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State and NW Corner memorials of Justice Ginsburg

By Cynthia Hochswender

State Rep. Maria Horn (D-64) responded to news of the death of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg not as a politician but as a mother, a wife and a former attorney.

On Friday night, Sept. 18, shortly after the announcement was made of Ginsburg's death, Horn sent an email to constituents saying that she was planning a sunrise memorial service on Saturday, Sept. 19. About 30 men and women turned out, some holding candles, everyone wearing a mask.

Horn stood casually among signs on the Salisbury Green near The White Hart advertising the Masonic Lodge lobster sale and the farmers market.

She talked about the impact Ginsburg had on her own career as an attorney, including her years in public service as an assistant U.S. attorney in the Southern District of New York. She also talked about the inspiration she drew from Ginsburg's marriage to Martin Ginsburg.

It seemed to be, Horn said, a marriage "of joy, laughter, mutual support, of one not diminished by the other, of trade offs in who takes the lead."

She thanked her husband, Tom Quinn, standing on the side of the Green, for the mutual support of their own marriage.

Jill Drew spoke at the service of growing up in a family with an abusive stepfather, and learning early on that she was going to have to take care of herself and not count on a man to provide for her.

"I would not be here today if Justice Ginsburg had not fought those cases" allowing for greater equality for women. Drew paraphrased Ginsburg, saying, "Equal rights for everyone, not just women, is in the best interest of everyone."

There was a moment of silent reflection. Some people wept. Trucks and cars continued to rumble by; some drivers waved or honked.

Molly Fitzmaurice then said to the group, "We are not Ruth-

less now. We are the Ruth-ettes."

Horn wrapped up the service by noting that Ginsburg had returned to work the day after her husband died.

"That's what Marty would have wanted her to do, and it's what she would want us to do: Continue the fight. Let's carry it on."

The flag on the Green was then lowered to half-staff, as Gov. Ned Lamont had ordered on Friday night.

"Flags should be lowered immediately and remain at half-staff until sunset on the date of interment, which has not yet been determined," the notice from the governor's office said, adding that, "since no flag should fly higher than the U.S. flag, all other flags, including state, municipal, corporate or otherwise, should also be lowered during this same duration of time."

Lamont remembered Ginsburg in the announcement as "a fierce and fiery champion for fairness and equality for all... A giant inspiration and pioneer for women globally, Justice Ginsburg should not just be remembered for what she stood for but what she stood against. Our nation is greater for her tenacity, dissension and adversity against injustice. As Justice Ginsburg put it best, 'there will be enough women on the court when there are nine.'"

U.S. Rep. Jahana Hayes (D-5) also released a statement, saying Ginsburg "lived a uniquely American life, as a champion for women, a teacher and a resolute justice who flourished in the face of adversity. I respected her ambition, dedication and intellect. She forced everyone to see beyond stereotypes and live out their full potential."

She called Ginsburg's death "a heartbreaking loss for our country" and she noted the significance of the justice's death on the first night of Rosh Hashana, the Jewish new year.

Connecticut Attorney General William Tong said in his statement, "I am raising two young women in my home, and



PHOTO BY CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

At a sunrise service Saturday on the Green in Salisbury in honor of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who died on Friday, Sept. 18, Amy Lake and Al Ginouves held a sign saying, "Remember those who fought for justice."

I can only be grateful that my daughters had the opportunity to see, appreciate and learn from the example set by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

"To our family, she was the embodiment of courage, grit and grace... May we honor her by pursuing her vision of a more fair and just nation."

Sen. Chris Murphy (D) referred in his statement to concerns about how the justice's seat on the Supreme Court will be filled.

"Ruth Bader Ginsburg changed her nation for the better," he said. "Fairness and justice,

especially for those with the least access to power, were her north stars. She was a pioneer for women in the law, and a cultural icon on top of it all. The people of Connecticut mourn for her tonight.

"The precedent Republicans set in 2016 requires the Senate to wait to consider a nominee until a new president is sworn in. Should Republicans go forward and reverse this precedent, the Senate will never, ever be the same. It will be changed forever. I pray tonight that at least a few of my Republican colleagues understand this."

Nuvance Health and Sharon Hospital hit in Blackbaud data security breach

By Cynthia Hochswender

Nuvance, the parent company of Sharon Hospital, announced to patients between Sept. 11 and 21 that the health care system had been part of a massive "data security incident" involving Blackbaud, a software company that serves nonprofits.

The incident occurred in July; many companies announced that they had been impacted by it in August. Nuvance (and some other companies) waited until now to make the announcement because, according to Andrea Rynn, director of Public and Government Relations at Nuvance Health, "Once we were notified, we undertook our own careful investigation which, as you might imagine, took some time to complete. We began notifications the week of Sept. 11."

The announcements to individual clients were sent in letters that differed depending, Rynn said, "on whether a person was a current or past donor, potential donor, a minor or the estate of someone deceased."

The security breach involved not only donations to the nonprofit health-care system but also, according to a Sept. 21 announcement on the Nuvance website, "may have included name, contact information, age, gender, date of birth, admission date, the department [patients] were treated in, treating physician and health insurance status."

Nuvance stressed that

"Blackbaud has informed us that Social Security numbers, financial account and credit card information was encrypted, and therefore not able to be accessed by the unauthorized individual."

Rynn said that, "This incident did not affect any of our systems. Rather, the incident occurred at our third party vendor, Blackbaud."

There are now questions, of course, about whether Blackbaud should be trusted with confidential information about donors and health system patients.

"Blackbaud informed us that they have taken steps to remediate the issue," Rynn said. "To help prevent something like this from happening again, we are reevaluating our relationship with Blackbaud and closely monitoring its continued updates and the security measures it implemented in response to the incident."

Nuvance has set up "a dedicated call center to answer any questions about this incident, at 866-968-0208, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding major U.S. holidays" such as the upcoming Indigenous Peoples Day.

As a precaution, anyone who has had financial or patient dealings with Sharon Hospital or other Nuvance health centers should "review the statements you receive from your healthcare providers. If you see services you did not receive, please contact the provider that issued the statement immediately."

So far so good as regional high school returns during pandemic

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — Housatonic Valley Regional High School Principal Ian Strever reported that the school year got off to a smooth start, even with the safety precautions necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Strever reported to the Region One Board of Education on Monday, Sept. 14, and amplified his remarks in a phone interview Monday, Sept. 21.

Strever reported that a group of substitute teachers has been

hired to assist five teachers who have opted to teach remotely.

He described the substitutes' role as "facilitators." The substitutes get the remote learning technology running, take attendance and handle classroom management, while also assisting students as the activity progresses.

Strever said the school is "troubleshooting" the technological aspects of distance learning, looking for what works best.

"The biggest issue is audio," he said on Sept. 21. Often the audio is satisfactory from the teacher's end, but it is sometimes difficult to hear the students. The school is looking at different microphone setups and other ways to

facilitate remote classroom conversation.

Prior to the start of the school year, Strever presented a plan for a hybrid schedule, with different "cohorts" of students in the building on different days of the week, and working remotely otherwise.

Thus Cohort A attends school in person on Mondays and Tuesdays and Cohort B on Thursdays and Fridays.

There is a third group, Cohort C, which consists of 77 students (as of Sept. 21). These students go to their regular classes on Mondays and Tuesdays, and on Thursdays and Fridays come to the building for extra help and support.

Strever said these students range from those who struggled last spring with distance learning to students with specialized learning plans.

Their schedule is flexible on Thursdays and Fridays, so if a student has a study hall scheduled at the beginning or end of the school day, they may be excused.

Strever said the first couple of weeks of school have gone well. He described the mood in the building as "subdued."

The students have been diligent about following COVID-19 safety requirements regarding masks and maintaining social distance.

Strever emphasized that keep-

ing school open depends on parents sticking to a regimen of wellness checks at home.

"That can't be emphasized enough."

At the Sept. 14 meeting, the board authorized the hiring of Liam O'Reilly as a special education teacher, at a pro-rated salary of \$46,863.

The board discussed procedures for creating future memorandums of agreement (MOA) with faculty and staff, with the goal of the board having an active role in the creation of such agreements. Jenn Duncan of Kent and Brian Bartram of North Canaan will draft a procedure for creating memorandums of understanding and MOAs and

send it to the board's policy committee for consideration.

Bartram, Duncan and John Sanders of Cornwall will make up the committee for upcoming contract negotiations with the high school faculty association.

The Region One School District includes the six towns of Canaan (Falls Village), Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury and Sharon. Each town has its own elementary school and its own board of education; the six towns share Housatonic Valley Regional High School, which is governed by the Region One Board of Education. The chairmen of the seven boards of education meet as the All Boards Chair committee.



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Three-day forecast

Friday..... Sun, high 78°/low 57°
 Saturday..... Sun, 78°/58°
 Sunday..... Cloudy, 71°/55°

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.

Lawn equipment theft

Troop B is investigating the theft of a Stihl brand weed whacker and a Husqvarna brand chainsaw from a detached garage on Johnson Road in Falls Village. The theft occurred between Aug. 12 and 26. Anyone with information is asked to contact Troop B.

Struck from behind

On Sept. 10 at approximately 3:30 p.m. on Route 7 in North Canaan a 2013 GMC Sierra driven by Franklin Nelson, 61, of Winsted struck the rear of a 2017 Toyota Tacoma driven by Thomas Ferrucci, 62, of New Marlborough, Mass., which had

stopped to make a left turn. Nelson was issued a verbal warning for following too closely.

Disorderly conduct

On Sept. 10 at approximately 7 p.m. Troop B investigated a report of an intoxicated individual kicking apartment doors at a residence on Main Street in North Canaan. Susanne Dixon, 49, of North Canaan was charged with disorderly conduct. She was scheduled to appear in Torrington Superior Court on Oct. 1.

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

Senior exercise begins on Oct. 6

SALISBURY — Senior exercise class at the Grove in Salisbury will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to noon, starting Oct. 6.

In-person class size is limited to a maximum of 25 people. Class will also continue on Zoom for those who can not attend in person.

There will not be an in-person class on Tuesday, Oct. 13, due to the flu shot clinic.

All in-person participants will be required to sign in, have their temperature checked at the door, wear a mask and maintain at least 6 feet of social distancing at all times. Everyone should bring a water bottle.

For more information, contact Lisa McAuliffe at 860-435-5186 or email lmcauliffe@salisburyct.us.

Flu shots by SVNA, Oct. 13

The Salisbury Visiting Nurse Association will hold a flu shot clinic at the Salisbury Grove in the Senior Center on Tuesday, Oct. 13, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To schedule a required appointment, contact Lisa McAuliffe at 860-435-5186 or email lmcauliffe@salisburyct.us.

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Clarification

An article in the Sept. 17 Lakeville Journal referred to a "town-funded \$1.7 million renovation" of the Scoville Memorial Library in Salisbury.

Board member Helen Klein Ross sent us a note to clarify that the renovation was paid for by Salisbury residents and library patrons, not funded by the town.

OBITUARIES

Gabriella E. Shook

ASHLEY FALLS — Gabriella E. Shook, 25, died Sept. 20, 2020, due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

She was born May 23, 1995, in Sharon, daughter of Brad Shook Jr. of Texas and Betsy (Just) Perry of Goshen.

Gabriella was the general manager of the Dollar General Store in Sheffield, Mass. She enjoyed horseback riding and hiking.

She was baptized at St. Joseph's Church in North Canaan, which is now part of the St. Martin of Tours Parish.

In addition to her mother and father Gabriella is survived by her daughter, Willow Pecco, and Willow's father, Aaron Pecco, both of Ashley Falls; her stepfathers, Mike Agar of Ashley Falls and her present stepfather, Joe Perry of Goshen; her siblings, Emily Mikel and her husband, Patrick, of Texas, Trystan Michelet and his significant other, Teanna, of Oregon, Sara and Daisy Shook both of Torrington, Dylan Bourey of Nevada and Paige Bourey of

Torrington; her step-siblings, Joseph Perry Jr. and his wife, Brittany, of Goshen, Hunter Perry of North Carolina, Ginger Zani and her husband, Almo, of Ashley Falls, Patrick Agar and his significant other, Tanya, of Otis, Mass., and Michelle Paul and her husband, Chip, of Otis; her paternal grandmother, Angie Dickinson of Texas; her maternal grandmother, Phyllis Just and her partner, Don Creighton, of Terryville, Conn.; and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Gabriella was predeceased by her son, Hendrix Douglas; and her paternal grandfather, Brad Shook Sr.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, Sept. 26, at 11 a.m. in St. Joseph's Cemetery in North Canaan. Calling hours will be held on Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Newkirk-Palmer Funeral Home in North Canaan.

Memorial donations may be sent to the Willow Pecco Fund in care of Salisbury Bank and Trust, 100 Main St., North Canaan, CT 06018.

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Debate grows on who should study town needs for housing

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — There were objections to the town using the Northwest Hills Council of Governments (NHCOC) to conduct an affordable housing study at the regular meeting of the Board of Finance in Falls Village on Monday, Sept. 14.

The NHCOC is an organization of the first selectmen of 21 area towns. The group meets once a month in Goshen.

In public comment at the finance meeting, Falls Village resident Daly Reville urged that the town insist on open bidding for a regional plan for affordable housing.

Falls Village, along with Goshen, Norfolk, Morris, Barkhamsted, Cornwall, Harwinton, Warren and Washington each received a grant from the state Department of Housing. (Falls Village received \$14,800. The nine towns will pass their grant funds to NHCOC.)

The NHCOC will conduct a “regionally coordinated analysis,” according to an email from Jocelyn Ayer, who is the NHCOC community and economic development director.

Ayer said that the organization has already begun to collect data on the housing needs of individual area towns and noted that it’s always less expensive to do this kind of study regionally than town-by-town. Reville (at the meeting) and Laura Wernitz (in a letter to the finance board) objected to NHCOC handling the work. The conversation about the study relates to a proposed affordable housing complex on

Salisbury public hearing coverage

Coverage of the affordable housing public hearing in Salisbury on Monday, Sept. 21, will be in The Lakeville Journal issue of Oct. 1, and online at www.tricornernews.com.

River Road, near Housatonic Valley Regional High School, that some town residents have concerns about.

Wernitz criticized the towns economic development efforts in her letter, saying that, “Falls Village has been working with the same consultant for 10 years, during which our mill rate has raised, our business district closed, and our housing resources focused on a highly controversial project largely driven by COG principles.”

She added that it is always “best practice” to get multiple bids for any project.

(A public hearing on the River Road affordable housing proposal was held by the Planning and Zoning Commission on Wednesday, Sept. 23. Look for coverage of the hearing in the Oct. 1 Lakeville Journal.)

Bridges, ballots and the internet in Falls Village

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — At the regular meeting of the Board of Finance in Falls Village on Monday, Sept. 14, First Selectman Henry Todd reported that a group including John Allyn, Steve Dean and Chris Kinsella will be looking at the town’s bridges to determine which need immediate attention. The group will meet soon, Todd said.

The first selectman also told the finance board that Town Clerk Mary Palmer requested \$4,270 in additional funds for the November election. (The Board of Selectmen approved the request at a special meeting on Thursday, Sept. 17.)

In a phone interview on Monday morning, Sept. 21, Todd explained that the June primary election included about 100 absentee ballots, which in turn required extra hours from Palmer

and Assistant Town Clerk Arlene Benninger, which in turn pretty well used up the budgeted funds. (Connecticut voters may use COVID-19 as a reason for using absentee ballots this year, rather than voting in person. The secretary of the state has sent funds to all Connecticut towns to help with the November election; for a chart with dollar amounts, see the Sept. 10 Lakeville Journal and go to www.tricornernews.com, search for “funds for all towns”).

Todd said the town is expecting as many as 600 absentee ballots in the Nov. 3 general election. Thus the request for extra funds.

Todd reported that updates to the town website, which should be complete by October, mean that individual board and commission chairs will be responsible for posting their own agendas, minutes, Zoom meeting

links and calendar updates.

Todd said he has been sitting in on board meetings of Northwest ConneCT, a nonprofit organization that is trying to get fiber optic transmission lines for Northwest Corner towns.

Todd said the lack of widespread and reliable internet in the area has been made apparent in the last six months, with the pandemic and the lengthy post-storm power outage earlier this month.

He noted that some 35% of the town only has access to the internet via existing telephone wires.

“We are reaching the end of

the line on copper wire capacity,” he said. Area towns are looking at ways to upgrade from copper to fiber optic.

At the selectmen’s regular meeting following the Board of Finance on Sept. 14, Todd expanded on the subject.

He said “the governor’s office is now moving away from 5G,” adding that “at the state level, there is real interest in a regional broadband proposal as a test case for the whole state.”

“We’re going to keep pushing that button,” he continued. He said with state support, the cost of installing fiber optic lines would be dramatically reduced.



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Cornwall bridge aesthetics

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — A sizable group of Cornwall residents interested in the town highway and bridge program — especially the aesthetics of the Cogswell Road bridge — greeted the Board of Selectmen at their Tuesday, Sept. 15, regular meeting held on Zoom.

Without disputing the need for maintenance to ensure safety on the Cogswell Road bridge, residents are critical of the appearance of the recently installed long metal guardrails at both ends. They urged the selectmen to seek solutions to improve the appearance, suggesting paint in a dark color or encasing the rails in wood. They also suggested removing one of the two horizontal rails.

First Selectman Gordon Ridgway reported that he had heard from several residents and was responding to each individually, either in writing or by meetings, working toward a resolution of the issue.

He said that the road and bridge maintenance program has been underway for about the past 20 years, and he reviewed some of the history of the town's attention to its 33 bridges and about a dozen major culverts.

He said that there are only four left to do, and there is about \$90,000 remaining in the fund.

Ridgway said that he has heard a wide range of comments, many from people who appreciate the upgrades. He has also heard a variety of suggestions for improvements.

Selectman Marina Kotchoubey said that she has also had many comments. She noted that some small bridges will need to be replaced in coming years.

Selectman Priscilla Pavel added that she, too, has heard from many people, and she is sorry that many are disappointed. She suggested that if the town could do something cost-effective to make the people happy, then she could support that alternative.

"Aesthetics can be difficult," Ridgway responded, "but we are open to ideas. We may not jump

at the first suggestion, but we can consider ideas.

"We will have more work to do in the spring," he added.

"But we can remain open to ideas about the Cogswell Road bridge," Kotchoubey emphasized.

Recommending that residents remain up to date on bridge and highway plans, Ridgway urged residents to sign up to receive the selectmen's weekly newsletter. He said that bridges have been discussed at 56 selectmen's meetings over the past four years, and he encourages residents to become involved in those discussions.

Current highway projects are ongoing in town, Ridgway announced. Popple Swamp Road near Nash Pond will be closed for two days to complete a surface-raising project and to install a new drainage pipe under it. A hydrant will also be installed.

Route 128 will be repaved between Route 7 and Route 4. Work will begin on Monday, Sept. 28, and be finished by Monday, Oct. 12.

Town building projects will be completed this fall. Improvements will include replacing windows and trim and other repairs to the West Cornwall Fire House at an estimated cost of \$11,626; removing the oil tank at Town Hall and installation of a propane heating system at an estimated cost of \$23,000; and replacing the 30-year old roof on the salt shed at the Town Garage at an estimated cost of \$18,630.

The selectmen set a tentative date of Friday, Nov. 13, for the annual town meeting. This meeting will include a summary review and approval of the annual report, the sale of a tiny patch of town-owned land to the Farnsworths for \$500, as well as the Five-Year Capital Plan, a planning tool that both the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance will be developing in the next month. The annual town meeting format will most likely be remote, by Zoom, although the selectmen plan to consult the town attorney to learn whether remote town meetings are permitted.

'Virus fatigue' and a rise in COVID-19 cases in Kent

By Leila Hawken

KENT — Accepting the resignation of Chairman Mark Sebetic after 11 years of service, the Board of Finance in Kent elected a new chairman at the regular meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 15, voting unanimously to seat as chairman Nancy O'Dea Wyrick. Appointed as vice chairman was Rufus de Rham. Lesly Ferris will serve as board clerk.

Reporting to the finance board, First Selectman Jean Speck noted a rise in COVID-19

cases in town, totaling five new cases. She theorized that the cases are the result of virus fatigue, and said that town residents have been seen gathering in large numbers. The five new cases are divided among three houses.

"It's just more evidence that we need to be steadfast," Speck said.

Guidelines exist to limit the size of gatherings. Finance board member Jim Blackletter raised the question of enforcement. Speck replied that the town is monitoring and responding to complaints.

The state Siting Council expects to wrap up its cell tower hearings on Tuesday, Sept. 22, and they have requested that AT&T and Homeland Towers extend until January the deadline for the council to reach a final decision.

Speck reported an alternate solution proposed by a town resident, in which more towers at a lower height could be placed around town, instead of one very tall tower overlooking Segar Mountain Road.

The hope is that such a system would have less impact on scenic views. AT&T and Homeland had requested permission from the state to build the new tower in the Route 341 corridor, and the shorter towers could provide that coverage, the town resident

believes.

Speck said that the new tower system could work well within the hills and valleys of the area, where phone signals can get blocked by the terrain.

"We are awaiting a decision and hope that the Siting Council will consider the alternative plan," Speck said.

In Connecticut, individual towns are not allowed to decide whether communications towers can be built; the decision is made by the Siting Council.

A free flu vaccination clinic will be offered on Wednesday, Oct. 7, as a drive-through at Town Hall. To secure the required appointment, call Joyce Kearns at the selectmen's office. Hours will be from 10 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 3 p.m.

North Canaan Oct. 1 deadlines

By Leila Hawken

NORTH CANAAN — Two important deadlines are approaching on Thursday, Oct. 1, leading the North Canaan Board of Selectmen to issue a reminder to residents at their regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 14.

Residents who have taken advantage of the property tax deferral program, allowing them to postpone their tax payments until Oct. 1 (an extension from the usual July 1 payment deadline) will now need to pay their tax bill on or before Oct. 1.

First Selectman Charles Perotti emphasized the deadline, adding that if payment is received on Oct. 2 or later, the taxpayer will be liable for not only the tax amount, but also for accrued interest for four months: July, August, September and October.

The same deadline of Oct. 1 is in effect for residents to obtain their annual transfer station sticker for 2020. Perotti urged residents to get their new sticker before that date.

Transfer station fees are \$60 — or \$30 for residents over the age of 62. Cars with an out-of-state plate pay \$75, and the owner must show proof of residency along with the car registration.

Discussion of invasive weeds in town brought comment from Selectman Christian Allyn, expert in invasive weed control, who noted that the super-invasive knotweed has now peaked. He reported that this is the ideal time to treat the plants to try and limit their spread. He said he would soon be treating the town's knotweed and the mugwort infestation at the bus stop ellipse near the railroad depot and brewery.

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Destroyer of newspapers eyeing America's oldest

The fate of America's oldest, continuously published newspaper, the 256-year-old Hartford Courant, is in the hands of a man accused by 21 United States senators of "the reckless acquisition and destruction of newspapers," including some of the nation's best.

Heath Freeman, the 40-year-old head of the New York hedge fund Alden Global Capital, discovered a decade ago that many of the newspapers facing bankruptcy due to the Great Recession

and the competition of electronic media could be saved with thoughtful economics and a disregard for that thing called journalism.

"We saw an opportunity," Freeman told The Washington Post, a paper fortunately owned by Amazon's billionaire Jeff Bezos, "to help fix the broken model." He started by acquiring MediaNews Group, the owner of more than 50 papers, including the Denver Post, and initiating deep staff cuts. Staff members there have staged protests, asking the

hedge fund to sell the paper to someone who will restore its journalism.

Brutal cuts in the staffs of the MediaNews chain prompted the 21 senators to urge the hedge fund to stop ruining the papers in the states they serve but Freeman responded that he's actually the savior of the newspaper business. It reminds me of the major in the Vietnam War who said he ordered his troops to "burn the village in order to save it."

Times have been very tough for print journalism, even those not in the saving hands of Alden Global Capital.

The industry's news monopoly was first breached by radio news nearly a century ago. Then, television newscasts killed evening newspapers and local TV newscasts became the public's primary source of news. But nothing has been as devastating as the internet. In the current century, the number of employees at U.S. newspapers has been cut in half, according to the Pew Research Center.

But newspapers "saved" by Alden Global have seen their staffs cut by more than 70%, says the Communication Workers of America, the union representing news and other staff members at many large city newspapers. When I worked for the Courant long ago, the Newspaper Guild would occasionally try to unionize the staff and the paper's response would always be the announcement of raises. It always worked.

But while labor unions have suffered declining membership in recent years,

except in the public sector, newspaper unions have thrived. The Harvard-based Nieman Foundation, devoted to promoting high journalistic standards, says unionization is the result of accumulated rage over downsizing, years without raises and worsening health benefits.

The weekly Courant, founded in 1764, and the daily, which dates to 1837, were locally owned until 1977 when the paper was bought by the Los Angeles-based Times Mirror Corp. It continued to prosper — its newsroom staff peaked at nearly 400 in 1994 — until it was sold to another media giant, the Tribune Company, along with the rest of Times Mirror in 2000.

Tribune has had a rocky history of bankruptcy, multiple owners and takeover attempts by conservative outlets Fox and Sinclair in recent decades. Today, Alden Global is getting close to full control of the company and the Courant, Chicago Tribune, Baltimore Sun and other notable newspapers.

Reporters and editors at many of these papers, including, presumably, the Courant, have tried to find deep-pocketed local owners to save their papers from further cuts by Alden's self-designated savior Heath Freeman. The Hartford City Council is considering a resolution urging the hedge fund to stop "decimating" the paper's staff.

Local ownership by families or chains run by financially successful journalists named Pulitzer, Scripps,

IF YOU ASK ME

DICK AHLES

Sulzberger, Hearst and McCormick accounted for the newspaper's golden era but even then, you'd find an occasional Heath Freeman.

Probably the most notable and ruthless was Frank A. Munsey, who was immortalized in a memorable obituary/editorial by the great Midwestern editor, William Allen White.

At his death in 1925, Munsey left an empire of major city newspapers he created by buying, merging and terminating properties with his eye always on the bottom line. Here was White's "tribute."

"Frank Munsey contributed to the journalism of his day the talent of a meat packer, the morals of a money changer and the manner of an undertaker. He and his kind have about succeeded in transforming a once-noble profession into an 8 percent security. May he rest in trust."

The more things change . . .

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



CSAs and local farms make a come-back

THE RETIRED INVESTOR

BILL SCHMICK

While much of the nation's farming industry has been decimated by the global pandemic, here in the U.S. one tiny segment of the agricultural market is booming—the CSA.

The line at my local Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) pick-up station was short this week. As usual, everyone wore masks and waited in line, 6 feet apart. Customers stuffed their carry bags full of lettuce, radishes, kale, cucumbers, tomatoes and whatever else nature's bounty and Kate, our farmer, had planted this season. CSAs charge a seasonal, or sometimes yearly membership fee in exchange, you receive weekly boxes, or bags of fresh veggies, fruits, and more. My membership cost more than \$400 this year and I will say it was well worth it.

Evidently, I am not the only one who feels this way. Across the country, memberships in CSAs are booming, even as the bigger farms have been forced to slaughter livestock, abort piglets, crush food and destroy perfectly healthy crops for lack of distribution and pandemic-struck supply lines. Some CSAs have had to limit memberships. Others are finding it difficult to handle the demand and hire workers to plant, maintain, and harvest their crops.

A couple of months ago, when grocery stores were selling out of everything and food banks were being overwhelmed, local farmers, who normally supplied produce to restaurants, schools and other commercial businesses pivoted to a new business model by focusing on the grocery store and supermarket consumer in their local areas.

Some farmers already had established a "close-loop" community food system where they could offer everything from meat, pork, chicken, baked goods, eggs, and other dairy products, as well as vegetables and some fruit. And what

they did not produce themselves, they established business relationships with other farmers to broaden their product lines.

In the past, CSAs have survived, but not flourished, as a kind of niche market. Most members were either organic-only advocates, or those who try and support local businesses whenever they can.

I started buying at my local CSA a few years ago for health reasons. I liked the fact that my produce was grown organically without chemicals, preservatives, or coloration. The produce also tasted a heck of a lot better. I also liked the ambiance of visiting the farm, trading comments on the weather with the local farmer, and seeing some of my neighbors.

Fast-forward to this age of coronavirus. Safety has suddenly become a big issue for me. Going to the local supermarket today feels a little like navigating an obstacle course: "have the carts been cleaned, where are the hand sanitizers, which way do the aisles run, where's his mask, is she going to crowd me, should I self-check-out, or take a chance with a live cashier?"

If I sound paranoid, it is because I am. At my CSA, things are more manageable. I feel I have more control of my environment. No one sneezes or coughs on the veggies, or handles them. That is worth a lot to me.

My hope is that once you try it, you'll like it. It might be a bit more expensive than shopping at the local supermarket, but believe me, it is worth every extra penny.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Disagreeing on who are the best candidates

I can't say I blame Bill Littauer for talking up the old "All politics is local" trope in his letter to the editor Sept. 17. If my wagon was hitched to a party with a national leadership as off the rails as his is, I might consider it too.

For the record, his statement "One local political party issued a letter accusing their opponents of incompetence, division, lies, hate and selfishness," is not accurate. What our letter said is, "We have had enough incompetence, enough division, enough lies, enough hate, enough selfishness. We have had enough of Donald Trump and his Republi-

can enablers." Harsh for sure but nothing about local Republicans there.

Our letter went on to sing the praises of our presidential and vice-presidential candidates, listing a few of the important issues facing our country and why we think a Biden/Harris ticket is the best choice to lead our country.

Next, we gave our three superb, local candidates, Jahana Hayes, Maria Horn, and David Gronbach, similar treatments without once saying untrue things about their opponents or calling them names. Which is more than I can say about a re-

cent letter sent by the Salisbury Republican Town Committee, on which Bill sits, a letter that never mentions the president... in a presidential election year! Now that's telling, isn't it?

Mr. Littauer laments, "What do you say after that when you run into them the next day in LaBonne's or Stop and Shop?" We may disagree on political issues, but we do ourselves a disservice by not at least listening to opposing views."

Well, Bill, we listen, and we know your party's views on the issues, and that's why we're Democrats who proudly supporting

our excellent candidates.

It's what you and other local Republicans are not saying that matters most today. If Democrats were responsible for getting anyone half as bad as Trump and his enablers elected, I would publicly apologize, start working to repair the damage done to our country, and work to reform my party. There would be no problem about what to say to my neighbors in LaBonne's or Stop and Shop.

Al Ginouves

Chairman, Salisbury Democratic Town Committee Lakeville

Fighting air pollution in Connecticut

Driving Route 22 through Dover Plains in winter, it is a shock to see the immense size of the Cricket Valley Power Plant, sprawled over 193 acres on the border of Connecticut. Powered by methane, a natural gas, it spews pollution into the atmosphere, which is carried with the constant westerly winds into our state.

Connecticut has always

had a serious problem with air quality as we are downwind of several industrial states: Pennsylvania, Ohio and New York. Ninety percent of our pollution comes from these states. The air pollution can cause high rates of asthma, heart disease and breathing problems. A Harvard university study found even a small increase in small particle pollution, is associated with a

15% increase in the COVID-19 death rate.

Maria Horn, our state representative, has been fighting back. While the current administration in Washington has been reducing the standards for air pollution, Connecticut has been fighting in the courts to stop the blatant use of polluting fuels in plants in different upwind states. Maria has worked to tighten the restrictions on leakage from gas pipelines in Connecticut to reduce dangerous pollution.

She joined with another legislator to pass a law to provide support for air-quality monitoring

for our towns at risk downwind from the Cricket Valley plant. There are monitors in seven towns: Cornwall, Sharon, Sherman, Warren, Washington, Kent and New Milford. If high-particle pollution is detected, she will join her friend, Connecticut Attorney General Tong, to sue to fight to stop the pollution.

Re-electing Maria is essential to continue this fight to control the air pollution blowing through our towns. She is a fighter and that is what we need to win this difficult battle.

Liz Piel

Sharon

This is the actual fake news: don't be fooled

I have been increasingly disturbed by what is going on with Brian Ohler's Facebook page, Northwest Corner Chatter, and the tactics that are being used on this site. No one has worked harder than Maria Horn to represent our 64th District, spending long hours in Hartford during legislative sessions, defending school funding, helping constituents get their unemployment checks and access to health insurance, keeping people informed about the rapidly shifting status of the pandemic and about what programs are available to help businesses and ordinary people survive.

And yet, if you follow this FB page, you would think all she does is sit home, twiddle her thumbs, and look snooty. And now the site has descended to a new level with baseless rumors posted and left up for days — crazy charges of infidelity, theft and financial scandal on the part of Maria. Only after Marshall Miles, the host of Robin Hood Radio, took Northwest Corner Chatter to task, did one of the moderators, Judy Jacobs, finally remove the thread.

Brian Ohler, who is also a moderator, has continued to sanction outrageous behavior on this site, which many people still seem to think is not under his control. People who try to say good things about Maria have their posts taken down or blocked. Maria herself is blocked from seeing what Brian Ohler comments about her.

I have talked to voters who clearly think that she is doing nothing because of Northwest Corner Chatter and its persistent campaign to denigrate, dismiss and lie about her. This is fake news spreading its infection in our towns, distorting truth by manipulation of social media, sowing doubt and distrust.

Susannah Wood

Norfolk

Gronbach is right for 30th

I'm writing to express my support for the candidacy of David Gronbach, a Democrat who is running to represent the 30th District in the Connecticut state senate.

What's appealing about him is his openness and even eagerness to listen to people and explain his positions in contrast to his close-mouthed opponent, Craig Miner, who has not yet agreed to a debate with him.

Gronbach stresses the importance of battling for the Northwest Corner by fighting for state funds, a struggle that would be easier for him as a Democrat in a blue state than for his Republican opponent.

If elected, he would vote differently than his opponent on many issues. For instance, whereas in 2012 Miner voted against Eversource reimbursing people for ruined food and medicines after the recent power blackout, and curbing its executives' multimillion-dollar salaries, Gronbach takes the opposite position.


Miner has also opposed raising the minimum wage, eliminating silencers on rifles and providing paid medical leave to families, all of which Gronbach supports.

At 44, this energetic and impressive Democratic candidate already has wide experience as an attorney, businessman and in government as mayor of New Milford.

Let's back him to represent us in Hartford.


Laurie Lisle

Sharon



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With the northwest corner homes filled to capacity since March due to COVID, an unexpected issue is coming to light. In speaking with contractors, there is an increasing number of calls that septic systems are either backing up or failing under the increased usage. This might be due to the filter clogging or in the worst case, the leach fields themselves becoming saturated. To avoid this, it would be good to have your septic tank pumped and the filters checked and cleaned before the ground freezes. Companies that are exceptional are: ConnSept at (203) 770-6887, B&B Septic at (860) 605-9083 and Certified Sewer at (860) 379-2695.



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EDITORIAL

A loss for the Court, and for the country

“Serving on this Court is the highest honor, the most awesome trust, that can be placed in a judge. It means working at my craft — working with and for the law — as a way to keep our society both ordered and free.”

— Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, 1993

Where were you when you heard Ruth Bader Ginsburg had died? Because that is just how iconic this Supreme Court Justice, who served since 1993 and was only the second woman to be appointed to that Court, had become to a large swath of our society. We are all discussing where we heard it and the effect it had on us. Her courage in the face of adversity throughout her life made her a hero not only to other lawyers and judges, but also to many others in all walks of life who saw her as a champion for their rights.

And fight she did for the rights of so many in this country. She made it her life’s mission to protect and increase gender equality and civil rights for all Americans, and her unique position as a Supreme Court Justice gave her the power and voice to implement real change. Yet she stood strong without hostility or anger. She firmly believed she was right, surely, and let that confidence speak for itself, without needing to attack her fellow Justices. She gave this fight her all, keeping going as cancer deprived her of health and physical strength, always keeping her priorities straight.

It was strangely comforting, for those on social media, to see the many tributes and positive postings about Ginsburg, at a time when communication online is otherwise so often completely toxic. She would have been glad to know her legacy was embraced by many, and would be even happier if the next Supreme Court Justice were named after the Nov. 3 election. With that discussion, more contentious commentary has arisen.

In a posting on Facebook the night Ginsburg died on Friday, Sept. 18, state Rep. Maria Horn (D-64), an attorney, wrote these words:

“She was appointed to the Supreme Court the year I graduated from law school, so her tenure on that court defined my own legal career. We could always rely on her to ask the questions that needed asking, say the things that needed saying, and write the future for all of us. It is remarkable both what she herself changed, and how much of that legacy is in peril. We, and our daughters and granddaughters, are her legacy now.”

Would that all discourse on social media were as civil and uplifting as those words, and so many others that were written that day about Ginsburg, an extraordinary, admired and beloved woman.

Story was unnecessary and not newsworthy

I write to protest your article in the Sept. 17 Lakeville Journal “Cornwall woman arrested for NYC vandalism.” It is misleading, unfair and incorrect. For starters, the young woman is not a Cornwall resident, but the daughter of a weekender. Second, being arrested is not the same as being convicted, the latter being more newsworthy. Much of the article is about another woman, also not from Cornwall, who was arrested in some other incident. Ms. Kraebber claims the other incident never happened. Whether Ms. Kraebber is guilty of the allegations against her will be determined by the legal process. In our country one is innocent until proven guilty.

One of your sources for the article is the New York Post, a Murdoch-owned tabloid not known for accuracy or veracity. It’s like relying on the facts presented in a Donald Trump press conference. The Columbia Journalism Review stated in 1980, the “New York Post is no longer merely a journalistic problem. It is a social problem — a force for evil.” (Columbia Journalism Review, volume 18, number 5 [Jan/Feb 1980], p. 22–23.)

What is particularly outrageous is how you focus on Ms. Kraebber’s parents. Your weekly column, “Police Blotter: Troop B,” offers a weekly listing, which includes younger people who have been reckless behind the wheel, intoxicated, arrested for drug use or assault. Never have I seen any of their parents singled out.

It’s unfair to cast the sins of the parents on the children and by corollary, the sins of the children on the parents. I barely know Ms. Kraebber’s parents, but they certainly do not deserve your public embarrassment of them. What was the reason for identifying where they live in Cornwall and when they bought their house, not to speak of mentioning they have an Upper East Side Manhattan apartment: to contribute to the growing anti-New Yorker bias in the Northwest Corner or the nasty pleasure of publicizing a therapist’s child in trouble? Yuk Yuk! It’s very shabby and shameful reportage.

James J. Fishman

Cornwall

Article was a bad basis for cartoon

The so-called cartoon, “How Trump honors the dead,” in the Sept. 10 Lakeville Journal, was triggered by what I believe to be a discredited article in The Atlantic magazine. Did you not know that well over 20 officials refuted the story? They so stated on the record — not hiding behind anonymity. Even John Bolton was included in the numbers who were actually there.

The official logs confirmed official account that the trip was canceled due to the inclement weather. The Atlantic article was an obvious partisan hit piece.

The Lakeville Journal was either ignorant of the reaction or so biased in its reporting that your paper believed that publishing this vile “cartoon” was justified.

Incidentally, Obama/Biden had a 37% approval ranking among the military in 2014–2015. That’s compared to 90% for Trump. That should tell you something.

The disdain many readers of the main stream journalism is because of bias that is demonstrated by this “cartoon.”

John Milnes Baker

South Kent

Opinion



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Goodbye, summer

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Connecticut not good on COVID-19 response

Across the United States, dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic has been a serious problem, and unfortunately, Ms. Ascher, in her recent Viewpoint column, feels that Connecticut and Governor Lamont have done a good job in managing the virus. I feel the evidence does not prove her case.

Most commentators refer to the total number of deaths from the virus. Such statistics, however, must be put into relative context, i.e. the number of deaths per 100,000 of population. Connecticut has one of the highest death rates per 100,000 — 81 deaths per 100,000 residents, while the national average is 60.9 deaths per 100,000 based on the current Johns Hopkins’ data.

In Connecticut, nursing home deaths have accounted for 64% of its total virus-related deaths while nationwide the percentage is approximately 40%. Furthermore, an independent study, by Mathematica Research Policy, released in mid-August, said Connecticut has the highest coronavirus death rate in long-term care facilities in the Northeast. This state-funded report said that Connecticut health officials failed to develop a plan

to protect nursing homes in the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic and were also hampered by an outdated outbreak-monitoring system. This was caused by a lack of scientific knowledge about the disease, unfilled positions at the Department of Public Health, obsolete reporting systems, and an insufficient supply of personal protective equipment. The report also cited several other factors, including inadequate technology, as Connecticut’s data collection systems were paper or fax-based at the start of the pandemic. Daily electronic reporting from facilities to the state did not start until May 8, three days before former state Public Health Commissioner Renee Coleman-Mitchell was fired. As a result, the Department of Public Health did not have the ability to monitor outbreaks in nursing homes and assisted-living facilities, so the state had to revamp systems to monitor the virus based on the type of facility, the report says. Governor Ned Lamont has to take responsibility for this catastrophe and commit to fixing the system.

Victor Germack

West Cornwall

Vote for Ohler for the 64th

The words “state representative” do two things. They name an elected office and they describe an active function of representing the needs and desires of the people who work in the district. It is difficult to choose between two candidates who are both good, qualified individuals. However, Brian Ohler, by his life and work, presents a clear picture of someone who will represent the people of the 64th District in a manner that is desperately needed.

We live in an area of Connecticut that is geographically remote. However, many social problems have invaded our corner of the state at an alarming rate. We are seeing an increase in crime, illegal drug use, drug addiction, speeding on our roads and trashing of our roadsides with litter. This is a time when we need increased police protection and enforcement, not less.

A typical shift of the officers from the State Police barracks includes only four officers out

on patrol. This in a district of approximately 500 square miles. We certainly do not want to see fewer police out on patrol in the district. Yet, the legislation that has recently been passed is very likely to make it more difficult to recruit and retain the number and caliber of officers that are desperately needed in this remote area. It is hard for me to understand how any representative from this part of Connecticut could vote for such legislation.

This part of Connecticut needs someone who really understands the challenges of security and police work, and has the background that provides for the understanding of why police and other first responders need to be encouraged, and protected, as they step up to face the difficult tasks and decisions that they continually face, especially here in the remote Northwest Corner. We need Brian Ohler as our State Representative.

Don Mayland

Salisbury

Dinner and a movie, all for a good cause

To those of you who sponsored, purchased tickets and attended our annual fundraiser for The Equus Effect, thank you! We weren’t sure we were going to hold an event without our horses, veterans, first responders and frontline health workers to explain how our program has given them a “leg up” but as it turns out, we got them all up on a silver screen at the Four Brothers Drive-In Theatre. We were so glad to see folks from our community and beyond having tailgate picnics — together and safe in this whimsical blast from

the past.

And thanks to our friends near and far, for making this year possible. We know what a difficult one it has been and are very aware that we are but one of many important causes on your lists. We work with people who don’t like to ask for help, and are deeply touched by the fact that when we asked for yours, you responded in a most amazing way. More than ever, we truly feel that we belong to this community. Thank you!

Jane Strong

Sharon

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Lakeville needs this affordable housing

I am writing to express my support for the affordable housing project on the Holley Block. As a young resident of Lakeville, I know firsthand how difficult it is for young individuals and families to afford rent in the area. Many are looking to move out of their parents’ homes, but simply do not have the money to do so.

I believe an affordable housing project would support a more diverse, youthful set of residents, who would enliven the town and bring business to local establishments.

I hope this message resonates with other residents of Salisbury, and will help the Salisbury Affordable Housing Commission achieve its goals.

Hannah Pouler

Lakeville

Why I’ll vote for Horn

I will vote for Maria Horn. Marlene Woodman’s letter in the Journal Sept. 17 stated: “Maria Horn does not vote to please the Democratic leadership. She votes for what is right for her 64th District.”

I agree that Maria votes for all of the people she represents. She is a hardworking, honest, intelligent and dedicated representative. Check her voting record at Vote Smart, or her web page for where she stands on issues. Questions I have had for Maria are truthfully answered and opinions I have voiced to Maria are always thoughtfully received (she listens). She is actively engaged - 24/7 - in the many issues which effect the 64th District.

She comes to us with a keen legal background, and uses her many skills to negotiate with honor and dignity.

I will vote for Maria Horn for Connecticut’s 64th and dedicate that vote to honor of the legacy of the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a woman who worked all of her life for fairness, equality and justice.

Judi Gott

Salisbury



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NORMA GALAISE

100 years ago — Sept. 1920

Saturday was registration day and the women to the number of about 200 put in an appearance before the board and were made voters. About 44 men were made voters. For the first time in the history of the state the ladies will be able to vote for town officers in the coming town meeting.

A general coal shortage of more than 50 percent in the cities, and about 75 percent in the smaller towns, is the estimate of the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce based on the reports so far received from local chambers of commerce and coal dealers throughout the state.

LIME ROCK — Miss Gwendolyn Athoe expects to leave on Saturday for Storrs Agricultural College where she has accepted a position.

Jack Frost made his first call in Lime Rock Sunday night.

ORE HILL — James Moore, with his aunt and uncle and their family, went over the Mohawk trail on Sunday.

50 years ago — Sept. 1970

“The Country Garden,” the popular book on gardening written by Lakeville Journal columnist Josephine Nuese, will receive the Award of Merit given annually by the Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut.

SHARON — Mrs. Herbert Best of Bownes Road just returned from several days visit with Mrs. Paul Bohannon at her home in New Hampshire. Mrs. Bohannon, as Eunice Blake, was Mrs. Best’s editor with four different publishers.

Dairy farmer Albert Giulian of Sunset Hill Farm in Canaan has been named 1970 Dairyman of the Year and was honored Sept. 18 at a recognition banquet during the Eastern States Exposition and at the Governors’ luncheon the following day. Mr. Giulian, a former building contractor, produces more than half a million pounds of milk for every worker on the his farm, which includes 450 acres and 145 cows.

25 years ago — Sept. 1995

Rain fell Sunday and nobody complained. At the drug store, on the steps of churches, outside the market, people smiled under their umbrellas, relishing the gentle wetness that would bring some relief from the drought.

It’s hard to lose any soccer game but to be disqualified for earning three yellow cards is a particularly bitter pill to swallow. Such was the case with the Housatonic Mountaineers boys’ soccer team. The penalties were levied against Housy for swearing, delaying the game and a side tackle from behind.

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

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CLAY ARTISTS: CYNTHIA HOCHSWENDER

Clay in all its Fascinating Forms — and the Artists Who Love It

The fourth annual Clay Way Studio Tour of artists who do ceramics and pottery in the Tri-state region will be held on the weekend of Oct. 17 and 18.

As always, some artists will show their work in the studios of other artists, so that there will be a total of 15 artists and nine studios in two states.

The tour is free and self-guided; go to the website at www.clayway.net to see the map. At the northeast corner, in West Cornwall, Conn., is Jane Herrold, easy to spot on the Sharon Goshen Turnpike (Route 128), where she also has a little retail shack near the road. Joining her for the ClayWay will be artist Alexandra Fitzgerald.

Cornwall's Todd Piker is on South Kent Road (Route 7), just a bit north of Christine Owen, who is in Warren, Conn., on the Cornwall Road (also known as Route 45). Joining Owen will be Angelo Estrada and joining Piker will be Shana Petersen.

Joy Brown, possibly the most famous ceramic artist in the region, has her studio open on Segar Mountain Road (Route 7) in Kent, Conn., not far from the studio of Alison Palmer at Stone Fences in Kent, where visitors can also see the work of Missy Stevens.

Palmer is beloved among ceramic artist fans not only for her work, which is quirky and often involves animals (ask about her burial urns), but also because she fires



PHOTOS FROM ANN HEYWOOD

Ceramic artist Ann Heywood, recently retired from a 30-year career as an art conservator for the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, is among the 15 participants in this year's Clay Way Studio Tour. Her one-of-a-kind pieces range from vases and bowls and mugs to soap dishes.

large soda kilns and wood kilns each year; artists from the region convene, and fire their work with her. Palmer and Stevens are the only artists who will also be in their studios on Friday, Oct. 16 (and Palmer's work can be found online at Shopify).

Swinging north from those Kent artists, look for Brendan Moore on Nodine Pasture Road in Kent (also showing at his studio will be Dan Bellow). Will Talbot is at the far southeastern end of the map, in Washington, Conn.

Over in New York State are two artists in Wingdale: Amy Brenner is on Old Branch Road and Ann

Heywood is just south, on Askins Road.

The Clay Way tour is a chance to meet the artists in person, and connect a face to beloved work. The work of Joy Brown, for example, is well-known in the area: Her joyful and cuddly ceramic pieces have been on display in the center of Kent and often peek out of the gardens of area residents. She is as warm and welcoming as her clay figures, and her studio is a treasure trove of little hidden corners in which to poke around.

The artists also have pieces for sale, including some that are less perfect and less expensive than some of the pieces they might sell online or at a gallery.

Ann Heywood is opening her Wingdale studio this year for Clay Way for the second time.

She recently retired from 30 years as an art conservator for the Metropolitan



Museum of Art in New York City and has been making one-of-a-kind pieces at her Wingdale studio. Her work has an understated almost Japanese quality.

"I am attracted to simple lines and elegant forms," she said in an email, "and I enjoy playing with the contrast and interaction of glazes with a dark clay body.

"I mostly throw on the wheel, but also hand-build some vases, trays and soap dishes. I fire primarily in my own electric kiln, but also in Alison Palmer's soda kiln and her wood kiln."

All the artists participating in the tour are respecting social distance guidelines.

"I will be setting up outdoors on my covered porch this year and will be following safety protocols: One group at a time, one way traffic, and masks will be required," Heywood said.

Clay Way is on Oct. 17 and 18 (and Alison Palmer and Missy Stevens will also be in the studio on Oct. 16).

The map of the studios can be found at www.clayway.net, which also has the complete list of participating artists. There are links to many of the artists' websites or Instagram pages, but to learn more about some of the artists you will need to search online.

ENVIRONMENTAL LESSONS, AS THE WEST COAST BURNS

The distance from Salisbury, Conn., to the Amazon River is more than 3,000 miles, but the two regions share ecological lessons and concerns.

Many of these are discussed by Mark Plotkin in his book, "The Amazon: What Everyone Needs to Know," published this year by the Oxford University Press.

The safe passage of animals through different landscapes each year, for example, is as relevant to Tri-state region residents (where, the spring migration of amphibians is a topic of concern) as it is in South America.

"Forest fragmentation in much of Amazonia has demonstrated that sizable protected areas play a vital role in the survival of species that cannot exist if they need to commute between widely separated smaller parcels of rainforest," Plotkin notes

in his book.

A conservationist and ethnobotanist, Plotkin studied at Harvard and at the Yale School of Forestry and earned his Ph.D. from Tufts University. Time magazine named him an "Environmental Hero for the Planet" and the Smithsonian included him in its list of "35 Who Made a Difference."

At a time when most of the American West Coast is engulfed in flames, all Americans have an interest in learning how to protect the world around them.

— Cynthia Hochswender

Plotkin will talk about his new book, and why the lessons of the Amazon matter to residents of the Tri-state region, in a Zoom talk sponsored by Salisbury's Scoville Memorial Library on Thursday, Oct. 8, at 7 p.m. To register, go to www.scovillelibrary.org.



PHOTO BY SERGEI FEDORJACZENKO

D. M. Hunt Library Hunt ArtWall chairs Garth Kobal, at left in photo, and Zoe Fedorjaczenko, center, viewed some of the pieces Robert Andrew Parker, an esteemed American artist who lives in Cornwall, Conn., will show at the library from Sept. 25 to Nov. 14.

WORKS BY POSEY, PARKER & CRONIN AT HUNT LIBRARY

The D. M. Hunt Library in Falls Village, Conn., presents a new show of paintings of female figures by three renowned area artists: Robert Cronin of Falls Village, Conn., Sam Posey of Sharon, Conn., and Robert Andrew Parker of Cornwall, Conn.

The show opens Sept. 25 and remains on display during library hours through Nov. 14. All visitors to the library are required to wear masks and to register at the door and have their

temperature checked. Social distancing allows for only five people at a time.

To learn more about the artists, go to www.robertcroninart.com; robertandrewparker.wixsite.com; and www.obergallery.com/sam-posey.

For more information, or to make an appointment, call the library at 860-824-7424 or go to www.huntlibrary.org/art-wall, where the full exhibition can be seen beginning Sept. 25.

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Find out more at www.taconiclearningcenter.org.

OUT OF THE DARKNESS, GLIMMERS OF HOPE AT RE INSTITUTE

The Re Institute in North East/Millerton, N.Y., has an ongoing outdoor showing of work by dozens of artist called Together in Isolation.

"The show is laid out along a path that meanders around a pond and through farm fields, allowing the viewer to explore at their own pace and direction," according to the Re Institute website.

Each piece is laid out in a clear plastic box and then put in the ground, with a small light behind it.

"The experience of walking in the dark, surrounded by the rich, seasonal sounds and smells of the outdoors is a major part of the exhibit."

New work will be added to the exhibition "until such a time as we may all safely gather indoors together again."

"Then Together in Isolation will end as it began — paradoxically — with a

celebratory closing instead of an opening."

The work can be seen at the Re Institute, 1395 Boston Corners Road, in North East/Millerton on Wednesdays and Fridays from dusk until dark by appointment; go to www.TheReInstitute.com or call 518-567-5359. Photos of the work and short videos by the artists can also be seen at the website.



Above, Brooke Stevens is among the dozens of artists participating in an outdoor show at the Re Institute in North East, N.Y. (Millerton). She included drops of her own blood and several of her children's baby teeth in her gothic work, inspired by COVID-19.



PHOTOS COURTESY RE INSTITUTE

Jonathan Bee created a coronavirus particle out of jewels for his entry into the show Together in Isolation at the Re Institute in North East, N.Y. (Millerton). The outdoor show can be seen in the evening on Wednesdays and Fridays by appointment.

CELEBRATING THE MAHAWE ARTS CENTER WITH A FREE ONLINE SHOW ON OCT. 11

The Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center in Great Barrington, Mass., will celebrate its 15th anniversary as a year-round, nonprofit organization on Sunday, Oct. 11, at 7:30 p.m. The celebration, called Moving People, Moving Mountains, will be held online for free,

honoring founder Lola Jaffe with performances by Brian Stokes Mitchell, Emanuel Ax, Rosanne Cash, Michael Feinstein, Paul Taylor Dance Company, John Pizzarelli and Jessica Molasky, China Forbes of Pink Martini, Jason Danieley, the Fab Faux and more.

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