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Regional health center planned for North Canaan

By Debra A. Aleksinas

NORTH CANAAN — The state has awarded \$3 million in funding toward the construction of a new \$5.4 million health center in North Canaan that would provide Northwest Corner residents with increased access to primary and behavioral health-care services regardless of their ability to pay.

Referring to the funding nod by the State Bond Commission on Thursday, March 31, state Rep. Maria Horn (D-64) said plans by the Torrington-based Community Health and Wellness Center (CHWC) to build a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) in North Canaan have been a top priority for years, and now the project “will at last become a reality.”

For several years the town of North Canaan, along with the CHWC and the Foundation for Community Health (FCH) in Sha-

ron, have worked to get the project off the ground and into the community.

“The perception has been that we don’t need it out here, that we have these wealthy people throughout the Northwest Corner and all the second homes, but the reality is that there is a lot of need hidden away,” Horn said.

Federally Qualified Health Centers serve vulnerable individuals and families, including people experiencing homelessness, agricultural workers, residents of public housing and veterans. Patients will be able to receive primary care, mental health and non-emergency services no matter the economic, geographic or cultural barrier.

FCH grant helped with Phase One

Community Health and Wellness received a grant for \$1.3 mil-

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PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Demolition work will begin soon at the site of a \$5.4 million health center in North Canaan.

The Lakeville Journal

Coston appointed to editor post

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE— John Coston is the new editor of The Lakeville Journal.

Coston, who lives with his wife, Bridget Taylor, in East Canaan, is a veteran newspaper editor, most notably with The Wall Street Journal.

During his 30 years with The Wall Street Journal, Coston served as deputy foreign editor, markets editor and national news editor.

He retired in 2015.

Coston has been in the Northwest Corner for almost 40 years, first as a part-time resident and now full-time, living on a farm where he raises sheep.

He is also a longtime reader of The Lakeville Journal. Bridget Taylor’s mother, Hatsy Taylor, wrote the Hilltop Harvest column for many years, beginning in 1982.

“We are fortunate to have a person with as much knowledge, experience and over-the-top enthusiasm for journalism as John join our group as editor of The Lakeville Journal,” said Publisher and Editor-in-Chief Janet Manko.

“I know he will make it a point to meet community members as he settles in, but as a resident of East Canaan, he already has a good understanding of our coverage area and the important issues facing our

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PHOTO BY ANNE DAY

John Coston

Masks ‘strongly recommended’ for North Canaan school

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — Region One School District Superintendent Lisa Carter said that masks will continue to be recommended for students at North Canaan Elementary School (NCES) this week.

Carter, interviewed on April 3, said the state Department of Public Health is warning of a “mini-surge” in COVID-19 cases.

NCES experienced 28 COVID-19 cases in March, according to the Region One website (go to www.region1schools.org and click on “COVID-19 Reporting Cases Dashboard”).

As a result, Carter issued a strong recommendation on March

29 that students and staff at NCES go back to using masks.

The other five town K-8 schools and Housatonic Valley Regional High School had single-digit cases or none at all for the month of March.

Carter said as of March 31 no additional cases had been reported from North Canaan or anywhere else in Region One.

The extent to which that surge affects Region One towns will depend on residents’ travel plans, vaccination status and home mitigation practices.

Carter said it is extremely difficult to pinpoint where or how people pick up the virus. She is working closely with school principals to

monitor absences.

Carter said if students don’t feel well, they should stay home and get tested if possible.

Region One offers weekly testing for families in all seven schools. (Call the school office to sign up.)

Carter also noted the regional schools have “hundreds” of free home testing kits available for families.

The six towns in Region One are Canaan/Falls Village, Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury and Sharon.

Learning ways to identify trees by telltale clues

By Leila Hawken

MILLBROOK — If you are going to get to know any tree and perhaps give it a hug, you might want to start by knowing its name.

During a fast-paced program titled “Tree Identification for Beginners,” three naturalists joined to teach the basics of getting to know tree names. They don’t all look alike, and they can be easily differentiated if you know how.

The webinar, presented on March 23, was sponsored by the Cary Institute in Millbrook. It as-

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EPA will now monitor PCBs along river in Northwest Corner

By Debra A. Aleksinas

A “significant sampling” of PCBs from the Housatonic River along several Northwest Corner communities is slated to begin later this month and continue throughout 2022, according to Dean Tagliaferro, project manager of the Rest of River remediation plan for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Tagliaferro gave an update on monitoring planned this year in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

“In Connecticut, a fair amount of activities are proposed for

2022,” including sediment and adult fish sampling in the areas of the Route 7/Lime Rock Station Road bridge between Falls Village and Salisbury.

Tagliaferro’s comments were made during a two-hour meeting of the agency’s Housatonic River Citizens Coordinating Council (CCC) held via Zoom on March 30.

The council meetings are designed to update the public on the General Electric Co.’s (GE) ongoing cleanup of PCB contamination in and around the Housatonic River originating

from its Pittsfield, Mass., facility. [See article in the March 31 issue of The Lakeville Journal.]

“A sampling plan has been approved for the floodplain, riverbed and sediment at the confluence of the East and West branches of the Housatonic River, all the way down to the line between Pittsfield and Lenox. We’re hoping to cover all the different seasons,” said Tagliaferro.

“It could take a full year,” and additional EPA personnel, to collect the more than 10,000 samples

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Three-day forecast

FridayRain, high 57°/low 45°
 SaturdayCloudy, 53°/40°
 SundayCloudy, 50°/37°

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.

Fled accident

On March 27 at approximately midnight on Sand Road in North Canaan a 2013 Chevrolet Silverado driven by Tyler Richard Pitch, 25, of North Canaan lost control and exited the roadway, striking a telephone pole. Pitch left the scene of the collision and was later issued a misdemeanor summons for evading an accident.

Drove into a ditch

On March 27 at approximately 6 a.m. on Between the Lakes Road in Salisbury a 2021 Subaru Crosstrek Premium driven by Kevin Healey, 24, of Bethlehem,

Conn., lost control and exited the roadway, driving into a ditch. Healey was issued an infraction for failing to maintain the proper lane.

Rear ended

On March 27 at approximately 10 a.m. on Main Street in Salisbury a 2011 Ford F150 driven by James Lee Pollard, 40, of North Canaan rear ended a 2017 Toyota Sienna driven by Roberto Vega, 51, of Wassauc, which had slowed for traffic ahead. Pollard was issued a written warning for following too close resulting in an accident.

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 cynthiah@lakevillejournal.com.

Funding for nonprofits

SHARON — Up to \$15,000 in grant funding is available to nonprofits serving northern Litchfield County and the Greater Harlem Valley. To apply online go to <https://bit.ly/FCHRquestforProposals>.

Applicants can submit their requests until April 30.

Eligible organizations can request between \$5,000 and \$15,000 for needs related to: Meeting mission, operational infrastructure, scaling a program or initiative or stabilizing a program or initiative.

For more information call 860-364-5157 or contact info@fchealth.org

Second booster shots, April 13

CORNWALL — Residents of all area towns who are 50 or older or who are immunocompromised may come to Cornwall Town Hall for a second booster shot on Wednesday, April 13, between 1 and 6 p.m.

Bring your vaccination card and insurance card. The second booster shot should be administered no less than four months after the first booster.

There are no appointments, it is first-come first-served. If you have questions, call Jenn Markow at 860-480-0600.

Safe Driving course on May 3

SALISBURY — Salisbury Senior Services will host an AARP Safe Drivers Course on Tuesday, May 3, from 1 to 5 p.m. The class will be held in person at the Lakeville

Town Grove Senior Center. The cost is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members. Bring a check or exact cash to class. Space is limited to 20 participants to enroll, contact Lisa McAuliffe at 860-435-5191 or email lmcauliffe@salisburyct.us.

Kindergarten registration

Families with children born in 2017 should call their local school to register for kindergarten.

For the Lee H. Kellogg School in Falls Village, contact the school office at 860-824-7791 to be placed on list for registration.

Sharon Center School kindergarten registration is scheduled for Thursday, April 28, and Friday, April 29.

To make an appointment call Leanne LaFond at the school office at 860-364-5153.

Art of nature

CORNWALL — An exhibit of oil paintings by Treasa Pattison, "Honoring Nature," will be at the Parish House of the United Church of Christ until May 22. The exhibit can be viewed on weekdays from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., Sundays from 10 a.m. until noon, and by appointment with the artist, 860-218-0246.

FAMILY & FRIENDS

BTCF spring grant deadlines

Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation announced its spring deadlines for grants and scholarships in northwest Litchfield County. Apply online at www.berkshiretaconic.org/grants and www.berkshiretaconic.org/scholarships.

The Simple Gifts Fund awards grants to young people ages 13 to 19 for participation in cultural or creative summer programs. Applications are due April 16.

The Arts Fund for Region

One provides the Susan Fillman Memorial Scholarship for students in Cornwall, Falls Village, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury or Sharon who are interested in arts-related programs. Applications are due May 15.

The Region One Athletic Fund helps students in the Region One School District maintain a healthy lifestyle by supporting programs that give athletes the opportunity to compete in their chosen sport or physical activity.

Funding is available for individuals and projects. Applications are due May 15.

The Tabor Foundation Fund supports residents of northwest Litchfield, north-east Dutchess and southeast Columbia counties who plan to undertake education or training in a health-care or medical field and to seek employment in their community afterward. Nonresidents working in the area may also apply. Applications are due June 30.

Join Rotary for a cleanup day April 9

Rotary Club of Salisbury will do an environmental cleanup in the towns of Falls Village, North Canaan, Cornwall, Salisbury and Sharon during the annual Rotary Day of Service on April 9.

Members of the Salisbury club, students from The Hotchkiss School and Housatonic Valley Regional High School, community leaders and other volunteers will clean up trash from areas along the Housatonic River, Mudge Pond and area roads in the town of North Canaan.

Anyone who wants to join this or other area projects on that day can go online to www.RotaryDayOfService.org and click on the Find Your Town Project; then the club will be in touch to provide more details.

Scholarships from Salisbury Bank

SALISBURY — Salisbury Bank announced the start of its annual Time to Shine Scholarship Program. The bank created its scholarship program in 2009 to assist students who have a proven financial need and who are already making a difference in their communities.

Multiple scholarships may be awarded for up to \$1,500 each to assist eligible students seeking a college degree in a variety of programs. Ideal candidates will be students of academic achievement, who

possess a variety of interests and leadership experience, show consistent community involvement and the desire to make their world a better place.

Eligible students must be residents of Dutchess, Orange or Ulster County, N.Y., Berkshire County, Mass., or Litchfield County, Conn. Applicants must be currently enrolled in a public high school, vocational, technical, or private school, be a home-school student affiliated with such a school, or be a gradu-

ate or GED recipient entering their first year of college.

Applicants must be planning to enter an accredited college or university as a first-year undergraduate student for the 2022-23 academic year.

To submit an application go to www.salisburybank.com/scholarship. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on May 31.

For more information, contact Megan Snow at 860-453-3555 or msnow@salisburybank.com.

Apply for fine arts school tuition aid

FALLS VILLAGE — Applications for the Contemporary Visual Arts Scholarship (CVAS) are now available.

Graduating seniors at Housatonic Valley Regional High School (HVRHS) who are committed to pursuing a degree in fine art at a four-year college or university are encouraged to apply. The student must have attended HVRHS for two consecutive years upon graduation.

The CVAS provides substantial financial support to the awardee by contributing \$80,000 to the university of the student's choice. This award is dispersed over four years in an annual amount of \$20,000.

Applications can be obtained by speaking with your art teacher, film teacher, or counselor. Materials will be reviewed by the scholarship committee, and candidates will be contacted later this spring.

Deadline for submittal of the application is April 29, 2022.

Land Trust is seeking comments from public

SALISBURY — The Salisbury Association is applying for renewal of accreditation from the Land Trust Accreditation Commission. This accreditation program recognizes organizations that meet national quality standards for protecting important natural places and working lands forever. SA was first accredited in 2017.

The Commission invites public input and accepts comments on pending applications. Comments must relate to how the Salisbury Association complies with national quality standards for ethical and technical operation.

To learn more and to submit a comment, go to www.landtrustaccreditation.org,

or email your comment to info@landtrustaccreditation.org.

Comments may also be faxed or mailed to the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, Attn: Public Comments: (fax) 518-587-3183; (mail) 36 Phila Street, Suite 2, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866.

Comments on the Salisbury Association's application will be most useful by July 1, 2022.

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 Town Grove, Lakeville
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Our Towns

Mowing less, to benefit flora & pollinators

By Leila Hawken

KENT — Close mowing and pesticide spraying may be a thing of the past in some areas of Kent: The Board of Selectmen encouraged a Pollinator Pathway Partnership program at their regular meeting on March 17.

Executive Director Connie Manes of the Kent Land Trust presented a report on the program, outlining possible steps the town can take to encourage maintenance of vegetation, lawns and roadsides.

If implemented, the program would join with other area towns contributing to providing a healthy environment for active pollinators such as birds, butterflies and bees.

The pollinating insects and birds do not do well with manicured, weed-free lawns, Manes explained. In addition to her duties with the land trust, Manes is active with a variety of local conservation groups, including the Housatonic Valley Association.

Area towns are signing on to the partnership in an effort to create a swath of natural growth that will over time provide for the needs of endangered insects. The intent of the program is to establish pollinator-friendly habitat and food sources, Manes said.

The selectmen were asked to lend their support for the program as it might be implemented on town-owned and managed land, while also encouraging residents to participate. Manes said that the program is seeking a change in norms for how the town views and handles its landscape.

First Selectman Jean Speck agreed. "It's time to think differently about our lawns and how we treat them. "This is a great step," she added. "It enables us to move in a voluntary way to make changes in our practices."

"No-mow May" is one of the popular ideas to be considered by the town and residents, according to Manes, along with less fre-

quent mowing throughout the growing season. Rather than weekly mowing, she suggested every three weeks as a guideline.

Manes indicated that signage would define areas participating in the program. Such signs would be available to the town and to residents. "Seeing dandelions and tall grass would be a change," Speck said.

Representing the public works department, Town Foreman Rick Osborne expressed concern about uncontrolled growth around the town's roadside guard rails, indicating that crew practice is to spray downward to curb the spread of poison ivy and knotweed. He also noted the possibility of an increase in populations of ants and rodents.

Speaking of the variety of options within the program, Manes said, "You work on it and see what happens." She added that the principles of the program are essential to the environment.

"If a lawn becomes ugly,

have less lawn," Manes advised.

As a first step toward participation in the program, Manes suggested that the town compile a list of town-owned and managed properties to see where the program makes sense.

Selectman Rufus de Rham said that he could support a move in that direction, and suggested more discussion to examine the details. He also suggested that Manes contact Kent Center School to involve the students in the program and perhaps in creating signage.

Also looking for more detail, Selectman Glenn Sanchez focused on examining the herbicide spraying program.

The selectmen agreed that Manes should confer with Osborne to develop a plan that could be practical for the town to implement.

"We need to take action to set us on a good pathway forward," Speck said of the Pollinator Pathway program.

The meeting was held on Zoom.



PHOTO BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

Pollination poster

Kent Land Trust Land Manager Clark Gifford transformed a rolled hay bale into a roadside attraction he dubbed "Johnny Bee Good" in support of Kent's Pollinator Pathway Project.

Selectmen eye parking issue at River Road

By Leila Hawken

SHARON — In an effort to resolve a tight seasonal parking situation along River Road, the Board of Selectmen visited the site for a special meeting held on March 16, joined by surveyors and neighboring property owners.

The intersection of Dawn Hill Road with River Road has drawn summer visitors eager to enjoy the nearby Housatonic River and Appalachian Trail, resulting in complaints about driveway access from residents and concerns about safe passage of emergency vehicles. The

Sharon Land Trust was also proposing to create new walking trails at a property it hopes to conserve on Dawn Hill.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the numbers of visitors increased and so did the nuisance of their parked vehicles, leading residents to approach the selectmen for help.

The convergence of five historic roads at the location complicated the issue, leading the selectmen to seek the help of surveyors to determine property lines and rights of way, according to First Selectman Brent Colley.

Colley said that the se-

lectmen had received reports from surveyors Bob Hock of Kent and Mathias Kiefer of Salisbury, in preparation for the site meeting. Both surveyors attended the meeting.

Measurements confirmed the challenge to finding parking in the area of the existing gate that provides access to federal forest land and the land closer to the river that is owned by the Eversource electric company.

"We need to be aware that when we identify spaces, emergency vehicles need to get through," Colley said, adding that farm vehicles also need to pass through to farmland located farther to

the back of the area. Colley said that the selectmen are looking for a simple solution to provide for safe parking.

"It was a good meeting among neighbors and the selectmen," Colley said, anticipating that clear signage will identify appropriate parking, once the spaces are determined.

Overeaters Anonymous meets on Tuesdays at Trinity Church

LIME ROCK — Compulsive eaters and those suffering from compulsive food behaviors are invited to a new weekly meeting of Overeaters Anonymous on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, 484 Lime Rock Road/Route 112. Members seek recovery on all three levels by following a Twelve Step program patterned after that of Alcoholics Anonymous.

To find out more, go to www.aa.org or www.connecticutaa.org. For local meeting information, call Rachel at 860-318-1687.

Sharon Town Hall parking lot plans include EV charging, better lighting

By Leila Hawken

SHARON — The selectmen discussed options for the renovation of the Town Hall parking lot at their regular meeting on March 22.

Plans are likely to include reconfigured drainage, better lighting and new electric vehicle charging stations.

"We can probably do the work ourselves; we have the equipment," said First Selectman Brent Colley, expecting to use the town crew.

This year's work would include removing the present asphalt pavement, laying the conduit that will carry the electrical line to the charging stations, and improving drainage.

Funding provided through

the state's STEAP (Small Town Economic Assistance Program) grant of \$125,000 is expected to cover most of the cost, with an additional \$60,000 added by the town.

Colley noted that the town's building inspector asked that the selectmen determine the cost of providing for faster charging stations that provide for less charging time but need 800-900 volts of power to operate.

"It makes sense to have fast charging stations," Selectman Casey Flanagan said, noting that the difference would be one hour to fully charge a vehicle, rather than waiting eight hours at a slower station.

The selectmen are also

studying lighting options for the parking lot, developing a final plan in the coming weeks.

Next door to Town Hall, the town-owned property at 67 Main St. needs a new ramp, presently included in Phase 3 of the project. Discussing that element, the selectmen felt that the ramp project could be accomplished by using rental revenues.

The selectmen have scheduled a town meeting to be held on April 7, beginning at 6:15 p.m. to accept the town's financial report and to appropriate \$14,000 to Parks and Recreation for work on the pavilion roof at Veterans' Field.

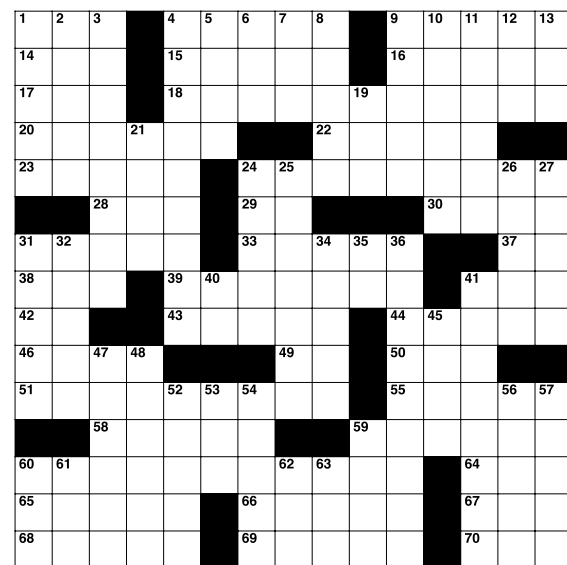
Brain Teasers

CLUES ACROSS

1. Midway between south and southeast
4. Celebrations
9. Pulpits
14. Pin
15. Rare laughing
16. Parts of the circulatory system
17. Financial term
18. Pearl Jam frontman
20. Cores of vascular plants
22. Strong sharp smell or taste
23. City in S. Korea
24. One from Damascus
28. Short message at the end of an email
29. It cools your home
30. Towards the mouth or oral region
31. Intestinal pouches
33. Boys and men
37. The 12th letter of the Greek alphabet
38. Former CIA
39. A way to arrange
41. Body cavity
42. The Great Lake State
43. A type of seal
44. Stop for a moment
46. Ancient kingdom
49. Of I
50. White clerical vestment
51. Songs to a lover
55. Prices
58. Sun-dried brick
59. Where to park a boat
60. One who values reason and knowledge
64. Partner to feather
65. Sailboats
66. Actress Zellweger
67. Type of screen
68. Country singer Haggard
69. Puts together in time
70. When you hope to arrive

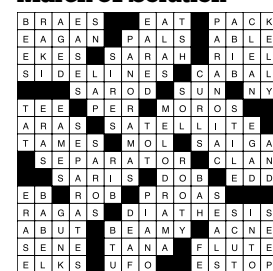
CLUES DOWN

1. An involuntary muscular contraction
2. PA transit system
3. Leaves a place
4. Sweet greenish fruit
5. Lends support to
6. Chap
7. Singer Di Franco
8. Water at boiling temperature diffused in the atmosphere

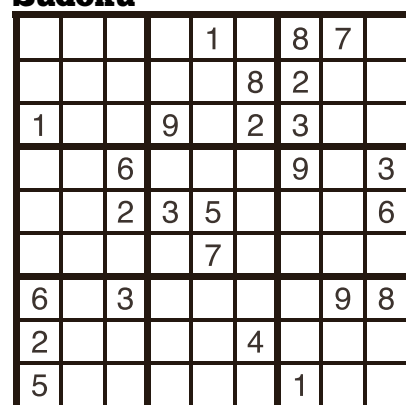


9. Asserts to be the case
10. Doctor (Spanish) (abbr.)
11. Auction attendee
12. Characterized by unity
13. Soviet Socialist Republic (abbr.)
19. Way to analyze video (abbr.)
21. Nonclerical
24. Tree resin
25. The academic world
26. Khoikhoi peoples
27. Infer from data
31. Arrives
32. Apart
34. Takes on cargo
35. Beloved Hollywood alien
36. Takes apart
40. Dorm official
41. Secondary or explanatory descriptor
45. Relating to wings
47. Speaker
48. Situated in the middle
52. Loop with a running knot
53. Alaska nursing group (abbr.)
54. Beloveds
56. Established by law or with authority
57. Border river between India and Nepal
59. Millisecond
60. Revolutions per minute
61. They
62. ESPN broadcaster Bob
63. A place to stay

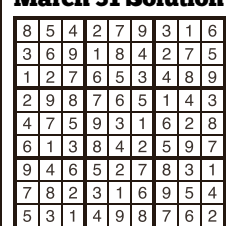
March 31 Solution



Sudoku



March 31 Solution



Level: Intermediate

Class of 1972 Reunion

FALLS VILLAGE — The Housatonic Valley Regional High School Class of 1972 will hold its 50th reunion at the Torrington Country Club on July 16 from 6 p.m. to midnight. RSVP by July 1 by contacting Sue Downey-Gawel at 235 Salisbury Road, North Canaan, CT 06018; or by phone at 860-824-0896. The cost is \$60 per person, which covers a buffet dinner and music. There is a cash bar. Music is by JM Entertainment with FM Productions.

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Our Towns

**Artists, artisans
and archaeologists**

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — Eric Veden has released the 26th video in his series chronicling Falls Village and the Northwest Corner.

Veden has been making the videos for 21 years, a fact revealed as he begins his interview of writer Lonnie Carter.

Asked in return how long he's been writing, Carter thinks for a moment and says, "50 years."

He recalls a teacher at Marquette University, Father John Walsh, who taught a theater history survey course.

"It was what we called a 'Mickey Mouse course,'" says Carter. "Everybody got an A."

"He demanded one thing: absolute silence. No messing around."

Carter says he read every play Walsh mentioned during the course.

There is a visit to the Sharon studio of Alistair Jones and Shaari Horowitz, who make wooden bowls. Veden takes the viewer through the production of a bowl by Jones, using mostly hand tools.

Asked about hand tools vs. power tools, Jones says that, with certain woods, "I haven't found a quicker way of doing it."

Except when the situation calls for a band saw, which he also demonstrates.

Horowitz describes how she gets the bowls ready for decoration, which involves primers and base coats and gold leaf and a lot of precision work.

Veden visits with Lydia

Downs, who is in graduate school at Eastern Carolina University, studying marine archaeology. She recalls having to learn scuba diving as the COVID-19 pandemic was breaking and when diving schools, like almost everything else, were closed.

She finally found someone to teach her and received her certification.

She says it's not all about the underwater work. "I do a lot of talking to locals," on a project involving the site of Diamond City, N.C. "They know the history."

After a brief history lesson on the American chestnut tree, Veden uses archival footage of Housatonic Valley Regional High School students planting a grove of blight-resistant American chestnut trees off Undermountain Road in 2007, with the added treat of commentary from Woods Sinclair.

Artist Jason Losh talks about coming to Falls Village from Los Angeles. He and his family found a home in town about three years ago.

"We were really fortunate to have found not only the home and the property but the community."

The video includes footage from the 2021 Veterans Day ceremony on the town Green, and Veden's own discourse (with a shout-out to Master Wildlife Conservationist Ginny Apple) on the fisher, which Veden notes is not a cat, but a member of the weasel family.

The Falls Village videos are available at the David M. Hunt Library.

**Feeding the soil, not the crop,
key to organic farming success**

By Matthew Kreta

FALLS VILLAGE — The David M. Hunt library hosted a discussion over Zoom on March 29 with Jenna Siller, farm director at the Isabella Freedman Jewish Retreat Center-Hazon in Falls Village, about various techniques and procedures in growing organic crops.

Siller began by discussing the concept of regenerative farming, thinking of the land's ability to hold life from year to year.

Regenerative growing will increase and store carbon in the soil, increase biodiversity and maximize photosynthesis.

"Any organic grower will tell you, 'feed the soil, not the crop,'" Siller said. Plants that have the benefit of healthy soil will naturally overcome pests and diseases, without relying on products.

Siller, citing organic farming legend Eliot Coleman, addressed the question of how and why plants grow.

"The answers lie in those factors that affect the growth of the plants: they include light, moisture, temperature, soil fertility, mineral balance, biotic life, weeds, pests, seeds, labor, planning and skill," Siller said, quoting Coleman.

While farmers and gardeners can affect certain aspects of these more than others, it is up to the gardener to try and shift as many of these aspects as they can to be conducive to their crops.

Stiller said that increasing organic matter in soil keeps the soil together and provides a solid foundation for plant



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Row cover allows light and rain in and keeps bugs from young, vulnerable plants.

life, and the best way to get good organic matter in soil is through good compost.

"Feeding the soil is the number one thing you can do," Siller said.

To help retain organic matter, Siller advised covering soil and disturbing it as little as possible.

Covering the soil, even with something like a black tarp or garbage bag, will decompose grass that grows while crops aren't planted. The grass will feed the soil

again without the need to dig up the dirt or rip up plants. It will also help prevent weeds from growing. There are non-plastic solutions for covering as well, such as wood chips and leaves. There are even cover crops, which are crops planted purely for the sake of not leaving soil bare and not for harvest.

Finally, Stiller briefly covered Mycorrhizal fungi and increasing nitrogen in soil. Mycorrhizal fungi are mushrooms that grow near

or underneath plants in the soil that give plants access to more nutrients than they would otherwise have access to.

Siller said the mushrooms are likely already in the soil, and can be kept alive through the means previously discussed.

To hear Siller's presentation in its entirety, as well as a Q&A section with local gardeners, go to the library's YouTube page or website at www.huntlibrary.org.

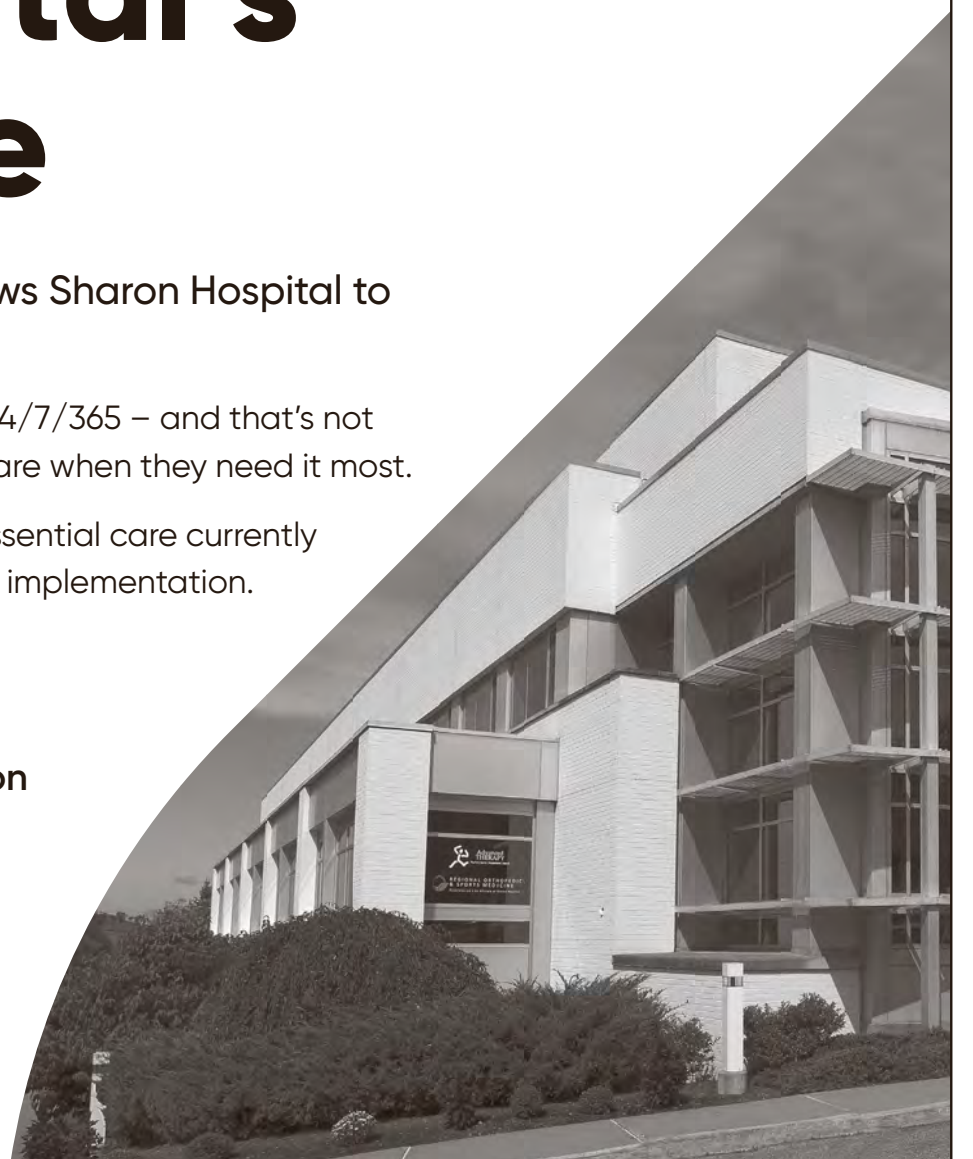
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OBITUARIES

For more obituaries, see page A6

Harry William 'Bill' Flint

LAKEVILLE — Harry William "Bill" Flint, 83, a lifelong area resident died peacefully at his home in Lakeville on March 27, 2022, with his loving family at his bedside.



Bill had a nearly 60 year career in the automotive business. In the early 1960s he worked as an automobile mechanic for John Fallon's Used Cars in Salisbury. In the late '60s he worked for Ike's Auto Body Shop in Torrington, where he specialized in autobody repair and towing. Bill then went on to manage the auto body shop at Dutchess Auto in Millerton for many years.

In the early '80s Bill established his own auto body, towing and recovery business on South Center Street in Millerton and aptly named it Bill's Auto Body. After several years and much success he needed a larger building to serve his growing client base, he sold the South Center Street location and moved to North Center Street also in Millerton. Bill retired in 2018 after operating his business for nearly 40 years.

Born May 20, 1938, in Sharon, he was the son of the late Harry "Bill" and Hannah (Liner) Flint. He attended school locally. On August 10, 1972, in Baltimore, Md., he married Dorothy Ann Green, a loving marriage that lasted 50 years. Mrs. Flint survives at home in Lakeville. In his spare time Bill always enjoyed his lawn sales, collecting all sorts of things, going to auctions in Kentucky and having breakfast with the guys at the Round Tuit in

Millerton. He will be dearly missed by his loving family and many friends.

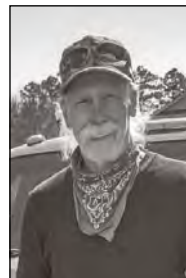
In addition to his wife, Dot, Bill is survived by his daughter, Jamie Flint and her companion Delos Luther III, his daughters, Nila Flint and her companion Ray, and Theresa Westlake and her husband Donald; his son, Douglas Flint and his companion Teri; two brothers, Francis Flint and his wife Arlene and Bruce Flint and his wife, Denise; his sister, Gloria Arsenault and her husband Philip; his sister-in-law, Ginny Dawson; nine grandchildren and several great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews and friends. Bill is also survived by his beloved dog and devoted companion "Abby".

In addition to his parents, Bill was predeceased by his son, Harry William Flint, Jr. and two brothers, David Flint and Charles J. Flint, Sr. There are no calling hours. Graveside services and burial will take place on Friday, May 20, 2022, at 11 a.m. at Irontdale Cemetery in Millerton. Pastor William Mayhew will officiate. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salisbury Volunteer Ambulance Service, P.O. Box 582, Salisbury, CT 06068 or the Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Litchfield County, 30A Salmon Kill Road, Salisbury, CT 06068.

Arrangements by the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton, NY. To send an online condolence to the family, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com.

Gary A. Hoffman

COPAKE — Gary A. Hoffman, 69, of Copake, died peacefully at home on March 22, 2022. Gary was born on March 22, 1953, the son of the late Harry A. and Ida E. Hoffman.



He was a graduate of Pine Plains High School, and spent his years after as a self-employed carpenter, a profession in which he was talented and enjoyed. When not working, Gary was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying the spoils of nature and the wildlife that inhabited it.

Gary is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Jamie and Melissa Hoffman,

his daughter, Nicole Hoffman, one sister, Mary Ella Wesley, numerous nieces and nephews, as well as three grandchildren whom he adored: Megan, Mason, and Samson.

He was predeceased by his parents, one brother, Harry B. Hoffman, and two sisters, Helen Swart and Erna Milette.

There are no calling hours, and arrangements are under the care of the family and Peck and Peck Funeral Home of Copake. To share a favorite memory, or to leave a message of condolence please visit www.peckandpeck.net.

Weekly grief support group

SALISBURY — Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Litchfield County will host a grief support group in Salisbury. The group will meet on Tuesdays from 2:30 to 3 p.m. through May 10.

The purpose of this support group is to reach out to

people in the community to help them cope with their loss and provide a safe place to share.

The group will be held at Visiting Nurse Salisbury, 30A Salmon Kill Road. It is free and open to the public.

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Jayne Peterson Larsen

SHARON — Jayne Peterson Larsen passed away peacefully on April 4, 2022, in her home in Vernon with her husband, Ron, by her side. She was 81 years old.

Jayne, daughter of the late Melvin and Marie (Aakjar) Peterson, was born in Sharon and attended Housatonic Valley Regional High School, where she excelled in theatre, clubs, and friendships. She was voted "Ideal Little Sister" for her graduating class of 1958.

An irreplaceable soul, Jayne was well known for her generosity of spirit, quick wit, and passion for life. With her faithful "Ronny" by her side, Jayne was up for any adventure — from pulling her kids out of school and moving to Europe for six months in the 1970s, to purchasing two time share units at their beloved Trapp Family Lodge, to vacationing two weeks every year at the Cape with her grandkids at her cousin's vacation home. Any opportunity to see the world, sam-

ple cuisine, and meet people would see the luggage come out (and Jayne was amazing at packing suitcases!)

Jayne never met a stranger, and regularly welcomed international travelers Ron brought home from work, family both local and abroad, and friends her children brought home for holidays, all the dear friends she felt them to be. There was always room in her home, at her table, and in her heart. When her daughter came home with an exchange student in need of a home for a year, Jayne and Ron welcomed Mieke D'hooge into their family, cementing a friendship that continues through the next generation.

Jayne's jubilant spirit led to many madcap stories, which entertained friends and family for years: during a summer working in Cape Cod with a cousin, she was

nearly bombed at the SS James Longstreet when the charter fishing boat wouldn't start; she stopped traffic in downtown Rockville dressed as a nun so she could visit a dear friend in the hospital; she laid down in a Boston intersection to re-enact a scene from the revolutionary Boston Massacre so Mieke could get a picture.

Holidays were always an event when Jayne was cooking — she showed her love for everyone through cooking. From picnics in the summer to epic cookie making at Christmas, Ron was frequently heard to exclaim, "Too much food!" But friends and family always benefitted, sent home from the feast with "leftovers," and Ron's coworkers always appreciated the hundreds of cookies that appeared in the breakroom. Her wit, her joy, and her baking will be

missed by all.

She is survived by her loving husband, Ron, son and daughter-in-law, Eric and Nina Larsen of Las Vegas, daughter, Britt Rothausser, twin grandchildren, Kat and Haley Rothausser, and exchange daughter Mieke van der Velpen-D'hooge and family of Leuven, Belgium, as well as a brother and sister-in-law, John "Pete" and Ruby Peterson of Sharon and nieces, Lynn Peterson Kent and Lesa Peterson Rein, and their families.

In lieu of flowers, donations for the Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Foundations would be appreciated. The family would like to express their overwhelming gratitude to the Visiting Nurse and Health Services of Connecticut for helping Ron with hospice care. There will be no services, as Jayne preferred parties, but the family will have a picnic in her honor over the summer — and, of course, there will be "too much food!"

Caroline A. McEnroe

AMENIA — Caroline A. McEnroe, a longtime resident of Amenia, passed away on March 28, 2022, at Sharon Health Care Center.



Born in the Bronx, she was the daughter of Patrick and Annie Marie Fay. On April 16, 1955, she married William T. McEnroe, who predeceased her on March 21, 1998. Mrs. McEnroe was a longtime parishioner of Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia.

Mrs. McEnroe is survived by two daughters, Colleen McEnroe and her husband, Philip Evans, of Bethesda, Md., and Peggy Ann McEnroe of Amenia, and two sons, Patrick McEnroe and his wife, Lisa, of Rhinebeck, N.Y., and Kieran McEnroe of Amenia. She is also survived by a sister, Agnes Redmond and her husband, James; and seven grandchildren, four

nephews and five nieces.

In addition to her parents and husband, Mrs. McEnroe was predeceased by a brother, John Fay; two sisters, Marion J. Fay and Teresita Fay, RSHM and her grandson, Gavin McEnroe.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 2, 2022, at Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia with Rev. R. Kent Wilson officiating. Burial followed at Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Amenia.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Immaculate Conception Church, 4 Lavelle Road, Amenia, NY 12501 or the Cardinal Hayes Home for Children, PO Box CH, Millbrook, NY 12545-0140. To send the family an online condolence, please visit www.hufcutfuneralhome.com

Patricia Van Wagner Martorell Swanson

LAKEVILLE — Patricia Van Wagner Martorell Swanson, 91, of 125 White Hollow Road of Lakeville, died peacefully at home at 8:35 pm, Monday, March 28.



Patricia was born at home in Sea Cliff, N.Y., on October 17, 1930, to Harry and Milda Van Wagner.

She was predeceased by her husbands, Thomas Martorell and Rolland Swanson as well as her siblings Meryl Seymour, Paula Holmes, Anita Crean, Harry "Davy" Van Wagner and Sandra Van Wagner Cowan.

She lived a humble, modest, and peaceful life and enjoyed spending time with her family, daughters: L. Joy

Martorell, Lynn Martorell Gumbert, Cindi Breen and Penni Martorell;

and her sons-in-law Bob Green, Charlie Gumbert, Craig Norton, Robert Breen and Jack Hendrick. She leaves six grandchildren: Seth and Jason Green, Taya Norton, Taylor Hendrick, Michael and Savannah Breen; and one great grand-daughter Bailey Twing, as well as many nieces and nephews and friends of the Sheffield Kingdom Hall.

She will be remembered for her love of babies and children, shared cups of tea, and her loving kindness.

Services will be private and held at a later date. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to a charity of choice.



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Sports/Our Towns

Finance board examines hikes in spending

By Leila Hawken

NORTH CANAAN — The Board of Finance focused on proposed spending increases in town and school budgets at a budget workshop on Wednesday, March 30.

The Board of Education's proposed budget totals \$4,451,634, an increase over the current year of \$39,458 (.89%).

North Canaan Elementary School Principal Alicia Roy was present to answer the finance board's few questions of clarification, including how funds are budgeted for the AHA! after-school program that continued to provide a service throughout the pandemic.

Making no immediate decision, intending instead to gather more details from town personnel regarding areas of major increase, the Board of Finance agreed to continue budget discussions at the next regular meeting,

scheduled for April 13.

Examining the budget proposed by the selectmen, Board of Finance Chairman Nancy O'Connor noted that "the 9.66% increase is a lot," referring to the total amount of increase in the proposed town budget.

With total expenditures proposed at \$3,131,383, the increase over the previous year would be \$275,879.

There are significant increases in health insurance, computer services, tipping fees for municipal solid waste, and ambulance services in the selectmen's budget proposal.

Urgent need for social services

O'Connor asked for an explanation of the reduction in the account supporting the town's social worker, currently a part-time position.

"It's hard to find someone for that position that currently stands at 19 hours weekly at a rate of \$23 per hour," First Selectman

Charles Perotti said. "We've got to get someone on board, but it's hard to hire a qualified person for a part-time position that will not provide benefits."

O'Connor was reluctant to lower the position's allocation. While the search is continuing, Heather Dineen who serves as Cornwall's Social Services director, has offered to fill in temporarily, Perotti noted.

An increase in computer services drew discussion, calling for an expenditure of \$40,000 in the first year,

and anticipating a continuing yearly expense of \$20,000 thereafter.

Under the new advanced system, staff and users would be able to access, complete and track town forms such as building permit applications online, Perotti explained. The forms process would be expedited and users would be able to research forms and applications efficiently without visiting Town Hall.

Selectman Christian Allyn spoke of the added advantage of accountability built into the system.

Proposed 4.12% increase in town spending

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — Budget season got underway with the presentation of the proposed spending plan for 2022-23 from the Board of Selectmen at a special meeting of the Board of Finance on Monday, March 28.

The plan's bottom line is for a municipal budget of \$2,117,769, an increase of \$173,479 or 4.12%.

First Selectman Henry Todd gave three primary reasons for the increase: A 5% raise for town employees, the adding two employees (the town clerk and the town treasurer) to the town's health insurance plan, and an overall increase in the health insurance premium.

Finance board chair Dick Heinz floated the idea that

the salaries of the selectmen should also go up 5%, to be competitive with other small towns.

Heinz also wondered if the 5% increase was adequate. He said an increase of 7% or 8% could be achieved with little or no effect on the mill rate.

Next up is the Board of Education, which will present its proposed spending plan on Monday, April 11, 6:30 p.m. (online).

The finance board will hold a public hearing Thursday, April 28, 7 p.m. at the Emergency Services Center. The budget town meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 26, 7 p.m., also at the Emergency Services Center. After the town meeting the Board of Finance will set the mill rate.

OBITUARIES

Paul Eugene Roy Jr.

NORTH CANAAN — Paul Eugene Roy Jr., age 81, of North Canaan passed away on Friday, March 25, 2022.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Barbara Jean (Cruikshank) Roy on October 3, 2017. Paul was born on July 20, 1940, in Winsted, the son of the late Paul Sr. and Nancy Roy of Winsted. Paul had three brothers, Guilio, Louis and Fred and one sister Rose.

In 1962, Paul moved to North Canaan and married Barbara. Paul was a master mechanic at Phil Joseph Chevrolet, Morgan Motors, Arnie's Arco and Village Auto. He also worked at Becton Dickenson. Paul retired from the Town of North Canaan in March of 2021, completing 23 years with the town highway department.

To those that knew him, he was known as the Mayor of North Canaan, even though he never held the position. Paul was dedicated to the Town of North Canaan. He served as an umpire to the Little League baseball for many years, completed 46 years with the Canaan Fire Company, 43 years with North Canaan Volunteer Ambulance, and he was a wrecker service operator for several auto repairs shops in town and served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Connecticut Railroad Historical Association. Paul

was a lifetime member of the FFA Housatonic Valley Chapter in Falls Village. Paul would help any community member any time. He leaves behind his children Robert Roy of Goshen and his wife Deborah and their children Christina and Benjamin; Jenifer Serna of North Canaan and her husband David and their children Stephanie and Jessica and Emily Minacci of North Canaan and her husband William and their children Brooke, Ashlee and Jonathan William Paul. Paul was predeceased by his oldest son Paul Eugene Roy III of Lakeville. Paul III had two children, Paul E. Roy IV, of Melrose, Mass., and Nicole Roy, of Lakeville.

His graveside memorial will be on April 23, 2022, at 11:00 AM, at the Carlson Cemetery on the corner of Moses Meade and Canaan Valley Roads in Canaan Valley. There will be a celebration of Paul's life at the Bitterman Center in North Canaan directly following the memorial. All are welcome to join the family and friends in the memorial and celebration of Paul.

In lieu of flowers or food please make memorial donations in honor of Paul to North Canaan Volunteer Ambulance, P.O. Box 178, North Canaan, CT 06018 and/or Canaan Fire Company 4 East Main St., North Canaan, CT 06018.

Raymond Gordon Shine

SHARON — Raymond Shine and daughter-in-law Gordon Shine, age 80, died February 1, 2022, at Charlotte Hungerford Hospital in Torrington.

Ray was born March 17, 1941, in Yonkers, N.Y., the son of the late Gordon and Rose (Fed) Shine. He graduated from Sacred Heart High School.

He retired following a long career in machine tool sales and next spent several years selling real estate. His hobbies included photography, fishing and firearms.

He is survived by partner Patricia Cusick of Torrington, son Christopher

Shine and daughter-in-law

June Zhan of Irvine, Calif., daughter Sharon Shine and partner Mark Sweeney of Sharon, daughter Michelle O'Sullivan and son-in-law James O'Sullivan of Goshen, three grandchildren: Andrew

Shine, Amelia O'Sullivan, Andrea O'Sullivan, sister Maureen and brother in law Peter Peloso of Moneta, Va.

A graveside service will be held at the Hillside Cemetery in Sharon on Saturday, April 23, at 11:00 AM.

Arrangements are under the care of the Kenny Funeral Home in Sharon.

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Woman's Club raffles handmade quilt

SHARON — Raffle tickets are currently on sale for a handmade quilt made by a Sharon Woman's Club member. The 60-by-60-inch quilt is on display at Town Hall in Sharon. Tickets can be purchased for \$5 each. The drawing will be in May at Housatonic Valley Regional High School. Individuals do not need to be present as long as there is a name and phone number on the ticket. Tickets can also be purchased by calling Kathy Fricker at 860-364-9890. Contributions are always welcomed.

SPORTS

Region One girls lacrosse and softball start season with full squads

By Hunter O. Lyle

FALLS VILLAGE — Girls lacrosse and softball both have an unusually large number of players this spring at Housatonic Valley Regional High School.

The spring sports season began on April 4.

There are 25 freshman girls playing a spring sport, a sharp increase from the 15 from a year prior.

"The classes that are coming in, both the sophomore and freshman class, have large numbers of female athletes. We saw this in basketball, we saw it in soccer," said Region One Athletic Director Anne MacNeil. "It's also thanks to the upperclassmen talking up the sports, which really makes a difference too, particularly with girls lacrosse."

Over the past two years, the girls lacrosse team has had unpredictable seasons. In 2020, the season was can-

celed due to COVID-19, and in 2021, the team could only schedule five games due to more COVID-related complications.

This spring, with a normal season ahead, the girls lacrosse will have a roster of 26 players, the most the team has had in recent years and almost double the 15 athletes on the team last year.

"Just having [substitutions] is such a luxury. It's going to allow the more experienced players to take breaks if they need to, and that's a luxury we didn't have last year," said Head Coach Laura Bushey. "Also, the new players are incredibly skilled. It's a really athletically skilled group."

For lacrosse, there is a lack of "feeder programs" — youth leagues where athletes can learn and play the sport before entering high school.

Absent prior experience, the high school teams have to focus on the sport's fun-

damentals before moving on to more specialized skills development.

With the arrival of a large group of underclass athletes — in this case 11 freshmen — the team will have a core group to develop over the coming years.

"I literally only have only two girls on the team that played when they were young. All the others started as freshmen or sophomores. That's wonderful and also challenging because teams that we play against, like Watertown, have a huge feeder program," said Bushey. "To me, that's one thing I find so fun about [coaching,] watching them learn from the very very beginning, but it also makes it challenging."

For softball, the total roster size grew from 27 members last year to 28 this year. However, like lacrosse, the majority of this year's team is underclassmen — nine freshmen and six sopho-

mores. Peter Foley, who can usually be found on the basketball and baseball benches as an assistant coach, took over this season while Head Coach Kaleigh Selino is on maternity leave.

"[With a large freshman and sophomore class] it's good to have senior-led leadership show the girls how to act and how to play and how to get ready for games," said Foley. "It's good for the [underclassmen] to see, so in the future you know how to build."

Both lacrosse and softball played on opening day, April 4. Lacrosse started its season on the road, playing Notre Dame Catholic High School in Fairfield. The team's home opener comes on Friday, April 15, against Watertown High School.

The softball team opened the season at home against Thomaston High School.

Trade Secrets will be held at LRP on May 14

SALISBURY — This has been a year of major changes for Women's Support Services, a nonprofit agency that offers support to victims of domestic violence.

The agency has left its previous location in Sharon and moved to Lakeville.

This spring the Trade Secrets Rare Plant and Garden Antiques Sale will be held for the first time at Lime Rock Park.

The sale will be on Saturday, May 14, beginning with early buying at 9 a.m. and general admission at 10:30

a.m. Late Bloomer tickets will be sold on-site on May 14 for entry at 12:30 p.m. The sale ends at 3 p.m.

"I am personally so excited about our move of Trade Secrets to Lime Rock Park," said designer and Trade Secrets founder Bunny Williams. "I have often felt that as the event has grown, this is where we should be. The facilities of the park will make it so much more convenient for all attending, both in parking and pickup."

The Sunday garden tour also will also be different this

year, with three private gardens and three public gardens in Litchfield County and Dutchess County, N.Y.

On Sunday will be a brunch and book signing at The White Hart in Salisbury with authors including designers Matthew Patrick Smyth and Carolyn Roehmn. Tickets are \$50.

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HEALTH CENTER

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lion from FCH in 2019 to help cover Phase One costs. Those costs related to the purchase of the property on East Main Street, opposite the Stop & Shop, and include preliminary building expenses, engineer and architect fees and feasibility studies on additional funding streams to finance the second phase of construction.

"This is a lifelong dream of mine," said Nancy Heaton, FCH's CEO. Heaton was a founding member of the CHWC in Torrington, where she ran an AIDS program for many years.

"Federally Qualified Health Centers go beyond providing medical care, and seek to work with people and families to address other needs that may impact their health and well-being, like coordinating transportation or connecting them to other needed resources or programs," Heaton said.

Joanne Borduas, CEO of CHWC, said in a recent interview that she is "elated" by the various partnerships and support on the local and state levels. The North Canaan health center will be the third under CHW's umbrella. In addition to its Torrington facility, there is an FQHC in Winsted.

"The entire Northwest Corner is targeted because of the lack of primary care services," she said.

The North Canaan FQHC's coverage area will include the surrounding communities of Salisbury/Lakeville, Cornwall, Falls Village/Canaan, Kent and Sharon.

Demolition first, construction next

As part of the first phase of the project, CHW purchased a parcel of land on East Main Street that formerly served as a florist, according to Borduas, and more recently as a woodworking shop. Three structures on the site, including a rental property and barn that was used by the owner for storage, are set for demolition in the coming days.

"There should be a new health center there by fall of 2023," she said.

The two-story structure



ILLUSTRATION SUBMITTED

A representation of the new \$5.4 million health care center in North Canaan.

More than three out of four, or 77%, of health center patients have family incomes under 100% of the Federal Poverty Level (\$19,350 per year for a family of four), and nearly half, or 46% of health center patients are Medicaid beneficiaries and 28% are uninsured.

will house behavioral/mental health services and medical services and will be staffed initially with one physician, one Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), their support staff, two receptionists and a chiropractor.

Community Health Centers in Connecticut

The state has long recognized the need to provide primary health-care services to the poor, underserved, vulnerable and at risk for poor health. CHCs were first funded by the federal government as part of the Johnson administration's War on Poverty in the mid-1960s.

Initially known as neighborhood health centers, these clinics were created to provide health and social service access points, and in return for doing so, CHCs received federal funds for start-up costs as well as operating subsidies that allowed them to function in environments where most patients had lim-

ited means to pay for care.

In 1989, Congress created the special designation of Federally Qualified Health Centers, thus the use of the acronym FQHC, which is commonly used to describe Community Health Centers.

Critical need for services

In Connecticut, Community Health Centers provide health care to anyone who needs it, regardless of income or insurance status. According to the state Department of Public Health (DPH) health centers serve as the family doctor and medical home for more than 230,000 patients, or 6.6% of the state's population who receive care at more than 110 sites in rural and urban areas across Connecticut.

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nearly half, or 46% of health center patients are Medicaid beneficiaries and 28% are uninsured, according to state data.

According to Rep. Horn, CHCs play an important role in bringing vital healthcare services to rural communities, and the Northwest Corner of Connecticut is no exception.

Horn noted that 47.8% of elementary school children in North Canaan qualify for full or reduced-cost meals. In Sharon, she said, that number is 40%, and in Region One, it's 35%.

Communities reap economic benefits

Community Health Centers can also boost a town's economic climate by generating foot traffic to other local businesses and through the creation of jobs, temporarily during the construction phase and permanently once it is up and running.

Horn said it's become somewhat of a joke among her fellow lawmakers in Hartford that she is constantly reminding people that there are "another 45 miles in Connecticut beyond Torrington in terms of economic life in the Northwest Corner."

PCBs

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needed to determine how much remediation is needed, he said.

The EPA official said outreach activities will be held throughout the process in both Massachusetts and Connecticut. Documents are available on the EPA website and are open to public input through April 22.

Among the documents related to Connecticut is a 2021 annual report on Biota Consumption Advisory Outreach Activities from GE dated Feb. 28, 2022.

John Kilborn, EPA Senior Enforcement Counsel, presented an update on the Final Rest of River Permit status, which became "fully enforceable and effective" on March 1. On Feb. 28, the EPA had issued a letter to GE upholding the conditions of the Final Permit requiring the company to move forward with extensive cleanup of PCB contamination impacting several downstream Massachusetts river communities.

In late March, however, a representative of The Housatonic River Initiative (HRI) said his group, in conjunction with the Housatonic Environmental Action League (HEAL), plans to launch a second legal challenge the EPA's final permit, this time in Federal court.



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Signs warning about eating fish are posted along the Housatonic River.

The environmental groups argue that the EPA should be looking at new technologies for the cleanup that would break down the long-lasting PCBs, rather than removing and dumping them on-site at a massive dump in Lee, Mass. They also argue that Connecticut should be included in the final cleanup plan.

Audrey Cole, vice chair

"There is a tremendous amount of interest, but people don't know about these meetings and what's going on."
Audrey Cole, vice chair of HEAL

of HEAL, which comprises a large contingent of members from Connecticut, voiced concern at the meeting that not enough is being done by the CCC to promote public outreach and participation.

"I think the EPA has really done a horrible job of public participation," said Cole. "I don't even know to what level this meeting was advertised. In response, Kelsey Dumville, EPA's Community Involvement Coordinator, said she is aware of that concern, and "we are working on sending separate emails to press outlets. I feel similarly," she said. "I get the sense that there are a lot of people in the public who are not aware of what's going on."

Charles Cianfarini, speaking on behalf of the group Citizens for PCB Removal (CPR), agreed that public outreach needs to be improved. "The EPA owes it

to this community to push to get more information out there about these meetings and to get more people involved."

Members of the CCC said they are hoping that the group's next quarterly meeting in June could be held both in person and remotely so as to encourage more robust participation.

The meetings are attended by representatives of EPA, the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), numerous environmental groups in Massachusetts and Connecticut, affected landowners and other members of the public.

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TREES

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sembled a panel consisting of Cary Institute wildlife biologist Mike Fargione, and ecologist Julie Hart and social scientist Brian Straniti, both of the Dutchess Land Conservancy.

"Trees thrive in communal relationships, like humans," Straniti said, noting that they need connectivity with each other and their forest environment.

Just as humans live longer when their roots go deep within their communities, so do trees, Straniti added.

Early spring is a good time to look closely at a tree's branches to see whether branch buds are alternating or opposite each other, whether on either side of the twig facing each other, or staggered along the twig. Those are clues toward identification.

Other clues are overall shape, distinctive bark, leaf shapes and seeds such as acorns and pine cones. To simplify the process, there are reliable publications that provide step-by-step keys to identification.

Smartphones have also stepped up to offer a highly recommended free app named SEEK, developed by iNaturalist. Snap a photo of bark, leaf or seed, and your phone will do the rest. SEEK is safe for children who want to explore the outdoors on their own and it will also identify animals, insects, plants and fungi.

A virtual walk — led by the three panelists in area woodlands — allowed program viewers to encounter familiar trees. There are three types of oaks likely to

be found in the local area: white, red and chestnut oaks, viewers learned.

An observer can tell much from looking at the tree as a whole and then zooming in for a closer look. Start with its silhouette, then move in to see the features of its bark, its leaves, its seeds or cones.

You will find that sugar maples and red maples feature opposite leaves along their twigs.

The virtual tour paused at northern red oaks that can grow in height to more than 100 feet, American beech, black cherry, birches that can be paper, white, black or yellow. To identify a birch, always look at the bark.

Then there is the beautiful American sycamore, usually found in wet areas, remarkable for having different bark types on the same tree.

Trout fishermen know that trout streams may harbor trout because nearby hemlocks provide cooling shade.

Recent generations have seen the white ash tree taking over the spaces vacated by the once-thriving population of elm trees, but now the emerald ash borer insect is devastating the ash trees, Fargione reported.

Hart observed, "Evolution is a journey, not a destination. We don't know everything."

The Cary Institute grounds are now open to visitors to enjoy its trees and walk its trails in Millbrook. More activities and nature walks are planned for the coming months. To learn more, go to the website at www.caryinstitute.org.

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Fighting Pesticides Use

Actress/activist Meryl Streep of Salisbury this week described her first awareness of the threat of pesticides to growing youngsters. Miss Streep has been a sparkplug behind a growing drive to curb the use of pesticides in food production.

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Your Guide to Tri-State Arts & Entertainment

THEATER: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

Gretchen Mol Dreams Of Sharon Playhouse

The celebrated actress Gretchen Mol bought a house here in the Tri-state region three years ago, shortly before the beginning of the pandemic, at a time when there was still theater/film/television work to be done in New York City.

Driving back and forth between City and Country, she recalls, she would pass the big red barn in Sharon, Conn., that is home to the Sharon Playhouse.

"I used to drive by it and think, 'Someday ...'" she said.

It would be easy to think that Mol is kidding, but in fact she is not. A native of Connecticut, she had done community theater when she was growing up and understood both the importance and the fun of it.

But shortly after she arrived here, COVID-19 arrived as well, and often as she drove through Sharon she would see an empty parking lot at the theater.

MORE THAN JUST MUSICALS

The pandemic did not completely shut down Sharon Playhouse, thanks to extraordinary efforts from its two leaders, Robert Levinstein and Alan M-L Wager, who left the theater at the beginning of this year.

The two indefatigable impresarios continued to organize outdoor events that audiences could watch from their cars and from lawn chairs in the parking lot.



IMAGE COURTESY IMDB

And before they left, they made an important investment in continuing the playhouse's legacy of education in theater arts. They hired Salisbury, Conn., native Michael Kevin Baldwin as the Sharon Playhouse director of education; he is now also the associate artistic director, working with Interim Artistic Director Justin Boccitto.

Pre-pandemic, Baldwin had been out in the wider world, teaching and performing. He is clearly delighted to be back in the Northwest Corner, working at Sharon Playhouse. As director of education he instituted a Performing Arts Residency at Indian Mountain School in Lakeville, Conn.— which is where he met Gretchen Mol.

In spite of her beauty and fame (many will know her as the tragic Gillian Darmody in the HBO series "Boardwalk Empire"), Mol is extremely humble and just folks. She connected nicely with Baldwin (as most people do) and even ended up taking theater and dance classes at the playhouse.

MEANWHILE, IN BROOKLYN

Next to enter the scene is Andrus Nichols, who is a native of New York City but had lived here in the Tristate region for many years before moving back to the city and cofounding a theater company called Bedlam and then another company called The Coop. The Coop is where these disparate strands begin to come

Actress Gretchen Mol (a star of HBO's "Boardwalk Empire") returns to the stage with a reading of Kate Hamill's adaptation of "The Scarlet Letter," at Sharon Playhouse on Saturday, April 16.

together.

A cofounder of the Coop with Nichols was playwright/actress Kate Hamill, who has gained some fame and a great deal of respect for her modern adaptations of classic novels for the stage. Just before the pandemic, she introduced a 21st-century version of Nathaniel Hawthorne's "The Scarlet Letter."

Nichols did a first reading of the play at the Red Bull Theater in 2020.

Of Hamill's version of the story of Hester Prynne, Nichols said, "Kate loves complicated women, and all of her adaptations are inherently feminist. She digs into the struggle that women have historically navigated to protect their own identities and truths under the weight of immense societal pressure and expectation about the way they are to behave."

"In the case of 'Scarlet Letter,' Kate was also clearly interested in American 'original sin,' in guilt, shame and the dangers of repression."

THE UPSIDE OF COMMUNITY

In a sense, "The Scarlet Letter" is about what happens when there are too few people living in

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**CLASSES:
CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER**

Who Says School Can't Be Fun?

Many sages have noted that school, and youth, are wasted on the young. As adults, out in the world, it seems to many of us that it would be an unparalleled joy to be able to take a class in something, sometime, somewhere with smart teachers, interesting classmates and a compelling topic.

To have two teachers who are exceptionally fun and funny would just be cream on top.

Such will be the case this spring as the Taconic Learning Center offers a handful of classes, in person at Geer in North Canaan, Conn., and Noble Horizons in Salisbury, Conn. and also on Zoom. Particularly enticing is a Zoom class called "Frick and Frack in the Theater," taught by Macey Levin and Tom Gruenewald.

I first met Macey Levin many years ago when he was teaching a one-day seminar about a favorite playwright of mine, Neil Simon. Macey was a lively, funny and engaging instructor and I have remained in touch with him ever since, enjoying and admiring many of his theater productions, particularly with his Aglet Theater Company.

Tom Gruenewald has also been involved in Aglet productions, and in a gamut of other theater activities, from acting to directing, from Shakespeare

to opera to musical theater.

Join the duo for what will undoubtedly include rapid-fire improvisation and a look behind the theater curtains in their new Taconic Learning Center class.

Macey explains that, "Frick and Frack are any two people who are closely linked in some way, especially through a work partnership or strong friendship. The origin is from a famous partnership of Swiss comedy ice skaters, whose stage names were Frick and Frack. Their association lasted so long, and they were at one time so well known, that their names have gone into the language as slang or a reference to two people who work well together or get along great."

But of course a multi-week class must offer more than just gags and camaraderie. This class will also offer tips and guidance on everything from auditions to getting along with directors.

The class meets on Zoom on Mondays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. beginning April 18.

There is no individual class fee; students sign up for a \$60 annual class-pass from Taconic Learning Center and can then take all the classes they want. Registration is required. To get details and find out what other classes are offered, go to www.taconiclearningcenter.org.

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...Gretchen Mol

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too close quarters in a small town as they begin imposing their wills on each other. And yet the genesis of a new production at Sharon Playhouse this month is very much about the beauty of what can happen in a small town when everyone works together.

Nichols has returned to the Northwest Corner and is now living in Sharon and teaching classes at Sharon Playhouse, in addition to continuing to do television and film work in New York.

Baldwin, who has known her for many years through the Tri-state region theater network, invited her to join the Sharon Playhouse Artistic Committee. Conversations about what Sharon Playhouse could be, in addition to a beloved center for fun musical theater, led to the idea of doing some staged readings of interesting new work.

Nichols suggested "The Scarlet Letter." Baldwin contacted Gretchen Mol, who is truly excited to be part of the production — even though she is now working in Los Angeles on a Showtime television version of the 1980s

trendsetting film, "American Gigolo." She returns home on weekends, and will be Hester Prynne in the staged reading at The Bok at Sharon Playhouse on Saturday, April 16, 7 p.m.

Mol then invited her friend Tim Blake Nelson to join the fun. Nelson is a character actor who has enlivened many films by Joel and Ethan Coen, including the recent "The Ballad of Buster Scruggs."

Baldwin and Nichols recruited two other new Northwest Corner residents to fill out the cast: Sarah Steinmetz and Pun Bandhu.

It perhaps goes without saying that the 100 tickets available for the reading sold out almost immediately. But the success of this first foray into expanding what Sharon Playhouse can offer to the community will definitely inspire future experimental offerings.

Tickets are now available for the 2022 Sharon Playhouse season. Sign up for emails to learn about future special projects at www.sharonplayhouse.org.

Workshop on How To Graft Fruit Trees

Kent Memorial Library in Kent, Conn., once again hosts Justin Potter for a demonstration of "gentle top grafting" of fruit trees: adding scionwood of one variety onto a well-established tree of another variety, but without the major surgery involved with standard top grafting.

Potter has added more than 100 varieties onto three apple trees since 2018. Participants in the workshop will be able to see grafts of different ages, where on the tree they worked well and where they didn't and learn some things that Potter had to learn the hard way.

This program is in Kent but not at the library, and will be held outdoors.

It will be held on Tuesday, April 12, at 10 a.m. The rain date will be Tuesday, April 19.

To register, go to the library website at www.kentmemoriallibrary.org/gentle-top-grafting-with-justin-potter.



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Forget the tale of Johnny Appleseed: The modern and more reliable way to make new fruit trees is through grafting.

POETRY: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

The Glass Is Full, It Is Half Full And It Is Broken

For Sharon Charde, poetry isn't just a journey within or an artistic experiment in the uses of language and form.

It's also a deeply therapeutic activity, one designed not only to explore her own emotional depths but also to help others do the same.

As both a therapist and a poet, much of her career has been spent helping others who don't have a voice, or can't express their own trauma and joys without help.

A previous collection of poems featured the work of young incarcerated women, called "I Am Not a Juvenile Delinquent."

A new collection of work just by Charde, who is a resident of Salisbury, Conn., is called "The Glass Is Already Broken" and focuses on her own journey out of grief.

Charde's son died 35

years ago and much of her life since then has centered around her efforts to find a way to continue in a cruel world.

Every poem in this series, she said, reflects the words of Thai meditation master Ajahn Chah: "Do you see this glass? I love this glass. It holds the water admirably. When the sun shines on it, it reflects the light beautifully. When I tap it, it has a lovely ring. Yet for me, this glass is already broken. When the wind knocks it over or my elbow knocks it off the shelf and it falls to the ground and shatters, I say, 'Of course.' But when I understand that this glass is already broken, every minute with it is precious."

Find Sharon Charde's collection of poems, "The Glass Is Already Broken," at Oblong Books and Music in Millerton, N.Y.

TRI-CORNER CALENDAR

Send calendar items to calendar@lakevillejournal.com. All entries can be found at www.TriCornerNews.com/events-calendar.

ART

The Clark Art Museum. 225 South St., Williamstown, Mass. www.clarkart.edu
DRAWING CLOSER: STILL LIFE, April 8, 11 a.m. to noon.

MASS MoCA. 1320 MASS MoCA Way, North Adams, Mass. www.massmoca.org
Decolonizing Creative Practice Retreat: Urgency w/ Haus of Glitter, March 26 & April 9, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

BOOKS

Oblong Books & Music. 26 Main St., Millerton, N.Y. www.oblongbooks.com
Local Book Launch: Samantha Hunt, THE UNWRITTEN BOOK: An Investigation, April 8, 6:30 p.m.

Scoville Memorial Library. 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. www.scovillelibrary.org
Library Book Group led by Claudia Cayne, April 9, 4 to 5 p.m. (online).

KIDS

Hotchkiss Library of Sharon. 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. www.hotchkisslibrary.org
Encourage a Young Writer Day, April 10, noon to 3 p.m.

MOVIES

Four Brothers Drive-In Theatre. 4957 NY-22, Amenia, N.Y. www.playeatdrink.com
Morbis and Sonic the Hedgehog 2 Double Feature, April 8 and 9.

The Moviehouse. 48 Main St., Millerton, N.Y. www.themoviehouse.net
Morbis, now playing. Sonic 2, opens April 8. Mothering Sunday, opens April 15.

MUSIC

Crescendo. Lakeville, Conn. www.worldclassmusic.org
Mientras me abraza (While she hugs me) — Baroque, Latino, and Folk Fusion — Lakeville, CT, April 8, 6 p.m.; Great Barrington, MA, April 9, 4 p.m.

The Egremont Barn. 17 Main St., South Egremont, Mass. www.theegremontbarn.com
The Round Up! Featuring Lavender Country, Paisley Fields and More!, April 8, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.; Reliant Tom with opener I Am Snow Angel, April 9, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

THEATER

Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center. 14 Castle St., Great Barrington, Mass. www.mahaiwe.org
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EDITORIAL

Road safety: It takes constant focus

When is the last time you found yourself thinking about something else besides the road and the cars around you while you were driving? After all, with the many ways COVID-19 has changed our lives in the past couple of years, the distractions of everyday life have increased exponentially. That situation doesn't seem to be changing dramatically for most of us yet, even with lower reported numbers of cases in the population and a new booster vaccine coming available to those over 50.

So there can be an unexpected call or text to distract you as you drive, and if it's from a family member, for instance, or other loved one in need of some help or emotional support, it can be very tempting to "just this once" reply while continuing to drive. But all it takes is once. Driving without hands on the wheel and eyes on the road can result in tragic consequences that can never be changed.

Or, it can be something else besides answering your phone: There can be a cup of coffee in your holder that spills on a curve; or you may be grabbing a bite while out doing chores and make the decision to keep driving while doing it to save time; or you may be resetting music or NPR in the car. The list can go on. None of these are worth risking your life, or the lives of those around you on the road.

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness month, sponsored by the National Safety Council. If that seems contrived somehow or unnecessary, think about any traffic accident you've heard of or been a part of in the past. How many happened in the aftermath of a driver becoming distracted by something inside the vehicle? Part of the road danger can be that moment of distraction when something unexpected happens outside the car: an animal runs across the road or a vehicle cuts you off. If your eyes aren't on the road, the odds of coming through such events unscathed decrease greatly.

Read the NSC Just Drive Pledge, which you can take on the NSC website, www.nsc.org. It's all good advice and worth focusing on while driving.

For more on distracted driving, go to www.nsc.org/road-safety.

Writer should practice what he preaches

The title of Joe Geraghty's March 31 letter was "Less vitriol, more virtue, please."

If only he practiced that himself. Unfortunately, he doesn't. Mr. Geraghty called my March 24 letter "unsubstantiated opinions that echo the latest biased sound bite from someone's favorite media outlet."

That's entirely false. Mr. Geraghty was simply stereotyping what I wrote with the vitriol and speculation he claims he wants to stop. He didn't even attempt to answer my letter's points about Russia collusion and Hunter Biden's laptop.

The laptop story was recently addressed by liberal commentator Bill Maher. He correctly noted that the story was purposely buried. "It was coming out during the height of the election in 2020," Maher said. "And they [liberal press and big tech] did not want that out in the mainstream."

That's no echo-chamber sound bite, Mr. Geraghty, but a top liberal voice acknowledging the obvious election coverage manipulation by liberal media and big tech.

As for my statement about Joe Biden's culpability for today's problems, Mr. Geraghty's only defense was that those problems aren't entirely Joe's fault.

What's undeniably Joe's fault is that he has made many problems worse. As President Obama said, never underestimate Joe's ability to mess things up.

Biden's actions caused a massive, ongoing deluge of illegal border crossings. He pushed far too much stimulus, flooding the economy and contributing greatly to the worst inflation in decades.

He conducted the Afghanistan evacuation backwards, removing troops and closing bases before civilians were evacuated. Then when the country was overrun, he had to bring troops back for dangerous rescue efforts and implore the Taliban to help. The result was chaos, death and huge stocks of U.S. weapons falling into Taliban hands. Biden even lied about what his generals told him.

Energy prices soared under Biden's stewardship, long before the Russia-Ukraine War. Biden just blames Putin and hopes totalitarian countries will ramp up their oil production for us.

Biden's vice president, Kamala Harris, is a disaster. Her team is quitting in droves. Communication between her staff and Biden's is awful — and these Democrats were supposed to be the professionals coming in after Trump's amateurs.

Biden is fortunate that 80% of the news media are liberals who sandpaper his constant gaffes, blunders and lies, or his approval rating would be even lower than it is.

Criticism of Trump and the GOP has been at screaming point for years, including in The Lakeville Journal. Did Mr. Geraghty ever say it wasn't all Trump's fault and we should be more civil there too?

Or is it only now, with Biden taking the heat, that Mr. Geraghty laments, "How about less vitriol and more virtue in our conversations?"

Yeah, how about it?

Mark Godburn

Norfolk



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Springtime stream

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Strength in hospital's changes

I write today in support of Sharon Hospital's proposed consolidation of critical care services into a progressive care unit (PCU). I have been a physician practicing internal medicine, hospital medicine, and hospice and palliative medicine in the Sharon Hospital community for nearly 23 years. Over that period, I have witnessed, firsthand, dramatic changes in America's healthcare system.

When I arrived at Sharon hospital in 1999, we had a very busy intensive care unit. This was one of the reasons I chose to relocate to this community. I enjoyed working in critical care, especially in procedural medicine. Although I was never board certified in critical care, I spent much of my residency training in critical care units and as chief resident I spent three months as ICU attending physician at Jacobi medical Center of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. I felt capable of caring for critically ill patients at Sharon hospital with the support of our local teams.

Over the years, however, standards of care have changed and now it is most appropriate for critically ill patients to be cared for by board certified critical care physicians. In addition, the

physical facilities required to care for critically ill patients have evolved and these standards have changed as well. Our hospital is well equipped to care for most ill medical and surgical patients, and even some critically ill patients. For those patients requiring a higher level of intensive care, we will continue, as we have, to transfer those patients to the most appropriate healthcare facility.

We used this approach successfully during the COVID-19 pandemic, when NuVance Health's hospitals shared resources and moved patients around the system to facilities that could best serve them. We selected Danbury Hospital and Vassar Brothers Medical Center to cohort severe COVID patients requiring highly specialized care. In exchange, other system hospitals, including Sharon Hospital, received non-COVID patients, COVID patients of lower acuity and, unfortunately, those not expected to survive who received compassionate end-of-life care.

Sharon Hospital's proposed PCU will allow us to maintain our current level of clinical services, with increased coordination and efficiency. Maintaining all patients on a single unit will increase synergy, which will benefit patient care and re-

duce practitioner burnout as we continue facing a national exodus of professionals from the healthcare system. We expect this change will boost recruitment and retention of competitive positions. The unit will also be modern and well-equipped, allowing us to better utilize space and resources to offer advanced progressive care services, including short-term mechanical ventilation and continuous cardiac monitoring while also maintaining our ability to stabilize and transfer patients needing more advanced care.

The proposed PCU at Sharon Hospital is one example demonstrating how we can adapt to the changing healthcare landscape, while remaining strong in serving our community. This consolidation will help Sharon Hospital maintain its strength and grow as a vibrant community hospital. I urge the community to continue visiting www.nuvancehealth.org/sharon-hospitaltransformation for accurate, up-to-date information regarding Sharon's Hospital transformation.

Mark J. Marshall, DO, MA, FACP, FHM
Vice President of Medical Affairs, Sharon Hospital
Sharon
Cartoon to the Editor
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Vituperative letter

Your March 24 edition of The Lakeville Journal contained a letter to the editor, which in turn contained a "jump" or continuation on another page. Without looking at the other page I knew the author, he of the vituperative letter.

Perhaps Fox News has him on retainer. No doubt my letter will get him lathered up with a response. Ramble away old sport, you have the right.

Craig Toensing

Falls Village

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TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

100 years ago — April 1922

ORE HILL — F.R. Blodgett has moved from W.A. Bartle's farmhouse to Yonkers, N.Y., where he is employed as fireman for the Yonkers Hospital.

The storm of Friday night deposited about three inches of snow and sleet, made traveling still more difficult and proved an April 1st joke on the trout fishermen. What's that old saying about winter lingering in the lap of Spring?

The bus of the Koolfit company of Millerton was destroyed by fire at Sharon last Friday. The bus got stuck in the mud and in trying to extricate itself a backfire started a blaze that soon finished the bus.

50 years ago — April 1972

Sometime Sunday night, after the manager had closed up at 11 o'clock, someone broke into the Dairy Queen in Millerton, N.Y., and made off with three dozen bananas, eight pounds of hot dogs and some lettuce. An employee, questioned Monday morning about the incident, laughingly said he expected the culprits to return for some ice cream for all those banana splits.

A rescue action to save a deer caught on the ice on Lake Wononscopomuc Sunday afternoon spurred the deer to free itself and scramble off into the woods. Roy Sherwood saw the full-grown deer on the ice at the southeast corner of the lake, apparently driven there by dogs. Mr. Sherwood telephoned Resident State Trooper Robert Smithwick.

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Deadline for letters is Monday at 10 a.m.

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College students who should know better

When I wrote a column for my college paper back when talking pictures were relatively new, I went to a movie on campus where members of the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity had instructed their pledges to make their presence known by setting off alarm clocks during the film.

The movie they chose was Laurence Olivier's "Hamlet," so I thought it appropriate to critique their childish hazing prank by quoting from his play within the play and chose the scene in which the prince of Denmark was instructing actors not to strut and bellow on the stage and thereby "imitate humanity so abominably."

The pledges found my (or Shakespeare's) comment offensive and the next day in the dining hall, I was serenaded by the pledges with a "Happy birthday" adaptation, called "Happy Buffalo to you," a signal that I would soon be carried to the nearby Buffalo Creek and thrown in.

This was a campus tradition reserved for fraternity brothers who had given their pins to their girl friends but a less benign exception was made in my case and I was quickly seized and carried to the creek and tossed in in retaliation for my free, unpopular speech.

It was the first, but not the last time I would write about college students interfering with the rights of others and, in most cases, claiming they had a First Amendment right to do so — expressing one's free speech at the expense of others.

The first television editorial I ever wrote came in 1968, at a time when the Federal Communications Commission was threatening to suspend or take away the licenses of broadcasters who failed to live up to the requirement that they broad-

cast "in the public interest," which included providing adequate time for news, discussions of important issues and even editorials, with time provided for opposing views. Needless to say, they don't do that anymore.

The editorial criticized students at the University of Massachusetts who heckled then Vice President Hubert Humphrey off the stage for his support of President Lyndon Johnson and the war in Vietnam. Humphrey would unsuccessfully oppose Richard Nixon for president that year, mainly because of his failure to break with the Johnson war policy early enough in the campaign.

The editorial is no longer with us but I believe it included one of my favorite references to the First Amendment — Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes' reminder that free speech includes more than freedom for what we want to hear:

"The principle of free thought is not free thought for those who agree with us, but freedom for the thought we hate."

Since Humphrey was heckled off the stage in Amherst 64 years ago, college students, who should know better — or be taught better

But as Waggoner was being introduced, the students began to shout her down and continued to do so even after being escorted from the room, standing outside in the hall, shouting and pounding on the walls.

— have only grown less tolerant of the thought they hate.

A very recent example comes from Yale.

On March 10, approximately 100 Yale students prevented the school's conservative Federalist Society chapter from presenting the views of Kristen Waggoner of the Alliance Defending Freedom, a right wing group opposed to gay rights. Waggoner was appearing with Monica Miller of the liberal American Humanist Society, who was offering an opposing view.

But as Waggoner was being introduced, the students began to shout her down and continued to do so even after being escorted from the room, standing outside in the hall, shouting and pounding on the walls. The speakers eventually made some remarks but Waggoner then had to be escorted off the campus by Yale police, according to the Washington Post.

This would have been disgusting for any group of students, but these weren't just college kids. They were law students. At this moment, the Yale Law School has four of its graduates on the Supreme Court, along with Harvard, and the two law schools will retain the tie when Harvard Law graduate Stephen Breyer is succeeded by Harvard Law graduate Ketanji Brown Jackson. (The ninth justice, Amy Coney Barrett went to Notre Dame. Over the centuries, Harvard Law has sent 281 graduates to the Court, Yale, 241.)

D.C. Circuit Senior Judge Laurence Silberman had an interesting reaction, sending an email to every federal judge in the nation reminding them that since "all federal judges are presumably committed to free speech," they "should carefully consider whether any student (among the Yale demonstrators) should be disqualified for potential clerkships."

Silberman, you may want to know, is a Republican appointed to the second highest court by Ronald Reagan. Before he became a judge, he got some interesting experience in respecting differing points of view as an acting attorney general in the embattled Nixon administration during Watergate. It was an awkward position, he recalled, "simultaneously carrying out President Nixon's agenda and supporting those who were vigorously prosecuting him."

He is, by the way, a graduate of Harvard Law School.

Simsbury resident Dick Ahles is a retired journalist. Email him at rahles1@outlook.com.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

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Smithwick arranged with Edward R. Davis to use The Hotchkiss School's boat. Messrs. Smithwick, Sherwood and James Haynes proceeded toward the deer, but as they approached it ran off under its own power.

Dr. Roland W. Smith of Lakeville has been certified by the American Board of Anesthesiologists as a specialist in the practice of anesthesiology. Board certification is granted only after passing intensive oral and written examinations.

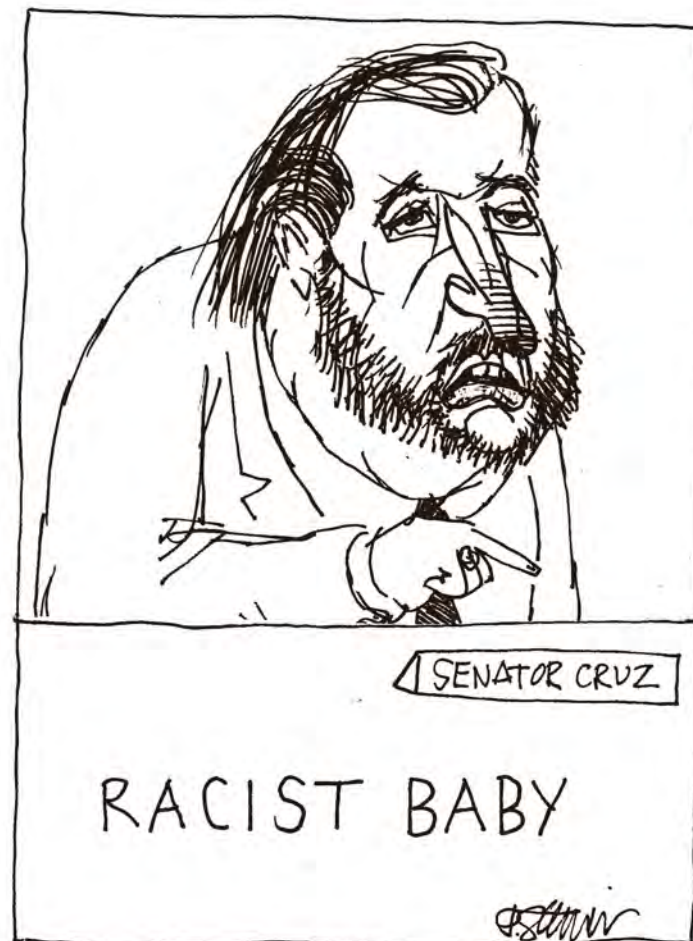
Kent experienced its Second Annual Easter Snowfall on Sunday. There was enough white stuff to cover the ground throughout Kent and to linger a while on Skiff Mountain. We hope Mother Nature doesn't consider that event compulsory each year — sure puts a damper on Easter finery.

The old Norfolk station was purchased jointly by Mrs. John Bazzano Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Hannafin last Saturday. The building was sold at auction by the First Federal Bank of Torrington. No definite plans have been made for the property, but the new owners feel they will probably use it for a business venture after restoring the building.

25 years ago — April 1997

A howling late-season storm buried the Northwest Corner with a foot — in some cases two feet or more -- of snow Monday night and Tuesday morning. Yet by Wednesday afternoon, much of the white mantle was gone, melted by April sunshine and temperatures soaring into the mid-50s. Hundreds of trees and thousands of limbs were down, some crashing into homes and parked cars. Most residents lost electricity at some point, and at midweek some had been told not to expect it back until Friday. It was a storm to remember.

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



Humanizing Siri

Although I've been an avid user of all kinds of technological devices and instruments, I have only recently discovered the fact that I had never used or familiarized myself with one of the most instrumental and popular features of modern technology. And I came to this realization only a few weeks ago as I watched my son pull his iPhone out of his back pocket and spoke with a female person to set up an event in his calendar. The lady with a gentle and sweet voice responded saying that the calendar is now set to the precise date and time my son had indicated.

When I asked my son who the lady was he was talking to, he looked at me as if I was someone who just came from outer space. But, in a friendly and gentle way, he explained to me that the voice of the woman I just heard on the phone was simply a feature called Siri, which comes with every iPhone we buy and helps us set up appointments and any engagements we don't want to forget. "What a nice lady," I said, but my son didn't waste time making it clear to me that "Nice Lady" is not really a lady but a product of a computer program.

Without making me feel like I was an old and half-witty guy, my son actually took the time and step by step walked me through the whole ritual of lightly touching the iPhone's screen to activate Siri and setting up an event in my calendar. And I did it. Actually Siri did it. And with a voice filled with appreciation and gratitude I thanked Siri for doing such an amazing job, which made my son roll his eyes and say, "You don't have to thank her dad, she's not a real person."

Amazingly, it took only a short time for me to get to

know Siri well. She listened to me and with an unlimited patience she waited until I pulled myself together and dictated the details of my appointments, whether it was for a doctor's appointment or a birthday party. Siri listened to me quietly and didn't even raise her voice when I made mistakes by not providing the proper dates or hours of my appointments.

Later, I realized that Siri can do much more than just create events. Siri can tell me the weather forecast by my just asking her, "What's the weather tomorrow?" Siri will immediately respond with, "Looks like snow tomorrow." It did not take me too long to completely abandon my date books and clipboards, my pencils and pens and my yellow markers, which highlighted the importance and urgency of an appointment. Siri took care of all that by simply responding to my request with her gentle, sensuous and inviting voice.

But my friendly relationship with Siri went through a bumpy ride when I was driving through an area that was unfamiliar to me. Naturally I was totally dependent on Siri's navigation skills as I followed her directions with utmost concentration. I was definitely nervous and worried that I could get lost in the middle of the woods.

What made that ride more intense and dramatic was that I was actually more concerned about how Siri will react if I make a wrong turn than me actually being lost. All I was thinking was that if I ever made the wrong turn, Siri would take it as a

personal insult for ignoring and dismissing her directions. And that would be very ungentlemanly behavior on my part. And knowing me, I would never make a lady feel neglected or disrespected.

But when I realized that I had made the wrong turn, I realized that Siri had no feelings or emotions to comfort me by telling me how sorry she was. Instead she

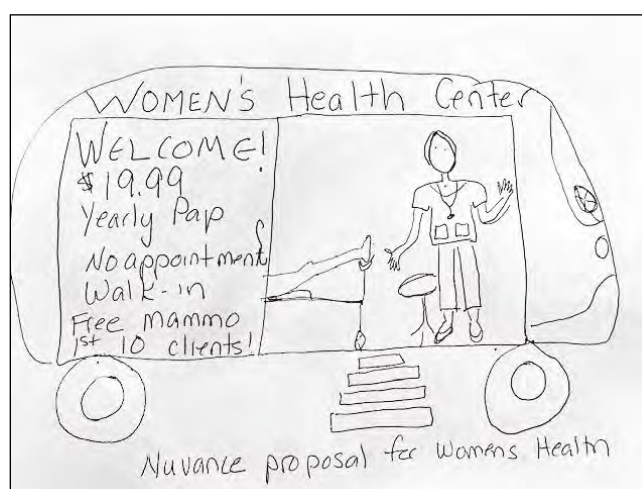
kept repeating in a totally unemotional and monotonous pace the same words over and over again: "Proceed to the main route, Proceed to the main route, Proceed to the main route," which drove me crazy!

I think that was the exact moment when I finally realized why my son was trying hard to make me understand that Siri is not a person, that she is not a lady and she has no soul. She is just a product of computer programming and she is a robot who has no soul and who could care less if I had made the wrong turn or end up in a place miles away from my home.

Having said that, as someone who is like millions of others whose everyday life is intertwined with the likes of Siri and Alexa, I will benefit from the services provided by those non-human creatures. Yet again I will always treat them with dignity and civility because regardless of their being emotionless and inhuman, believe it or not, they are fast becoming members of our own human family.

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CARTOON TO THE EDITOR



Cartoon to the Editor by Dr. Cory Kalser of Lakeville

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Bears are coming out of hibernation and it is time to prepare your home in order to avoid unwanted guests. The short list is to take in the bird feeders and store your garbage away securely so the bears do not become food habituated at your property. Also, the bear tags are not for identifying problem bears, they are used by CTDEEP to track the bears to gather more information on their movements. So the different colors of the ear tag indicate which year they were caught for research purposes. Some of our bears travel north as far as Vermont, so the tags are helpful in studying their dispersal patterns. For more detailed updates on living with bears successfully, please visit: <https://portal.ct.gov/deep/wildlife/nuance-wildlife/living-with-black-bears>



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A certified list of party-selected candidates for the Democratic Party in the Town of Sharon for participation as DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION of said Party specified below is on file in my office at 63 Main Street, Sharon, Connecticut and copies are available for public distribution:

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Linda R. Amerighi - CCTC
 Town Clerk of Sharon
 04-07-22

LEGAL NOTICE TAX COLLECTOR TOWN OF SALISBURY CT

Pursuant to Sec. 12-145 of the Connecticut State Statutes, the taxpayers of the Town of Salisbury are hereby notified that the fourth installment on the Grand List of October 1, 2020 is due and payable on April 1, 2022. Payments must be received or postmarked by May 2, 2022. If said Real Estate and Personal

Property taxes are not paid on or before May 2, 2022, interest at the rate of one and one half percent (18% per year) will be added for each month or a fraction thereof which elapses from the time when such tax becomes due and payable until the same is paid. Minimum interest charge is \$2.00.

Pursuant to Section 12-173 of the Connecticut State Statutes, unpaid Real Estate tax on the Grand List of October 1, 2020 will be LIENED on JUNE 3, 2022. Payment must be received by 12:00 p.m. on June 3, 2022 to avoid a Lien. Tax Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9am-4pm.

Taxes can be paid by mail addressed to: Tax Collector, P.O. Box 338, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068. There is a drop box in the vestibule of the Town Hall which is available 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday. The Town is urging taxpayers to mail checks or use the option of paying by credit card. Please check the Town website salisburyct.us for additional information. Dated at Town of Salisbury, CT this 18th day of March 2022

Jean F. Bell, CCMC
 Tax Collector
 Salisbury CT 06068
 03-24-22
 04-07-22
 04-21-22

Legal Notice

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing to amend the Town of Salisbury Zoning Regulations to add section 207.19 - outdoor food and beverage service, and amend section 205.3 - table of accessory uses to include outdoor food and beverage service. The hearing will be held on Monday, Tuesday April 12, 2022 at 6:45 PM. There is no physical location for this meeting. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The proposed amendments have been posted, and agenda and meeting instructions for participation will be posted at least 24 hours before the meeting at www.salisburyct.us. Written comments may be submitted to the Land Use Office, Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, P.O. Box 548, Salisbury, CT or via email to aconroy@salisburyct.us. Paper copies of the proposed amendments may be reviewed at the Town Clerk's Office in the Salisbury Town Hall during regular business hours (9:00AM to 12:30PM and 1:30PM to 4:00 PM) Monday through Friday.

Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission
 Martin Whalen, Secretary
 03-31-22
 04-07-22

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF SALISBURY REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES March 21, 2022

The Town of Salisbury, Connecticut is requesting proposals from qualified firms of certified public accountants, in accordance with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes, to conduct an examination and to render an opinion on the comprehensive annual financial statements of the Town of Salisbury will be received at the office of the First Selectman until 3:00 pm on April 22, 2022 at which time no further proposals will be considered. Request for Proposal forms may be obtained at the office of the Finance Director from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Mondays through Fridays. Information concerning this Request for Proposals may be obtained by contacting Joseph Cleaveland, Finance Director at (860) 435- 5174 or visiting www.salisburyct.us/request-for-proposals/. The Town of Salisbury is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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SHARON, CT

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TOWN OF NORTH EAST: seeks a qualified person to perform duties of small office management, including secretarial support for the Building Inspector. Typical work week to begin is 20-24 hours, including one evening per week. Contact Town Clerk's Office (518-789-3300, Ext. 603) for application.

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Notice of Decision Town of Salisbury Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission

Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission of the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut on March 28, 2022:

Approved - Application 2022-IW-051 by owner, Richard Primoff to demolish an existing home and build a new single-family dwelling with associated site improvements in the upland review area. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor's map 38 as lot 11 and is known as 105 Interlaken Road, Lakeville.

Any aggrieved person may appeal this decision to the Connecticut Superior Court in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes §22a-43(a) & §8-8.

04-07-22

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Legal Notices,
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