it, he would investigate bringing a proposed ordinance to a vote.

Karl Anoushian, who owns lakefront property and is an avid fisherman, said, “I have always found that police presence is a deterrent” and works better than “running up to some guy who has a half bottle of Jack in him and saying, ‘Hey, cut it out.’ That doesn’t work.”

Anoushian said times have changed on the lake over the years, and so too, have people’s behaviors.

“It’s not all rowboats and canoes anymore, he said. Jet skis, party boats and blaring speakers all contribute to excessive noise, he said.

West Cornwall sewer project moves to July 9 referendum

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — The West Cornwall Wastewater Management project was brought before a town meeting on Saturday, June 25 at the Cornwall Consolidated School.

The meeting drew 50 residents to ask final questions and voice opinions before the proposal is decided at a referendum scheduled for Saturday, July 9.

The West Cornwall Septic Study committee, advised by professional engineer Stephen McDonnell, had examined all aspects of the challenges faced by the village of West Cornwall along two waterways, Mill Brook and the Housatonic River.

Constraints posed by the physical layout of businesses and residences, along with their historic septic and well water arrangements have meant that village development has been limited as the years have passed.

Scott Cady was unanimously elected to serve as moderator for the Town Meeting.

First Selectman Gordon Ridgway thanked the study committee for its work. Ridgway noted an escalating resurgence of vitality in West Cornwall.

“The time for the project is now,” Ridgway noted, “because the funding is in place.” A federal grant in the amount of \$3 million has been awarded to the project and is expected to cover half of the \$6,230,000 total cost.

Finance board chairman Joe Pryor presented financial details, indicating that the debt on construction of the Cornwall Consolidated School building will be paid off in 2023 and debt service for various bridge replacement and repair projects will decrease toward its final payment in 2027. Bond borrowing through the U.S. Department of Agriculture could cover the balance needed of \$3,200,000 with favorable rates.

Septic study committee chairman Todd Piker said, “I continue to be confident that the membrane bio-reactor system reflects state-of-the-art technology.”

McDonnell said numerous types of systems were examined to find the right fit for West Cornwall.

Planning has been based on 12,000 gallons per day of septic flow to the processing system, a number that anticipates projected growth in a system that is easily expandable in the future.

For that projected flow volume, if a standard septic processing system were used, then 18 acres of land would be needed to support a leach field, and that acreage is not to be found in West Cornwall, McDonnell explained.

In recommending the membrane system, McDonnell explained that all septic flow must pass through the membrane and be treated. After treatment, the clean water produced can be piped directly into the river or reused as a water source for the building’s operation. He said it operates silently and produces no odor, and is housed in a small building no larger than a two- or three-car garage. The design of the building will match its architectural surroundings.

Ridgway noted that the new wastewater system would increase the town’s tax base as West Cornwall’s underutilized buildings became utilized. For example, the West Cornwall Hughes Library could be used as a public building (it presently lacks water and septic), and the Farnsworth building would be able to function.

Resident Emily Pryor noted that the library lacks any land other than the footage it stands on. The Union is another example, she said, where the well and the septic system are too close together (closer than the 75 feet required by state health standards). The Union therefore cannot expand its services within its building that holds The Local, generating more than \$90,000 annually in sales, benefiting local food producers and artisans.

Apart from questions of clarification about the proposed project, residents’ questions centered on concern for the location of the processing building within the village.

“We don’t have a site chosen yet,” Ridgway explained, adding that some residents have offered locations, but more engineering work is needed.

Ridgway added that the process of site selection will be public. Planning and Zoning chairman Anna Timell spoke in agreement, saying that it is the work of her commission to consider any proposed site during public meetings and hearings.

“Your fears will turn out to be unfounded,” Timell assured residents.

Resident Bart Jones, president of the town’s conservation trust, predicted that the project would improve the quality of the Housatonic River. Also, he said that it would likely mean that apartments could be added within West Cornwall, perhaps occupying the upper floors of the business buildings.

Although recent communications from a citizens’ group named “Friends of Cornwall” had listed concerns and several questions about the proposed project under public discussion, no representative spoke at the town meeting.

Anonymous emails subject of June 21 meeting

At the regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen Tuesday, June 21, First Selectman Gordon Ridgway related that town attorney Perley Grimes said the anonymous “Friends of Cornwall” group that sent flyers and emails opposing the wastewater project might have violated state law.

Noting that the Friends of Cornwall had spent \$1,000 on the effort, Grimes indicated that no such group is registered with the local government office. He said that the group may have violated two state statutes, including that a group of two or more persons must include notice of who paid for the communication piece, and that a group who spends more than \$1,000 must register their organization with the town clerk.

The first step in enforcement action is for the town clerk to report the matter to the state, a complaint action that will be taken by Grimes and the town clerk.

Talk to focus on photos of trains

FALLS VILLAGE — The second talk of the season for the Falls Village-Canaan Historical Society’s 1st Tuesday at 7 summer talk series is legendary trainman Peter McLachlan’s photo Collection with Rick Selva and Dave Jacobs, on Tuesday, July 5, 7 p.m. at the South Canaan Meetinghouse, 12 Rte. 63 in Falls Village.

Historical Society board member Dave Jacobs, along with Perry Gardner, have been scanning and editing the well known trainman’s slides for several years. The collection of approximately 30,000 slides, were all taken by McLachlan over his long career with the various railroads that operated locally.

The event is open to the public. For more information, call 860-824-7893 or email fvchs8226@gmail.com

Eric Sloane Museum open house on July 2

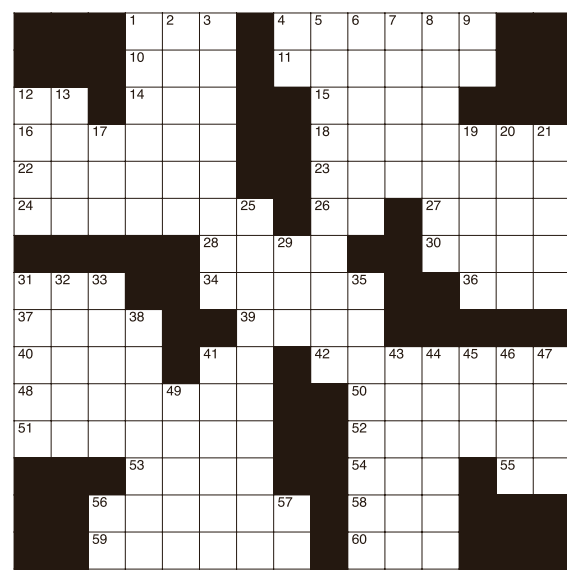
KENT — The Eric Sloane Museum plans to celebrate 50 years of the museum’s operation on July 2 with free admission, live music and food.

Historic craft demonstrations and guest speakers will be on the schedule. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 4.

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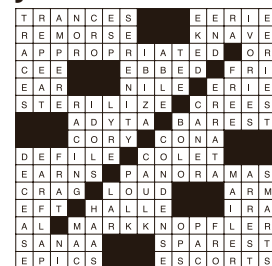
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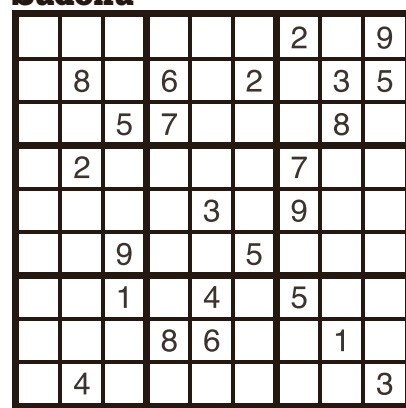
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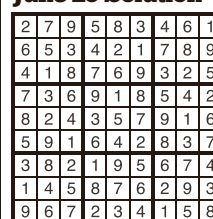
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Sports

Summer of speed and Scots at Lime Rock Park



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Top left, formula cars on the uphill run at Lime Rock Park on Friday, June 24 during practice and qualifying for all classes in the SCCA New England Regionals amateur racing event. Bottom left, preparations in the paddock, and top right, Miatas come through the West Bend during the racing weekend that included cars from mostly stock sedans and sports cars to formula cars of every type.



PHOTO BY TOM BROWN

Below, Lime Rock Park was busy last weekend. In addition to auto racing, the park hosted the Round Hill Highland Games on Sunday, June 25. There were bagpipes and people in tartans and Highland dancing, not to mention a whiskey tasting.

OBITUARIES

William George Franks

William George Franks, 90, of Amenia passed away on June 20, 2022, at home following a six-month illness.

He was born in Sayre, Pennsylvania, on December 6, 1931, to the late Florence Van Horn and Paul M. Frank, Sr. On June 27, 1959, he married Barbara Ann Draper at the Athens Methodist Church in Athens, Pennsylvania. They would have celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary on June 27 this year. Their honeymoon was a trip to Canada, the first of many.

Bill was a graduate of what was then Sayre High School, Class of '51. He was an All Star, All Valley Athlete in all sports, keeping in touch with coaches Weiss, Ksionzak, and Thoren until their deaths. He especially enjoyed remembering and retelling of the All-American East/West game in Tennessee as well as his prized photo with Miss Tennessee presenting him with a watch.

He earned a full football scholarship to St. Bonaventure and graduated in 1955. Speaking of football, he also played for some time with the Pennsylvania Green Shamrocks semi-pro football team. Unable to find local work, he went to work at Wassaic State School, Wassaic, New York (now Taconic DDSO) starting as a physical education teacher and ending as a supervisor.

While working at Wassaic, he furthered his education in Albany, and at SUNY New Paltz. He had some special students who participated in Special Olympics in California, Chicago and Boston (twice) proudly bringing back medals each time.

Bill loved all sports and followed his teams – PSU football, Giants and Yankees. His children learned early not to plan anything during times of PSU football or U Conn girls'

basketball. "Quiet" was of the essence! For many years, he and his nephew Paul were able to have reserved seats for PSU football and introduced many family and friends to a group from southern Pennsylvania and taigaled with them for years.

Bill enjoyed travel. He had great memories of going with different friends to Europe, Iceland, Australia, Fiji, Ireland and New Zealand along with many trips throughout the states. He enjoyed every trip but especially Alaska (3) and Hawaii (2). He grew to like bus trips with Wayne and Nan Lowery as well as groups from Marilyn's Lakeview Travel of Pulteney, New York, having many adventures while meeting lots of interesting people.

Bill was an avid hunter and fisherman going out for the last time in November before turning 90.

Bill was meticulous about his lawn, hedge and garden. He took care of Barb's flower beds after her knee surgeries, moaning every time more bulbs arrived.

Bill was a loving husband

and involved parent with all the children's activities and school. He always wanted to be involved in "back in PA."



Bill was an active member of the Episcopal Church in Dover Plains, and then Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon, joining the Altar Guild with his friend Rick since they were always assisting their wives. Bill remained a faithful member until this year.

Bill's friends and family will miss his smiling face, sense of humor and loving support. We are grateful to have such an abundance of memories of a great guy.

He is survived by wife, Barbara (Draper), daughters, Nancy A. Franks of Northville, New York, Mary Beth Franks-Begor and husband Scott of Dover Plains, and daughter-in-law, Evelyn A. Franks of Poughkeepsie; sisters, Florence (Joyce) Millage of Waverly, New York, and Mary Jeanne Chacona of Sayre, Pennsylvania, sister-in-law Marguerite Franks of Waverly, New York, and many nieces and nephews.

He will be missed by grandchildren, Preston T. Vincent, and fiancée, Jessica, Cayleigh A. Vincent and fiancé, Ryan Potter, Andrew N. Franks, Ethan T. Franks, Tara A. Begor, Justin Begor and children.

Dearly loved are great grandsons, Colton and Braxton Potter who have just been joined by brother, Weston. Bill was predeceased by brothers, Paul M. Franks Jr. and Robert E. Franks; a daughter Mary Jean Franks, and son, Brian W. Franks.

Visitation was held on Monday June 27 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Hufcut Funeral Home, 3159 Route 22, Dover Plains. A Funeral Service was held on Tuesday, June 28 at 11 a.m. at Christ Church Episcopal, 9 South Main Street, Sharon.

Memorials may be made to Christ Church Episcopal, 9 South Main Street, Sharon, Ct. 06069 or ALSAC/St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105. To send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.



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RORABACK

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permanency of a woman's right to decide her reproductive future.

"We're still fighting and we have to keep on fighting," she said in 2002 during a Planned Parenthood League of Connecticut event honoring her. On that afternoon she shuffled through a long list of George H.W. Bush appointees who had been opposed to reproductive rights, including a doctor who headed an FDA advisory committee on reproductive rights. She told the 2002 gathering that

"We always argued in the name of married women. We knew it was the only way we could win."

—Catherine Roraback

conservative Republican administrations have long been dedicated to reversing "the rights we have fought so hard to get," noting that funding for reproductive care is always under threat.

That the reversal of *Roe v. Wade* has been a long-term strategy for conservative Republicans is evidenced by the fact that it was overturned by two judges nominated by Bush father and son, as well as three Trump appointees, who reasoned that there is no specific reference to privacy in the Constitution.

Chief Justice John Roberts split hairs, saying he would have supported the Mississippi law that triggered the judicial review, but believes that overturning *Roe v. Wade* went too far.

Catherine Roraback exhibited no such equivocation when it came to women's rights. Her involvement in

Despite a 50-year battle to overturn the law, by 1940 all Planned Parenthood clinics in the state were closed and two doctors and a nurse had been convicted of violating the statute.

the battle over reproductive rights began when she was tapped by Planned Parenthood League of Connecticut to argue the 1961 case of Estelle Griswold and Dr. C. Lee Buxton. Griswold, executive director of the Planned Parenthood League of Connecticut, and Buxton, a doctor and professor at Yale Medical School, opened a Planned Parenthood clinic, were arrested and found guilty as accessories to providing illegal contraception. Each was fined \$100 and appealed the decision to the Supreme Court of Errors of Connecticut, which upheld the conviction. Roraback said in a 2002 interview

with this writer that the defendants willfully defied the 1879 Barnum Act (drafted by circus owner and huckster, Sen. P.T. Barnum) to create a test case. At that time, only Connecticut had an absolute contraception ban, even for women whose lives would be imperiled by pregnancy. Under the Barnum Act, married couples faced arrest and imprisonment for using birth control.

Despite a 50-year battle to overturn the law, by 1940 all Planned Parenthood clinics in the state were closed and two doctors and a nurse had been convicted of violating the statute.

"It was not that wom-

en couldn't get this advice," Roraback said in 2002, "it was that poor women couldn't. If you had enough money, you could go where contraceptives or abortions were available, but poor women didn't have that option. ... I have always felt that being a woman is a radicalizing experience and the Planned Parenthood women were radical on this point. It was not poor women who brought it about, it was an upper-middle-class WASP organization."

But even with a lawyer at the helm who relished civil rights cases—she had already defended Communists at the height of the Red Scare of the 1950s—Planned Parenthood knew the limits of the arguments it could make. "We always argued in the name of married women," Roraback related. "We knew it was the only way we could win."

In the closing chapters of the judicial fight, work was conducted at a fever pitch. "Especially in the last years, briefs were being filed every day," she said. "There was always something happening and we were changing briefs and making additions all the time. Things were changing so rapidly."

Eventually, on June 7, 1965, the Supreme Court ruled 7-2 that a state's ban on the use of contraceptives violated marital privacy. Justice William O. Douglas contended that the Bill of Rights' specific guarantees have "penumbras," emanating from the "spirit" of the first, third, fourth, fifth and ninth amendments that create a general "right to privacy" that cannot be unduly infringed.

Concurring Justice Arthur Goldberg argued that the Ninth Amendment, which states that the Bill of Rights does not cover all of people's rights, allows the Court to find the "fundamental right to marital privacy" without having to ground it in a specific constitutional amendment.

"It was a wonderful day for me when we heard the Griswold decision," Roraback said in the 2001 appearance before Planned Parenthood. "It was a unique experience."

But not her last. In 1972, she litigated *Women v. Connecticut*, Connecticut's counterpart to *Roe v. Wade*, eliminating Connecticut's anti-abortion statutes. That case may now have renewed importance as the most recent Supreme Court ruling returns abortion rights to the states.

Roraback's radicalism never faded, even as her health did. Her former law partner, Michael Avery, related an anecdote at her memorial service. He stopped to see her about a month before her death and found she

had advance sheets from the Supreme Court by her bed. "I said, 'Katie, you can't be reading those to cheer yourself up,'" he said. "She said she thought it was important that she stay in touch with what they are doing to the Constitution," he reported.

Most assuredly, she would not be pleased today. But others are ready to pick up the mantle. Both Gov. Ned Lamont and Connecticut Attorney General William Tong issued statements pledging their support of women's rights.

Lamont said the Supreme Court's decision "oversteps the constitutional right for Americans to make their own reproductive healthcare decisions without government interference," and asserted, "As long as I am governor, reproductive rights will be protected in Connecticut and I will do everything in my power to block laws from being passed that restrict those rights."

In anticipation of the Supreme Court decision, the Connecticut legislature passed, and Lamont signed, Public Act 22-19, a first-in-the-nation law that protects medical providers and patients traveling from other states that have outlawed abortion. Additionally, the law expands abortion access in Connecticut by expanding the types of practitioners eligible to perform certain abortion-related care.

Tong worried that the decision will have consequences beyond access to abortion. "We need to be clear-eyed and realistic about just how dangerous this decision is for women, patients and doctors, and what it signals for every single major decision before the Court," he said. "Make no mistake—this is just the beginning of a systematic right-wing effort to rewrite decades of bedrock legal precedent, the foundation of which is our long-recognized right to privacy in making our most personal decisions."

He predicted "a tsunami of radical litigation and legislation aimed at further eroding rights we have taken for granted," such as marriage equality, inter-racial marriage and access to birth control.

"We know already there are plans to push for a nationwide abortion ban should Republicans gain control of both houses of Congress," he said. "If that happens, I will be the first to sue. ... Connecticut is a safe state, but we will need to be vigilant, aggressive and proactive to defend our rights."

Kathryn Boughton is a former managing editor of *The Lakeville Journal* and *Canaan Town Historian*, whose office is located in the *Canaan History Center*, formerly Catherine Roraback's law office.

ABORTIONS

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cess to reproductive services Friday when the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade*, ending the constitutional right to abortion after almost 50 years. Following the announcement of the court's ruling, nine states immediately banned abortion, and seven more have trigger bans that will take effect in the coming days.

Medical providers with Planned Parenthood of New England said they are planning accordingly and expect a "surge" of patients from out of state over the coming months. Abortion remains legal in Connecticut and Rhode Island.

"We are anticipating that we will see a continued surge in patients here in Connecticut, as abortion is legal, as we have the ability to provide abortion services at all of our health centers in Connecticut," said Amanda Skinner, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood of Southern New England. "We are accessible by airports; at a number of our health centers, we have airports within 20 or 30 minutes. We are working furiously with our colleagues across the country ... to make sure we have as seamless a system as possible for patients who need access to care."

Skinner was quick to point out that not everyone will be able to afford this option, however, and that the Supreme Court's action will land most squarely on low income people and commu-



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Amanda Skinner, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood of Southern New England, said her organization is preparing for a "surge" of patients from out of state.

nities of color.

Skinner said Planned Parenthood already has seen an influx of patients traveling from Texas since that state adopted Senate Bill 8 last year, banning abortions after six weeks except in cases where there is a medical emergency.

"We have already seen patients having to travel thousands of miles from Texas to receive safe legal abortion care in Connecticut ... and we have every reason to believe that as abortion bans are passed across the country, this will continue," she said.

Dr. Nancy Stanwood, the organization's chief medical officer, said Planned Parenthood will expand its workforce and begin training advanced practice clinicians to provide first-trimester

abortions.

The Connecticut General Assembly in April passed a sweeping bill strengthening the state's existing abortion laws. In addition to providing a legal "safe harbor" to women from places with restrictive laws who get abortions in Connecticut — and the clinicians who perform them — the measure expands who can perform first-trimester abortions. Beginning July 1, advanced-practice clinicians such as APRNs and physician assistants are allowed to perform abortions by suction, also known as vacuum aspiration. Suction is the most common method of in-clinic abortions and can be performed by clinicians other than doctors in 14 other states.

Even as many decried the ruling Friday, others celebrated. Several antiabortion groups in Connecticut said they were galvanized by the decision, despite abortion remaining legal in the state.

"We're overjoyed," said Peter Wolfgang, executive director of the Family Institute of Connecticut. "Regardless of the fact that it doesn't immediately change anything for Connecticut, the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* is what pro-lifers have prayed for, marched for, worked for, voted for, for 49 years. And now we're going to do the same thing in Connecticut to hopefully overturn the 1990 law that still keeps abortion legal here."

The Connecticut Catholic Public Affairs Conference, which represents the state's Catholic Bishops, issued a statement praising the decision.

"Today, with the U.S. Supreme Court reversing the 1973 *Roe vs. Wade* decision on the right to abortion, we enter a new era of opportunity and responsibility to safeguard life and protect the most innocent among us," officials with the group said. Constant also asked legislators and others to fight efforts to undermine reproductive care in their communities.

The Journal occasionally will offer articles from CTMirror.org, a source of nonprofit journalism and a partner with The Lakeville Journal. A longer version of this story appears online at www.tri-cornernews.com.

RAILROAD

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between Salisbury to the west and Hartford to the east.

The service was a hit, and changed the lives of the people who lived in the remote Northwest Corner.

There were a lot of stations. Some of them were proper stations with clerks and waiting rooms. Some were little more than tool sheds. Salisbury alone had seven stations: State Line, Ore Hill, Lakeville, Salisbury, Taconic, Twin Lakes, and Washington.

There was a big dairy operation next to the Taconic station, and the milk and other products had to be loaded and shipped every day, including Sunday.

This annoyed local clergy, who wrote stern letters to the newspapers and started petitions, all in vain.

Paddock cited an example of the railroad's popularity. In August of 1872, a day trip to Hartford, spending the day on the Connecticut River, started off in Salisbury with a handful of people and steadily added passengers and cars, arriving in Hartford with



The Lakeville train station, which still exists on Ethan Allen Street in Lakeville.

1000 passengers on a dozen cars.

"You couldn't do any of that in 1871."

The railroad brought vacationers to toney enclaves such as Twin Lakes. It also brought tramps, who were a rough bunch. They were also often skilled workers, and local industries hired the transients on for however long they'd stay.

Criminals took advantage of the east-west railroad too. Paddock told a story about a gent who robbed a clothing store in North Canaan, and hopped on an eastbound train to make his escape.

The thief didn't reckon on the telegraph system that

accompanied railroads. The word went over the wires and the miscreant was lugged a town or two away.

Paddock also told of a newspaper story about a North Canaan woman whose abusive husband reported her missing. The farmhand was also AWOL.

On another page in the same edition of the newspaper, there was a list of recent marriages in Millerton. And there were the missing couple, now bigamists. (The wonderfully-named Rev. T. Darlington Jester officiated.)

Paddock said the east-west railroad was always in rocky financial shape, and was reformed and renamed

several times.

Railroad expansion had also taken place in Dutchess County, New York. A flat bridge across the Hudson at Poughkeepsie meant shipments of goods such as coal from Pennsylvania could now bypass Butler's routes and go straight to Hartford or New Haven and on to points north or south.

And while initially the east-west railroad offered a much faster and more comfortable trip from the Northwest Corner east (compared to walking or riding a horse along rough roads), the advent of the automobile, and subsequent demand for better roads for shipping and personal use, spelled the end of the Central New England railroad.

But the railroad left its mark. It opened up the Northwest Corner to the rest of the state, and the world. It made significant industrial development possible.

And the next time you go to the Grove in Lakeville, remember you are driving through what used to be the railroad's freight yard.

HOUSING

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added. The Stuart Farm and South Commons apartment complexes have 28 households waiting.

Discussion also focused on expanding and preserving dedicated affordable housing in Kent, supporting affordable home-buyer options, support for the creation of accessory apartments, increasing diversity of Kent's housing stock and ways to help meet the housing needs of those who contribute to the community by working and living in town.

Increase in noise, traffic?

Resident Julianne Dow asked what the impact on Kent would be if additional affordable housing is created, and its potential impact on the town's population, traffic, pollution and noise. "I notice on weekends, especially, that there is a lot of noise and traffic always," she noted.

In response, Virginia Sutton, steering committee member and long-time affordable housing advocate, explained that when the Templeton Farms apartments were proposed in the 1970's, "People said it would be a detriment to the town because a lot of people would be coming in from other places. And in a generation, it turned out that the people who objected to it being built found out that their mothers are now living there." Then another generation went by and now the people who originally objected to the Templeton Farms proposal are themselves living there, happily, she said.

The Steering Committee meets monthly on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., and the meetings are open to the public. Agendas and minutes are also posted on the town website, www.townofkentct.org.

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THE UNGARDENER: DEE SALOMON

At Last, Some Good News

At least where I am situated, in Litchfield County on the shores of the Housatonic River, it looks like there were two hatches of spongy moth caterpillars. The older hatch has slowed down and is starting to pupate. I have noticed fewer droppings as I walk the woods. And a few other observations that, for a change, have me smiling: There are dead caterpillars low down on some of the big trees.

Author and garden expert Page Dickey, who lives about 5 miles from me, noticed the same in her woods. In both cases, the trees were not sprayed with the anti-spongy moth BT, which has us thinking that the Entomophaga fungus that lives in the soil was actually released by the rain. Supposedly the infected caterpillars die on the tree trunks, all facing downward — a curious idea and one that I need to go back and

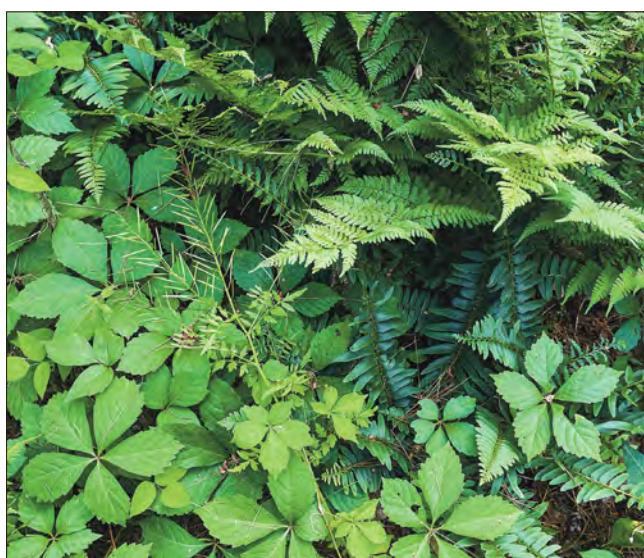


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Cardamine impatiens, the narrowleaf bittercress, hides among my ferns, which it can resemble when young. Its seeds pop open when the pods are touched, sending them flying.

verify.

The other observation, concurrent with the first, is the new leaf growth on trees that had suffered caterpillar defoliation. The fact that this is happening while the moths are dying or pupating is fascinating to me. It is as if the trees were sent the “all clear.”

I have posited this to a couple of friends and

received raised eyebrows.

But I am almost finished reading Merlin Sheldrake’s “Entangled Lives,” about the role that fungus plays in our world. There are a few scholars exploring the “wood wide web,” and they are finding that mycorrhizae — the filaments of fungus that live under the soil — play a role in helping trees communicate and “trade” minerals and needed resources.

It also has been proven that, above ground, plants send out scent signals to warn against danger. So maybe the trees are communicating.

Anyway, it is good news, when we have not had much in the caterpillar category.

Now that I don’t have

to spray BT on trees anymore I can turn my attention to other matters. The woods need another pass to pull up the garlic mustard and narrowleaf bittercress that have gone to seed — carefully, so as not to release the seed from its pod! I reach down low and make sure that I pull the garlic mustard out horizontally as the root tends to set at a 90 degree angle from the stem. It is a satisfying feeling to hear the release of the root from the soil and know that that is one more weed I won’t worry about again.

I am also determined to deal this year with the stilt grass that is now profuse in the wetland area. More about this to come and if you have suggestions please let me know.

For the past few years I have created a Maginot Line beyond which I pick out these invaders one by one. It is boring and back-compromising. Time for a new solution that I am quite sure will include both a weedwhacker and torch — given the wetland location, this is a safe bet. I have a weedwhacker and will borrow the torch before I buy and will let you know which is the way to go.

Dee Salomon “ungardens” in Litchfield County.



PHOTO COURTESY LIZZIE GILL

Lizzie Gill’s collage-like mixed media work can be seen at Standard Space in July.

NIGHT-INSPIRED IMAGES, VISITED ACROSS A CARPET OF STARS

Lizzie Gill is a Brooklyn, N.Y., artist who now lives and works in Sharon, Conn., creating images that explore the surreal moments between dusk and dawn that occur as we slip into a dream-like state.

A show of new work, called *Nocturnes*, opens at Standard Space in Sharon on Saturday, July 2, with a reception from 5 to 8 p.m. The show will be up until Aug. 15.

Her compositions encompass ornate objects with dynamic loops that flicker across their fragile surfaces, creating an enchanting visual rhythm. Night blooms spring forth in a state of half-decay, in starkly lit domestic spaces.

Her delicate vessels are archaeological explorations, geographic and cultural, actual and mythical, that the artist has seen and reimagined, or imagined without having seen.

Gill’s large-scale mixed media paintings are layered investigations of found imagery. Sourcing references from museum archives, vintage magazines and geotags, she utilizes collage as a metaphor for material improvisation and escapism.

Inspired by mise en scene, objects are placed with careful purpose, a restricted color palette sets the tone, objects appearing like apparitions insist on being looked at anew.

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PENCIL DRAWINGS INSPIRED BY DUTCH BOTANICALS

New work by Gail Jacobson of Cornwall, Conn., will be on display at the D.M. Hunt Library in Falls Village, Conn., from July 9 through 29 with an opening reception: on Saturday, July 9, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Jacobson is known for turning odd findings into curious and engaging *objets d’art* but here turns her eye toward traditional drawing techniques to create vivid colored pencil drawings of flowers on black paper.

Inspired by Dutch botanical paintings from the 16th century, the dark backgrounds accentuate the lushness of the foliage, stroke by magical stroke, to the point of seeming three dimensional.

Colored pencil drawings are often finished with solvents to smooth out the lines, but Jacobson



PHOTOS COURTESY GAIL JACOBSON

A show of work by Gail Jacobson of Cornwall, Conn., will be on the ArtWall at the Hunt Library for the month of July.

son prefers “the charming pencil scratches. It just seems honest and surprising to me. You see

the hand of the artist, the inner workings, the process.

The library is at 63 Main St. in Falls Village; library hours are Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday from 3 to 7 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 860-824-7424 or go to www.huntlibrary.org.

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ART: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

American Mural Project: Open and Ready for You To Come See It

Many of us drive through Winsted, Conn., and think about all the interesting things that could be done with the empty former industrial and mill spaces in the center of town.

Some have been converted over the years into apartments and artist studios. Ellen Griesedieck of Sharon, Conn., went one step further and turned a former mill into an art project in and of itself.

A massive space requires a big idea and a lot of time. Such was the case with Griesedieck's ambitious American Mural Project, which was first conceived in 1999 and has just been completed.

The setting is perfect for the American Mural Project, which is a tribute to American workers. The work began with the grooming of the site itself, including a cleanup of the property with a federal Brownfields grant. The state of Connecticut contributed as well, helping Griesedieck



PHOTO BY PETER BROWN

and her team pay for the cost of renovations that included raising the building's roof 30 feet, to make room for the mural, which extends up five stories.

The mural was a true community effort, not just thanks to the government grants but also with art work contributed to school children from across the country, who were invited to visit and participate in the mural.

Griesedieck describes the mural as "a vivid compilation of three-dimensional sculptural vignettes portraying Americans at work—from heart surgeons to steel workers, firefighters to farmers, school teachers to fabricators of a 747 aircraft, and more. Constructed with unconventional materials including honeycomb aluminum panels, blown glass, clay, reclaimed wood, native indigo, and spackle, the mural offers an optical journey and sensory adventure through the past 100 years of work in America."

The completed American Mural Project can now be seen at 90 Whiting St. in Winsted every Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and veterans, \$5 for students, and free for children 5 and younger. There is also a \$25 unlimited access pass, for use during open hours in 2022. Tickets and passes can be purchased at www.americanmural-project.org or in person.

BRINGING BACK 'AMÉLIE,' NOW ONSTAGE IN RHINEBECK

In 2001, a cult classic was born in the film "Amélie," written by Jean-Pierre Jeunet and Guillaume Laurant. The story follows a vibrant young Parisian woman who approaches the world around her at a distance, strangely hesitant about forging close human connections.

But on the night that Princess Diana of Wales is killed, Amélie discovers a box hidden in her apartment filled with a child's memories from long ago. She becomes determined to return the box to its original owner. This begins a long line of anonymous good deeds done for a host of eccentric characters, and these acts of kindness inadvertently lead Amélie to a possible love interest.

Nino Quincampoix collects photo strips left behind in photo booths. He is both the pursued and the pursuer when Amélie accidentally finds the album where he collects the strips, and

the two must decide the lengths they will go to meet each other, or keep their distance.

This romantic comedy becomes a musical adventure in the hands of composer Daniel Messé, lyricist Nathan Tysen and writer Craig Lucas. The show opened on Broadway in 2017 and was reworked for a 2019 West End production. It was nominated for Best New Musical, Best Original Score, and Best Actress in a Musical at the 2020 Laurence Olivier Awards.

Rhinebeck Theatre Society is staging a new production of the show on the intimate stage at The CENTER for Performing Arts at Rhinebeck.

In a cast of 16 performers, Kacie Boice



PHOTO COURTESY RTS

The adorable Amélie has transitioned from the big screen (2001) to a small-stage theater production in the Hudson Valley.

stars in the title role and Frank McGinnis is Nino is Frank McGinnis.

"Amélie" opened June 17 and runs for three weekends (until July 3). Friday and Saturday per-

formances are at 8 p.m.; Sunday performances are at 3 p.m. All tickets are \$25. More information is available at www.centerforperformingarts.org, or call 845-876-3080.

TRI-CORNER CALENDAR

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ART

Argazzi Art, 22 Millerton Road, Lakeville, Conn. www.argazziart.com

Sandrine Kern: Paintings, on view. Richard Segalman IN MEMORIAM: Paintings, July 2 through Aug. 14.

The Re Institute, 1395 Boston Corners Road, Millerton, N.Y. www.thereinstitute.com

"Up From the South": Second floor Christian Eckart, First floor Stacey Davidson, July 2 through Aug. 28.

BOOKS

D. M. Hunt Library, 63 Main Street, Falls Village, Conn. www.huntlibrary.org

Upstairs/Downstairs Monthly Book Sale, July 2, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Kent Memorial Library, 32 N. Main St., Kent, Conn. www.kentmemoriallibrary.org

A Special Evening with Gabby Bernstein, July 7, 5 p.m.

KIDS

American Mural Project, 90 Whiting St., Winsted, Conn. www.americanmuralproject.org

Create @AMP (new for teens!), June 27 to July 1, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Kent Memorial Library, 32 N. Main St., Kent, Conn. www.kentmemoriallibrary.org

Reading with Wynton!, July 2, 11 a.m. LEGO Day!, July 2, 2 p.m.

MOVIES

Gilson Cafe & Cinema, 354 Main St., Winsted, Conn. www.gilsoncafeandcinema.com

See website for current showtimes.

The Moviehouse, 48 Main St., Millerton, N.Y. www.themoviehouse.net

Now playing: Top Gun: Maverick, Elvis, Lightyear, Minions: The Rise of Gru

MISC.

Lime Rock Park, 60 White Hollow Road, Lime Rock, Conn. www.limerock.com

Salisbury Rotary Fireworks Show, July 1.

Salisbury Association, Salisbury, Conn. www.salisburyassociation.org

4th of July Celebration, July 4, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MUSIC

Berkshire Bach Society, Great Barrington, Mass. www.berkshirebach.org

Orli Shaham In Recital, July 9, 3 p.m.

The Egremont Barn, 17 Main St., South Egremont, Mass. www.theegremontbarn.com

Billy Keane with opener Asher Putnam, June 30, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

THEATER

Great Barrington Public Theater, Great Barrington, Mass. www.greatbarringtonpublictheater.org

Solo Fest: Leave Your Fears Here, June 30 to July 10.

Clarification

The talk on Felicia Bridges that was listed as happening July 17 at the Douglas Library in North Canaan, Conn., happened on June 17.



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EDITORIAL

Roe v. Wade out; what's next?

When the Supreme Court overturned the almost 50-year-old landmark decision Roe v. Wade on Friday, June 24, which had up until then protected a woman's right to a safe and legal abortion, it reversed vital precedent.

In doing so, the bombshell decision was only the third time the highest court in the USA set a precedent that took away an individual's right rather than expanded it — which is dangerous and tragic for our democracy.

For once the court establishes such a pattern, it could set the course for placing other constitutional rights most Americans take for granted at risk.

In fact, this ruling could crack the door and let courts potentially overturn rulings on same-sex marriage, contraception and other rights U.S. citizens hold near and dear in the immediate future. The justices have reportedly already been debating those points.

With conservative Justice Samuel Alito writing the majority opinion on Friday's abortion case, a woman's constitutional right to get an abortion is no longer federally protected.

Think about that for a moment. This country is actually going backwards. What if that were the case with how the U.S. progressed in terms of science, technology or any other modern-day innovations? Would our leaders — our mostly male leaders — support such laws then?

So, who, exactly are these justices to deny so many millions of American woman, trans and/or non-binary individuals such a basic freedom? Who are the politicians, the religious leaders and the many other abortion opponents who have fought for five decades — and now succeeded — in making an essential medical procedure unavailable to patients who require it?

Are they medically trained, psychologically equipped and qualified to evaluate and then forbid patients to make decisions regarding their own bodies?

Would you like a stranger to prevent you or one of your loved ones from accessing essential medical care — or be ordered to carry a child to full term — even if you were a victim of incest, rape, if you have serious health issues or if you don't have the mental, emotional or financial ability to deal with a pregnancy? What if that pregnancy was life-threatening?

Would you want to have another person, completely unfamiliar with your life, making your decisions for you? It's doubtful, and there's no reason why you or others should have to do so. Not in the year 2022, and certainly not in the United States of America, which has always served as a beacon of democracy and personal freedom to the rest of the world. Those rights should continue to grow into the future, not decline.

Interestingly, according to an excellent May 4 article in The New Yorker written by Jill Lepore entitled, "Of Course the Constitution Has Nothing to Say About Abortion," it states, "There is nothing in that document about women at all. Most consequentially, there is nothing in that document — or in the circumstances under which it was written — that suggests its authors imagined women as part of the political community embraced by the phrase 'We the People.'"

Perhaps that isn't terribly surprising. What's sadly less surprising is that not much seems to have changed in the last 235 years.

Immediately after the court handed down its ruling, tens of millions of women lost access to safe and legal abortions, putting their health at risk. While the ruling itself didn't initiate a ban, it gave states almost limitless power to do so.

The question one must now ask: Which basic right will we lose next?

Hearts broken

This is a week when The Lakeville Journal family is feeling the full onslaught of immeasurable grief, in the loss of one of our own. Former Lakeville Journal executive editor and current Compass editor Cynthia Hochswender has lost her 28-year-old daughter Kate to suicide.

There are too many families who must deal with this kind of loss now, and our hearts are with Cynthia, her family and friends as they cope with this tragedy.

There are clearly no guarantees in life, but if you know of someone who you believe might benefit from your help in a time of crisis, reach out to them and do your best to offer support. It's all any of us can do.

Deadline for letters for July 7 issue is Friday at noon, due to early deadline for the Fourth of July holiday. Send to publisher@lakevillejournal.com. More letters on next page.

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Love the lilies

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Finding common ground

On June 16, Mark Godburn wrote a letter arguing that "compromise is needed on both abortion and guns". This is probably the first time that Mr. Godburn and I have agreed on much of anything, but agree with him I do. Extreme ideologies rarely serve the public good, nor reflect the attitudes of the vast center of public opinion.

In the case of the abortion, the majority of people would probably agree that the decision to have an abor-

tion before fetal viability is the woman's. After that point, that decision could only be based on rape, incest, newly discovered fetal anomalies that reveal the fetus is not viable, and the woman's physical and mental health.

Similarly, responsible gun owners and non-gun owners alike could agree on a set of gun violence prevention laws if only the NRA and gun manufacturers didn't whip up fears that any sensible laws would inevitably lead to

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

100 years ago — June 1922 — Fireworks of all kinds are for sale at George Parsons' home in Salisbury.

While working on the electric light line near the Lime Rock cemetery on Monday Stanley Mather killed a large rattlesnake. The snake measured 43 inches in length and had eleven rattles. The wheel of the auto truck passed over the snake but did not kill it and it crawled into the bushes. Stanley, who was wearing rubber boots, followed it and dispatched it after it put up a fierce fight and rattled furiously. Stanley is now looking for someone who knows how to tan a rattlesnake skin.

LIME ROCK — Levio Perotti and John Curtis

spent Thursday at Camp Vue, Cornwall. Levio caught so many fish that he and John came back on Sunday and brought some friends to watch them catch some fish, but to no avail, for the fish didn't like the popular song that Levio was singing most of the time and refused to bite.

—The work of constructing a new concrete road from the foot of Smith Hill to Dutcher Bridge has been started. Mascetti and Holley have the contract.

50 years ago — June 1972 Salisbury had the second highest property assessment per capita but the second lowest tax rate of all the 169 towns in Connecticut in 1971, according to the Office of the State Tax Commissioner. The figures were disclosed by the Municipal Division of the Commissioner's Office in Hartford in response to an inquiry from John H. Brooks on behalf of the Salisbury Board of Finance.

—Sunday's torrential downpour failed to dampen the celebration of the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sczesiel of Lakeville. About 150 relatives and friends gathered under a tent on the lawn, and inside the family's large home on Main Street, for the festive event.

—John F. Bianchi, Canaan attorney and one of the four original prosecutors for Circuit Court 18, has been named to succeed Thomas F. Wall of Kent as states attorney for Litchfield County.

—Kenneth Rutledge, executor of the estate of James Rutledge, this week refuted rumors that a decision has been made to raze the old Canfield Hotel. The elder Mr. Rutledge had operated the hotel until his death last week.

—In what is billed as the largest event of its kind in the area, the Lakeshore Land Co. will auction off approximately 75 cabins and cottages this Saturday. The sale will be at the former Children's Colony summer camp off Long Pond in Lakeville. Prices may be as low as \$100 per cabin plus \$100 in moving costs, according to Millerton auctioneer Waldo Scardapane.

25 years ago — June 1997 Caroline C. Calhoun of Cornwall was named to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement for the spring semester at Colby College in Waterville, Maine.

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Blame on shootings

While reading Robert Buccino's letter to the editor June 16, I must agree, he hit the nail on the head. He wrote the plain truth. When we elected our politicians to office, they took an oath to uphold, defend the Constitution of the United States. When mass shootings occur across America, there becomes a shift to blame. We open a Pandora's box, where there is finger pointing and no one takes the blame.

How dare they look at these poor children whose life's dreams are taken away to leave empty hearts and everlasting sadness to the parents and friends. Gun restrictions, no matter the change, the tougher they get, aren't going change a thing. The NRA raising banners and protest blame mental illness, which is always their best defense and no one ever disputed any difference. Why not.

Michael Parmalee

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Viewpoint

Maybe Biden shouldn't, maybe Murphy should — run in 2024

After each major gun tragedy, Democrats in Congress, prompted by Connecticut Sen. Chris Murphy, try and fail to get some gun control laws passed.

Murphy had completed three terms in the U.S. House and was senator-elect in 2012 when 20 six and seven-year olds and six adults were shot and killed at the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown. He began his futile quest for badly needed gun legislation back then but never came close until now.

After 19 school children were gunned down in Uvalde, Texas by a young man using a semi-automatic weapon like the Sandy Hook killer's, Murphy saw a chance to pass bipartisan gun legislation for the first time in the decade since Newtown.

But Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer had other ideas. He wanted to quickly call for a vote on background checks legislation that had passed the House a year ago. The bill had nearly no chance in the evenly divided Senate but Schumer wanted to embarrass Republicans into putting their pro gun views on the record.

Murphy told The Washington Post he asked Schumer to give him time to get bipartisan support for some passable gun legislation. He got 10 days and, for the first time in years, modest gun legislation has been passed by the House and Senate.

President Biden hasn't been particularly helpful, making a rare primetime speech calling on Congress to ban assault weapons and altering high-capacity magazines, bills that would never pass in the Senate. Maybe the president didn't hear about Murphy's 10 days.

All this is why you now hear Murphy being talked about for the Democratic presidential nomination and Biden being talked about as a one-term president — by his own party.

Biden would be 82 if and when he begins a second term and 86 when it ends. "He just seems old," a senior administration told me at a social function," wrote veteran political journalist Mark Leibovich in an Atlantic article

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headlined "Why Biden Shouldn't Run in 2024."

Leibovich points out that only 48% of Democrats want to see Biden run again. With inflation on the rise and a recession looming, the Republicans are expected to win control of Congress in November, leaving Biden with little to no chance of accomplishing anything in the second half of his term.

Meanwhile, Murphy, who has said nothing about a presidential race, is beginning to get some mention, with the emphasis on "some."

Chris Cillizza, editor-at-large of CNN, places Murphy on his list of 10 leading prospects for the Democratic nomination. The Connecticut senator only manages to come in tenth, after Ray Cooper, the little known Democratic governor of Republican North Carolina.

Cillizza, though, has nice things to say about Murphy. In addition to being the center of the gun negotiations, he writes that Murphy is "an articulate voice on liberal policy, but by no means a strict ideologue."

There's also a positive evaluation by veteran president watcher Stuart Rothenberg, who says that Murphy "seems to understand that politics is the art of accomplishing the art of the possible, not merely aiming for the impossible and blaming the opposition."

This approach doesn't seem to be favored by the top three on Cillizza's list of Democratic prospects: Joe Biden, Kamala Harris and Bernie Sanders. We should stress that this is one of those "if the election were held today" lists. I wouldn't bet on any of the top three when the election is really held in November 2024.

The other prospects are Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg in fourth

place, followed by California Gov. Gavin Newsom, Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar and New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker, Cooper and Murphy. Some big names but not a terribly inspiring group.

There's a Republican list too. Donald Trump is first — if the election were held today — followed by Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, former VP Mike Pence, Sen. Tim Scott, Texas Sen. Ted Cruz, former UN Ambassador Nikki Haley, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, Virginia Gov. Greg Youngkin, Florida Sen. Rick Scott and Sen. Tom Cotton of Arkansas.

Again, some big names but not a terribly inspiring group and, here and there, some depressing possibilities like Trump and Cruz. So maybe Murphy should run.

If Murphy ran and won, he'd be the first president from Connecticut. Though born across the border in White Plains, N.Y., Murphy graduated from Wethersfield High School and got his law degree from UConn. He was first elected to the State House at 25.

True, George W. Bush was born in New Haven while his father was at Yale, but he got out of town when he was around 2 and became a Texan, so, if you don't mind, we won't count him.

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Toli Fliakos

Very few of our neighbors have had a life as adventurous as Toli Fliakos. Toli spent his youth between Greece and Tanzania where his family had a tobacco plantation. When local politics turned their economic lives upside down he found himself, at the age of 15, penniless and

he worked for Chore Service and volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, eventually becoming a board member. Through his volunteer work he became embedded in the community and expanded his circle of friends and acquaintances. Aside from friendship, his network has

stranded in London where he was studying to perfect his English. Through the efforts of teachers

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who believed in him and the kindness of a ship-owner who offered him a free ride to America on a freighter, he crossed the Atlantic alone to finish high school at Hotchkiss on a scholarship. He went on to Yale, again on a scholarship. While at Yale he spent his summers at Hotchkiss working for a program for inner city kids. He got to know and love our town because the community was involved with the program.

enabled him to supplement his social security income by driving people to airports, train stations, doctors' appointments, etc. When

He has lived all over the country, raised three daughters and worked many interesting jobs. The strong roots he developed here during high school and those youthful summers pulled him back to Salisbury upon retirement.

asked, he donates his services to organizations or people in need. His network has also helped him find very scarce affordable housing. He now worries about what he will do as he ages. He says, "The only reason I've managed to remain here is because of the benevolence of people in the community. Without those connections I would have been forced to leave. New people eager to live and work here don't have these links."

Over the years he has often benefited from the kindness of others. He says, "kindness has given me faith in people. I'll trust anybody until they give me a reason not to. Because of how people impacted my life I always feel I owe something back to the world. Helping others has become my way of life. To this day when I get down I force myself to find someone I can help and then I feel much better." Once back in Salisbury

Toli's experience underscores the positive difference people can make in a person's life. There is joy in both giving and receiving help from friends and strangers. Few things can make you feel better than changing someone's life for the better. Supporting the creation of affordable homes for seniors like Toli, who add value to our community, and the working people we need for our town to thrive, is a wonderful way to feel good and make a positive difference for our town.

Mary Close Oppenheimer is a local artist who has been part of the Lakeville/Salisbury community for 30 years.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

RTC is once again vibrant in Salisbury

Despite windy and chilly weather, more than 70 Republicans turned out on June 18 for a Meet The Candidates Event in Lakeville sponsored by the Salisbury Republican Town Committee. The audience heard from most of the statewide candidates running in the November election as well as candidates for Congress, the State legislature and Probate Court.

Following an enthusiastic Pledge of Allegiance, we first heard from Laura Devlin, gubernatorial candidate Bob Stefanowski's running mate for Lt. Governor. Ms. Devlin is a formidable legislator from Fairfield County who has served in the General Assembly since 2016. While the Democrats swept every statewide office in 2018, Stefanowski came the closest to winning and has been extremely active in getting out his message for more than a year. Mary Fay, who is running for Comptroller and has spent her entire career in finance, stressed the State's need to get control over its budget and especially its unfunded pension and benefit liabilities. Three candidates for the U.S. Senate and two for Secretary of The State, all of whom will compete in the August primary, were

also heard from.

The most dynamic speaker was George Logan, an African-American businessman and two-term member of the State Senate who is running for Congress. George is a forceful candidate with a winning personality; he elicited numerous standing ovations at the 5th District convention where he was unanimously nominated. Steve Harding, a Danbury attorney who represents Brookfield in the General Assembly, is the party's candidate for the 30th Senate District, a seat long held by the popular Craig Miner. Chris Dupont of Goshen, an executive in a consulting firm, was recently tapped to run for the 64th General Assembly District.

This event was a vivid demonstration that the Republican party has a wealth of highly-qualified candidates and that the party is looking forward, not backward, to the Fall election.

Tom Morrison
Chair, Salisbury Republican Town Committee
Salisbury

More letters previous page.

Mere partisan amateurism now for the USA?

I felt like crying for him, and for us.

It's not that I get weepy all that much when I watch the January 6th Committee hearings or anything. But, in this case, how could you not choke up watching such a lifelong staunch defender of conservative law and order, retired Federal Appellate Court Judge Luttig near the end of the latest hearing, struggle to plumb the murky swirling depths of emotion roiling inside. This, as if a lifelong cherished partnership of shared worth and value was exposed for all to see — as a newly minted fraud of epic, nay, historical proportions.

He forced himself to confront, on a worldwide political stage of fact-finding and conscience, the consequences of a recent (and still active) power-mad conspiracy, filled with dangerous decision-making that only this country, 'the last best hope for the world' could produce. He finally, painfully, uttered the most chilling words this country has heard since John Wilkes Booth infamous "Sic semper tyrannis! (Ever thus to tyrants!) The South is avenged," after assassinating President Abraham Lincoln.

Judge Luttig called former President Trump a "clear and present danger" to United States democracy. "The former president, his allies and supporters pledge that in the presidential election of 2024, if the former president or his anointed successor as the Republican Party presidential candidate were to lose that election, that they would attempt to overturn that 2024 election in the same way they attempted to overturn the 2020 election—but succeed in 2024 where they

failed in 2020."

Where do you start to attempt to wrap your brain around the implications of such a dark cavernous assessment of our near future? Especially since this grim warning comes from such a well respected devotee of that very same political party.

We, the United States of America, are now faced with what I call 'the professional's dilemma'. 'You know the standards of conduct are high for a very good reason, - to protect the public interest. And it will take a supreme dedication to honesty to fulfill the promises made.'

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Are we, as a country, capable and willing to reinvest in our national character to rediscover what it means to be a truly professional nation? Or, have we simply, selfishly and lazily, devolved down to mere partisan amateurism?

As Benjamin Franklin answered while exiting the Constitutional Convention to the question of what form of government the Colonies had adopted "A Republic, if you can keep it."

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