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

## Schedule announced for COVID vaccinations

By Cynthia Hochswender

Connecticut is continuing to provide COVID-19 vaccinations to state residents based on their age. Gov. Ned Lamont announced on Monday, Feb. 22, the planned schedule for eligibility. At present, anyone age 65 and over can get the vaccine.

**March 1:** age group 55 to 64  
**March 22:** age group 45 to 54

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PHOTOS BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

The filling station and convenience store, owned by Ageel Hadash (photo at right) at the junction of routes 7 and 63 in Falls Village is open at last.



## After long delay, filling station opens

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — After considerable delays, the gas station/convenience store/deli at the junction of Routes 7 and 63 is open for business.

Owner Ageel Hadash and employees were on the job on opening day, Wednesday, Feb. 17.

At around 11:30 a.m., there were a couple of customers filling up. One came in to stock up on snacks and, as an afterthought, added a bundle of firewood to the order.

First Selectman Henry Todd has been vocal about his frustration with the delays in

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## Community concerns about changes to Sharon Hospital board

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SHARON — The state Office of Health Strategies held a public hearing online on Tuesday, Feb. 16, about a request from Nuvance, owner of the hospital network that includes Sharon Hospital, to change the condition regarding the hospital's board of directors.

Condition 2 of the Certifi-

cate of Need (CON) that applies to the hospital (dated April 1, 2019) currently requires Nuvance to "allow for twelve (12) community representatives to serve as voting members on the Sharon Hospital Board of Directors." This agreement is in force for five years following the closing of the agreement.

Nuvance is asking that Condition 2 be modified to this:

"For five (5) years following the Closing Date, NewCo shall allow for one (1) community representative to serve as a voting member on the Sharon Hospital Board of Directors.

The request notes that Condition 2 has not been previously modified, and states, "Sharon Hospital has a community board and will continue to have one going forward. The Sharon

Board has a nominating committee that considers recommendations for new members from time to time based on identified needs and geographic representation. The Nominating Committee is a standard group that almost all nonprofit boards have to ensure appropriate vetting and consideration of

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## The road to electric power in the region was highly charged

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — As Connecticut's state Legislature grapples with how best to provide broadband internet service to areas like the Northwest Corner, historian Bernard Drew told the tangled tale of how electricity was brought to the area in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Drew is a Great Barrington resident and former Lakeville Journal writer and editor.

Drew spoke via Zoom at a presentation, "Local Skirmishes on the Road to Electrification More Than a Century Ago: Great Barrington and Salisbury," on Saturday, Feb. 13. The talk was sponsored by the Scoville Memorial Library.

Furnishing electricity in the 1880s meant deciding whether to go with direct current (DC), as championed by Thomas Edison, or alternating current (AC), as promoted by



10028 Toll Bridge and Power House (High Water), Canaan, Conn.

PHOTO COURTESY BERNARD DREW

The bridge that led to the power station in North Canaan was often nearly flooded at certain times of the year.

George Westinghouse. (Westinghouse ultimately prevailed.)

William Stanley Jr., whose name still adorns insulated bottles, worked for Westinghouse, and in March 1886 wired up part of the northern section of Main Street in Great Barrington for a demonstra-

tion of AC power.

Meanwhile Mary Frances Sherwood Hopkins, widow of railroad tycoon Mark Hopkins, was wiring up her end of Main Street with DC power, from her base at what is commonly referred to as Searles Castle.

The two demonstrations

occurred within a couple days of each other.

Stanley held another demonstration on April 16, 1886, with Westinghouse in attendance. The latter approved and went back to Pittsburgh,

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## With more full-time residents, a rise in trash costs

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — Area towns are beginning the process of budgeting town and school spending for the coming year. The world has changed quite a bit, and cost estimates reflect the new way of life caused by COVID-19 and the quarantine.

The Cornwall Board of Selectmen presented their draft town budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year to the Board of Finance for consideration at the finance board's regular

meeting on Thursday, Feb. 18. The meeting was conducted by Zoom. The new fiscal year begins July 1.

Cornwall is one of the first towns to present its municipal spending plan.

"There is a new energy in town," First Selectman Gordon Ridgway said in reviewing proposed expenditures outlined in the drafted budget. At present, proposed spending totals \$2,135,260, up by 3.08% over the current

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## Clearing the air at regional high school

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — A shipment of 40 air purifiers scheduled for Feb. 17 has been delayed for a week, Region One Business Manager Sam Herrick said Friday, Feb. 19, in a phone interview.

Region One received almost \$1 million in federal pandemic relief funds last year, and chose to spend \$330,000 of it on stand-alone air purifiers from Safeology, a company in Washington state, for use at Housatonic Valley Regional High School. Herrick described the units as being similar to a

home dehumidifier, but substantially larger.

The Safeology materials list the units as being 25.5 inches wide, 25.5 inches deep and 48 inches high. The units weigh 80 pounds and are on wheels for portability.

Herrick said the units clean air through a charcoal filter and ultraviolet UVC lamps, and turn the air over in a room between six and eight times per hour, which Herrick said is an industry standard.

Herrick said while the units were purchased as part

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## In The Journal this week

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### Three-day forecast

Friday..... Sun, high 37°/low 34°  
 Saturday..... Snow, 41°/24°  
 Sunday..... Cloudy, 46°/30°

## 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.

### Lost control while driving

On Feb. 15 at approximately 9 p.m. on Cornwall Bridge Road in Sharon a 2020 Ford Edge driven by Jacob Ryan Corbin, 34, of Pittsburgh, Pa., lost control and drove off the roadway, striking a wire-rope guardrail. Corbin was issued a written warning for failure to maintain the proper lane.

### Struck a tree

On Feb. 16 at approximately 8:45 a.m. on Salmon Kill Road in Salisbury a 1997 Ford F150 driven by Tristin Lawrence Ralph, 18, of Cornwall lost control on the wet roadway and struck a tree off the side of the road. The tires on the Ford were found to lack sufficient tire tread depth. Ralph was issued a written warning for operating a motor vehicle with unsafe tires.

### Stuck in snow

On Feb. 9 at approximately 2:30 a.m. on Church Street in North Canaan a 2009 Acura TSX driven by Anthony Leonardo Cattelan, 21, of North Canaan slid on the icy roadway and struck a sign on the road. The Acura then collided with a snow pile and was unable to move. It was towed and Cattelan was issued a written warning for traveling too fast for the conditions.

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](mailto:cynthiah@lakevillejournal.com).

## Why beavers are essential

SALISBURY — "Dam It: Partnering with Beavers to Heal the Planet," presented by author Ben Goldfarb, will be a free Zoom talk on Saturday, March 6, from 4 to 5 p.m. hosted by the Scoville Memorial Library and the Salisbury Association Land Trust.

Goldfarb is the author of "Eager: The Surprising, Secret Life of Beavers and Why They Matter." He makes the case that beavers are a nuisance — but they are also an essential part of the ecosystem. To find out why, and to hear more beaver puns, register online at the library website at [www.scovilibn@biblio.org](http://www.scovilibn@biblio.org).

## Correction for Hotchkiss article

Amy Sidran from The Hotchkiss School sent an email correcting several points in an article written by Leila Hawken for our issue of Feb. 18, based on a talk Sidran did on Zoom sponsored by the school and Noble Horizons.

The corrections are listed here:

1. Correction: Allen Cocklerline is in charge of our grass beef operation and grazing management on the farm.

The team at Tory Hill, are responsible for the whole animal program, and supporting local food with more than 30 farms, and \$700,000 spent locally (100mi) on food.

2. "Using the whole of the animal is a priority and the school chefs incorporate all cuts (and many organs) into their recipes."

Correction: The whole animal program is based on partnering with local farmers to grow meat for the school. Tory Hill chef's use all cuts, and support a local supply chain for grass fed beef, pastured pork, heritage chicken, duck, and pastured lamb.

3. It was stated that I have

a "master's degree in biology" when in fact I have two master's degrees, a Masters of Arts in Teaching and Masters in Sustainable Agriculture.

4. "discovered that farmers were unsuccessfully trying to raise crops from seeds acquired from the United States — seeds not intended for the tropics?"

Correction: I managed the school garden in the DR, not farmers. Our teachers were trying to grow crops using seeds not intended for the tropics.

5. "At present, the farm supplies 30% of the dining hall's needs for the school's 2,000 meals served daily."

Fairfield Farm also partners with about 30 family farms in the area, who help by supplying food to the school."

Correction: At present the Farm supplies about 30% of the food for the school during the Fall semester, and 7% of the total food for the school year.

Please strike the second sentence, as it was covered in the last correction.

"Thank you so much, we greatly appreciate the article and correcting the information," Sidran said.

## Habitat for Humanity is seeking a partner family

NORTH CANAAN — Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Connecticut is seeking a partner family to work on construction of a home at Salisbury Road in North Canaan.

The mission of Habitat's Northwest Connecticut affiliate is to facilitate ownership of simple but decent and affordable homes for local workforce families who find themselves priced out of the market by the spiral of escalating prices and/or limited income that denies them access to traditional mortgage sources.

Applications from eligible families will be accepted until April 11.

To be eligible for a Habitat home, applicants must meet three distinct criteria.

1) They must be facing a pressing need to improve their living conditions.

2) The applicant must demonstrate a reasonable

sense of responsibility for meeting current financial obligations, like rent, as well as verify adequate income to keep up with Habitat's monthly payments.

3) Habitat households must commit to partner with Habitat by investing 400 hours of their labor in the construction (200 hours is the amount of hours a partner family must invest for a rehabilitated home). One hundred hours must be donated by the actual partner family, but friends and others can help to reach 400 hours.

This one-story structure will have three bedrooms and two baths and an open kitchen, dining and living area.

To apply or for more information, call Bob Whelan at 860-435-4747, or email a request for an application package to [admin@habitat-nwct.org](mailto:admin@habitat-nwct.org).

## No-cost tax aide begins March 4

SALISBURY — Salisbury Senior Services will be offering the AARP Tax Aide program at the Salisbury Senior Center at the Town Grove, 42 Ethan Allen St., in Lakeville. Volunteers trained by AARP and certified by the IRS will be available to assist those 60 and older, and low-income residents, with the preparation and filing of all tax forms fee of charge.

All tax returns will be e-filed, which can reduce the wait time

for refunds. This service will be available on Thursdays from March 4 through April 15 by appointment only.

Contact Lisa McAuliffe, Director of Senior Services, at 860-435-5191 to schedule an appointment.

## Bear season is about to begin

SALISBURY — The end of February and March marks the beginning of "bear season," when bears begin to leave their dens and search for food.

Wildlife biologist Ben Kilham will talk about black bears on Saturday, Feb. 27, at 4 p.m. on Zoom, sponsored by the Scoville Memorial Library and several area land trusts. His talk is titled, "What Bears Have Taught Me About Being Human."

To register, call 860-435-2838 or go to [www.scovillelibrary.org](http://www.scovillelibrary.org).

## Help with registering for vaccines

SALISBURY — Salisbury residents over 75 years old who need assistance registering for a COVID-19 vaccine can contact the town's Director of Senior Services, Lisa McAuliffe, at [lmcauliffe@salisburyct.us](mailto:lmcauliffe@salisburyct.us) or 860-435-5186.

Residents of other towns can check at their town hall to see who is available to help with vaccine registration.

Walgreens in North Canaan and Torrington are offering vaccinations to individuals 65 years of age or older. Appointments must be made online at [www.walgreens.com/topic/covid19vac/CT.jsp](http://www.walgreens.com/topic/covid19vac/CT.jsp).

The state has created an expanded help line for residents who would like help with scheduling an appointment. Calls can now be made to 877-918-2224 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. seven days a week.

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## FAMILY & FRIENDS

## New trustees elected for Salisbury Association

SALISBURY — The Salisbury Association held a virtual annual meeting on Saturday, Feb. 13. Three new trustees were elected to the board: Gloria Miller, Dick Paddock and Linda Yowell. Long-term trustees Joel Cohen and Lou Bucceri became trustees emeritus.

Following the annual meeting, the new Board of Trustees elected officers for 2021. They are Jeanette Weber, president; Chris Brennan, vice president; Laura Carlson, secretary; and Cynthia Walsh, treasurer.

## Berkshire Taconic announces grant and scholarship deadlines for March

Nonprofits and students in northwest Litchfield County are invited to apply for competitive grants and scholarships during Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation's winter grants cycle. Apply online at [www.BerkshireTaconic.org/Grants](http://www.BerkshireTaconic.org/Grants) and [www.BerkshireTaconic.org/Scholarships](http://www.BerkshireTaconic.org/Scholarships).

### For nonprofits

The Green Pastures Fund supports nonprofit organizations or public entities that encourage or preserve small, community-based agricultural ventures. Applications are due March 1.

### For students

Applications for the following scholarships are due March 15:

The Andrea Wagner Women in Science Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to female residents of the Berkshire Taconic region who are currently enrolled at a four-year college and majoring in math, chemistry, engineering or physical sciences.

The Ben Paley Scholarship

Fund supports seniors graduating from public high schools in northwest Litchfield County and Berkshire County who wish to study music at a two- or four-year college or university.

The Ferris Burtis Scholarship Fund sponsors graduating high school seniors who have been accepted at a conservatory or school of music to pursue a career in classical music.

The George and Lucille Buterbaugh Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to graduating seniors who are residents of Salisbury.

The Karen Kisslinger Scholarship Fund supports students of Housatonic Valley Regional High School who have a demonstrated interest and passion for holistic health and wellness practices.

The Teddy Lee Drumm Memorial Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to residents of Sharon who have been accepted at an accredited college, university, vocational-technical or professional institute, as well as prior Drumm recipients.

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# Our Towns

## Businesses are thriving but ash trees are dying

By Leila Hawken

NORTH CANAAN — A variety of issues including the annual budget approval calendar, an update on COVID-19, and the destruction of ash trees by a fatal infestation of the emerald ash borer were considered at the regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen on Monday, Feb. 1, conducted by Zoom.

In view of Gov. Ned Lamont's extension of the COVID-19 State of Emergency order to a new date of April 20, the selectmen considered and approved dates for remote meetings when the proposed budget for 2021-22 can be considered by residents.

The proposed budgets for both the town and the elementary school will be presented to the Board of Finance on Wednesday, March 17, by Zoom, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Following consideration by the Board of Finance, a public hearing on the proposed budgets will be held on Wednesday, April 28, also by Zoom. Under that schedule, the selectmen agreed that the annual town meeting to vote on the budget would occur in May.

First Selectman Charles Perotti said that the town is in the process of gathering departmental budget reports and requests and that the coming year's budget will need to incorporate the school's oil tank removal project as an anti-

pated cost.

Selectman Christian Allyn raised the issue of the devastation of ash trees by the emerald ash borer, an insect that attacks and infests ash trees in particular. The ash borers also attract woodpeckers, who eat the larvae (but apparently not fast enough to stop the spread of the devastation by the insects). The ash borers have been killing trees all over the region, including many in North Canaan that are found on town rights-of-way. The trees will not survive into the summer and will need to be removed, Allyn reported.

State aid may be available to the town, he added, to help with the project.

The emerald ash borer measures about one-third of an inch in adulthood when they emerge in the spring, a bright, metallic green in color. Eggs are laid in the bark crevices and the larvae feed under the bark, attracting woodpeckers. Stressed trees are more susceptible, such as those found along town streets where they are exposed to road salting and other environmental pressures.

Perotti announced that the ice rink is up and running at the town pavilion and a new antique store has opened downtown.

"If you drive through the center of town," Perotti said, "you would never know we were in an economic downturn. The center is thriving."

## Sharon board says Volvo is the way to go

By Leila Hawken

SHARON — In an ongoing effort to anticipate town equipment replacement needs, the Sharon selectmen discussed the current need to replace a 20-year-old loader at their regular meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 9, after hearing a report from Board of Finance member Bob Duncan.

Following discussion of three quotes, the selectmen unanimously favored purchasing the Volvo-L78 model at an estimated cost to the town of \$145,000, expecting a turn-in value of \$24,000 to bring it down to that figure.

First Selectman Brent Colley explained the process for a major equipment purchase, that the town will need to bring the request to the Board of Finance for its approval and that the request will need to include how the town intends to fund the purchase. Ultimately, the town would need to hold a town meeting to approve the purchase, Colley said.

Duncan has been working closely with finance board

Chairman Tom Bartram to develop long-range planning for highway equipment retirement and replacement, in concert with the road foreman. Of immediate concern is the aged loader and anticipated costly repairs weighed against the value of replacing the unit and benefiting from a turn-in value.

The loader is used year-round, Duncan explained to the selectmen. In winter it moves sand and salt from the shed into the town plow trucks, and in summer it loads gravel and assists with tree removal from the roadways after storms.

"We're running on borrowed time," Selectman Casey Flanagan said, supporting the choice of the Volvo model. "We need something that is efficient and that we can count on."

Noting that the town crew also favored the Volvo because much of the current equipment is from Volvo and they are familiar with that brand's upkeep and maintenance needs, Selectman Dale Jones also pointed out that the Volvo would use many of the same parts and fluids as the rest of the fleet.

## COVID-19 changes have had a significant impact on town's trash

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — With so many people living in town and working from home, the amount of trash processed at the transfer station has grown significantly, leading to a report by the transfer station staff to the Board of Selectmen at their regular meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 16. The meeting was held on Zoom.

First Selectman Gordon Ridgway pointed out that the increased cost for trash hauling and disposal is one of the biggest drivers of this year's projected budget increase (see story, Page A1).

Transfer station staff provided details of activity at the site. Ted Larson reported that because of higher traffic and in keeping with COVID-19 restrictions, the Swap Shop has

been closed.

With a three-car limit, it is important to keep the cars moving, he noted.

To provide perspective, Larson said that before the pandemic, recycling would fill one-and-a-half 4-yard containers; now they are filling six 4-yard containers in one day. As for regular garbage, Larson reported that the past average was 4 tons each week, and now their high end reaches 9 tons each week.

Cardboard disposal is huge now, Larson said, because so many people are shopping online. Now, in a day and a half, a cardboard bale is created. In the past, even after two and a half days, they would not have enough for a bale.

"There are just the two of us there," Larson reminded the selectmen.

Will Berry reported that it is important to teach residents how to discard items and what they need to do.

Cornwall does not participate in single-stream recycling, meaning that residents need to do their own separating of recyclables, making for a cleaner disposal process.

"We're doing our fair share, and we're doing it pretty well," Larson said. "Tuesdays are now like Saturdays used to be."

"That's because work habits have changed," Ridgway said, pointing out the direct correlation between the tax increase and what residents are disposing of.

Larson concluded that he and Berry are looking forward to working with the state on such initiatives as food separation within the municipal solid waste program.

The selectmen voted to join the state's Sustainable Materials Coalition, a 100-town initiative, administered through the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. The aim of the plan is to reduce the volume of trash by encouraging greater responsibility on the part of residents. A composting program is just one suggestion for creative solutions to the problem.

## Upgrades planned for town-owned building

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — The Board of Selectmen decided to go ahead with improvements to the town-owned building at 107 Main St., which is across the street from Town Hall, and approved a lease for part of the space at the board's regular monthly meeting (on Zoom) Monday, Feb. 8.

The improvements are new alarms and exit signs, for \$5,251.46.

The lease is for 440 square feet of the ground floor space. The terms are an initial two-year lease, with the first year at \$550 per month and the second year at \$600 per month, plus a share of the heating oil bill.

After that there is a two-year option that must be agreed to by the town and the tenant. The

option includes an annual 5% rent hike.

First Selectman Henry Todd noted the building does not have separate electric meters for the ground floor and the Senior Center upstairs.

Todd noted that Denny Jacobs had been left off a list of Justices of the Peace and that the error had been rectified.

The selectmen approved recommending to the Board of Finance a tax reduction for Brewster Holdings, based on an ordinance that provides tax relief for those businesses who spend more than \$100,000 on upgrades.

And there will be a \$5 disposal charge for dropping off pallets at the transfer station. Todd said \$5 is about what it costs to dispose of them properly.

## Planning for summer visitors to the river

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — The Cornwall selectmen had asked for a report from the Housatonic River Commission in preparation for the coming season of recreational river use.

Last year's influx of visitors to the Housatonic River brought clean-up and sanitation problems. In preparation for this summer, Housatonic River Commission representative Phil Hart shared information at the selectmen's meeting on Zoom on Tuesday, Feb. 16.

Hart pointed out that all of the area towns along the river offer access points to the river, except for North Canaan. Boaters enter the river at all of the access points, including The Bend in West Cornwall and a sec-

ond access point in town. Youth stewards (provided last summer through the Housatonic Valley Association, HVA) helped monitor and clean up, but the task is enormous, Hart said.

"The main issue is how to deal with all the people," Hart said. He said HVA would like the town to provide funds to study the issue.

Ridgway recalled that the problem last summer was the state's closure of the parks, leading people to find their own recreational spots.

"We encourage people to come and use the river and enjoy it," Ridgway said, expecting that the problem could find a positive solution. He could envision that West Cornwall and its newly restored Bend area could become an environmental resource center for visitors.

### SEECing SOLUTIONS



Welcome to Sharon Energy and Environment Commission's education and announcement column.

#### THIS MONTH'S TOPIC

Home Energy Efficiency

Looking for a way to save energy? SEEC has donated two energy-use monitoring devices to The Hotchkiss Library of Sharon for you to check out: 1) an infrared thermometer that enables you to identify where heat is leaking out of your home; 2) an electric usage monitor that allows you to measure the amount of energy your home appliances use. For more information see the grey box on the SEEC page on the Sharon Town website: [www.sharonct.org/sharon-energy-environment-commission](http://www.sharonct.org/sharon-energy-environment-commission).

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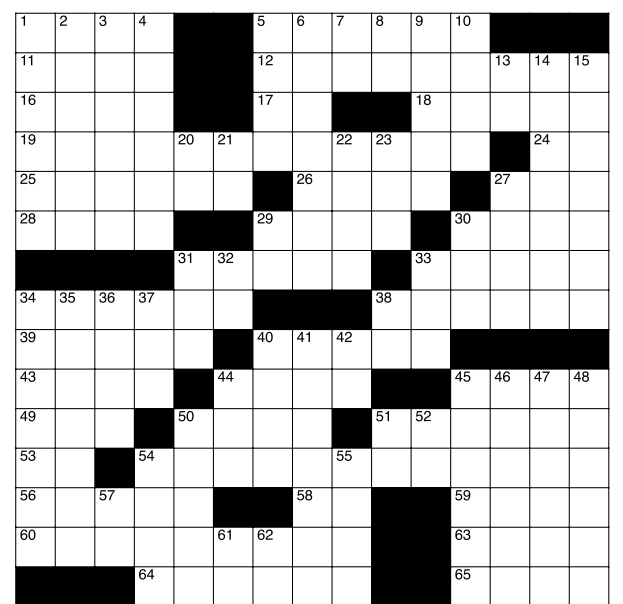
## Brain Teasers

### CLUES ACROSS

1. Ancient Persian city
5. Spindles
11. Stake
12. Retrain
16. Close by
17. Commercial
18. One who publicly announces
19. American ballplayer
24. Junior's father
25. Go up or climb
26. Concern
27. When you hope to get there
28. Iacocca and Oswald are two
29. Plant of the lily family
30. Male college organization
31. National capital
33. Raccoonlike animal
34. Symbols of fertility
38. Astronomy unit
39. Series of ridges in anatomy
40. Hebrew leader
43. A portent of good or evil
44. Supreme goddess
45. Gelatinous substance
49. Engage in a contest
50. Famed ballplayer Ruth
51. Pledge
53. \_\_, denotes past
54. Revival
56. Spanish surname
58. Gold
59. Elsa's sister
60. Workplace
63. Large quantity of something
64. Engraved
65. Discount

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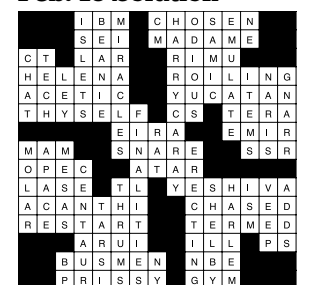
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2. Disquiet
3. Posture
4. Large nests
5. Soviet "Second Symphony" composer
6. Joins two pipes of different diameter
7. Exist
8. Overdose
9. Pleat of fabric
10. Predict the future
13. Burgeoning technology
14. Having made a valid will
15. Having no fixed course
20. \_\_ route
21. Lethal dose
22. Indian musical pattern of notes
23. Athlete
27. Geological times
29. Atomic #21



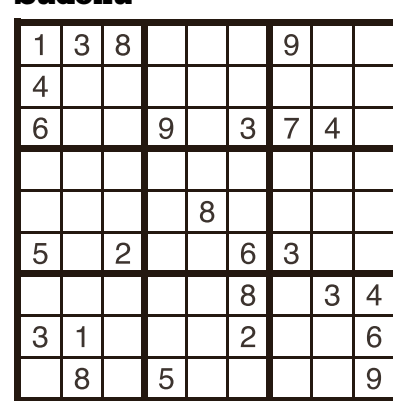
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31. Brew
32. Certificate of insurance
33. Taxi
34. Type of saying
35. For cigars
36. Phil \_\_, former CIA
37. Local area network
38. Gym class
40. Philippine Island
41. Not great or bad
42. Eastern part of NY state
44. Gov't lawyers
45. Constructions
46. Former British gold coin
47. Unkeyed
48. Rechristen
50. Threaten persistently
51. Southeast

52. Cools your home
54. Removes the leaves
55. Regretted
57. Thus
61. Relief organization (abbr.)
62. Exclamation of surprise

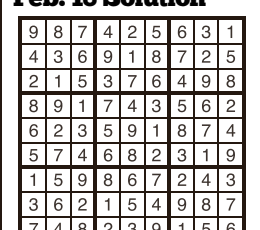
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## OBITUARIES

### James Robert Boltrom

ASHLEY FALLS — James Robert Boltrom, 75, died Jan. 13, 2021, with his wife, Dorene (Crocco) Boltrom, in a fire at their home in Ashley Falls, Mass.

Mr. Boltrom was born Jan. 1, 1946, in New Milford, Conn., and was a graduate of New Milford High School, Class of 1963. He married his wife on Christmas Eve 1996.

Mr. Boltrom operated Commonwealth Automotive Restoration in Ashley Falls and was a highly respected restoration expert whose focus was on military vehicles, especially World War II era Willys Jeeps. His work garnered top awards in military vehicle shows across the country.

He learned the mechanic, auto body and restoration trades from his late father, John M. Boltrom, proprietor of Candlewood Valley Auto Body on Route 7, New Milford, with whom he worked early in his career.

Mr. Boltrom participated in



the Baja 500, an off-road desert race through Mexico, and was a dealer/builder of Meyers Manx Dune Buggies.

He was a fine artist, builder of dry stone walls and model airplanes — a genuinely funny guy, always ready with a long story to tell.

He is survived by his sister, Jeannie (Boltrom) McMacken of Port Townsend, Wash.; a nephew, Bryan Boltrom of New Milford; an uncle, Francis Boltrom of Thorndyke, Maine; two aunts, Alice Polard of San Rafael, Calif., and Maryanne Haywood of Pittsford, N.Y.; and several cousins.

He was predeceased by his father; his mother, Irene (Hudimatch) Boltrom; and his brother, Robert M. Boltrom.

A memorial service is planned for later this year. Donations in his name may be made to the Sheffield Volunteer Fire Department.

Arrangements are under the care of the Newkirk Palmer Funeral Home in North Canaan.

### Barbara (Elliott) Niles

SALISBURY — Barbara (Elliott) Niles, 82, died peacefully at home on Feb. 11, 2021, with her family at her side. She grew up in Needham and Osterville, Mass., and lived in Berkeley, Calif., and Washington, D.C., before settling in New York City with her lawyer husband. They found their weekend place in Salisbury in 1971.

Bar raised her own children while affectionately gathering others into her maternal embrace, creating a devoted extended family. She bristled at authority figures but reigned supreme in her own home! Bar was a voracious reader, Turner Classic Movies devotee and dog lover. Friends loved her for her irreverent sense of humor, strong opinions and generosity.

A fervent liberal concerned with social justice and environmental welfare, she worked at two nonprofits whose missions were to educate consumers and examine business practices that affected environmental conditions and public



health. In midlife, Bar got her M.S.W., trained further as a psychoanalyst and enjoyed a fulfilling practice in Manhattan before moving to Salisbury full-time.

She loved both the gentle, green contours of New England and the dramatic landscape of the Tetons where she spent 30 years regularly visiting and working on a friend's ranch.

In retirement, Bar served on the boards of SVNA, The Salisbury Housing Trust, The Salisbury Land Trust and The Salisbury Association.

Bar is survived by her younger brother, Kent; her daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and Pato; her son, Andy; her honorary daughters, Marina and Meg, and their respective spouses, Marc and Christopher, and de facto grandchildren Olivia, Isobel and Ian.

There will be no public memorial but donations may be made in her name to a local organization of your choice. She supported most of them!

### In Appreciation:

#### John Pruitt Jr.

AMENIA — John H. Pruitt Jr. of Amenia passed away at Mid-Hudson Regional Hospital in Poughkeepsie on Feb. 10, 2020, at the age of 60.

He was born in Mount Vernon, N.Y., and later moved to Florida, where he ran a successful graphic arts business, but after taking over an equine "rescue" site and discovered his true calling: caring for horses.

A decade ago, he moved to Amenia, to work for me and manage The Oaks Farm.

John was much more than just a farm manager. He was veterinarian, stable manager and friend.

When it appeared that a horse was going to lose an eye, John bathed and medicated it every day until it recovered —



"better than any professional could have," according to the farm's veterinarian.

John also ran a successful roadside farm stand that he called "La Ferme," on Route 44, and he sold plants off the back of his pickup at the Amenia Friday night farmers' market.

Every farm has a farm dog; this farm is no exception: Sadie a Blue Heeler. When she first came, John called her a worthless mutt but he let her sleep in his apartment with him, and when the weather turned cold, he bought her a Barbour jacket from his modest resources. She misses him more than does anybody else.

**Don Rosendale**  
The Oaks Farm  
Amenia

### Timothy D. Brown

KENT — Timothy D. Brown is at peace after a day of resting in the sun on Feb. 10, 2021. He was 58 years old. A full obituary will appear in the March 4 issue of The Lakeville Journal.

### Shirley Rebecca (Abrahamson) Shoifet

MILLERTON — Shirley Rebecca (Abrahamson) Shoifet died peacefully on Feb. 13, 2021, at the age of 94 in Houston, Texas, where she lived for the last decade of her life.

She is survived by her son, Jay Shofet and his wife, Adeena Sussman; her daughter, Laura Yaffee and husband, Wayne; her grandchildren, Shani and husband Or, Nadav, Shosh and husband Yaron and Gabi and husband Albert. She is also survived by her great-granddaughters Yuval, Tzofia and Noga.

She was predeceased by her husband, Jacob; her parents, Fanny and Julius Abrahamson; her sisters, Bea and Pauline; and her brother Sam. She was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, and Bubby (grandmother).

Shirley was born on Oct. 5, 1926, and raised in New Britain, Conn., the daughter of a baker and homemaker. She graduated from Grace New Haven School of Nursing in 1947 as a Registered Nurse and worked in that capacity for over 60 years.

Early in her career, she worked at Veterans Administration hospitals in Florida and Connecticut; then for a series of country doctors in private practice and at the Sharon Clinic; as a camp nurse at Isabella Freedman for decades and as a school nurse. Shirley read RN magazine voraciously and always dispensed top-notch medical care and advice with a smile.

Shirley met her soulmate on a blind date as a favor to a dying patient at a Connecticut VA hospital. In Jake Shoifet, she met a Jewish mensch who could cook, and thus began an epic love story. They enjoyed a life together for almost 57 years, full of love, acts of kindness (chesed) and charity (tzedakah). Shirley the nurse and Jake the soldier turned restaurateur/school lunch manager/caterer were leaders of their community in and around Millerton for over 50 years. They shared an interest in Democratic politics and progressive ideas, and worked to better the lives of young people most in need.

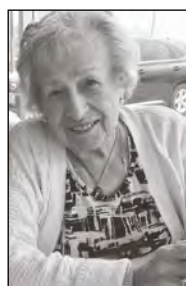
She lobbied to get Head Start in Millerton so that children from low-income families could have the benefits of preschool programs. Shirley was the helpmate in Jake's mayoral campaigns and duties, and stopped by Jake's Gateway Drive-in restaurant on the way home from a busy day nursing to help with the dinner rush.

Shirley loved words and had a way with them, writing poems or songs for every special occasion. She was an avid reader and an ardent Scrabble player. Shirly adored singing in English, Hebrew and Yiddish — songs from the '40s, patriotic American songs, cantorial and synagogue songs, songs from musicals and especially Yiddish songs. Oh, did she love Yiddish songs, the Yiddish language and Yiddish culture.

Shirley was passionate about her Judaism, its customs and traditions. At the kitchen table Shirley instilled in her children, and later in her grandchildren, the Jewish values that she held so dear. She was proud that her family was in Israel — including her aunts, uncles and cousins and later, her son and family and all of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Shirley had a knack of connecting with children at their level. She was a great mother to her own children, and at the Millerton Library, read story hour for young children over many years. With her grandchildren, "Bubby" was hands-on and full of fun and wisdom. Bubby taught them songs and poems, proverbs and life lessons. She told them stories and sayings that the children will be telling their children, from generation to generation (l'dor v'dor). Her grandchildren fondly remember their week-

long summer to trips to Millerton as a highlight of their childhoods.



Shirley loved the language, song and theater of the "old country," Yiddish. And yet she was a very forward thinker. She breastfed her children at a time when breastfeeding was believed to be old fashioned for those that could afford formula. She believed in a woman's right to make her own decision about her body and helped her to get a safe abortion if that is what the woman wanted. She warned of the health consequences of diet soda long before others did.

Although Shirley struggled with dementia in her later years, she never lost her ability to connect with people and make others laugh. Her caring ways and her endearing personality — and her melodic Yiddish — made her everyone's Bubby.

If you met Shirley, you met someone engaging, witty, creative and passionate. Whether she told you a joke, sang you a song, made up a rhyme or voiced an opinion, it was done in a uniquely Shirley way. Shirley will surely be missed but the spirit of this Yiddish mama lives on in those who were touched by her.

If you would like to honor Shirley, please consider making a donation in her memory to National Yiddish Theater Folksbiene ([www.nytf.org](http://www.nytf.org)), Bnei Akiva of the US & Canada ([www.bneiakiva.org](http://www.bneiakiva.org)), or Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel ([www.natureisrael.org](http://www.natureisrael.org)).

Arrangements were under the care of Houston Jewish Funerals, [www.jewishfuneralsusa.com/obituaries](http://www.jewishfuneralsusa.com/obituaries).  
Sunrise, sunset, swiftly flow the years ...laden with happiness and tears.

### Kathryn H. Koch

STANFORDVILLE — Kathryn H. Koch, 81, passed away Feb. 17, 2021, at her home, surrounded by her loving family and friends.

She was born Dec. 18, 1939, in Millbrook, the daughter of Emma (Ostrander) and William Hults.

On July 16, 1960 at the United Church of Christ in Stanfordville, she married Robert E. Koch. Together they enjoyed 45 years of marriage until his passing in 2005.

Kay is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Tim Knapp of Stanfordville; two sons and daughter-in-laws, Robert and Sandy Koch and Gary and Patty Koch of Pine Plains. She was a Nana to seven grandchildren, Vanessa, Nicholas and Isaac Knapp, Zachary, Rebekah, Derek and Miranda Koch; and nine great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her three sisters, Nettie Somerville, Marie Brown and Sarah Agnelli; her brothers-in-law, PJ Agnelli, Paul Rockefeller and Aunt Jeanette Ostrander; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Kay was predeceased by her sister, Betty Rockefeller; and her brother, Bill Hults.

Kay was a graduate of Pine Plains Central School. Although her career began as a local business owner and varied over the years, she could most recently be seen delivering prescriptions in the McCarthy's Pharmacy flowered VW Bug and working at the Stanford Transfer Station (she was affectionately known as the "Dump Police").

Kay had tremendous love for her family, friends, church

and community. She was a Sunday School Teacher at the United Church of Christ, served on the leadership committee and thrift store and headed up church dinners. She cherished her family dinners and holiday gatherings. She could often be found assisting at Fire Company functions and serving on the Ladies Auxiliary / Support Squad.

In 2019 Kay was recognized as Citizen of the Year for the Town of Stanford.

Kay, Mom, Nana and "Aunt Kay" was a loyal wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend to many. There is a large hole left in the lives that she has touched. She is now united with God and the husband she loved. Heaven is a sweeter place.

Visitation will be held on Friday, Feb. 26, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Peck & Peck Funeral Home in Pine Plains. Funeral services will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 27, from the United Church of Christ in Stanfordville. Burial will be at the convenience of the family.

Due to COVID-19/NYS Guidelines, masks, social distancing and capacity limitations will be adhered to during all services. During your visit, please be respectful to those who may be waiting to visit by keeping your stay brief. Your cooperation is appreciated.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Kathryn's name may be made to the United Church of Christ, Stanfordville, or the Stanford Fire Company.

To leave a message of condolence for the family, go to [www.peckandpeck.net](http://www.peckandpeck.net).

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- As they experienced their own COVID-19 cash needs, our steadfast advertisers needed to scale back their commitments to us. Our advertising revenue has dropped over 30%.
- Effective October 15, 2020, we have raised the cost of the newspaper to two dollars, the first increase since 2003.

COVID-19 has awakened an awareness of the significance of our papers, as we seek information about our world. Thanks to our Community's generosity and the unwavering dedication of our fine Team, we were able to remain fully functional through this pandemic. We love our Community partnership. We will continue our work, with your kind respect and support.

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# OBITUARIES

## Edith Jane 'Edie' Thomen



IMAGES FROM SMITHSONIAN

George Catlin's before-and-after study of a Native American warrior exposed to western culture was part of a talk on the painter's work, presented in a Zoom talk.

# Loving tributes on canvas to Native American life

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — The Smithsonian American Art Museum in Washington, D.C., is closed to the public because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but docent and educator Donna Fowler provided the housebound with an online tour of the paintings of George Catlin on Saturday, Feb. 20, courtesy of the Scoville Memorial Library.

Catlin grew up in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and was rather forcibly introduced to Native Americans by virtue of his mother and grandmother being held captive during what became known as the Wyoming Massacre in 1778.

The women were not harmed, and the young Catlin was raised on stories about the experience.

Catlin's father also allowed a native group to camp on his land, and Catlin gained first-hand experience.

After a half-hearted attempt at a career in law, Catlin headed west with his canvases and paints and between 1830 and 1836 produced a remarkable body of work, painting Native Americans and their environs with meticulous detail.

"I think of Catlin as a documentary painter," Fowler said.

Acknowledging that a one-hour Zoom presentation could only scratch the surface of Catlin's work, Fowler proceeded, docent-like, putting up slides of Catlin's paintings and asking questions of the audience, who replied via the chat feature.

A painting of a Mandan village revealed a thoroughly domestic scene, with children and dogs, sophisticated buildings, and other evidence of the Mandans' settled way of life.

A series of three portraits

included an 1831 study of "Wi-jun-jon, The Light, A Distinguished Young Warrior," in his native regalia and looking serious and dignified.

A later picture shows the same man after his trip to Washington, D.C., to meet President Andrew Jackson.

It is actually two portraits of "Wi-jun-jon" — one in native dress with the U.S. Capitol in the background, and one in western garb, smoking tobacco, carrying bottles of alcohol in his pockets, and looking a little unsteady on his high-heeled boots, with teepees in the background.

Fowler said Wi-jun-jon came to a sad end. When he returned after his trip to Washington, he regaled his contemporaries with stories.

The tribespeople, unfortunately, didn't believe him, and eventually killed him for lying.

Fowler said some of the Catlin paintings in the Smithsonian collection were poorly maintained and as such are very dark.

But the museum has an ample supply, so much so that it uses a stairwell to display some of the surplus.

What comes through is Catlin's interest in the Native Americans, his desire to record a way of life under threat, and to offer a critique of his own society, Fowler said.

She quoted the artist: "I love a people that have always made me welcome to the very best they had."

"I love a people who are honest without laws, who have no jails and no poorhouses."

And: "I love a people who do the best they can. And oh how I love a people who do not live for the love of money."



Donna Fowler of the Smithsonian American Art Museum talked on Zoom about how painter George Catlin painted representations of Native American life.

LAKEVILLE — David A. Brammer, 65, passed away peacefully on Feb. 13, 2021, in Albuquerque, N.M.

Born May 3, 1955, he was the son of Edward and Lola Brammer of Lakeville. David lived life to the fullest. He spent the past 10 years in Mountainair, N.M.

In addition to his parents, David is survived by his brothers, Edward Brammer of Lakeville and his wife, Debbie, and Andy Brammer of North Canaan; his sister, Stephanie Durbal of Belleville, Mich.,



and her husband, Ken; his son, Adam Brammer of Sharon and his wife, Courtney; his grandchildren, Evan Brammer, Jackson Brammer and Jamison Brammer; his nephew, Eddie Brammer III of Sheffield and his wife, Amy; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

David was predeceased by his son, Rene Brammer of Sharon; and his wife, Barbara (Ackerman) Brammer of Mountainair.

A celebration of life will be held in Connecticut this spring.

## William L. Dickinson

NORTH CANAAN — William L. Dickinson, husband of Marie L. Dickinson, died Tuesday night Feb. 16, 2021.

William is survived by his children, Vickie Dickinson Thompson and her husband, Roger and Edward Dickinson and his wife, Susan; and a

granddaughter, Elisia Rotella.

Services are private. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kara Zinke Fund in care of Brenda Fife, P.O. Box 1029, North Canaan, CT 06018.

Arrangements are under the care of the Newkirk Palmer Funeral Home in North Canaan.

## In appreciation:

### Ron Jones

Having succeeded Ron Jones on one NGO board, nominated him for a second, and served with him on a third for more than a decade, I can say that when the other trustees of these organizations got to know Ron as a new board member, they understood that their organization's troubles were over, because Ron would handle them. He was the best fireman those boards ever had.

I was dazzled by his ability to use his ready smile, keen intellect, and persistent courtesy for trouble-shooting, particularly in the years that he and Ed Kirby and I and a few others

were trying to put together the Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area. Let me state unequivocally what we all knew, that the UHVNHA would not have happened without Ron. It took more than a decade to win full approval from the National Parks Service as a heritage area, and the designation was only obtained because whenever Ron learned of a possible local detractor or a governmental roadblock, he would zero in on the problem and not let go until it had been solved.

Tom Shachtman  
Salisbury

## In appreciation, with respect and affection:

### Ed Kirby

Ed Kirby was my friend. We go way back. I remember being intimidated as a freshman at HVRHS when I saw Ed with his love and commitment to baseball. Our relationship never stopped growing since then. Part of that growing involved a five-pound, 200-page baseball handbook that was required reading if you wanted to play baseball at Housatonic.

Coach Kirby worked the hell out of me when he saw I might have some pro baseball possibilities. It wasn't until much later when I realized why he was so tough on me. He knew if I got signed to go pro how hard it would be and how much work and discipline it would take. I thank him to this day for how he prepared me for all that. It was a big factor in my making

it to the major leagues.

But there was so much more to Ed than baseball. So many aspects of his talent. So aware of the world around him. His accomplishments have been duly acknowledged, properly so.

Karen and I are so lucky to have crossed paths with Ed and Mary and the entire Kirby clan.

One last thought: You had to be pretty darn good to pitch for Ed Kirby. I am so proud I was good enough.

There is nothing better than being cared about and loved. Ed, you were and you are.

Rest easy, you've earned it. P.S. So proud to be a member of your Wildcat Gorge Boozing and Wilderness Society.

Steve Blass  
Bradenton, Fla.

NORTH CANAAN — Edith Jane "Edie" Thomen, age 92, passed away on Feb. 1, 2021, at Fort Walton Beach Medical Center after a brief illness.

Edie was born on Aug. 15, 1928, in North Canaan, a daughter of the late Louis and Margaret Curtiss. She married the late Arnold Thomen Sr. on Jan. 1, 1948, also in North Canaan.

She worked for a short time at Becton Dickinson but was primarily a homemaker. Edie enjoyed shopping, being with her family and traveling. She was a very active octogenarian who enjoyed living and partaking in all life had to offer. Edie was a vibrant, warm and giving soul and she touched the hearts of so many.

She is survived by her children, Arnold Thomen Jr. and his wife, Althea, Kathleen Vernali and her husband, Paul, and Mark S. Thomen;

her grandchildren, Kimberly Roy, Melissa Pronovost, Jody

Huften, Shannon Ruane, Aimee La Mere and Corey Thomen. She also leaves her great-grandchildren, Hunter and Hayden Pronovost, Erik Bassett, Kaitynn, James and Connor Huften, Gabe and Ian Thomen, Kylie and Leah Ruane, and

Brianna La Mere; her siblings, William G. Curtis Sr., Mary Logerwell, James D. Curtiss and Margaret "Peggy" Canevari; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

In addition to her husband, Edie was predeceased by four siblings, Shirley Smith, Johnny Curtiss Sr., Joseph Curtiss and Louis G. Curtiss.

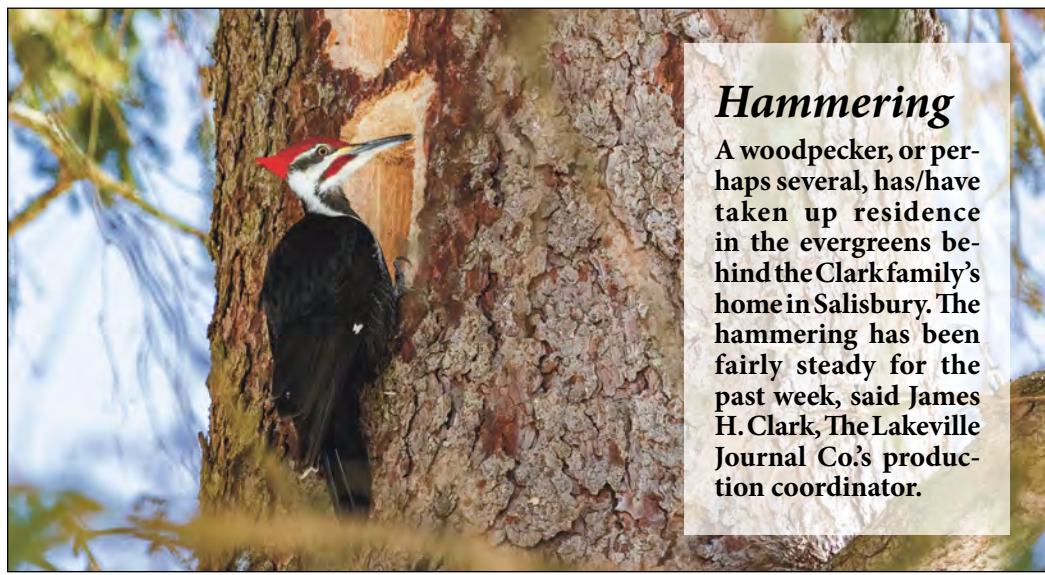
A memorial service will take place in North Canaan on Saturday, April 17, 11 a.m. at the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home in North Canaan. Burial will follow at East Canaan Hillside Cemetery.



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Worship Services Week of February 28, 2021	
Call ahead or visit websites for updates on remote or in-person services.	
<p><b>The Congregational Church of Salisbury, U.C.C.</b> 30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! Online worship, Sundays at 10am www.salisburyucc.org Sharing God's shalom: Wholeness, harmony, justice, and joy! (860) 435-2442</p>	<p><b>Falls Village Congregational Church</b> 16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village 10:00 a.m. Family Worship 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour A Friendly Church with a warm welcome to all!! 860-824-0194</p>
<p><b>St. John's Episcopal Church</b> 12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Rev. Paul Christopherson SUNDAY SERVICE 10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II) In-Person and on YouTube www.stjohnssalisbury.org 860-435-9290</p>	<p><b>Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon</b> 9 South Main, Sharon CT Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 AM Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker All welcome to join us 860-364-5260 www.christchurchsharon.org</p>
<p><b>North Canaan Congregational Church, UCC</b> Joyfully opening our hearts and doors to all God's people Pastor Savage Frieze 172 Lower Rd./Rt. 44, East Canaan CT Worship services Sundays at 10 am AT THE PILGRIM HOUSE 30 GRANITE AVE, CANAAN: FISHES &amp; LOAVES Food Pantry and CLOSETS for clothing Tuesdays from 5 to 7 and Thursdays from noon to 2 www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational</p>	<p><b>Greenwoods Community Church</b> 355 Clayton Road, Ashley Falls, MA Sunday Service 10:30 AM Kidz Konnection K-6th grade (during Sun. Service) Nursery Care All Services Pastor Trip Weiler 413-229-8560 www.greenwoodchurch.com</p>
<p><b>The Sharon United Methodist Church</b> 112 Upper Main Street, North End of Sharon Green Touching Lives - Lifting Spirits 10:45 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery Care No Sunday School in Summer The Rev. Margaret Laemmel 860-364-5634 sharonumc5634@att.net</p>	<p><b>St. Thomas Episcopal Church</b> 40 Leedsville Road Amenia Union, NY SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30 ONLINE Visit our website for links Rev. AJ Stack 845-373-9161 www.stthomasamenia.com A Community of Radical Hospitality</p>
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<p><b>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall</b> Join our intimate Episcopal service via Zoom Sundays at 9am Email Rev. Mary Gates at: mmgates125@gmail.com for an invitation to the Zoom service If you don't have a computer you can participate via phone. We hope you will join us!</p>	<p><b>Unitarian Fellowship of NW CT</b> Join our virtual service on Sunday, March 14 at 10:30 a.m. "An Accidental Immigrant" For information, contact Jo Loi at jokiauloi@gmail.com All are Welcome</p>
<p><b>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church</b> 656 Smithfield Valley Rd. Route 85, Amenia, NY Services every Sunday 10 a.m. www.thesmithfieldchurch.org 21st Century Theology in an Historic Building</p>	<p><b>The Lakeville United Methodist Church</b> 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:30 a.m. Worship Service Sunday School 9:15 a.m. "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" The Rev. Margaret Laemmel 860-435-9496 Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</p>
<p><b>Sharon Congregational Church</b> 25 Main Street, Sharon, CT Visit our website sharoncongregationalchurch.org for current online sermons. Bible Study Guides also available by request: info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org Or contact us at 860-364-5002</p>	<p><b>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH</b> Immaculate Conception, 4 North Street, Norfolk St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 5 pm, St. Joseph Church Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary Sunday 11 am, Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm St. Joseph Chapel or Church Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078</p>
<p><b>SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA PARISH</b> 860-927-3003 The Churches of Sacred Heart, Kent St. Bernard, Sharon St. Bridget, Cornwall Bridge MASS SCHEDULE SATURDAY VIGIL 4 PM - St. Bridget SUNDAY MASSES 8 AM - St. Bernard 10 AM - Sacred Heart WEEKDAY MASSES Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday &amp; First Friday 9 AM - Sacred Heart Face masks required</p>	<p><b>UCC in CORNWALL</b> Congregational Worship Sunday, 10 am Cornwall Village Meeting House 8 Bolton Hill Rd, Cornwall Outstanding Church School (10 am) Mission Opportunities Warm Fellowship following Worship 860-672-6840 FB - UCC in Cornwall Rev. Micki Nunn-Miller, Minister Welcoming all - including the LGBTQ Community</p>
<p><b>Millerton United Methodist Church</b> 6 Dutchess Avenue, P.O. Box 812 Millerton, NY 12546 Services on the 1st &amp; 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:30 A.M. 518-789-3138</p>	<p><b>Canaan United Methodist Church</b> 2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT 11 a.m. Worship Service "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" Rev. Lee Gangaware 860-824-5534 canaanctumc@gmail.com</p>





### Hammering

A woodpecker, or perhaps several, has taken up residence in the evergreens behind the Clark family's home in Salisbury. The hammering has been fairly steady for the past week, said James H. Clark, The Lakeville Journal Co.'s production coordinator.

PHOTO BY JAMES H. CLARK

## TRASH

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year's budget of \$2,071,528, an increase of \$63,732.

These totals do not include amounts for debt service, the capital expenditure budget or the Board of Education budget, which will be presented to the Board of Finance on Thursday, March 11.

### Rise in trash costs

"We have significant budget pressures in some areas," Ridgway said, citing increased hauling costs in the recycling and the municipal waste programs as an area of concern. With a larger population choosing to work from home and remaining in town year-round, the volume of trash disposal has increased.

Trash disposal is a budget pressure area throughout the state, Ridgway explained. The landfills are filling up. Innovative strategies are in the works, he said, including such ideas as charging a fee at the point of purchase of tires, the fee anticipating the disposal of those tires. This idea would be similar to a bottle deposit.

The selectmen are continuing to try to reduce the percent of budget increase, Ridgway

said, adding that throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the town managed to provide continuity of services while also meeting emergencies as they arose. He praised all of the volunteer efforts in providing extra resources and support as called for.

### Home values increased

Real estate values are expected to increase this year when the revaluation is done in October, Ridgway said, although he noted that it is a complicated process, expected to cost the town \$35,000.

However, when real estate is appraised at a higher value, it brings an increase in tax revenue.

The Grand List of taxable property stands at \$399 million, Ridgway said, but the town needs a growing revenue base for support of services.

He warned that putting more open space and forest land into conservation will take those properties off the tax rolls.

"You're taking away buildable land," Ridgway said.

As area land trusts protect acreage, Ridgway suggested

that a building lot be set aside as part of the conservation plan, perhaps in a part of the property near the road. That way, the land can be conserved but a house might still be built; the house would be taxable.

### Social services needs

Costs for the senior van are projected to increase by \$4,500, Ridgway said. He said the town has seen improved coordination among the area transportation services. The increased cost was found in the budget by reducing the amount of the town's contribution to the Food and Fuel Fund, which has seen an increase in donations from town residents.

"Although there continues to be a growing list of needs in the town, we have not doubled the number of people needing assistance," Ridgway said. Rather, additional support is needed for those who are already struggling.

The public hearing on the 2021-22 town budget is scheduled for Friday, April 23, with the town meeting vote scheduled for Friday, May 21.

## VACCINE

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April 12: age group 35 to 44

May 3: age group 16 to 34

Teachers of students in pre-k to grade 12 will also be eligible for the vaccine in March, regardless of their age. Dedicated clinics will be set up specifically for those sectors, according to Lamont's news release.

"Connecticut has been using a phased approach to its COVID-19 vaccine program because of the very limited supply of the vaccine that it has been receiving from the federal government," according to the news release. "The program initially began in December with health-care providers and medical first responders, and then expanded in January to include all individuals over the age of 75 and certain congregate settings, followed by those over the age of 65 in mid-February.

"All previously eligible individuals and settings will continue to be eligible after

March 1."

Daily statistical updates from the state can be found online at [portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus](http://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus); click on "data tracker." There is also information on the site about vaccinations.

To register for the vaccine, fill out the VAMS form at [dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine](http://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine).

Walgreens, which is offering vaccinations in North Canaan and Torrington, has its own form. Appointments must be made online at [www.walgreens.com/topic/covid19vac/CT.jsp](http://www.walgreens.com/topic/covid19vac/CT.jsp).

The state has created an expanded help line for residents who would like help with scheduling an appointment. Calls can now be made to 877-918-2224 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. seven days a week.

Most towns in the area also offer help with filling out the complex online applications, usually through the town senior services agent. Call your town hall for more information.

## CLEAN AIR

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of the school's pandemic response, the units are good for air quality overall. He said that doing a complete overhaul of the heating, cooling and ventilation systems in the 140,000 square foot high school "would cost millions."

Originally a second shipment of air purifiers was to arrive the first week of March. Herrick said that shipment will likely be delayed a week or two as well.

## HOSPITAL

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proposed members."

Lisa Boyle, an attorney representing Nuvance, said the request is to apply the same conditions existing for other Nuvance hospitals to the Sharon Hospital board.

She said the Sharon board would continue as a "community board."

Rick Cantele, chair of the Sharon Hospital board, said if the request is granted, nothing would change in the composition of the board, which has 12

members.

They are: Cantele, Dr. John Chard, Dr. Margaret Coughlan, Dr. Randall Dwenger, Pari Forood, Hugh Hill, Joel Jones, Mehrdad Noorani, Kathryn Palmer-House, James Quella, Kenneth Schechter and Miriam Tannen.

Condition 2 currently states board members be nominated by the Foundation for Community Health, which is no longer in that role. Cantele said the board has a nominating committee.

Boyle pointed out that with the Foundation for Community Health no longer involved, the circumstances under which Condition 2 was written have

changed.

The hearing then went off the record for about 15 minutes.

Cantele said that board members are nominated for their "skill sets," areas of expertise, and to some extent by where they live. He noted that three of the most recently appointed members are doctors.

Members of the public had questions and comments. Victor Germack said the changes would result in a board that is "self-selecting."

He urged that the Save Sharon Hospital group be involved

in the nomination process.

Lydia Moore said if the changes were approved, the community at large would have less representation on the board.

Several other people expressed reservations about the board's request.

Pari Forood, the vice chair of the board, pushed back, saying the current board members do represent a broad cross-section of the community.

To view a recording of the Feb. 16 hearing, go to [www.youtube.com/watch?v=kLsBKav8ii4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kLsBKav8ii4).

## POWER

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leaving Stanley to continue his work in Great Barrington.

Stanley stayed in western Massachusetts, making transformers, wattage meters and setting up generating facilities.

Drew said that while Stanley was a talented electrical engineer, his business acumen was lacking.

Along the way Stanley invented a welding process that resulted in the familiar insulating thermos-type bottle.

### The Roraback plan

In Connecticut, John "Boss" Roraback, operating out of North Canaan, was a political

figure, an attorney and entrepreneur. In the latter capacity he set about bringing electric power to his neck of the woods, starting with the purchase of a small electric utility in Norfolk and establishing the Berkshire Power Company in 1905.

The company built a dam on the Housatonic River between North Canaan and the Weatogue section of Salisbury for power generation.

Unfortunately for the farmers upstream in Sheffield, Mass. (where Roraback grew up), the resulting backup flooded their fields.

There was some negotiation and financial compensation between the power company and the farmers, but it wasn't enough.

"The farmers wanted their land back," said Drew.

The Massachusetts Legislature got involved, setting off a lengthy legal dispute that, ultimately, retained the status quo.

"The result was no satisfaction for the farmers."

Roraback sold his company to Connecticut Light and Power in 1913, and the facility between North Canaan and Salisbury continued to generate power until the dam and hydroelectric plant downstream in Falls Village was built.

Roraback committed suicide in 1937, and in 1938 the Weatogue dam blew out during a massive flood.

Its remnants can still be seen from Weatogue Farm, "with permission," Drew noted.

## STORE OPEN

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receiving the necessary permits from the state. He finally asked state Rep. Maria Horn (D-64) to get involved.

In a phone interview Friday, Feb. 19, Horn said state agencies are struggling with the pandemic and with people working from home.

"So you make some calls, be nice about it, and they help you."

Route 7 Fuel has a grill and deli menu. "We do breakfast, lunch and dinner," said Hadash.

Examples include: A sausage, egg and cheese sandwich (\$3.99); sandwiches, including Boar's Head meats (starting at \$6.99); pizza (starting at 8.99) and pasta dinners (\$15.99).

There are the usual convenience store staples — chips, candy, soda, bottled water.

And motor oil, gasoline cans, duct tape and assorted hardware items.

Route 7 Fuel is at 172 Route 7 North. The phone number is 860-824-4661.

## SWSA K20 results online

The jumping results for younger jumpers during the Salisbury Winter Sports Association's Jumpfest weekend are now online at [www.tri-cornernews.com](http://www.tri-cornernews.com) along with jump results from the other events of the weekend.

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The Hon. Diane S. Blich, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated February 9, 2021, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

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Megan Williams Assistant Clerk 02-25-21

### Legal Notice

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of

Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Special Permit Application #2021-0123 by the Salisbury Housing Committee for a new multi-family dwelling in the Pocketknife Square Overlay District and Aquifer Protection Area at 11 Holley Street, Lakeville Map 45, Lot 2 per Section 403 & 405 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 5:30 PM. There is no physical location for this meeting; it will be held virtually via Zoom where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The application, agenda and meeting instructions will be listed at [www.salisburyct.us](http://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](mailto:aconroy@salisburyct.us). Paper copies may be reviewed Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:30 PM.

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# Celebrating our future agricultural leaders



## [ NATIONAL FFA WEEK ] FFA

February 20-27, 2021

By HVRHS FFA Staff

The National FFA Organization celebrates FFA Week every February. During this week, FFA members organize activities that raise awareness not only about the organization, but also the role agriculture

plays in our lives. This week gives FFA members an opportunity to educate their peers and the public about agriculture. Throughout the week, the chapter along with other FFA members across the country, will conduct a variety of activities to help others become

aware of how much agriculture is intertwined within our lives.

The Housatonic Valley FFA was chartered in 1940, not long after the National Organization formed in 1928. For one week in February, over 760,000 FFA members in 8,700 chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands celebrate what FFA means to them. The letters "FFA" once stood for Future Farmers of America. These letters are a part of our chapter's history and our heritage that will never change. However, FFA is not just for students who want to be production farmers. The FFA also welcomes members who aspire to careers as teachers, doctors, scientists, business owners, lawyers, and more. For this reason, the name of the organization was changed to 'The National FFA Organization' in 1988 to reflect the growing diversity and new opportunities in the industry of Agriculture.

The Housatonic Valley Agricultural Education program prepares students for a wide variety of careers in the food, fiber, and natural resources industry. Agricultural education not only teaches students about where their food comes from but also how to be stewards of the land through care of the environment. HVRHS students have traveled widely across North America through the Envirothon competition. The Envirothon program is North America's largest environmental competition for high school students with the United States, Canada, and China participating in the study of forestry, wildlife, aquatic, and soil sciences along with an annual environmental-themed challenge. Additionally, students learn in a hands on environment through nearly two dozen course offerings including: farm to table, agricultural engineering, agricultural mechanics, natural

resources, veterinary science, equine science, companion animals, floral design, landscape design, greenhouse botany, and forestry. The program is looking forward to the development of a commercial culinary kitchen for the farm to table classes.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues across the country, many schools have changed how curriculum is taught and activities are conducted. What hasn't ended, however, is FFA members living out the FFA motto - Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve.

Since March 2020, the HVRHS chapter has organized two large USDA Farmers to Families food distribution events at the high school, donated funds to local food banks and the Jane Lloyd fund, and volunteered their time within the community. Our chapter hopes to continue giving back to the community through this uncertain time. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.



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BOOKS: FRED BAUMGARTEN

## Media vs. the ‘Monsterverse’ (It’s Not about Godzilla)

In his new book, “The New Enlightenment and the Fight to Free Knowledge,” Peter Kaufman (an author who lives in Lakeville, Conn.) takes us deep into history to locate the moments when information was made accessible to the people — and the moments when making it accessible was a crime punishable by death.

Part history, part polemic, “The New Enlightenment” is a call to action to Make Knowledge Great Again (MKGA?). Kaufman draws inspiration from the 18th-century French Encyclopédie — the first comprehensive encyclopedia available to the masses, which sparked the original Enlightenment — and its modern equivalent, Wikipedia. He also looks longingly to the brief, but abortive, golden age of public television, when leading American thinkers envisioned a medium for, well, enlightenment.

Aligned against such progressive dreams is what Kaufman calls the “Monsterverse,” a complicated brew of both too much deregulation and too much private control of media, not to mention the rampant anti-intellectualism and counterfactual QAnon-ism of our present moment.

We interviewed Kaufman recently about his book, which was published Feb. 25.

**Compass:** You finished “The New Enlightenment” last year and wrote about the threat of literal violence from the unregulated circulation of ideas. Having seen the events of Jan. 6 and the storming of the Capitol, how do you feel about what you wrote now?

**Peter Kaufman:** The



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**Peter Kaufman’s new book addresses the challenges of “truthiness.”**

book ends with a vision of the nation beginning to tear itself in two, and violently, because of our information disorder. In fact, the health, economic and political crises we face are all due in large measure to this disorder. It surprises me we don’t talk about it more.

**C:** Explain what you call the “information disorder.”

**PK:** Mark Twain once said, “A lie will travel around the whole world while the truth is getting its boots on.” That’s especially true when the lie comes from literally the most powerful person on the planet. On one hand, you have this system of politicians echoing media networks and vice versa; Trump brought that into a new adulthood. On the other, the richest and deepest knowledge institutions — a Field Museum in Chicago, or a MOMA [Museum of Modern Art] in New York — deal in fact and what’s true. But they’re not empowered to counter the disinformation.

**C:** Isn’t the web the great equalizer and de-

mocratizer? Someone can find almost any information they want, or take a free online course. Isn’t that what the creators of the Encyclopédie were after? Why regulate that?

**PK:** These are great freedoms, just as I can walk to the Scoville Library and look at anything on the shelf, or to the Salisbury Pharmacy for a newspaper or magazine. What’s missing are good books, magazines and newspapers. The progressive forces in this country need to publish more. Or think about the original impetus for television and the screen as an educational apparatus. Things unfolded differently. The forces on the other side managed to hack away at regulations and restrictions on what can and can’t be seen. We should regulate for the same reason it’s not a good idea to allow drugs to be sold on a playground.

**C:** But what about Trump being banished from social media? If he could be banned, couldn’t you or I? A lot of people on the left are equally concerned. Who decides

what’s allowable or not?

**PK:** You’re forgetting that Twitter and Facebook are private platforms. They’re not obliged by statute to follow public mandates. That’s why Wikipedia and other publicly owned assets, such as public radio and TV, are so important. Unfortunately, their market share today is a shadow and sliver of an afterthought compared to everything else. We need to revisit the original intentions of some of our media visionaries like [former FCC Chair] Newton Minow and Edward R. Murrow.

**C:** You talk a lot about universities, libraries and archives having a critical role in producing public knowledge.

**PK:** Listen, when 60% of Americans believe in angels, 40-50% don’t believe in evolution, and a large group of people believe Democrats are making Jewish space laser pizza babies, you have your work cut out for you. I work at MIT in an office that produces open courseware and runs the most popular dot-edu YouTube channel. We have over 3 million subscribers. But compared to what it could be? We need to put out a lot more [educational content]. I’m writing another book specifically to answer this question.

I will say that what’s needed is courage from educational leaders to counter so much misinformation. If we don’t speak out now, then when?

GARDENING: LEILA HAWKEN

## Green Thumbs Stand Out Against A Snowy Landscape

Maintaining your gardening chops during the chill winter season can be a challenge for many — but not for serious gardening notables Bosco Schell and Page Dickey, who now live in Falls Village, Conn. They engaged a Zoom audience with gardening advice and success stories on a snowy Sunday, Feb. 7.

Their conversation, titled “Gardening in Winter,” drew an audience of 187 to hear stories of things that grow willingly in their well-appointed greenhouse in Falls Village all winter long. The program was sponsored by the Cornwall Library in Connecticut and hosted by author Roxana Robinson.

The format was lively, with Dickey, a well-known writer about gardening, asking just the right questions to elicit anecdotes from Schell, a former magazine editor with years of gardening experience.

Between the two of them, they have four well-exercised green thumbs. Married in the year 2000, it was a love for gardening that brought them together. For those wondering what Schell is growing in the greenhouse that is kept at 52-55 degrees in the winter months, there are many types of geraniums and begonias, but that’s not all. There is a section for succulents. Many of the plants are from cuttings and many are welcome gifts from gardening friends who spread the wealth of plants around, particularly where the plants can find a good home to thrive in.

Three cold frames

are located nearby, giving spring flowering bulbs a wintering over. At the right moment, the bulbs can be moved into the greenhouse, where they will bloom and add their cheery colors, Schell explained.

“I am a grower,” Schell said, proudly pointing out his “babies,” plants getting a good start in life. “I am not a professional,” he added. “I do it by trial and error.”

Geraniums, he said, earn their keep. With minimal care, they keep on providing beautiful foliage and steady blooms and offer a bounteous variety. The Fantasia Apple Blossom is a favorite of his, a gift from the garden of interior and garden designer Bunny Williams, also a Falls Village resident. There are ivy-leaved begonias and a Martha Washington begonia.

“Every time I come home, I find that he has a new succulent,” Dickey said.

“I find them so architectural,” Schell explained, adding that they flower in the winter, a real plus.

To create space for more plants, Dickey pointed out various levels in use in the greenhouse, from hanging plants above, to shelves and tables below. Pots can also be elevated by setting them on other, overturned pots.

Three fans keep the air circulating. For humidity control, they add water to the floor; when the sun comes out, the humidity rises.

“It’s work to have a greenhouse,” Schell cautioned but added that, “It’s my happy place, to smell the flowers and the earth.”

## KAUFMAN TALK ON FREE SPEECH, TRUTH

Author Peter Kaufman of Lakeville, Conn., will talk about his new book, “The New Enlightenment and the Fight to Free Knowledge,” in a free Zoom event hosted by the Scoville Memorial Library

of Salisbury, Conn., on Saturday, March 13, at 4 p.m.

To learn more about the book, see the interview this week, above. To sign up for the talk, go to [www.scovillelibrary.org/events/list](http://www.scovillelibrary.org/events/list).

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### EDITORIAL

## Local media needs support to remain alive

There is a letter to the editor on this page that explains the reasons why WQQQ 103.3 is no longer available through the NPR station WSHU out of Fairfield, Conn., and affiliated with Sacred Heart University. After nine years of carrying the WSHU programming, WQQQ is now independent once again. Will owner Dennis Jackson find another incarnation for the station? Hard to know, but for now, music is streaming over those airwaves throughout the day. And WSHU is available through online streaming anywhere one may go.

Many of our readership will remember when WQQQ was a local radio station, and Joe Loverro and Marie Castagna, among others, were the on-air personalities who actually knew the Northwest Corner and Tri-state region well. That was when those who ran the station lived in our communities and joined Tri-State Chamber events (Marie is now on the board of the Tri-State Chamber, and has been for years).

So there was some nostalgia for those times for listeners in this region, even over the last nine years, when there was no real physical presence for WQQQ in the area. And they liked the programming WSHU offered. But in order to keep that station going for the Tri-state region, it would have to make economic sense. Reading the letter from WSHU's station manager, it's clear that was not the case.

It's time for all of us to realize that there is no guarantee of local media surviving, especially in substantially rural areas like ours. When there were three radio stations, in addition to The Lakeville Journal newspapers and other publications, in this small market, it was expecting a lot from a small business community to support them all. Commerce operates at a certain level here, with real estate being the most lucrative sector, and that is not going to change any time soon. The limited number of businesses and organizations can only do so much in keeping local media afloat.

WQQQ disappearing from local radio waves can be seen as a wakeup call for all who want to have local media here. It was a dearth of support that created the situation where WQQQ needed to change its on-air status.

The Lakeville Journal Company has found generous support from our readers who have contributed over the past two years to keep local journalism alive, and for that we are filled with gratitude. But it's the same for local radio, like WHDD Robin Hood Radio 91.9 in Sharon, as it is for The Lakeville Journal and Millerton News. Support from our communities is necessary ongoing to keep us all here.

## An explanation of WQQQ 103.3 changes

Dear Editor,  
Thank you for the opportunity to communicate with WSHU Public Radio listeners saddened by our decision to cease broadcasting on WQQQ 103.3FM (Sharon, Conn.). We have heard from passionate listeners dismayed by the news.

For nine years, we programmed WQQQ 103.3FM via a contract with the station owner, under which we paid to provide programs to Litchfield and Dutchess counties. It was no longer sustainable for us to continue.

I am sorry if this caught you by surprise. WSHU communicated broadly and proactively to our WQQQ friends. Beginning in September 2020, we sent many emails, newsletters and letters announcing the change; during our last week we ran on-air announcements. The information has also been online: [www.wshu.org/wqqq](http://www.wshu.org/wqqq).

Like many nonprofits, we operate with razor-thin margins and a very lean staff. I was brought on as Station Manager as part of a planned executive transition to follow the founding General Manager. I was tasked with rebuilding staff capacity, increasing fundraising and creating a sustainable business model. As I took over WSHU's budgeting daily operations, we were hit by a global pandemic, a volatile economy and a very uncertain future.

Many of you asked: Why not fundraise more? We already fundraise on the air four times a year — for about 10 days each time — and solicit donations via direct mail throughout the year. We receive over 60% of our funding from donations. We receive 34% of our funding from corporate underwriting and special events. The remaining 6% comes from the Corpo-

ration for Public Broadcasting.

The impact of the pandemic left us with a large deficit at the end of fiscal year 2020 in July. It was imperative that we started FY21 with a balanced budget, while there was no end in sight for the pandemic or the erratic economy.

The goal of any nonprofit is to identify a sustainable business model that matches the philanthropic support available in the current economic climate. That is why we created the FY21 budget assuming a 20% drop in revenue across the board. In order to create a balanced budget, we had to reduce our expenses by \$800,000. We did this by cutting WQQQ, cutting staff members' salaries up to 15% and not replacing staff who had left the station prior to the pandemic. We went from a budget of \$5.4M to \$4.8M, and from a lean staff to an even leaner one.

These measures ensured the survival of the station. I can report seven months into our fiscal year we are breaking even. If we had not made drastic cuts, we would now be swimming in an exceptionally large deficit on top of the deficit incurred at the end of last year.

I recognize that this does not bring back your favorite programs on WQQQ.

However, you can continue to hear WSHU's programming on our website, our app or via a smart speaker. Information is at [www.wshu.org/wqqq](http://www.wshu.org/wqqq).

Reach me at [rdael@ex.wshu.org](mailto:rdael@ex.wshu.org) with additional questions. Thank you, and warm regards,

**Rima Dael**  
WSHU General Manager  
Fairfield, Conn.

**More letters next page.**  
**Letters deadline is 10 a.m. Monday.**



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### Main Street, Salisbury

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Please stop nitpicking Holley Place housing

I started living as a child in Lakeville in the 1950s and remember well the vibrancy of Lakeville: the July 4th parades with multiple elaborate floats and the many stores at which to shop. That was before parts of the town were demolished and replaced with Bicentennial Park and the generic gas station and park in front of Community Field.

Some people are losing sight of the overarching and urgent need for a quantum increase in affordable housing by inflicting the project with a thousand cuts via ad nauseum nitpicking. The Holley project should be a start to revitalizing the town and serve as a bridge to the past.

The way some people talk, you would think that the Holley project would be replacing historic Gettysburg Park. There have been fears about too much incremental traffic and not enough parking. When I grew up, the building across the street on Holley Street with extremely limited parking used to be Salisbury Bank. Everybody had to physically go to the bank in those pre-internet days. There was nothing "busier" than that. And yet we dealt with it without big fuss or problems. In terms of added traffic from the Holley project, I suspect that there is more traffic turning into the post office in 15 minutes than there would be all day in added traffic turning into Holley Street.

Some say that the Holley project would be a dangerous traffic area for kids. This makes no sense, since kids would be able to easily walk to the Grove, Community Field, etc. without having to navigate longer distances providing higher risk.

It has been suggested that instead of the Holley project, the Pope property would be better-suited for multiple-unit affordable housing. This is a false comparison. The fact is, we need Holley, Pope, and every other place that has been proposed to make a material difference in affordable housing. The alternative to not attracting younger residents is an increase in the already high average age of our residents. If this continues, then maybe we should simply move the boundaries of the Salisbury Cemetery to the rest of Salisbury and include Lakeville as well. Then at least we could be buried in our backyards.

There have been complaints about the proposed architecture of the Holley project not sufficiently fitting in. This is highly subjective, and few people will agree on the "ideal" look. The proposed building needs to accommodate many apartments and at the same time look close enough to the old style, so it's a bit of a compromise. When the old Salisbury Town Hall was burned down by an arsonist many years ago, the replacement building looked to me like something in Greenwich, Conn., not a replica of the old building. I got used to it; it's not really so bad.

Let's simply get on with the Holley project. It's badly needed. While it's not perfect, it's good enough and helps to significantly achieve the long sought affordable housing objectives of the town.

**Lloyd Baroody**  
Lakeville

### Housing in Salisbury should be built

I am writing in support of the proposed plan for a multi-family dwelling at 11 Holley Street. The project is proposed and will be managed by the SHC. Revisions were made to the plan due to concerns expressed by neighbors and other interested parties. The original plan was revised to reduce the square footage of the building and the number of units.

The SHC proposed this project to address the severe need in Salisbury for affordable housing. Over the years a number of studies have been done to determine the size of our need. The most recent report prepared in 2018 by the Salisbury Affordable Housing Commission stated that an additional 75 units of affordable housing would bring our housing stock of affordable housing to 5%. The state of Connecticut goal for each town is 10%.

This project will move the ball forward but will not get us to the finish line. In the meantime, economic conditions are working against us in our desire to meet the 5% goal. A recent story in the Republican American reported that during 2020, Salisbury leads the state with a 56% increase in median housing prices. The Salisbury median reached \$610,536 and the increase in the number of home sales over the prior year was 123%.

As a community we must work together to address the

need for affordable housing. I think this new plan from the SHC demonstrates their willingness to work with their neighbors while proposing a project that is needed, attractive and a good use for the site. I recommend the application is approved.

*Note to Editor:* In the interest of full disclosure, I am the co-treasurer of the Salisbury Housing Committee.

**Carole Dmytryshak**  
Salisbury

### What about Mizza's?

I enjoyed your wide-ranging article about the variety of pizzerias available to residents in the Northwest Corner. However, I was dismayed at the obvious omission of my favorite: Mizza Pizza, an establishment just a couple of blocks from The Lakeville Journal. Run by a civic-minded owner, housed in the same location since the '80s, this family's favorite did not deserve to be passed over in your article.

**Jim Charlton**  
Lakeville

*Editor's note: Multiple attempts were made by the writer to contact the owner at Mizza's, by phone and in person, to no avail. So, we will ask here: **Ed die, do you think pizza should be the state food of Connecticut?***

## TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

100 years ago — February 1921

SALISBURY — George Senior's house is being wired for electricity.

— The sleighing since the big storm of Monday has been excellent.

Notice — Will the parties who have my jack screws, crow bars, saws, etc. please return them without loss of time. Edward Raysford.

50 years ago — February 1971

A Bridgeport man was charged last Thursday with cruelty to animals and trespassing with intent to hunt, in connection with the Nov. 28 shooting of two pet llamas owned by C.H. Moore Jr. of Skiff Mountain.

— William Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Palmer of Farnam Road, Lakeville, has been transferred from Manila to Udorn, Thailand, where he will serve as operations manager for Air America, Inc. Mr. Palmer's wife and child will join him as soon as he has settled into his new quarters there.

— Items on sale at Finast this week include Fresh American Grown Lamb Legs for 79 cents a pound, quart jar Finast mayonnaise for 49 cents, Scot Towels 168 ct. rolls at 3 for \$1, and Finast frozen meat dinners, 2 11-ounce packages for 79 cents.

— Mr. and Mrs. Edward Epstein of Elizabeth Street are the parents of their first child, Jennifer, born Feb. 19 at Sharon Hospital and weighing in at 6 pounds, 11 1/2 ounces. Mr. Epstein is a teacher at Kent Center School. Mrs. Epstein has taught at Salisbury Central and North Canaan elementary schools.

KENT — Several magnificent but aging maple trees were removed from the west side of Main Street last week, also removing the danger of trees toppling on nearby homes and on cars passing through. The trees lent grace and beauty to Kent's main thoroughfare, and will be missed.

25 years ago — February 1996

Northwest Corner water customers of Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. could see their bills rise sharply this summer, and again next year. The company's latest two-step rate request, if granted in full by regulators, would boost a typical household's bill 35 percent -- more than \$112 a year -- by late 1997. The company cites the \$58 million cost of three new filtration plants, including two for Lakeville and Norfolk, as key to its need for more revenue.

MILLERTON — It's official. The U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved yesterday a motion by Victory Markets, Inc., to sell the Millerton Great American store to the Grand Union Company. The Great American will close this Friday at 6 p.m., manager Clyde Bailey said.

CANAAN — It came as a complete surprise but 15-year-old David Knutson was pleased and excited about being named a Community Hero Torchbearer for the 1996 Olympic Torch Relay. As a representative of Canaan, he will run a Hartford area portion of a more than 15,000-mile cross-country route June 16.

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

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# Connecticut journalist leaves a legacy of justice for all to follow

Without taking much notice, Connecticut lost a hero of journalism and justice recently: Donald S. Connery, 94, who lived in Kent for almost 60 years even as he traveled and reported from around the world for United Press International and Time magazine and its related publications.

Connery's feats of journalism were remarkable. He was stationed in the Soviet Union in 1962 and was expelled for his radio broadcasts during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He interviewed newsmakers from John and Robert Kennedy to the Beatles to Ho Chi Minh and Nikita Khrushchev.

But Connery's enduring legacy arises from something else — the interest he took in the case of Peter Reilly, who was charged in 1973 at age 18 with the murder of his mother at their home in Canaan. There was no evidence against the dazed young man except for a confession that was fed to him by a State Police lieutenant during eight hours of interrogation. As his shock faded Reilly recanted the confession but a jury convicted him of manslaughter anyway.

Support from his community got Reilly a new lawyer and a private detective and soon they produced evidence implicating others. Eventually the state's attorney's office admitted that it had withheld strong evidence in Reilly's favor. In 1977 a Superior Court judge vacated his conviction.

Back then hardly anyone would believe that someone would confess falsely to murder. But in writing a book about the Reilly case, "Guilty Until Proven Innocent," Connery discovered otherwise — that false confessions are actually a national phenomenon that has produced many wrongful convictions. People who are in shock, scared and exhausted may say whatever they think their interrogators want to hear.

Connery went on to study and agitate about such cases for 40 years, working with the Center on Wrongful Convictions and the National Center for Reason and Justice, eventually becoming an advocate for Richard Lapointe of Manchester, a small, mentally disabled man charged with murdering his wife's grandmother in 1987. Two years after the murder Lapointe was invited to visit the Manchester police and during more than nine hours of interrogation he was fed three contradictory confessions, which he obligingly signed.

Neither a prosecutor nor a jury could see the weakness in the case and Lapointe was convicted, serving almost 26 years in prison before the state Supreme Court in 2015 granted him a new trial. A justice wrote what should have been obvious: that

## THE CHRIS POWELL COLUMN

Lapointe's confessions were not credible. At last the state dropped the case.

Connery's book "Convicting the Innocent" tells Lapointe's story and others like it.

False confessions continue. The Central Park Five case in New York City in 1989 may be the most notorious, because the falsely accused were Black and Hispanic and thus easy victims. They won \$41 million in damages. But because of Connery's work

everyone in criminal justice — police, prosecutors, judges and jurors — is more obliged to look at confessions critically, especially when, as with Reilly and Lapointe, there is little physical evidence.

Long after his departure Connery still will be helping justice to be done.

Chris Powell is a columnist for the Journal Inquirer in Manchester.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Nonprofits are not immune to criticism

Last week's Lakeville Journal printed a most welcome affirmation from Andrew Benson of The Nature Conservancy (TNC) acknowledging the interests of donor families and the larger community in lands they are entrusted with. Benson's letter was especially meaningful; in 1980 I was among the first recipients of TNC's White Oak Award for Conservation Research.

In his letter to the editor, Tim Abbott gives us a stern lecture on the importance of land trusts and why we should trust them. He may be factually correct, but he is the wrong person to deliver that particular message. In early November, when I told him that I had confidence in him as a conservationist, he assured me he would cease his consultancy if his engagement would negatively affect conservation. An opinion voiced by many is that the questions of confidence in land trusts are tied directly to Mr. Abbott's personal actions over the last months. He admonishes "second guessing responsible conservation organizations," suggesting that rather than questioning land trusts, we should support their work. Many of us have and continue to do so. In my opinion, conservation organizations and land trusts should welcome questions, not shy away from them.

Not-for-profit organizations, no matter how lofty their purposes, are not immune from criticism. Having spent more than four decades conducting conservation research, working with some of the leading conservation organizations, I was asked by colleagues, donors and the public to explain certain positions I had taken. As challenging as it was at times to address these questions, it was an opportunity not only to hear their concerns, but also discern whether I was doing the very best I could to advance conservation.

### Social justice education for a white community

One thing I hope the pandemic leaves in its wake is time and space for critical thinking. About all things, but as it relates to this letter: how we would like to care for our neighbors (both the literal and metaphorical ones) moving forward.

If the pandemic has initiated a sort of cocoon state, then our imminent re-emergence as a community presents an opportunity to recalibrate.

Following New York City's Great Coronavirus Exodus—Hello, to all new neighbors, this letter is also for you—the population in northwestern Connecticut remains about as diverse as a white-powdered donut.

Redlining in New England, where African-American families were only sold homes in certain areas of town, is a part of my own town's history—and the critical thinker must wonder: to what extent is the racism behind this historical practice still with us today?

If social justice is deemed irrelevant here because we are a mostly white community, then the work of speaking up against racism is left, once again, to our neighbors of color—Black, indigenous, Asian, Mexican and South American residents that do live here.

I do not personally experience racist intimidation at the transfer station or walking on Main Street, for example, but others do, and I believe my silence as a white community member works to condone it. I no longer wish to be the kind of neighbor that buries her face in the warm sand of white privilege and asks an already disproportionate minority to put itself in danger of further trauma in order to do the work that is inherently mine.

Resources for reeducating ourselves abound—podcasts, books, documentaries—and they are beginning to emerge locally as community members connect around this common goal. It is time to hold space for dialogue about racism and social inequity, and to learn to recognize racism in ourselves and others. I would like to invite all community members to join us in taking a foundational step toward nurturing a community of acceptance, mutual respect, nonviolent communication and love for all of its members.

In that spirit of discernment, I contacted the Land Trust Alliance (LTA) for guidance. I was referred to their professional standards (Land Trust Standards and Practices). Specifically, I was directed by LTA to the following, cited verbatim:

- 11J. Partial or Full Extinguishment
  1. In the rare case that it is necessary to extinguish a conservation easement, in whole or in part,
    - a. Follow the terms of the conservation easement with respect to taking appropriate action, and obtain judicial or regulatory review when required by law or specified in the easement deed
    - b. Ensure there is no private inurement or impermissible private benefit
    - c. Take steps to avoid or mitigate harm to conservation values and/or use any proceeds in a manner consistent with the conservation easement deed
    - d. Consider the land trust's actions in the context of its reputation and the impact on the land conservation community at large.

In conclusion, I note one of the final sentences in Mr. Abbott's letter: "science is not static and perpetuity is a very long time." Yes, science is rapidly evolving, as evidenced in my forthcoming multi-authored book, "Conservation of Connecticut's Amphibians and Reptiles," which up-ends traditional, single-species preservation strategies. And yes, perpetuity is indeed a very long time, which is why grantors grant easements to grantees, with expectations of a commitment that transcends generations.

Michael W. Klemens, PhD

Lakeville

"Race: The Power of an Illusion," is a free workshop with Carol Taylor taking place on Zoom from 1-3pm on Saturday, Feb. 27, in partnership with D.M. Hunt Memorial Library and the Falls Village Community Development Corporation. Participants are required to view the PBS documentary of the same name, available on DVD at the library, or on VIMEO for \$4.99, prior to the workshop. We will share reflections and learn tips on how to facilitate dialogue. Call 860-824-7424 to register. Space is limited; a waitlist will be organized.

An AntiracismNWC book and discussion group is now forming. We will read How to Be an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi and meet outside in the spring/summer months to discuss what we are learning as we make our way through the book. To join, please secure a copy of the book and email antiracismNWC@gmail.com.

Maria Grusauskas

Falls Village

### Trump must be held accountable

I am C. Woodward, an unemployed elder. Republicans in the United States Senate: Please have the backbone of your fellow Republicans of the state of Georgia to stand up and be counted on the side of right.

Donald J. Trump, the charlatan, needs to be convicted of high crimes and misdemeanors and removed from public exposure. This will heal the schism and restore our democracy. The sooner the better. Call the question.

C. Archer Woodward

Winsted

More letters previous page.

## A critical human right

Reduce, reuse, recycle. We all know the litany. But there are several "r's" missing. Sandwiched between reduce and reuse is repair. Sounds obvious, but the companies that provide the goods we buy have a vested interest in making sure we keep on wasting everything. Some slap stickers on their goods warning of dire consequences if you open this panel and look inside. Some put "expiration dates" on items that can't possibly expire like child safety seats.

Many companies like Apple and John Deere design their goods with unique tools or impossible glues. They frustrate owners by remaining the only source for the software, parts and special tools necessary to repair their products. Then they price repairs high enough to ensure customers will opt for a slightly more expensive new item instead.

There is a growing movement in the United States — a repair revolution — that needs nurturing. Repair Cafes, like Farmers Markets, are springing up everywhere connecting people with skills to people with broken stuff. This movement is essential to keeping the avalanche of discarded goods out of our landfills.

It started in 2012 when Massachusetts passed an automotive right-to-repair bill, which forced manufacturers to make the same information, software, and tools available to any mechanic who wanted it as they did to their dealers. Independent auto repair shops were able to remain open and consumers could choose their mechanic. Unfortunately for farmers, tractors and farm machinery are not covered by that law. Farmers are now trying to amend that oversight in a

number of Midwestern states.

In 2020, the federal government joined the fray with a medical equipment right-to-repair bill so that hospitals could repair their own respirators and other essential equipment.

From smartphones to coffee makers, America is drowning in broken goods that have been manufactured to be difficult, if not impossible, to repair.

Planned obsolescence is not only expensive, it is evil. People should have the right to fix what they own. And

most goods are repairable if you know the secret handshake. Online ifixit has spent a decade reverse-engineering products and posting the schematics for free. But they can't teardown every product.

A right-to-repair law would force companies to post their schematics online and make the parts and tools to repair their products available to everyone at reasonable prices. It would force companies to state the expected life and repairability of their products. It might even embarrass companies into making better products. Nobody wants to admit that they make junk.

Seventeen states are considering right-to-repair laws. Shouldn't Connecticut join them? Perhaps then people will stop tossing perfectly good electronics, gadgets and gizmos into the trash when they can take them down to their local Repair Café or fixit shop. A whole new generation of fixers is out there fighting for our right to repair. They need our support.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Coronavirus effects in our free country

Since we did not wish to be decimated, my love and I got ourselves vaccinated. If everyone else would reach this conclusion, it might avoid a great deal of confusion, and bring us, to borrow the famed locution of Dubya, to an "end to the solution".

But living in a country so proud and free, and thinking, as folks do, democratically, it probably will be a little later before each dissident and proud debater dons masks and heads out to the local line-up for their shots, or at least to try and sign up.

Jim Picton

Salisbury

### Which lake is deepest?

Accuracy counts folks. I believe Lakeville Lake is not the deepest lake in Connecticut, unless there has been a seismic shift. That title belongs to Lake Saltonstall located in Branford and East Haven.

The American Indians called Saltonstall Lonotonoquet, which was a natural lake. White men built a dam that only raised the water level 8 feet. Without the 8 feet it was still deeper than Wononscopomuc.

Craig Toensing

Falls Village

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Recently we have had a number of well water tests come back positive for coliform bacteria at building inspections. This usually requires the well and house plumbing system to be shocked with choline for several days. Then flushed and retested to ensure no bacteria remains. Coliform is rather common in wells that have low use or are dormant. What we have started doing is to bring in a plumber to test the water again before going to the expense of treating the well. It is possible that the initial sample became contaminated when taken and this double check has resulted in saving both time and money!



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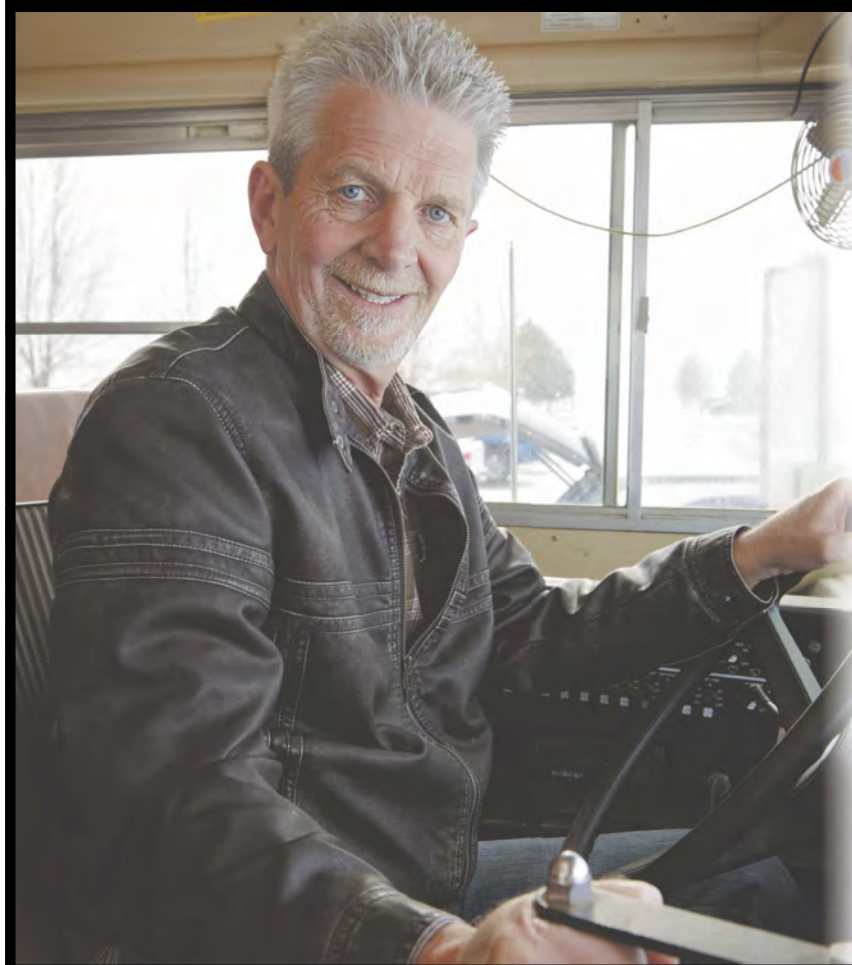
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