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PATHOGENS SPREAD

Schools, nursing homes and hospitals on alert

By Debra A. Aleksinas

SHARON — The flu is back, coronavirus is circulating and respiratory viruses are targeting the young. This stew of sickness has schools, nursing homes and hospitals bracing for a long, hard third winter of the COVID-19 pandemic.

“What we are seeing is that the protective measures people had been taking up until this point are decreasing,” said Dr. Mark Marshall, vice president of medical affairs at Sharon Hospital, referring to masking, meticulous hand washing and social distancing. “This is a big concern.”

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Complicating matters, he said, vaccines are waning and the public is eschewing flu shots and boosters. “It’s allowing the spread of respiratory illnesses. During the first big surge of COVID, we saw almost no influenza.”

The internist said he is concerned that the flu is returning “with a vengeance” and the public will face several dangerous pathogens all at once.

“The flu season is earlier than expected,” said Marshall, partly because of increased social activities and waning immunity. People who were used to getting seasonal flu shots or even the virus itself, he said, had built up antibodies. But that has not happened since the flu skipped two seasons.

Also concerning is a rapid rise

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Going up

Salisbury’s Obed Opoku leaps for a header on Saturday, Oct. 22, at the Millbrook School in Millbrook, New York. Salisbury defeated Millbrook in a 3-2 score.



PHOTO BY JOHN COSTON

Jerry Milner, a state forester, inspects a newly planted witch hazel shrub at Housatonic Meadows State Park on Tuesday, Oct. 18.

Housatonic Meadows

Restoration marches to fall schedule

By John Coston

SHARON — State workers arrived with heavy equipment at Housatonic Meadows State Park on Tuesday, Oct. 18, to plant trees and prepare the park for restoration.

The same environmentalists who last winter fought the state’s broad-scale tree-cutting were on the scene, lending a hand and collaborating on the renewal work.

The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) was carrying out the first phase of a project aimed at restoring the park and remediating potential drainage problems.

Eleven trees were planted along a stretch in front

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Delighting in the down to earth humor of Roy Blount Jr.

By Leila Hawken

SALISBURY — First of all, the name is pronounced “Blunt.” With that bit of business out of the way, talented author and humorist Roy Blount Jr. set about regaling his audience with a selection of stories that brought chuckles of recognition and more that elicited actual laughter. As they say, the audience was held in the palm of his hand. Presented by the Salisbury Fo-

rum, the event was held on Friday, Oct. 21, at Housatonic Valley Regional High School, drawing a near capacity audience to the auditorium. Forum President Pat Jenny noted that the free program was sponsored by CT Humanities and numerous area residents through their donations.

Jenny’s introduction noted that Blount, now a resident of New Orleans part of the year, and Mill River, Massachusetts, during good weather months was born and raised in Decatur, Georgia. College years were spent at Vanderbilt University.

Creativity is plentiful in Blount, leading him to make contributions along a variety of avenues, including as an author, storyteller, regular on PBS’ “Wait, Wait, Don’t Tell Me,” and the former “Prairie Home Companion.” His professional credits include accomplishment as an actor, screenwriter, poet and journalist.

“Two questions never to ask an author: ‘How is your book coming?’ and, ‘How is your book doing?’” Blount advised early on, adding, “Clearly, literary recognition is not all that it’s cracked up to be.”

Years of his career were devoted to writing for Sports Illustrated,

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Area food pantries face busiest time of year

By Riley Klein

LAKEVILLE — With holidays on the horizon, food pantries are gearing up for their busiest time of the year.

Food insecurity in the Northwest Corner has been a persistent issue and one that has become more complicated as food and utility prices have risen this past year.

The network of food pantries that has supported those in need for decades has now called for support

themselves.

Louise Riley, director of the Fishes & Loaves at Pilgrim House in North Canaan, offered insight on the challenge.

“Even though we are a mission of the church, we have to pay the expenses. You can imagine with eight freezers and three refrigerators, plus the cost of heat and electric, our operating expenses have gone up considerably,” Riley said.

The eight volunteers at Fishes & Loaves serve an average of 130 households per month, feeding about 300 individuals within the towns of North Canaan, Falls Village and Norfolk.

“We always welcome food do-

nations and monetary donations,” said Riley.

Amanda Halle is board co-president at The Corner Food Pantry, a non-denominational charity and all-volunteer organization in Lakeville.

“In September we served approximately 1,700 individuals representing 400 households. This increase represents more than double the amount of households we were serving prior to the pandemic and these numbers do not seem to be coming down in the near future,” said Halle.

The Corner Food Pantry serves the Tri-state area and is supported by approximately 65 regular volun-

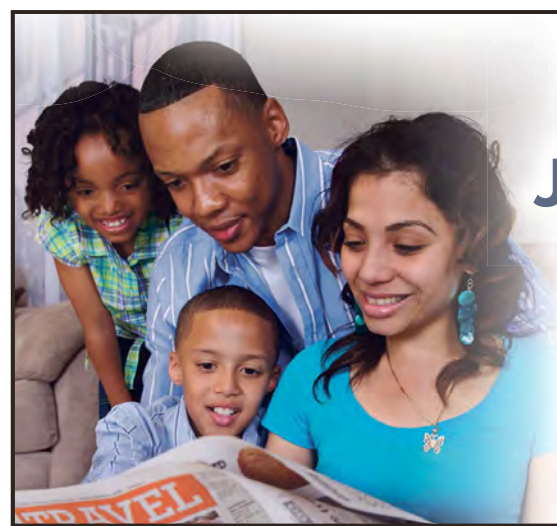
teers each month.

Food is sourced from the Connecticut Food Bank and a variety of local organizations. Halle said that in addition to purchasing goods from shops like LaBonne’s and Sharon Farm Market, “we work with local farms such as Hotchkiss School, Adamah, Gordon Ridgway, Q Farms and Foodhub, which delivers fresh fruit and vegetables to us from farmers in Northwest Connecticut.”

To support The Corner Food Pantry visit the website (www.thecornerfoodpantry.org) and for information on how to become a



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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.

Collision at intersection
 On Tuesday, Oct. 18, at approximately 8 a.m. a 2015 International 7500 driven by David Gasparini, 65, was traveling southbound on Route 7 in Canaan when a 2015 Toyota RAV driven by Christopher Schreffler, 30, was traveling westbound on Route 126 and failed to yield to the southbound vehicle, striking it in the intersection. Gasparini was transported to Fairview Hospital in Great Barrington due to head pain. Schreffler was transported to Sharon Hospital for suspected minor injuries and was charged with failure to observe a stop sign.

Disturbance at home
 On Friday, Oct. 21, at

approximately 10:30 p.m. troopers responded to a report of an active disturbance at 61 Hollenbeck Road in Cornwall, and learned that the suspect had left the residence. Troopers were led to 46 Hollenbeck Road, where the homeowner, Kevin Harmon, 42, exited the residence and presented himself with an ax and assumed a fighting stance. Harmon eventually put the ax down but refused to identify himself. Harmon was arrested and transported to Troop B for processing. He was charged with interfering with an officer and released on \$1,000 non-surety bond.

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 johnc@lakevillejournal.com.

Winter clothing drive, giveaway

SALISBURY — All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church will again hold its winter clothing drive. The event will take place on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church, which is at 313 Twin Lakes Road in Salisbury.

Winter clothing may be donated and dropped off at

the church at any time between now and the first week of November.

Please be sure clothing is clean and in good condition.

We will accept winter clothing for all ages, including coats, sweaters, hats, gloves, scarves and boots. For more information, call 860-824-1340.

Veteran Woodruff appointed to nursing post at Sharon Hospital

SHARON — Nuvance Health has appointed Dawn Woodruff, MSN, RN, as chief nursing officer of Sharon Hospital.

The appointment was made on Thursday, Oct. 13.

Woodruff has worked in the health-care field for 35 years and at Sharon Hospital for more than eight years, most recently serving as director of Patient Care Services since 2020.

Woodruff will lead the facility's nursing team through creation of "efficient nursing procedures, treatment plans, integration of new medical technologies," the hospital said.

"It is an honor to continue my journey as a nurse leader at Sharon Hospital in a profession that makes a profound impact on the lives of so many in our communities," Woodruff said in a statement. "I am committed to fostering an environment and culture of care that ensures every nurse can fulfill their passions and each patient receives the support they deserve, whether for routine lab work or an elective procedure at our hospital."

Woodruff previously worked at St. Mary's Hospital, where she began her career at the bedside as a staff and charge nurse in the Intensive Care Unit. She has a Master of Science and Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the



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Dawn Woodruff

University of Connecticut. The former chief nursing officer, Christina McCulloch, became president of Sharon Hospital earlier this year.

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Online This Week

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HYSB Falcon 5K benefit draws runners

The inaugural Falcon 5K at Indian Mountain School took place on Saturday, Oct. 22. See video at www.tricornernews.com/multimedia

Trying out hands-on at Sloane Museum

The Hudson Valley Preservation promoted a "Touch a Trade" event on Saturday, Oct. 22. See video at www.tricornernews.com/multimedia

Food pantry Cupcake challenge

NORTH CANAAN — The Fishes & Loaves Food Pantry, which supports families in need, will hold a cupcake benefit on Saturday, Nov. 5.

The location will be The Pilgrim House, 30 Granite Ave, North Canaan, during the annual Calico Fair. Prizes will be given. The entry fee is \$12.

Beginner or expert bakers, adults, or children, can enter one dozen of your best or favorite cupcakes. Cupcakes will be judged by taste, overall appearance, creativity and texture.

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SAVE SHARON HOSPITAL

At the October 16th Rally to Save Sharon Hospital, our federal representatives joined our community in support of keeping the maternity unit and ICU open at Sharon Hospital:



US Senator Richard Blumenthal

"We need to fight, not only for a woman's right over healthcare decisions when it comes to whether and when to have children - and I trust women to make those decisions, I don't trust politicians to make those kinds of decisions for women. But we need services that provide for adequate delivery and maternity care. That's a part of being a hospital. You don't get to pick and choose what it is to be a hospital. To reduce the quality of an intensive care unit and call it a "progressive unit." Now, I'm a progressive and I'm proud to be a progressive - but I want an Intensive Care Unit not a progressive unit. And when you start reducing the quality of healthcare and eliminating services, it's a very slippery slope because once you start putting profit above patients there's no telling where it will lead. And we're going to stop that. ... we're going to make sure that it remains a quality hospital worthy of the men and women of Sharon and Connecticut, all of this region, we're going to keep fighting."



US Representative Jahana Hayes

"It is so incredibly important that we keep maternity and women's health services here at Sharon Hospital. ... I was able to secure in the last year \$400,000 for Sharon Hospital for Telehealth services, because they said they need help, 'We need Federal funding to expand access and services at this hospital.' And all of us stood up to show them that you have partners at the Federal level who are here to help you with whatever you need - and then two months later - TWO MONTHS LATER - they came out after receiving that funding and said that they're still going to go through with that same plan. Not on my watch - not on my watch!! We have done everything in good faith to meet them in the middle like Maria [Horn] said, to help get resources, to help bring down the cost, to help mitigate some of the problems and challenges that they are talking about. But you cannot ask for help when your mind is already made up that this is what you want to do. And even more importantly, you cannot leave the people in this part of the state with no access to care. That is a dangerous, dangerous, dangerous proposition. ... People are not going to make the choice to raise their family in a community that doesn't have healthcare."

There is still time for you to help! While we wait for the new date for the Public Hearing regarding Nuvance's application to close maternity at Sharon Hospital, you can still email your testimony to ohs@ct.gov to tell the state why you think keeping maternity at Sharon Hospital is important. Learn more at www.savesharonhospital.org



Salisbury Republican Town Committee



Meet George Logan Candidate for the U.S. Congress



George Logan is the son of Guatemalan immigrants and grew up in inner-city New Haven. Fluent in both English and Spanish, George obtained a degree in Engineering from Trinity College and a Masters in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Bridgeport. He then spent 30 years with the water company Aquarion, where he is currently Director of Community Relations. George is extremely personable, hard working and charismatic.

George served for two terms in the Connecticut Senate, where he was the Ranking member of the Human Services and Veterans Affairs Committees. He developed a reputation for working across the aisle to address issues affecting the State, such as the creation of a more business-friendly environment. George also serves on numerous non-profit boards, including Griffin Hospital, the Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Central Connecticut YMCA.

George is running for Connecticut's 5th District Congressional seat, now held by Jahana Hayes, who has followed the Democratic party line on virtually every issue during her four year in Congress. George will bring to Congress a common sense approach to problems the Democratic leadership refuses to address, such as runaway inflation, chaos on our Southern border, an opioid epidemic, a dramatic resurgence in crime in our major cities, and the failure to continue the country's march toward energy independence. George Logan will bring a much-needed fresh voice to Washington.

Paid for by the Salisbury Republican Town Committee and approved by Mr. Logan.

Our Towns

Housing: a big, urgent challenge

By Debra A. Aleksinas

GOSHEN — Proving that it takes more than a village to solve the Northwest Corner's affordable housing crisis, about 80 people, including state and local officials, regional housing groups, representatives of nonprofit organizations, housing advocates and residents gathered on Tuesday, Oct. 18, to kick off a Litchfield County Housing Affordability Summit.

The purpose of the event, sponsored by the Litchfield County Center for Housing Opportunity (LC-CHO) and held at the site of renovated units at Goshen Housing Trust property, was to "facilitate a regional response" to presenting affordable housing in Litchfield County, according to Jocelyn Ayer, LC-CHO's director.

"It's a big and urgent challenge," she said, addressing the crowd. Ayer noted that the goal is for attendees to "learn from each other and figure out how we can all work together to do this."

The two-hour event, which started with a keynote address by Commissioner Seila Mosquera-Bruno of the Connecticut Department of Housing (CDH), also included an awards presentation to three individuals from Salisbury and Kent for their dedication to their communities in the quest to bring affordable rental units and home ownership to full-time residents.

Seed funding from DOH

Mosquera-Bruno noted that volunteers can only do so much, and if they don't have adequate funding, "it can take years" for projects to



PHOTO BY DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS

The YIMBY (Yes In My Back Yard) award was presented to Jim Dresser, a longtime housing advocate who donated a 5.3 acre parcel of land to the Salisbury Housing Committee for affordable housing units.

proceed. The commissioner then announced that help is on the way from the DOH in the form of \$500,000 in seed funding that can be used for capacity building and expenses like architectural plans and soil sampling, as well as shared project manager support.

"I want to come back for those ribbon-cutting ceremonies, which I am waiting for," she told the crowd.

Nandini Natarajan, CEO of the quasi-public Connecticut Housing Finance Authority, outlined CHFA resources available to communities, including its Time To Own Program. The Litchfield County population, on average is older, the housing market is competitive, houses for sale are selling three times faster and when they do sell, they are "well above the asking price," Natarajan noted. Also, younger people tend to live with their families longer, she said.

"So what if we celebrate what makes the Northwest

Corner of Connecticut unique," like the "amazing work that is going on across the region," instead of framing the challenges in a negative light, she said.

One approach, said Natarajan, is "investing in where we live. Housing is inherently intersectional. It exists so that all the other parts of our life can exist as well."

Two achievement awards and a YIMBY

The program also included awards presentations to three individuals from Salisbury and Kent.

The YIMBY (Yes In My Back Yard) award was presented to Jim Dresser, a longtime housing advocate and former Salisbury selectman who, in May, donated a 5.3 acre parcel of land adjacent to his property near the town village to the Salisbury Housing Committee (SHC) for the construction of 18 to 20 affordable rental units.

"Jim is dogged in his pursuit of creating housing options in his community,"

Ayer said.

Dresser recalled a gathering of the Salisbury Forum in 2000, which initially addressed the shortage of affordable rental units in town.

"It was identified as the most important problem facing the town of Salisbury. While that was what people would put on paper, it didn't happen for various reasons." He said he is glad to see a recent sea change in the public's perception of affordable housing.

Longtime affordable housing advocates Virginia Bush Suttman of Kent and Anne Kremer of Salisbury were honored with Lifetime Achievement Awards.

Bill Bachrach, who is on the board of directors for Kent Affordable Housing, accepted Suttman's award as she was out of state visiting relatives. He credited Suttman, the group's president emerita, for her "tireless work to expand affordable housing opportunities," over the past 15 years, from crafting knit hats to raise funds for the effort, to measuring and installing shelf liners in new apartment kitchens.

"Virginia sets an example for all of us because she walks the walk," having recently established a second accessory apartment in an outbuilding on her property, noted Bachrach.

Peter Halle, co-president of the nonprofit Salisbury Housing Committee (SHC), accepted the Lifetime Achievement Award for Kremer, who had led SHC for the past decade. "At that time, we had 22 units. We now have 39, with another 10 approved and we expect to break ground later this year."

Cornwall housing forum looks at persistent issues

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — With several meetings behind them, members of the Housing Plan Implementation Committee gathered for a public forum to provide an update on Wednesday, Oct. 19. The Zoom event attracted 36 residents.

First Selectman Gordon Ridgway reported that Cornwall's median house price rose 30% over the past year.

"How much unaffordable housing can a town have and still survive or even thrive," Ridgway asked. "It's not a good trajectory."

To present some context, consultant Jocelyn Ayer, director of the Litchfield County Center for Housing Opportunity, said rentals are becoming fewer, citing two reasons. First, rental homes are being sold and others are becoming short-term rentals as Airbnbs.

Ayer noted that in Litchfield County, 46% of young adults report that they are living in their parents' homes.

"The time is now to find new funding," Ayer said, noting that the state is eager to fund new development. Cornwall needs to find land to build on or buildings to renovate, Ayer advised.

Ridgway reported that in the past five years, Cornwall has not created any affordable housing.

The town's new housing advocate, Jessica Brackman, introduced herself to the forum. "I come at this really wanting to help," Brackman said, beginning by assessing needs and identifying resources while working

closely with Heather Dinneen, the town's social services director.

Representing the Cornwall Housing Corporation (CHC) after longtime president Maggie Cooley stepped down, Ginni Block, as its new head, reviewed the current developments of Kugeman and Bonny Brook, with 18 and 10 units respectively. The latter is now independent of the CHC, she noted. The newly implemented Parcel Program makes building lots available. So far, eight homes have been built and three lots are still available, Block said.

Under the Parcel Program, the CHC installs the driveways and wells and the owner is responsible for building the home and installing the septic system, Block said. Current CHC priorities include fundraising, promoting the parcel program and working with local banks to help arrange and support mortgage funding for families who would benefit from the program, Block explained.

The Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) is a key player in developing affordable housing. P&Z Chairman Anna Timell noted that all of the topical threads are closely connected.

With a goal toward encouraging multi-family housing, Timell said that the P&Z will consider definitions, seeking increased flexibility in existing accessory apartment regulations.

She said P&Z is working to revise regulations to make them more accessible, or understandable, to those who need to work with them.



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OBITUARIES

Neil Scott

LAKEVILLE — Ever the quiet force, Neil Scott passed away peacefully at Sharon Hospital on Oct. 12, 2022, after 94 years of a remarkable life. Born in Bolton, Great Britain, in 1928, Neil spent an active youth sailing, rowing, fishing, and hiking around the Isle of Man, a small island between England and Ireland. He attended King William's College on the island through his high school years, then was conscripted into the Royal Air Force. Always a man of wry, understated humor, asked what he did in the RAF, his reply was "played six-a-side hockey in the hangars."

Following the RAF, Neil attended Keble College at Oxford University from 1950 to 1952 where he studied chemistry and won numerous rowing cups for Keble. He then taught chemistry and coached rowing at The King's School, Canterbury from 1953 to 1969. At King's Neil met and married his wife Jill. Seeking new adventures, Neil moved with his young family to Quebec in 1969 to teach at Stanstead. A year later, Neil was recruited by The Hotchkiss School in Lakeville to teach chemistry. While at Hotchkiss Neil also started the sailing program, and later coached girls' varsity field hockey, both teams winning championships in short order. Neil arranged a year-long

teaching exchange in New Zealand in 1986, where he and Jill enjoyed camping, playing golf, and traveling around the islands as much as the teaching. He retired from Hotchkiss in 1993 and happily spent more time based in Lakeville, but out on the water whenever possible with his wife, children and grandchildren. Neil was a longtime volunteer for Reading for the Blind, and used his science expertise while on the Salisbury Town Sewer Commission. As a 50-year member, Neil firmly believed in the mission of the Rotary club, to provide service to others. His special interest was serving on Rotary's Scholarship Committee, following his lifelong love of working with students.

Neil is survived by his wife Jill, son David (Kari MacKay), daughter Carol, grandchildren Harry, Alex, Philip and Spencer, and his brother Ian. He is predeceased by his daughter Kathryn and brother Geoff.

We all miss him greatly. A memorial service will be held in The Hotchkiss School Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 30. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Neil's name to the Salisbury Rotary Club Foundation Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 287 Salisbury, CT 06068. Remembrances of Neil can be sent to briankenny@kenny-funeralhomes.com.



Flu clinics scheduled for fall

SALISBURY — Visiting Nurse and Hospice of Litchfield County has flu clinics throughout Litchfield County for anyone 18 years and older for the upcoming flu season. Influenza (flu) is a highly contagious viral respiratory infection that can result in mild to severe illness, possibly requiring hospitalization, and can sometimes lead to death.

Clinic schedule:
North Canaan Town Hall
 Friday, Oct. 28, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Lakeville Town Grove (42 Ethan Allen St.)
 Wednesday, Nov. 2 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 Participating insurances:

Aetna, Anthem BCBS, Connecticut, Harvard Pilgrim, United Healthcare, Medicare, Meritain. Self-pay: cash or check

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For questions or for a full list of clinics in Litchfield County call 860-379-8561.

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Zoe Nakos Canellakis

WEST CORNWALL — Zoe Nakos Canellakis, the Assistant Dean and as a Fellow of Berkeley College from 1975, advising countless undergraduates in their academic schedules and research theses, she ultimately retired in 1993 as Yale Emeritus faculty and a Koerner Fellow.



Throughout her career, as a pioneer and champion of women in science, she mentored many undergraduate and graduate women toward successful careers. As the Chair of the Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women of the American Society of Biological Chemists and Carnegie Conference on Women Keynote speaker, she organized panels that focused on helping scientists, especially

Don later moved on to greener pastures in Vermont while Kevin and George remained on the farm in Connecticut. After many years of farming, George decided to try his hand at selling farm equipment, in partnership with Kevin, so they opened G&K Equipment in Canaan. As the farming chapters of George's life closed, he knew he had to do what he was good at, so he stuck to selling equipment. After all, George could sell a snowball to an eskimo. George worked at Salem Farm Supply in Claverack, NY until the day he left us. There he made great friends, sold lots equipment, and bent over backwards for his clients, something he took great pride in and really enjoyed.

CANAAN — George S. Pollard, age 67, of Belden Street, passed away September 1, 2022 peacefully in his sleep. George was born on February 1, 1955 in Poughkeepsie, NY. He was the son of the late Kelly and Addie (Pixley) Pollard. George graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School in 1973. George was introduced to farming at a young age, and it became a passion that he decided to dedicate his life to in one way or another. George shared this passion with his brothers, Kevin and Don, who started Pollard Brothers Farm, in Falls Village when they were still teenagers. From there, they grew the business and expanded their livelihood to a larger farm in Lakeville, CT.

women, along successful career paths. In a 1985 editorial, she wrote, "The need to ensure full participation of able and talented women in the active scientific community is clear. It is wasteful to train scientists who either leave science or fail to develop their full potential in science. Everyone gains by including able women in the profession." (BioEssays 1985 Vol 3 (2), p51) She had insatiable curiosity as both a scientist and lifelong learner. Perhaps less well-known, but no less awe-inspiring, was her ability to quickly assemble a meal for two or twenty from her freezer, and her penchant for organizing her kitchen like a laboratory with all reagents alphabetically organized by their chemical names. Zoe will be remembered for her warm and generous mentor-

ship and friendship, as well as her ability to connect people from her wide network of friends and colleagues. She has forever changed the trajectory of many of her mentees' lives. When one of them asked what they could do to thank her, she simply said, "do it for someone else."

Dr. Z.N. Canellakis' spouse, Dr. E.S. Canellakis (div.) and partner Peter J. Demos predeceased her. Dr. Z.N. Canellakis is survived by her sons Thomas, and John, and her grandchildren Evan, Nora, and William. Zoe was a resident of Nashua, New Hampshire, New Haven, Connecticut, and West Cornwall, . In lieu of flowers please make a donation to Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women of the American Society of Biological Chemists.

George S. Pollard

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George was a kind, gentle soul. He was usually quiet, but George always had something to chat about, could always tell you a (new) joke, and could always make you laugh. He'd also give you the shirt off his back if you needed it. He was a man that left us too soon.

George is survived by three daughters, Sherrie, Casey, and Mary Reid, two sons, Michael and John, four grandchildren: Abbigale, Emaline, Tucker, and Maisie, and two siblings; Kevin and Lynn Scoville. He was predeceased by his brother, Donald, this past June 14th in Michigan.

A memorial service was held at the Pilgrim House in Canaan, CT on Friday, September 9, 2022. Memorial contributions may be made to the Housatonic Valley FFA Chapter at the Housatonic Valley Regional High School.

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Saturday, November 5, 4-5pm

CURRENT FICTION BOOK GROUP LED BY CLAUDIA CAYNE

This month's selection is "Detransition, Baby," by Torrey Peters. The novel explores the lives of three women—transgender and cisgender—who collide after an unexpected pregnancy. Join the discussion in the Oak Room or on Zoom. Register on the SML website for the link to join virtually.

Sunday, November 13, 4-5 pm

NEW NONFICTION BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

This first meeting of SML's nonfiction group will explore Oliver Sacks' "The Island of the Colorblind" (1997). The book represents a variety of non-fiction forms – from memoir to scientific writing on botany, geology and paleontology. Presented by May Castleberry, Coordinator of Adult Programs and editor of an artist's book based on this compelling title by Sacks. May will bring the art book to share with the group. Come in person or join via Zoom by going to SML's website to register.

The library will be closed on Friday, November 11, in observance of Veterans Day; closing at 2 pm on Saturday, November 12, for a private event; and closed on Thursday, November 24, for Thanksgiving.

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OBITUARIES

Françoise Rubinsztein Friedlaender

SHARON — Françoise Rubinsztein Friedlaender, an early woman pioneer in business and science, died suddenly on October 10, 2022 in Sharon Hospital. She was 76 years old. Throughout her life, and against considerable adversity, she identified her own path to independence and fulfillment, with remarkable rationality and calmness.



Born in the slums of Paris (Cité Lesage-Bullourde) just after the conclusion of World War II, where her parents and siblings had been subjected to the terror of the Nazis and the collaborationist Vichy police, she was an obviously intelligent but sickly child. Called "microbe," she and her siblings had serious health problems due to the marginal nutrition and poor hygiene. Because of these health concerns, her parents sent her to live with a Polish farming family in the tiny village of Villers-Vermont in Picardy at age 6. It had a one room schoolhouse (the teacher was also the mayor), and one phone, at the bar. When she was 9, her mother committed suicide, likely because she had terminal cancer, a fact never revealed to Françoise — a major blow. However, Françoise persevered as a solitary child and skipped 2 grades of school.

After her grammar school years, her father expected her to enter the family tailoring business in Paris as a seamstress, but her teachers strongly recommended she continue her education.

She finished high school (Lycée Claude Monet), and, again against her father's inclination, she went to a technical college, the Ecole nationale de physique, chimie et biologie de Paris. She graduated in 2 years and began a job assaying the amount of water in pills. Thoroughly bored, she quit after a month, to her father's horror, but found another more suitable research-oriented position. However, she yearned to continue her education and leave her father and France.

Now age 20, she set her sights on Saint Louis, where a cousin found her a job as a medical technician at Washington University. Once there, she quickly realized she was more qualified than her peers with American bachelor's degrees who were earning twice her salary, so she applied to the graduate school's program in Theoretical Chemistry (she discovered it was the fastest way to a Ph.D. in the sciences). She finished in 3 1/2 years, a breath-takingly short time (the title of her thesis is "Frequency dependence of the higher susceptibilities of the hydrogen molecule"). After a post-doctoral interval at the University of Pennsylvania, she was hired by the DuPont Corporation in Wilmington, Delaware in 1972 — the sole woman scientist among 20 hires that year. She stayed there until 2003, applying her skills in computer modeling and statistics in different areas, but left to become an independent financial analyst with Market Edge Inc., where she was nicknamed the "Excel Ninja." Meanwhile, she

became an accomplished skier, motorcyclist, and scuba diver.

In 2000, she used Match.com, then a new online innovation, to meet her third husband, Jonathan Friedlaender, a biological anthropologist (he had also been married twice before). One day, when she realized he was stymied analyzing all the biological data he'd collected, she suggested she might possibly be able to help (she did!). Thereafter she became fascinated with the developing field of bioinformatics, which had not existed when she was in graduate school.

She became an author on over forty research papers in childhood growth and development, human population genetics, and Neanderthal genomics, particularly concerning people in the Southwest Pacific and East Asia — another remarkable achievement. Her analytic skills and artistic illustrations clarified the often complex and cumbersome results of her colleagues.

These papers in genetics and anthropology revealed that people in this region have connections to especially ancient human migrations from other parts of the world

no one had imagined, going back 30 and 40 thousand years.

Françoise and Jonathan moved to Sharon in 2007 and delighted in the natural beauty and outdoor activities of Litchfield County while they continued their work online. She never missed an opportunity to speak French, whether with new acquaintances or the local French club. Their relationship blossomed and their partnership carried them until her untimely and sudden death with much love and fulfillment, even when facing serious health challenges to them both.

To her last days they remained as devoted to each other as newlyweds. Her friends will remember and love her particularly for her generosity, bravery of spirit, and kindness. She often said she had lived the American Dream.

While Françoise had no children, she delighted in becoming a grandmother to Jonathan's granddaughter. She is survived by her half-brothers Daniel Delmont, Jean-Michel Salzenstein, Louis Salzenstein, her beloved husband Jonathan Friedlaender, son Benjamin and daughter Mira Friedlaender, Colin Wright and granddaughter Artemis Wright.

John William Clouser Sr.

FALLS VILLAGE — John William Clouser Sr., 68, of Falls Village, died on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022, at Charlotte Hungerford Hospital in Torrington from complications stemming from a long illness.

Born on April 12, 1954, in Great Barrington, he was the son of Floyd A. Clouser Sr. and Margaret R. (Winters) Clouser.

Throughout his life, John enjoyed fishing, hunting, bowling, horseshoes, and working on cars.

Before his retirement, he worked for many years at Specialty Minerals in Canaan, and Custom Extrusion in Sheffield, Massachusetts as well as multiple positions in

southern Vermont, the Berkshires, and northwestern Connecticut.

He was predeceased by his parents; his wife Nancy Clouser; his granddaughter Katherine Ketchen; and his sister Judy Kot.

He is survived by his two adult children, John Clouser (Ruth) of Ashley Falls, and Kimberly Ketchen (Christopher) of Lenox, Massachusetts as well as four grandchildren — Caleb, Kaya, Charles "Jack," and Henry. He also leaves three brothers Elsworth Clouser (Louise) of Nassau, New York, Floyd A. Clouser, Jr. (Lynn) of Sheffield, and William N. Clouser of Murphy, North Carolina; one sis-

NORTH CANAAN — Clara Else Schumann, 90, passed away peacefully October 12, 2022 at Bentley Assisted Living in Branchville, NJ with her family and Bentley staff nearby. Prior to Bentley, Clara lived at Knoll Heights Village in Sparta, NJ for ten years where she had many friends. Born November 23, 1931, at Geer Memorial Hospital, Canaan, CT, Clara grew up in the 1930's and 40's at The Maples, a guest house, with a tea room and restaurant, catering to folks escaping the city, owned and operated by her parents, William and Katharine Schumann. The war brought changes and The Maples became more of a boarding house until it was sold and torn down in 1960, leaving childhood memories shared for the rest of her life with all who would listen. Along with The Maples, Clara's father, "Willie", owned the gas station next door and Clara would often tell the story of greeting First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt with a curtsy at the station as the presidential vehicle was being gassed up for a trip up Rt.7 to Lenox, MA. Clara was chosen homecoming queen at Housatonic Valley High School in 1948 and her children do treasure those photos! Clara's heart was in Canaan even though she had moved away in 1960. She took after her own mother with her love for travel and adventure.



She also enjoyed the Jersey Shore, ballroom dancing, antiquing, reading, scrabble and cards. She encouraged her children to be the best they could be, supporting them with acceptance and unconditional love. She was a friend of Bill W's for more than 50 years where she was an inspiration and help to many. She is retired from Dragoco where she was the receptionist.

Clara is predeceased by her daughter Kathy Suydam and grandson Jesse Suydam. Clara is survived by her cat Sweetie, daughter Kim DeWitt; son Kurt Suydam and his wife Lynne Kelly; granddaughter, Megan Worsley; great grandchildren, Brianna,

Gavin, and Heather Suydam, Desiree Mould and her husband Christopher Mould and a great, great grandchild Jesse Mould. Clara's last years at Bentley Assisted Living were a true gift of community in which she thrived and in many ways was reminiscent of her youth at The Maples. Clara often spoke of her "table" and friendships made, introducing her children to all. Everyone at Bentley remembers Clara as being positive, fun, and caring. We are so grateful to the Bentley staff who have been so caring to our mother and helpful to the family. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to The American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be offered at www.smithmccrackenfuneralhome.com.

Town voter registration sessions

For unregistered residents who wish to register and vote in the Nov. 8 election, check with town clerks or registrars of voters for details. On Nov. 1, every town will hold registration sessions

from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters can request an application for an absentee ballot from their town clerk or download an application at myvote.ct.gov/ absentee and return it to the town clerk.

Worship Services

Week of October 30, 2022

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

<p>The Congregational Church of Salisbury, U.C.C. 30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! Online worship, Sundays at 10:00 a.m. www.salisburyucc.org Sharing God's shalom: Wholeness, harmony, justice, and joy! (860) 435-2442</p>	<p>Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon 9 South Main, Sharon CT Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 A.M. Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker All welcome to join us 860-364-5260 www.christchurchsharon.org</p>
<p>St. John's Episcopal Church 12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Rev. Paul Christopherson SUNDAY SERVICE 10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II) In-Person and on YouTube www.stjohnssalisbury.org 860-435-9290</p>	<p>St. Thomas Episcopal Church 40 Leedsville Road Amenia Union, NY SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30 IN-PERSON AND ONLINE Visit our website for links Rev. AJ Stack 845-373-9161 www.stthomasamenia.com A Community of Radical Hospitality</p>
<p>North Canaan Congregational Church, UCC Joyfully opening our hearts and doors to all God's people 172 Lower Rd./Rt. 44, East Canaan CT Worship services Sundays at 10 am www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational 860-824-7232</p>	<p>Trinity Episcopal Church 484 Lime Rock Rd., Lime Rock In person services on Sundays 8:00 and 10:30 A.M. Livestream at 10:30 on www.trinitylimerock.org The Rev. Heidi Truax trinity@trinitylimerock.org (860) 435-2627</p>
<p>FISHES & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY, A MISSION OF OUR CHURCH is at Pilgrim House, 30 Granite Ave., Canaan Tuesday 4-6 pm & Thursday 12-2 pm www.fishesandloavesnorthcanaan.org</p>	<p>Unitarian Fellowship of NW CT WE ARE NOW MEETING IN PERSON! Cobble Living Room, Noble Horizons The next meeting will be Sunday, November 13 at 10:30 a.m. For information, contact Jo Loi at jokialloi@gmail.com All are Welcome</p>
<p>The Lakeville United Methodist Church 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" Pastor Joy Veronesi 860-435-9496 Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</p>	<p>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH 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 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078</p>
<p>The Sharon United Methodist Church 112 Upper Main Street, North End of Sharon Green Touching Lives - Lifting Spirits 10 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery Care No Sunday School in Summer Pastor Sun Yong Lee 860-364-5634 sharonumc5634@att.net</p>	<p>UCC in CORNWALL 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>Promised Land Baptist Church 29 Granite Ave., Canaan, CT Where you will find: A Warm Welcome! Helpful Bible Messages, A Place to Grow! Sunday School - 10am Sunday Worship - 11am Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - 7PM (860) 824-5685 VISITORS WELCOME! www.promisedlandbaptist.org</p>	<p>Sharon Congregational 25 Main Street, Sharon, CT Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Visit our website sharoncongregationalchurch.org for current online Bible studies and Sunday services In-person Bible study will be held Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m., light supper included Contact us at 860-364-5002 or info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org</p>
<p>Falls Village Congregational Church 16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village 10:00 a.m. Family Worship Coffee Hour A Friendly Church with a warm welcome to all!! 860-824-0194</p>	<p>SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA PARISH 860-927-3003 Rev. Robert Landback 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 & Friday 9 AM - Sacred Heart Tuesday 9 AM - St. Bernard</p>
<p>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church 656 Smithfield Valley Rd. Route 83, Amenia, NY Services every Sunday 10 a.m. www.thsmithfieldchurch.org 21st Century Theology in an Historic Building</p>	<p>Millerton United Methodist Church 500 Dutchess Avenue, P.O. Box 812 Millerton, NY 12546 Services on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 10:00 A.M. 518-789-3138</p>

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Finding the charm and fun of crafts and trades at Eric Sloane Museum

By Riley Klein

KENT — Seeking to promote a next generation of trade and crafts people, Hudson Valley Preservation promoted a Touch a Trade event on Saturday, Oct. 22, hosted by the Eric Sloane Museum and the Connecticut Antique Machinery Association.

The event featured professionals from fields including carpentry, woodworking, masonry, welding, plumbing, electrical wiring and more. Guests were offered the opportunity to get hands-on instruction from experts.

The Eric Sloane Museum hosted crafters who specialize in historical trades, such as the Kent Quilters and Heddle Over Heels.

"I'm working on a little floor loom. These are just some samples that people can sit down and play with, showing different weaving styles," said Katie Strano of Heddle over Heels in Southbury.

Next door, Connecticut Antique Machinery hosted more modern tradespeople, including Eastern Water Solutions and CrateCrafts Fine Woodworking.

"We do historical architecture element repair and our bread and butter is window sashes," said Laura Peckar of CrateCrafts in Waterbury as she worked to restore a 19th-century window.

In addition to technical training, the event offered arts and crafts, pumpkin painting and some unique experiences. The lumber slalom course, for example, was



PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

Katie Strano of Heddle over Heels in Southbury teaches a young crafter how to operate a floor loom at Touch a Trade in Kent on Saturday, Oct. 22.

a challenge in which two-person teams traversed a slalom course while carrying a 12-foot wood beam.

Hands-on experience was at the heart of the event's efforts with every booth offering a different tool, machine or piece of equipment to try. Safety was also a top priority with protective goggles and ear plugs distributed to all

who entered. This was the first Touch a Trade event, with the hope for more community outreach in the future.

A potential summer camp and regional maker space for Litchfield County communities are envisioned for the coming years. For more information, go to www.touchatrade.org.

Sharon postpones Comcast vote

By Leila Hawken

SHARON — A town meeting vote to consider a proposed partnership with Comcast to expand internet access service to all homes has been postponed.

The town meeting will still be held Friday, Oct. 28, at 6 p.m. at Sharon Center School. There are two items on the agenda for votes. They are: considering Phase 2 of the town Green improvement work and the purchase of two highway trucks.

"The language of the legal announcement of the meeting needs to be clarified and revised before holding the vote," said Jill Drew, SharonConnect

chairman, of the internet vote. At its last meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 11, the Board of Selectmen discussed the duties of the position of performance manager for the Comcast project.

If Comcast's proposed partnership with the town is approved by voters at town meeting, Comcast has indicated that it would want work to begin promptly.

Expanded internet service would be provided by Comcast to all homes and businesses, affording complete coverage throughout the town. The partnership is estimated to cost the town \$1.6 million, payable in two halves, with Comcast agreeing to be responsible for all remaining construc-

tion costs in excess of the town's portion.

Because work would begin soon after voter approval, the selectmen have sought to define the essential position of project performance manager, someone who will serve as a liaison between the project and the town.

Drew reported that she had spoken with the town's project consultant to define some aspects and expectations of the work to be done by the performance manager.

Drew reviewed the consultant's suggestions for the selectmen. The manager should be a temporary, part-time contractor, not a town employee.

Kent selectmen wrestle with issue as first phase of sidewalk work ends

By Leila Hawken

KENT — As work on the new sidewalk construction Streetscape Project nears completion of its first phase, a last-minute issue arose and was discussed by the Board of Selectmen at its regular meeting on Thursday, Oct. 20.

"Mather Construction is making good progress," First Selectman Jean Speck announced, expecting that the first phase of the project (north and west of the monument) will wrap up in about two weeks, well in advance of the Pumpkin Run on Oct. 30.

The town's project management firm, SLR, is now working on surveying and planning for the second phase of extending the project to the south and east of the monument. The second

phase will need to be reviewed by the state Department of Transportation, Speck noted.

At issue though is that the town has received notice of a second change order in connection with the project's first phase, calling for an additional \$30,461 in cost to apply a spray to protect the new sidewalks from the damage of winter salt penetration.

Speck explained that the expenditure was missed at the project's proposal stages when SLR was finalizing the scope of the project with Mather Construction. She had been made aware of the issue on Friday, Oct. 14, and in her opinion, the fault lies with SLR.

In the interest of keeping the project moving forward toward completion of the

first phase while the weather is conducive to application of the spray, Speck said that the town should move ahead with the change order and to inform SLR that the town will expect a credit in the amount of the charge.

Following discussion, the selectmen's vote was 2-1 to pay the cost out of existing project funds, with the understanding that the town will ask SLR to reimburse the amount. Selectman Glenn Sanchez voted in the negative.

2023 meeting schedule

By unanimous vote, the Board of Selectmen set their meeting schedule for 2023. Beginning in January, the board will hold its regular meeting on the fourth Wednesday of each month, beginning at 4 p.m.

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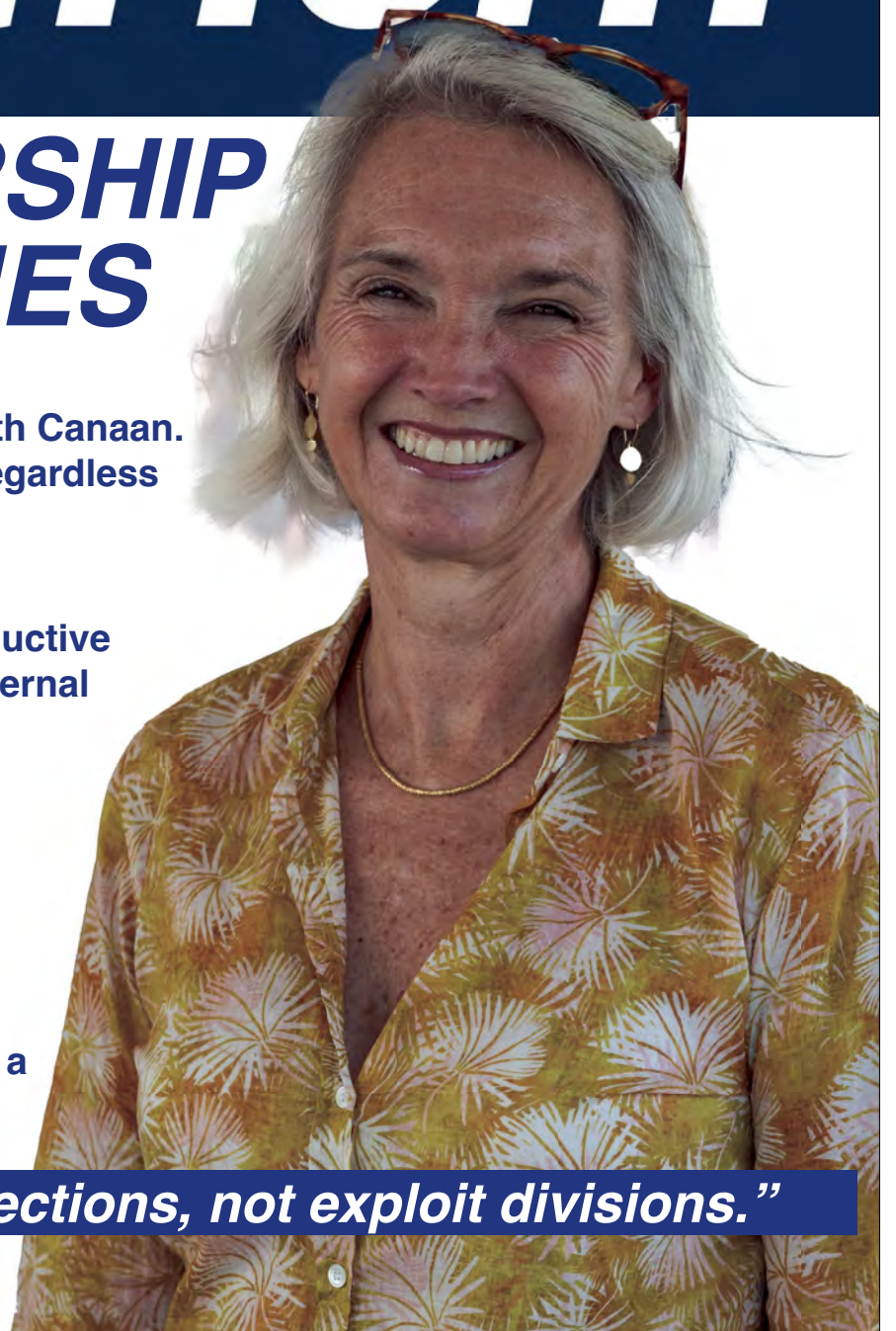
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Voted to strengthen Connecticut's laws protecting reproductive choice and is fighting hard to maintain a full range of maternal health services at our rural hospitals.

★
Voted to cut taxes and strengthen the state's finances. Connecticut now has a budget surplus and can meet economic challenges.

★
A former federal prosecutor and mother of three, Maria is a fierce advocate for the Northwest Corner.

"My style of leadership is to make connections, not exploit divisions."



Sports/Our Towns

HYSB Falcon 5K benefit draws 100-plus runners

By Riley Klein

LAKEVILLE — The inaugural Falcon 5K at Indian Mountain School took place on Saturday, Oct. 22, to support the Housatonic Youth Service Bureau. Over 100 runners set off on the hilly trails behind IMS on what proved to be a challenging course for runners.

“We couldn’t ask for a better day for this,” said Matt Andrulis-Mette, HYSB board member and unofficial race director.

Competitors in the race included students, faculty, area running enthusiasts and members of the Run 169 Towns Society, a group of runners who aspire to run

a race in every town in the state of Connecticut.

Due to confusion over the official start time, the event occurred across two heats. The first group of runners set out at 9 a.m., the second at 10 a.m.

After both heats, the fastest time belonged to Kramer Peterson, cross-country coach at The Forman School in Litchfield.

“These were some of the hardest hills I’ve seen,” said Peterson.

Peterson crossed the finish line with a time of 21:25, more than 2 minutes faster than runner-up Leo Lussier’s time of 23:50. In third place, with a time of 23:52, was IMS student Miki Barrant.



PHOTOS BY RILEY KLEIN

Runners set off from the starting line of the inaugural Falcon 5K at Indian Mountain School on Saturday, Oct. 22. The race included more than 100 runners and benefited the Housatonic Youth Service Bureau.

In addition to the 5K, there were two fun-runs for youth competitors: a 100-me-

ter dash and a 1-mile race. Both fun-runs were won by 11-year-old Finn Wallach.

“This is my first time racing,” said Finn. “Next year I’m doing the 3-mile race.”

The 1-mile race came down to a photo finish between Finn and older brother Jack Wallach, 12.

“He blocked me,” said Jack. “I didn’t know that wasn’t allowed,” said Finn.



A photo finish for the winner of the 1-mile fun-run between brothers Finn Wallach (red), the winner, and Jack Wallach (blue) during the Falcon 5K.

Great Mountain Forest mindful nature walk

NORFOLK — Great Mountain Forest (GMF) will hold a nature walk with Stephanie Landau, a mindful outdoor guide, on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Landau will conjure won-

der and awe of the natural world through a variety of sensory activities and mindfulness practices and will be joined by a GMF naturalist to answer questions. The walk for ages 18 and

over will begin at GMF’s East Gate entrance, 201 Windrow Road, Norfolk. For questions contact Matt Gallagher at matt@greatmountainforest.org or call 860-824-8188.



PHOTO BY TOM BROWN

Fire safety discussion

The Cornwall Fire Department visited Cornwall Consolidated School on Thursday, Oct. 20 and talked about fire safety with the students.



Salisbury Republican Town Committee

Meet the Republican Statewide Candidates



Bob Stefanowski
Candidate for Governor



Laura Devlin
Candidate for Lt. Governor



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Candidate for U.S. Senate



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There are many reasons to vote for a change in the Connecticut’s State and Congressional leadership. But the most important one is the continued decline of the State’s economy. The Bureau of Labor Statistics recently reported that Connecticut’s economy contracted by 4.7% in the second quarter, worse than every other state except Wyoming.

This continues a trend that has afflicted our State since 2007, the last time our economy grew at the same rate as the overall US economy. Since 2010, Connecticut has had the fourth-worst growth in Gross Domestic Product; the lowest rate of Per-Capita Personal Income; and its Private Sector Job Growth has trailed that of the US as by a substantial margin. All of this has led to a decline in the State’s population, with only three states (Illinois, Mississippi and West Virginia) losing more population over the past 12 years.

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COVID

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in respiratory illness, such as RSV, or Respiratory Syncytial Virus, a childhood lung infection that can cause severe illness, he explained.

"There has been a huge spike in RSV this year, earlier and bigger than we've seen previously."

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is reporting a surge of RSV in Connecticut as well as New York and New Jersey. The surge is so severe that Connecticut Children's Hospital in Hartford has considered calling in the National Guard.

Children under the age of 2 are especially vulnerable to serious illness from the virus, which causes swelling and secretions in their small airways, said Marshall.

Youngsters, he said, also tend to be vectors for respiratory illnesses and can easily spread viruses to family members, and parents will then take it into the workplace.

A 'fluid' situation at Geer

In recent weeks, the Geer Village Senior Community in North Canaan has seen an uptick of COVID-19 among staff and residents, as well as an outbreak of respiratory ill-

ness among residents on the nursing and rehab center's second floor.

As of Friday, Oct. 21, 19 residents and six staff members had tested positive. Since mid-October there has been a gradual uptick, and all units at the nursing center now have residents who have tested positive for the coronavirus, according to Geer officials.

"It's important to note that many of these people were asymptomatic or had mild to moderate symptoms and are showing improvement daily," said CEO Kevin O'Connell, who noted that the situation "remains fluid."

O'Connell said he has been in close communication with the Connecticut Department of Public Health Epidemiology office and is following all recommended mitigation and testing strategies and has implemented universal use of N95 masks and eye protection for all staff in resident care areas, an added mitigation strategy.

Visitation at Geer remains open, but O'Connell advises anyone who is sick or has been exposed to anyone with known or suspected

COVID-19 or other respiratory illnesses postpone their visit.

The COVID-19 positivity rate in Litchfield County, he explained, "remains high, around 11.18%."

In Salisbury, the Noble Horizons Senior Community is "down to two or three individuals who will likely be off precautions tomorrow," Administrator Bill Pond reported last week.

Outbreak reported at Salisbury Central School

An outbreak of COVID-19 cases among seventh-grade students at Salisbury Central School was reported on Wednesday, Oct. 19. Administrators believe it was tied to social events, held privately, over the weekend.

"I think what we are seeing in the region is kind of typical of what we're seeing in the state," said Lisa Carter Region One's superintendent of schools. "It's less than 10%, but I can say that we do have COVID in our schools," she said.

Carter said all of Region One had not had a positive case of COVID since the beginning of October, so the recent outbreak in Salisbury

caught everyone off guard. There was no data that supported that school-sponsored social events should be canceled, she said. "The high school had its homecoming dance on Friday [Oct. 21], and we didn't have a single case reported."

Carter said she does not feel that the recent outbreak is cause for alarm. "We will be on the lookout, we have COVID tests for students, and we will monitor the situation. We know what the virus is and how it works, and parents know to test if their child has signs of illness and to keep them at home."

Unlike early in the pandemic, she said, there is no longer an option for remote learning. "The best tool we have is to communicate when we do have these clusters."

Sharon Hospital braces for higher numbers

Sharon Hospital has had surges of COVID-19 throughout the summer, with an average of one or two positive cases daily, but hospital officials are now "bracing for higher numbers."

"Going into the cold season, it's not surprising to see an increase," especially as new variants form, said Marshall. "We've identified

a number of people who were asymptomatic and admitted for other reasons who tested positive." What is also concerning, he said, is that they are presenting sicker than usual.

With winter holidays looming, Marshall is urging people to make sure everyone in the family gets a flu shot, and a booster, as soon as possible, and that they return to some of the protective habits they developed while fighting COVID-19 in its early stages.

"The good news is that this year's flu vaccine should be highly protective."

BLOUNT

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an assignment that once brought him a trip to Los Angeles to interview NBA star Wilt Chamberlain, whom he found to be quite tall and living in a home with high ceilings. The audience rode along with that story, delighting in the seemingly spontaneous tangents because they always led seamlessly back to the original thread.

Stories of New York City and the theater world were next, with Blount suggesting that many plays could be made better if the production paused half-way through and opened up for questions from the audience.

That became Blount's cue to do the same, rather than waiting for the end. Questions were numerous, bringing him to reveal his age (81), not because anyone asked, but it did seem to fit in somehow.

From his residence in New Orleans, Blount said he has noticed that the Mississippi River is drying up, but in doing so, strange objects are being revealed, that if not

for the drought, would have remained hidden.

Blount spent considerable time hanging out with the Pittsburgh Steelers, he said, presumably again due to his time at Sports Illustrated.

The subject turned to actor Bill Murray and the film that cost \$40 million to produce, but did not do very well, Blount recalled.

The plot centered on the protagonist having inherited an elephant. The elephant behaved well enough on set but did not tolerate the other small animals essential to the plot.

"Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me" is "fun backstage," Blount reported. Panelists do not know in advance what's coming, but they do know the general topic for the "Bluff the Listener" segment, where panelists need to create a plausible, fantastic story. "Prairie Home Companion" was fun backstage also.

Blount said that he would like there to be a "Senior Jeopardy" for senior contestants where ample extra time

would be allowed to ring in with a response.

For senior citizens who occasionally forget the punch line of a joke or a key point in an anecdote, Blount chalks that up to "senior anecdote."

Thinking back over his unmet career goals, he said that he would have liked to have appeared on "I Love Lucy," and he would have liked to attempt to "crack up" Queen Elizabeth.

In the musical realm, Blount said that he appears with a group of writers in a band called "The Rock Bottom Remainers," not as a musical performer, exactly, more like a commentator or vocal interjector.

"We've been all over the country performing — not well," he added.

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HOUSATONIC MEADOWS

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of the parking lot: two red oaks, two shadblows, two red maples, two witch hazel shrubs, a tulip poplar, a sycamore and a swamp white oak.

"It's like Noah's Ark," said Jerry Milner, a state forester. "And we have 10 more ordered," he said.

The 21 new trees were purchased by the state at a cost of \$7,905 and are all native species chosen for their hearty characteristics and pollinator value, Milner said.

The work is funded by the Connecticut Passport to the Parks program, which levies a fee on motor vehicle registrations, renewals and plate transfers.

DEEP's partnership with local environmental groups represents a turnaround from protests last winter, when oaks and pines deemed hazardous by the state were removed. Citizen groups, which included tree and wildlife experts, disputed the state's actions. Protests ensued and by the end of spring, legislation was passed in Hartford aimed at overseeing DEEP's approach to hazardous tree removal.

"I am very satisfied. This is not easy. Credit to Jerry [Milner]," said Katherine Freygang, a member of Housatonic Meadows Preservation Action (HMPA). "The department has always wanted to help us but

they've always felt strapped for a number of reasons.

"I think we've come to the very best compromise that's possible," Freygang said. "Everybody wanted something to work."

Milner agreed. "I think planting trees is a good idea."

The environmental groups continue follow-up to ensure that the state meets conditions of the legislation. Included are the Housatonic Valley Association, the National Audubon Society, Trout Unlimited and HMPA. The Northwest Conservation District also provided the engineering work to determine runoff specifications. The Connecticut Council on Environmental Quality also supported the groups' testimony at hearings about DEEP's hazardous tree approach and the need to remediate damage at Housatonic Meadows.

The state's involvement in the restoration includes many departments: parks, forestry, wildlife, fisheries and park services.

"I am satisfied. It took us a long time to understand how to work together. It's a good relationship now," said Bruce Bennett, also of HMPA, who is a licensed arborist and the tree warden in Kent.

"They've honored what they said they would do,"

he said.

Following the tree planting, a second phase will start next year and includes creating a swale to carry water from the parking area to a rain garden to prevent erosion of the riverbank. Native wildflowers will be planted in the rain gardens.

The project includes shrubs and plants to support birds, fish and other wildlife and discourage invasive species. It also features a safety barrier at the river bank with berms and boulders.

Signage will inform visitors about trails and amenities at the park, making it clear where there is access to fishing, boating and picnic areas.

In addition, signs will tell the story of the restoration project and also provide an ecology lesson in native plants and biodiversity.

The lack of a hazardous tree policy at DEEP was the focus of concern after last year's tree-cutting, and it drove the legislative action. DEEP has since created a policy, and now state staff has been attending tree warden school to learn what constitutes a hazardous tree, what danger it presents and how to deal with it.

"This week will be their fifth class," Bennett said, who wrote the tree warden manual 28 years ago. "And then they have to take an exam."

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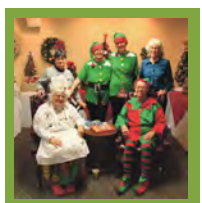
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Who gets nude in the countryside?

This is the second part of a two-part series about nudity and censorship in the countryside art world.

Last week I discussed the regulations of Big Tech and online censorship as it intersects with the art world — internationally, in New York City, and even up here in Connecticut's Northwest Corner and The Berkshires, where gallery owners create their own art world for more rural communities. While digital algorithms can control what art is deemed "permissible" for public viewing on social media platforms, those same conversations — what art is appropriate for what audience — continue to happen among actual humans.

At the 2022 Spring/Break art fair on the Upper East Side of Manhattan, Connecticut gallery owner Andrew Craven showed a series of acrylic full-frontal male nude portraits by painter Bruno Leydet, but was unsure if he would show the same selection of Leydet's portfolio outside of the city. So I asked some of the major voices of the area's art world: knowing the audience in the countryside, would you show art that depicted full nudity?

CRAVEN CONTEMPORARY
Andrew Craven opened his contemporary gallery in Lakeville, Conn., in 2018 before moving to its current home in the walkable art hub that is Kent Barns in Kent, Conn. Craven has shown works by Alex Katz as well as more ultramodern artists like Linder, Erwin Olaf, Elad Lassry, and Ruben Nal-San Miguel.

"The audience at Spring/Break was across the board," Craven told me. "The gay men stop and look, the women stop and look... for the straight men it can be a mixed reaction, some can appreciate the art even though it's a male nude, but for others, I think it makes them uncomfortable. But I wouldn't suggest any of Bruno's work to be sexually explicit. He uses pastel palettes and patterned backgrounds, so even though they have nudity, they become much more playful. The body has existed in art for a long time, but generally there's been more comfort around seeing the female nude, particularly a fully nude female versus a fully nude male." He added, "What I haven't done and would not do is show work that was sexually explicit because



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A detail from *Lorgnette* by Bruno Leydet

I don't think that would be right for the community, which has the sensibility of having families with young children. I think explicit work in Kent is hard. It would be one thing to have a disclaimer or a warning, which I don't think I would do anyway, but I have glass windows that I don't want to paper up."

KMR ARTS

Kathy McCarver Root is a photography dealer with a gallery in Washington Depot,

Conn., who has showcased prints by modern legends including Leo Fuchs, Mark Selinger and Sally Mann.

"I wouldn't have a problem showing work that's a bit more provocative if that's the right word," Root said to me. "I think that good art, great art, worthy art is work that gives you pause, and if there is a purpose for that type of subject matter — not gratuitous, I'm not really interested in having sensational works on the wall just for that reason — but if there's a purpose and a concept behind them then I would totally stand by that."

FIVE POINTS ARTS

The Five Points Gallery in downtown Torrington, Conn., is a nonprofit launched in 2013, and now includes The Art Center, an educational facility on the former University of Connecticut Torrington campus. Its gallery shows are often curated around a political or social theme, including climate change or Indigenous people.

"We've certainly had nude images in the gallery, but it wasn't for the sake of having nude images, the work would have to do with a contemporary issue," Five Points Founder and

Executive Director Judith McElhone told me. "The one thing I will say about nudes and that kind of material is that we're located near a children's museum and we have windows all down Water Street and Main Street, so we would not hang the work easily visible from the street."

THE WASSAIC PROJECT

Like Five Points, The Wassaic Project is a nonprofit educational space. A young, artist-run collective in Amenia, N.Y., it hosts multidisciplinary artist residency programs.

"I would certainly consider the inclusion of a piece that was sexually explicit," said Jeff Barnett-Winsby, a member of Wassaic Projects executive director team, which also includes Eve Biddle, and Barnett-Winsby's wife, Bowie Zunino. "If we have something that is potentially of a sensitive nature we do a nice warning, or put it in a space that can allow people or parents the choice if they want to engage with it. I would say in general we're not engaged with particularly controversial material, but we do show some things that are topical and can be challenging to some degree."

JAMES BARRON ART

James Barron is a modern and contemporary art dealer who opened his gallery in Kent Barns in 2013, with exhibitions that have included Jayne County, Ralph Gibson, and Beverly Pepper. He has sold work by Cy Twombly, Wolfgang Tillmans, and Alice Neel.

"I really objected to what happened in [Museum of Fine Arts] Boston with the Philip Guston show. I thought, really? You've got to have like five disclaimers, like 'You can exit the exhibition if you like through this direction?'" Barron told me over phone call from Italy. "I've never had a problem showing work up here, but my gallery isn't quite like the other galleries, like say, Andrew Craven, where if you peer in through the window you can see everything," Barron's less visible gallery is currently by-appointment viewing. "But the censorship in America is something I really object to. Look, I'm old enough to remember what happened to Robert Mapplethorpe in the early '90s. I'm not saying his pictures appear tame today, but I think we're all so accustomed to them now we don't look at them in the same way. At the time I remember [American conservative leader] Jesse Helms and all these horrible people saying, 'We're going to get rid of all the money for the NEA [National Endowment for the Arts].'"

CAROL COREY FINE ART

Carol Corey opened her gallery in The Kent Barns when she relocated from New York City in 2020 and has showcased work by artists that include German abstract painter Matthias Meyer and The New Yorker cartoonist Roz Chast.

"I don't really represent any artists that work like that, so I suppose the answer is no. I just don't have any work like that," Corey told me. "What I have found when I moved up here, I had an expectation of what would appeal to an audience here, but it's much broader, and many preconceived notions have been dashed. It's a sophisticated audience." **STANDARD SPACE**
Brooklynite photographer Theo Coulombe opened Standard Space in Sharon, Conn., in 2017 featuring emerging artists, many heralding from Brooklyn as well. "I've at times here in Sharon questioned the

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Jamie Drake, left, with designer partner Caleb Anderson.



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Bold

In the decades that glitzy interior designer Jamie Drake has been working in New York City he's been known for turning Park Avenue apartments into — well, to paraphrase Raymond Carver, what we talk about when we talk about Park Avenue apartments. His design stories feature seductive surfaces polished into glossy depth, 18th-century period furniture entwined with aloof urban cool, where Japanese lacquer can meet large-scale cobalt blue abstracts, and a crisp sense of structure dominates among the beaten bronze accents and crystal decor. Of course, these days the corporate

raider types that would have flocked to Park Avenue in the 1980s are more likely to be a new kind of power player, downtown in TriBeCa where the right gym membership can have you brushing shoulders with the private trainers to Taylor Swift and Anderson Cooper. Who lives uptown anymore? If anyone knows, Drake and his former intern turned business partner Caleb Anderson surely do, favoring clients with an IMAX-size view over Central Park.

Jamie Drake will sign copies of his new book "Bold: The Interiors of Drake/Anderson" at Carol Corey Fine Art in Kent, Conn., on Oct. 29 at 4 p.m.

Alex Katz: Gathering

The creamy spiral of the Guggenheim, like the interior of a cavernous conch shell, is now glowing with the canvases of Alex Katz, whose big close ups make the grand scale of this new show feel even grander. At 95, Katz, whose poppy, prismatic style flattens faces and flowers alike into their most central colors, continues to evoke a sleek modernity — just look to the cover of Millennial It-writer Sally Rooney's bestseller debut.

"Alex Katz: Gathering" is now on view at The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in New York, N.Y.

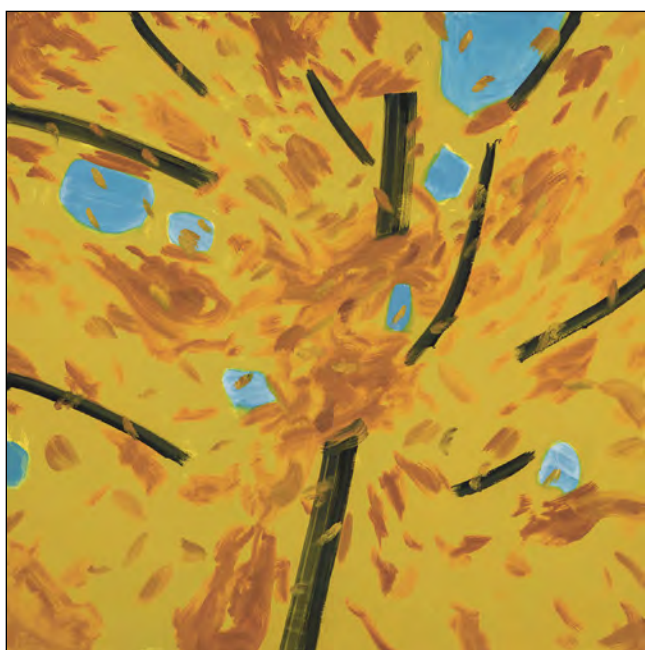


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Yellow Tree 1 by Alex Katz

Which Side Are You On

A thoroughly contemporary novel that both highlights the reactionary divide and the bridges that must be built between Gen Z and their parents, the debut work from Ryan Lee Wong is about the complexity of today's family conversations. In the wake of another murder of a Black man by a police officer, a Columbia University student returns home to announce his plans to leave school and put his full-time efforts into the Black Lives Matter movement. Instead, he's given a personal history lesson into his Korean mother's life-long struggles in her own activism. Wong deftly threads a dialogue between the experience of an aging generation and the action-driven politics of a young generation raised by the fear mongering of the 24-hour

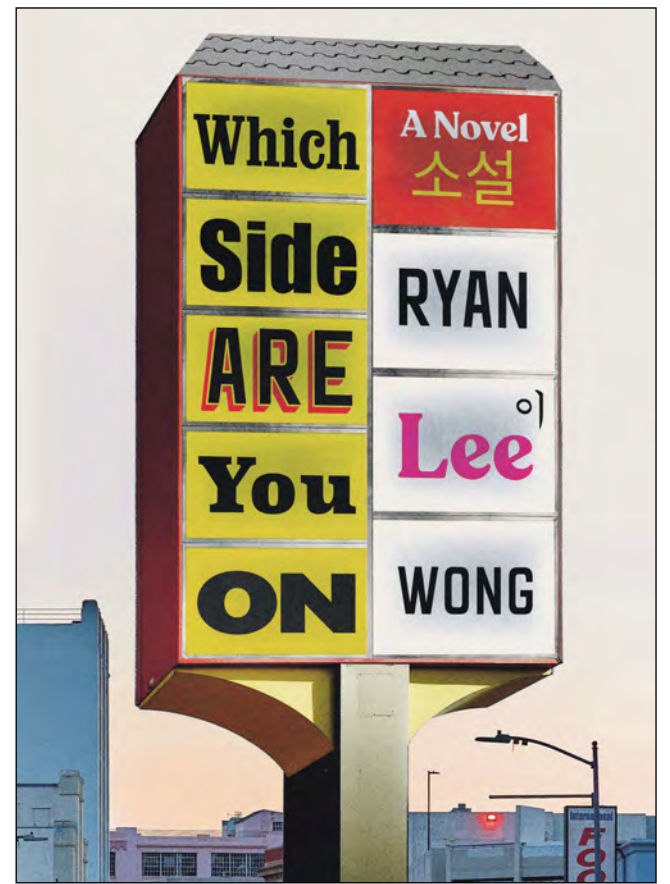


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news cycle. When tragedy slams into our Twitter Feeds like a daily meteor collision, how can a methodical point of view ever feel like the right

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Collected Works by the Late Duncan Hannah

Duncan Hannah, a famous painter of nudes himself, died last year at the age of 69. He lived

the kind of artist's life the rest of us can only dream of, and on top of that, he wrote it all down.

His early diaries were published by Knopf in a volume called "20th Century Boy: Notebooks of The Seventies." Honoring his memory, a show of his paintings will open this weekend in his hometown of Cornwall. Check back next week as I discuss the death of life of the 20th Century Boy.

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Night of the Living Dead

Terror at every turn! It's not the 1960s as you remember them — or maybe it is. The year is 1968 and a 28-year-old director, with a budget of just a little over \$100 thousand, releases a movie about race, war, and police violence, about the world literally eating itself alive. Of course, horror is just fiction, right? The previous year police brutally attacked an anti-war protest at the University of Wisconsin's Madison campus, while bloodshed and flames consumed West Detroit during the 12th Street Race Riot. In 1968, the country's most promising arbiters of peace, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Robert F. Kennedy, were shot and killed. In the following year, Henry Kissinger would begin secretly bombing Cambodia. Meanwhile in George A. Romero's grainy, black-and-white film, a ragtag group of survivors takes sanctuary in a rural Pennsylvania farmhouse, attempting to escape the flesh-hungry grasp of ghoulishly transformed humans. Heralded as the defining influence of what would become the zombie horror genre, "Night of The Living Dead" was also ahead of its time in casting Black actor Duane Jones as its heroic lead. Educated at



Above, Duane Jones and Judith O'Dea hide out from the living dead. Below, Judith Ridley attempts an escape.

the Sorbonne in France, New York City-native Jones was a director in his own right, acting as

executive director of the Black Theater Alliance, as well as heading the literature department of Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio. He died of cardiac arrest at the age of 51, but his performance here lives again each Halloween in the many independent screenings of this grizzly, politically-minded triumph of small budget filmmaking. If you don't know the ending, you may be shocked at how much it still echoes the headlines of today.

"Night of The Living Dead" is presented by the Boondocks Film Society on Oct. 29 at Warner Theatre in Torrington, Conn., with a cocktail party. For tickets go to www.boondocksfilmsociety.org



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Tár

"Tár" is the cinematic watchword of the coming awards season, even if you don't know how to say it. Tar? Ter? Tah? What is that acute accent over the A, and what accent will Australian chameleon Cate Blanchett deliver to us on the screen? This is only the third film from director Todd Field, whose scant resume has nevertheless racked up plenty of nominations, but never an Oscar win. His 2001 debut "In The Bedroom," about two parents' grief when their son's romance with an

older woman ends in murder, earned a Best Picture nomination and acting nominations for its stars Sissy Spacek, Tom Wilkinson, and Marisa Tomei. What would prove to be his relatively quick follow-up in 2006, "Little Children," an adaptation of Tom Perrotta's novel, balanced the story of an affair between two suburbanites with the anxieties of a neighborhood sex offender. It earned nominations for Fields' and Perrotta's screenplay and actors Kate Winslet and Jackie Earle Haley. Quiet

but tense, Fields' films are intimate character studies pierced by violence and sexual transgression. Now 16 years later, "Tár" delves into the world of classical music, with many questions hanging over this film: can it take Fields to his first Oscar win? Can it take Blanchett to her third? And what brutality can take place within the life of a conductor? Is there a monster within the Mahler?

"Tár" will have an advanced screening on Oct. 27 at The Moviehouse in Millerton, N.Y.

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content we were going to have in a show. Just before COVID, we had an artist here, Kristin Worrall, she's a performance artist who does baking. She did a full-on exhibit where she baked apple strudels in front of a live audience," Coulombe told me. "At one point she's using an apple peeler, where the core of the apple has to be pushed onto this sharp three-pronged thing, and she's pushing it in there, and her story becomes about the aspects of her life, about relationships, and there's a lot of allusions to anal sex. I was very concerned about this when the matrons of Sharon came to the show. When the

performance happened, these two older women — who will go nameless but are pretty up there in the Sharon community — they loved it. They heard these stories about being a woman, and dating, it's part of the dialogue of the world. There I felt like there was a crossover between what happens in the city and what's allowed to happen up here." Coulombe added, "Some of my initial concerns stemmed from some instances that happened at The Sharon Playhouse back in 2017. They had a director there, Morgan Green, who does experimental theater in downtown Manhattan, a friend of mine. She was

the director du jour at the Playhouse and I saw some incredibly negative responses the programming that she had going on. Literally, people would get up and walk out of the theater. It was very divisive and I heard people say 'This is the worst year The Sharon Playhouse has ever had.' But they were writing about it in The New York Times, and they had a full house because people wanted to know what the hell was going on. So it's an interesting gamble to have sexually charged work in a gallery here or content that's speaking to sexuality. Where some people say permissiveness, other people say freedom of expression."

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EDITORIAL

Making a difference to one's community: Save Sharon Hospital

When a controversy erupts in any area, there are often groups formed that react to it with alternative solutions or simple opposition. They operate with varying degrees of effectiveness. Those affected by such open discussion in a community can only hope that out of engagement might come a better outcome. After all, having more minds and hearts set to a problem should result in a wider range of options available for final resolution.

The ongoing discussion around the decisions being made at Nuvance for Sharon Hospital's proposed closing of Labor and Delivery and converting its Intensive Care Unit to a Progressive Care Unit has been made more nuanced and complete by the group Save Sharon Hospital (SSH). There have been multiple community meetings run by SSH in the towns served by Sharon Hospital in both northwest Connecticut and eastern Dutchess County, N.Y., where physicians, and community leaders and members have put forward the issues that are of such importance to all who live here.

Those meetings brought a much broader awareness of the proposed changes at Sharon Hospital to all the towns covered by it, and that is proven by more than 300 people attending the rally on Sunday, Oct. 16, in Sharon to have their voices heard on the issues. Giving the rally an even higher profile were state leaders from both New York and Connecticut, including U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.), U.S. Rep. Jahana Hayes (D-5), Conn., state Rep. Maria Horn (D-64), and chair of Dutchess County, N.Y., Legislature Gregg Pulver. (See the front page story Oct. 20 by Leila Hawken and Patrick Sullivan.)

Nuvance and Sharon Hospital's administration and board of directors need to take notice of the strong opinions being expressed at the meetings, the rally, and to the more than 50 testimonials sent to the Connecticut state Office of Health Strategy to comment on Nuvance's planned changes. The sense at the rally was that "putting profits before patients," as Blumenthal and others referenced, would only diminish the standing of Nuvance, and the credibility of its patient care within the community.

So this group, Save Sharon Hospital, in this situation has truly made a difference in the way this controversy is being seen by those served by the hospital, and those in power in the states it covers. This is the moment when those in charge at Nuvance and Sharon Hospital should give credence to the arguments being made against their proposed changes and directly negotiate with the Save Sharon Hospital activists. Thanks to them for being persistent in a tough situation.

Now, we can only hope for a better outcome if all can cooperate to come to a better solution for medical care available in Sharon.

Don't miss 50th exhibit

Founded by members of this community 50 years ago, Noble Horizons is grateful to be celebrating its 50th Anniversary with an exhibit at the Salisbury Association. The Salisbury Association preserves, chronicles and shares the history of our community, and we hope you will explore this multi-media exhibit on display in their historic 1833 Academy Building through Nov. 30.

Noble's story unfolds in a video featuring historic footage from the last 50 years as well as heart-warming memories and stories hand-written by men and women who have lived at Noble. You'll discover mementos from community events such as the Habitat for Humanity Birdhouse exhibit, a do-you-know contest to identify Noble friends from the last 50 years and recorded recollections from over 30 local residents reflecting on the

ways Noble has impacted the area's nonprofits, businesses and of course, seniors, their families and friends since its founding in 1972.

We are especially grateful to the Salisbury Association for honoring Noble Horizons with its 1741 Award, which recognizes organizations and individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the local community.

Members of the Tri-state region have helped Noble Horizons grow from a little community of 12 cottages in 1972 to a flourishing village within a village today. We thank the Salisbury Association for graciously sharing the first half-century of Noble Horizons and look forward to creating the next chapter of the Noble story with you.

Caroline Burchfield
Noble Horizons
Salisbury

As sent to Bob Smith, chief, Lakeville Hose Co.

Dear Bob,
I am late getting this note of appreciation and thanks to you and your fellow firefighters. But, please understand how very thankful Diane and I are to live in this town which has such an outstanding company of firefighters.

Not to mention that they are all good friends and neighbors too.

We are so appreciative of the way you all responded to the 911 call we made from our Reservoir Rd. house last week when smoke was pouring out of the fireplace



PHOTO BY JANET MANKO

Ready for Halloween

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Republicans' divestment of America

Kevin McCarthy has stated that if the Republicans win Congress they will:

Get rid of Social Security and Medicare; Reverse the law allowing the government to negotiate prescription drug prices for seniors; Pass a national abortion ban bill; Make the Trump tax breaks permanent for corporations and the super rich.

Deficits will rise. Democrats believe corporations and the very wealthy should pay their rightful share. As a result the deficit has been reduced this year by \$1.4 Trillion.

Democrats want to codify a woman's right to make health decisions about her own body. Republicans want to control a woman's body.

Republicans want to water down support for Ukraine, siding with Dictator Putin in his illegal war. President Biden has worked tirelessly to rebuild our relationship with our allies and to strengthen

NATO in support of Ukraine and democracy.

While Republicans continue to lie about a "stolen election", President Biden and the Democrats worked to get the COVID pandemic under control; gave a lifeline to small businesses and citizens to ease the challenges of the COVID shutdowns; invested in infrastructure upgrading and repairing our crumbling bridges, rail, roads, airports, broadband; planned for our future against global warming with the largest investment in decades to reduce greenhouse gases; passed the most significant gun safety bill in decades; created incentives in manufacturing semi-conductors here in America rather than importing them from China; given debt relief to students overburdened by the high cost of education; held those responsible for the attack on the U.S. government to prevent a peaceful transfer of power, a hallmark

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

100 years ago — October 1922

SALISBURY — George Senior has purchased a Chalmers touring car.

— Ward Finkle has installed a radio phone at his home.

— While standing in front of the Drug Store last Friday the brakes on Mr. E.O. Wagner's coupe loosened up permitting the car to run down the hill as far as Roberts Store where it came to rest against the stone curb. One rear wheel was smashed but fortunately no further damage resulted.

50 years ago — October 1972

With the help of a home-

built derrick and a helicopter that became their hod carrier, six men spent five days last week in restoring the top portion of Bear Mountain's 23-foot stone monument thought to be in danger of ruin. The monument, built in 1885 by Robbins Battell of Norfolk, was to mark what was then thought to be the highest point in Connecticut. The structure was intact until last year when it was vandalized, it became apparent this year that the marker was in danger of being reduced to rubble.

— The Falls Village Recreation Center was quiet Friday morning after a devastating attack by vandals earlier in the week that left the building and the grounds a shambles. Damage was estimated at about \$3,500. Windows, toilets, electrical fixtures and a lawn mower were among the items damaged or destroyed. The policeman investigating the incident told Rita Wright, chairman of the recreation commission, that it was the worst case of vandalism he had ever seen in the area.

— Dr. and Mrs. Vincent Peppe of Canaan were guests of honor at a surprise 25th wedding anniversary party Sunday at their West Main Street home. Many of the out-of-state guests were among the guests at the Peppes' wedding in 1947. They have lived in Canaan throughout their married life and Dr. Peppe maintains a veterinary practice in the community.

— Lena Blodgett, Falls Village's oldest citizen, celebrated her 101st birthday on Sunday, Oct. 14 in the Brightview Convalescent Home in Avon. Mrs. Blodgett was born on Beebe Hill in 1871, the only daughter of William and Frances Gillette. She can trace her ancestry on both sides of her family back to the earliest days of the settlement of Canaan.

— State Police are investigating the second Falls Village bank robbery in a month. But this Sunday's break-in netted its perpetrators only \$15. Police reports indicate that this time the culprits smashed a rear window in the same bank to gain entrance, swiped about \$15 in petty cash, and committed some petty vandalism, mainly by tossing papers on the floor.

25 years ago — October 1997

Reality still has not set in

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Lakeville

Jo Loi

More letters next page.

Sharon Hospital needs to keep L&D

I am outraged by Nuvance Health's continued threats to close vital departments at Sharon Hospital when they have not yet obtained the necessary permission to do so.

For years now, Nuvance Health has been spreading the rumor that they are planning to close Labor and Delivery and make cuts to the Surgical Department and the Intensive Care Unit at Sharon Hospital. They started making these announcements long before they had even sent in their application to the CT Office of Health Strategy, whose approval is required. Instead, they seem to hope these rumors will help the departments "close themselves," by frightening expectant mothers and other local residents into seeking care elsewhere, and nurses into finding other jobs.

I am a local mother who gave birth to my first son at Sharon Hospital a year and a half ago. My delivery was complicated, but my experience was made so much better by the fantastic Labor and Delivery unit and the amazing nurses and doctors who cared for me there. My husband and I hope to have another child someday soon but are now fearful of the po-

tential risks and unknowns if we're forced to drive to some other, unfamiliar hospital an hour away.

Our area has undeniably been changing since the pandemic began. More and more young couples and families are moving to this area, and among our friends our age, many hope to have more children. There is a great need for a reliable Labor and Delivery unit in our community, and we have it! And it's not something we can afford to lose. Having a baby, and especially getting great care while doing so, creates a bond between a family and a hospital, and keeps them coming back for future care. My husband moved to this area when he was 3 years old, and his younger brother was born at Sharon Hospital. Their family has been getting cared for at Sharon Hospital their whole lives. My husband even told me about Sharon Hospital early in our marriage, and how excited he was at the thought of our children being born there. I had never had that kind of connection to a hospital before, but I now see what he means.

Sharon Hospital is a special place. It is more than just a hospital, it is a cornerstone of our community and so

meaningful to so many who live here. We are lucky to have such an amazing facility nearby and we must do everything in our power to keep it. I urge you all to submit written testimony to the CT Office of Health Strategy as soon as possible to let them know how important Sharon Hospital is to you and to encourage them to deny Nuvance's application. Written testimony should be sent to ohs@ct.gov. Please reference Docket No. 22-32511-CON.

Meredith Murphy
Lakeville

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sharon Hospital's ED prepared for all patients

As Sharon Hospital continues the regulatory process for the proposed closure of the Labor & Delivery Department as part of the growth-based Sharon Hospital Transformation Plan, I want to reassure the community that our Emergency Department team is well-prepared to care for our patients. We are here and ready to support your critical medical needs every day, including those related to labor and delivery.

Emergency Department providers have labor and delivery training as a foundational learning through their residency program when training to become a physician. Throughout the regulatory process to phase out

Labor & Delivery, Nuvance Health and hospital leaders have instituted additional clinical trainings to prepare staff to help mothers and babies through emergent situations. The trainings have and will continue into the future and are reinforced through simulated drills.

The Emergency Department providers and nursing staff are also completing Neonatal Resuscitation Program (NRP) training that mirrors the training current Obstetrics and Pediatric providers complete. This training ensures the Emergency Department staff will be fully equipped to stabilize infants prior to traveling to one of the neighboring hospitals,

in the event of an emergent birth that requires resuscitation.

While this training ensures we are prepared for any emergency, according to data from similar, nearby facilities who closed their Labor & Delivery units, we do not anticipate the proposed closure of Labor and Delivery to result in emergent births at Sharon Hospital.

We continue to ensure our teams, in partnership with local EMS personnel, are prepared for any emergency. We continue to meet on a regular basis with the local EMS squads to ensure continuity of communication across all areas as Sharon Hospital adopts changes.

Sharon Hospitals' Emergency Department is open for the community 24/7/365, equipped with staff that have undergone strong clinical training to handle emergent situations, including those surrounding pregnant women and babies in the community.

Together, we look forward to providing care for all members of our community when called upon.

Dr. Leroy Nickles
Sharon

Internet needed by all

As someone who relies on an internet connection for work, I can safely say that lacking access to reliable high speed internet is one of the only downsides of living in our beautiful town of Sharon.

Fortunately our neighbors have formed the Sharon Connect Task Force, which has worked towards a proposal by which Comcast will wire every home in town within six months, with no out of pocket cost to end users and only a third of the build-out being covered by the taxpayer. Building a municipal network would cost 10 times as much and take several years, if it ever gets done at all. The process of laying the cable is quick and minimally invasive, and as much as some of us may feel reluctant handing over any money to Comcast, it feels like a small price to pay to have reliable cable and internet in our beautiful neck of the woods.

Furthermore, high speed internet is increasingly seen as a "must have" by home buyers, and failure to wire our town with it will harm home values and consequently tax revenue significantly, with the impact increasing every year as our world becomes more and more connected.

I would like to strongly urge all my neighbors to vote in favor of this proposal when its timing is set, and would like to thank the members of the task force for their hard work in getting us to this point.

Jack Breslauer
Sharon

More letters previous page.

Bermudez-Zimmerman is the right one to lead the 30th District

Last week I drove to the Brookfield High School debate for the 30th District State Senate seat. The moderator raised relevant issues ranging from school governance to those of municipal clean water and women's healthcare.

I came away ready to emphatically endorse Eva Bermudez-Zimmerman based on her concise answers and knowledge of the history behind issues. Even though Stephen Harding grew up Brookfield, I was surprised at how fuzzy he was on how to address community concerns with concrete steps. Typically, Bermudez-Zim-

merman would cite a problem and Harding's response was "Yeh, I think we need to look into that."

Both candidates have strong familial ties to education. They differed on whether to fund charter schools. The Democratic candidate said it is important to support the schools we have now, not divert funds and risk lack of oversight for rogue schools. As an example, she pointed out that it would be a shame if her opponent's wife, a teacher, had funds siphoned away from her classroom.

It was on the issue of women's health that we saw the

strongest contrast. Whereas Ms. Bermudez-Zimmerman was clear on the need for privacy, protection, comprehensive care, her opponent touted the need for a "practical" approach. It was not reassuring.

Judging the candidates side by side, I am clear that we need a strong advocate for the NW corner who has researched issues when we come to her with concerns, not someone playing catch-up. We need the dynamic Eva Bermudez-Zimmerman for State Senate.

Molly Fitzmaurice
Sharon

Sharon needs townwide internet

Soon, residents of the Town of Sharon will vote whether to move forward with Comcast wiring the many roads in town that do not yet have either internet or reliable internet. We urge all in town to vote in favor of the plan.

When we purchased our property in the South Ellsworth section of Sharon, the site plan showed that we had a Frontier pole at the end of our driveway. We thought that meant it would be easy to bring internet to our house. We were naive and incorrect. Frontier said there isn't service at that pole and they actually recommended we contact Comcast for service instead. Comcast said the nearest service is 18 poles away and we would have to pay \$6,500 upfront to bring

the wires to our home. This is not a cost we can easily afford.

We have virtually no cell service and the little we have is not consistent. There is just the occasional moment when we can get texts and possibly a brief call from one spot or another. Though even those spots are not consistent, so we can receive a text and while still standing in the same spot, not be able to send a text because the signal is now gone. We signed up for Starlink and that is also not consistent because of how wooded our area is. So far we've only had a couple of minutes per hour of internet with Starlink. I know that neighbors have similar issues with connectivity.

If anything were to happen where we needed to call

for emergency services such as an ambulance, we would have to drive up the road to get a signal. And in some situations, that might not be possible, so the consequences could be dire. High speed internet for all roads in Sharon means that residents can work and learn remotely and that people can reach emergency services when needed.

Even if you are one of the lucky few in Sharon who has access to high-speed internet and good cell service, please vote yes to the Comcast wiring proposal. It is good for the entire town if we can provide this basic utility to everyone.

Claudia Carson & Tom Jeziorny
Sharon/Norwalk

Check out the Sals./Shar. transfer station website

The Salisbury/Sharon Transfer Station website (conveniently called salisburysharontransferstation.com) has more useful information than you might think. On the HOME page, you will find the basics, including hours of operation, and downloadable forms and guidelines. You will also find: a color-coded guide to the areas for disposal of different materials; the RecycleCt widget, a box where you can type in an item to see if it is recyclable; and a quiz to test your recycling know-how (and learn from

the results). Occasionally, a pop-up button will appear on the HOME page, alerting residents about holiday closings or other news like the Swap Shop closing due to staff shortage. For those who live far from the Transfer Station, it might be wise to check for an unexpected closing.

The rest of the menu, which appears across the top of each website page, includes: PRICE LIST for items that shouldn't go in the garbage hopper (carpets, tires, asphalt shingles, etc.); SWAP SHOP with information

and hours (9:00 to 3:00 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and 9:30 to 12:30); SITE MAP; USER GUIDE; USER FEE FORM; STICKER APPLICATION (how to apply to windshield); and RESOURCES.

The RESOURCES dropdown menu has video, website, and PDF links, all of which provide educators and interested residents with all kinds of informative material. You can learn how the recyclables are sorted at a Material Recovery Facility (or MRF), find lesson plans for classrooms, view a slide

presentation about backyard composting, peruse a School Composting manual. In addition, the RESOURCES menu includes a Local Champions page; a link to an article from Main Street Magazine by Salisbury writer Caleb May about food waste diversion and the Transfer Station's food waste pilot; definitions of acronyms used in the waste management business, and a map that shows the destinations of the various materials collected at the Transfer Station.

Barbara Bettigole
Salisbury

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Horn for the 64th

I feel incredibly lucky that this Nov. 8th, I have a chance to vote again for Maria Horn as our state representative for the 64th District. She is a legislator to be proud of, someone who wants to get things done for our district and the state. Working well with her Republican colleagues whenever she can, she keeps her eye on the long term and the immediate.

Maria keeps the everyday struggles of working families front and center. The past few years have been tough on many in our state, thanks to COVID and supply chain problems and loss of child care and, to top it off, the increasing cost of basic necessities. To ease the burden, she worked to extend the gas tax cut, and create a child tax credit. She supported the increased funding now available for childcare programs, as well as higher pay for the staff those programs depend on. And these measures are crucial for allowing more parents to get back into the workforce, which is still not at pre-COVID levels.

With an eye to our future and that of future generations and our planet, she strongly supported the passage of legislation to lower emissions of greenhouse gases by speeding up electrification of the state fleet. The legislation will also increase access to charging stations for electric cars. She proudly voted for the CT Clean Air Act to cut air pollution significantly by raising vehicle emission standards.

Maria Horn is someone who looks after her district. She threw her energies into establishing a new health care center in North Canaan, a part of the state that does not have enough access to medical services. Patients will be able to get care whether or not they can pay. The center is sure to be an economic benefit to the town as well.

Maria knows when to get tough, too, as when she held the line against raiding the state's Rainy Day Fund so that it is now at its maximum level, a crucial resource for unexpected economic hits. She is committed to putting the state on a more stable footing with regard to the state employee pension fund, setting aside monies to make overdue contributions.

Best of all, Maria Horn is a down-to-earth person who is always ready to listen to anyone's concerns or disagreements with her policies with an open mind and to help her constituents solve their problems. Hard-working and compassionate, she is a representative we can count on. Don't forget to vote!

Susannah Wood

Norfolk

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

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completely for 20 co-workers from Specialty Minerals Inc. who won a \$25 million New York Lottery jackpot last weekend. "I am really happy for them even though I wasn't one of the winners," plant manager Perry Gardner said. As of Tuesday Mr. Gardner reported that no one had come into his office to quit and said he would have been surprised if anyone had given up their job without giving it some thought.

— The Lakeville Journal Company announced today that its associate publisher James L. Timpano will leave at the end of the month to take up a new position with Hamilton Standard, a division of United Technologies Corporation located in Windsor Locks.

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

Realtor® at Large

In the NW corner, our lakes and ponds are perhaps our greatest natural resources to enjoy and to protect. One of the most effective ways to accomplish protecting the quality of our waters is by planting a vegetative buffer zone between the lake house and the water. The question becomes what exactly is a buffer zone, its benefits and how to design and care for one. A wonderful resource is The Buffer Handbook, A Guide to Vegetative Buffer Zones for Lakefront Properties which can be found at: <https://www1.maine.gov/dep/land/watershed/buffhandbook.pdf>. Tons of excellent information on how we as individuals can protect the water quality of our lakes!



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Our Towns

Kent library holds forum on energy issues

By Leila Hawken

KENT — Responding to a widespread call to replace dependency on energy generated by the burning of fossil fuels with cleaner, greener, equally effective alternatives, the Kent Memorial Library

sponsored a Green Energy Initiative informational forum held at Kent School on Saturday, Oct. 15.

Versed in state government efforts to promote renewable energy programs, state Rep. Maria Horn (D-64) led off the discussion.

She is a member of both the state Environment Committee and Energy and Technology Committee.

“Energy policy is incredibly complicated,” Horn began, indicating that there are lots of incentives out there.

Clearly, decarbonization is essential, Horn said, noting the extent of the U.S. demand and reliance on fossil fuels. Horn emphasized that people need to be aware of how their energy is being generated, although Connecticut currently benefits to some extent from the energy output of the Millstone nuclear facility.

“Connecticut is committed to getting all of its energy from carbon-free sources,” Horn said, adding that the state is topographically well configured for solar power, receiving an impressive amount of sunshine each year that could be used to advantage. At present, the state is 22nd in the nation for solar energy generation.

One action step that Horn recommended could provide subsidies to make solar energy less expensive. A great fan of electric vehicles, owning one herself, Horn said that it is hard to find electric-powered vehicles of late due to domestic sourcing requirements.

Heat pumps for homes are an effective solution for home heating, Horn said, adding that the same principle is found in refrigerators. The concept is not new.

“Consumer decisions are necessary to the solution, as well as policy decisions at the government level,” Horn



PHOTO BY LEILA HAWKEN

Visitors to a Green Energy Initiative forum held at Kent School on Saturday, Oct. 15, were invited to collect information from vendors about alternatives to fossil fuel available to homeowners now. The program was sponsored by the Kent Memorial Library.

added, citing as one example that EV charging stations are now required to be included in any new major construction.

Speaking of her personal decision making in regard to her vehicle, Horn said, “I’m now aware of my driving habits. I need to plan, including how I drive and how and when I use my car’s heating and cooling features.”

“Never underestimate the power of those little decisions,” Horn advised.

“If we are to get to the mandated net-zero by 2040, we need to change every car and every home,” said Bernard Pelletier, vice president of PACE (People’s Action for Clean Energy), who presented a report his organization created on behalf of Kent. PACE offers energy reviews

and reports for any Connecticut town and has done a few for Northwest Corner towns.

“We waste about 2/3 of our energy today,” Pelletier reported, summarizing his energy baseline study. “Most of us are energy unconscious,” he added, advising listeners to make a plan to conserve and electrify.

Speaking of Kent, Pelletier said that each Kent resident produces 12 tons of carbon dioxide (CO₂) annually. These are greenhouse gas emissions. For example, Pelletier said, if someone burns a gallon of gasoline, weighing about 7 pounds in liquid form, it will go into the atmosphere as gaseous carbon emissions weighing 20 pounds.

Installing solar panels in various locations throughout Kent, including as canopies over parking lots, or installations on rooftops, in rights of way, and atop brownfields, could produce considerable energy, Pelletier reported.

During discussion, a resident asked about “smart meters” that would allow homeowners to know when daily electricity rates are low to enable them to re-charge devices and cars to coincide.

Horn responded that legislators are working now on a smart meter bill that should be ready for public hearing next year, likely on Zoom. “The push is gaining momentum,” Horn added.

PANTRIES

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PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

Volunteers Jocylene Koffi, Joffre Andrade and Juju Agyeman load a weekly supply of groceries into a recipient’s vehicle at The Corner Food Pantry in Lakeville.

volunteer, what types of food are needed, and how to make a monetary donation.

“The Corner Food Pantry distributes food on Fridays from 3 to 4 p.m. and on Saturday morning from 9 to 10 a.m. We serve clients in the Tri-state area and ask new clients to complete a brief registration form at

their first visit to the pantry,” said Halle.

Fishes & Loaves requests a similar sign-up process and prospective recipients are welcome to register in person within their location at 30 Granite Ave. in North Canaan, open Tuesday, 4 to 6 p.m., and Thursday, noon to 2 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notice

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Application #2022-0201 by Abigail Raymond Salaway for a 2-Lot residential subdivision at 300 Between the Lakes Road Salisbury, Map 67, Lot 7 per the Salisbury Subdivision Regulations. The hearing will be held on Monday, November 7, 2022 at 5:45 PM. There is no physical location for this meeting. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The application, agenda and meeting instructions will be listed at www.salisburyct.us. Written comments may be submitted to the Land Use Office, Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, P.O. Box 548, Salisbury, CT or via email to landuse@salisburyct.us. Paper copies may be reviewed Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM.

Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission
Martin Whalen, Secretary
10-27-22

Legal Notice

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Special Permit Application #2022-0204 by owner Janet Andre Block for the vertical expansion of a nonconforming dwelling and an attached accessory apartment at 4 Main Street, Salisbury, Map 15, Lot 15 per Section 503.2 and 208 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Monday, November 7, 2022 at 5:45 PM. There is no physical location for this meeting. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom where

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF PARK B. SMITH Late of Salisbury (22-00391)

The Hon. Diane S. Blick, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated October 13, 2022, 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.

The fiduciaries are:
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Megan M Foley
Clerk
10-27-22

November 8, 2022 State Election

The Electors of the Town of Salisbury are hereby warned to meet at their respective polling places in said Town on Tuesday,

November 8, 2022, for the following purposes:

I. To cast their votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller, Attorney General, Judge of Probate, and Registrar of Voters.

II. To vote on the following question for the approval or disapproval of a proposed AMENDMENT to the Constitution of Connecticut, a vote of “YES” being a vote for approval, and a vote of “NO” being a vote for disapproval:

1. Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to permit the General Assembly to provide for early voting?

The full text of such proposed question with explanatory text, printed in accordance with CGS 2-30a of the General Statutes, is available at the town clerk’s office for public distribution.

Notice is hereby given that the location of the polling place is as follows:

Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068

Election Day Registration will be held at: Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068

Voting tabulators will be used. The polls will be opened at six o’clock in the morning (6:00 a.m.) and will remain open until eight o’clock in the evening (8:00 p.m.).

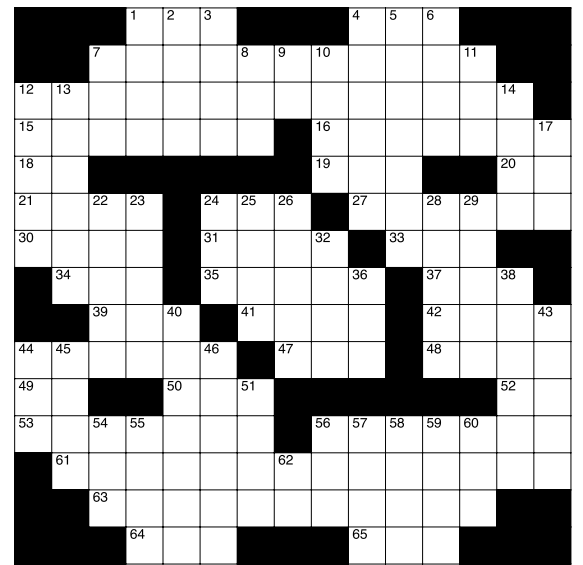
Dated at Salisbury, Connecticut, this 20th day of October 2022.

Patricia H. Williams,
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Town of Salisbury
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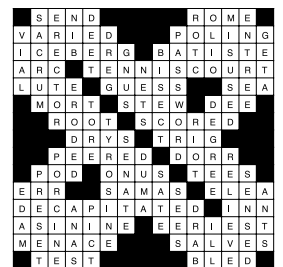
1. Unhappy
4. Clairvoyance
7. One who works under you
12. What happens there stays there
15. Not ingested
16. Got the picture
18. One thousandth of a gram
19. Breakfast item
20. About
21. Tall deciduous trees
24. Safe keeping receipt
27. Cowardly
30. Pueblo people of New Mexico
31. Herring-like fish
33. A very large body of water
34. Angle (abbr.)
35. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
37. White clerical vestment
39. Cool!
41. Matchstick games
42. Thick piece of something
44. A state that precedes vomiting
47. Burned item residue
48. Jaguarundi
49. Anno Domini (in the year of Our Lord)
50. The home of “60 Minutes”
52. Dorm official
53. Give cards incorrectly
56. One who is learning the job
61. Popular R.L. Stevenson novel
63. Attentively
64. CNN’s founder
65. Criticize



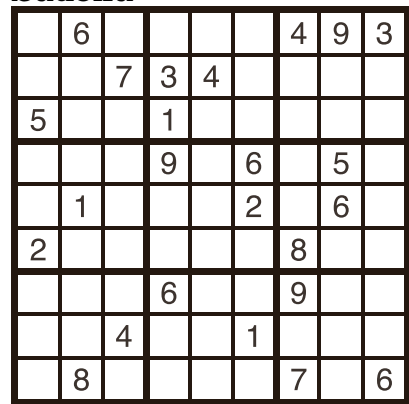
11. Electronic data processing
12. “Dog Day Afternoon” director
13. Leaned
14. About aviation
17. Mountain is a popular type
22. Lake along Zambia and Congo border
23. Heroic tales
24. Soviet Socialist Republic
25. “Star Trek” villain
26. Hand gesture popular on social media
28. Renters have one
29. Tubular steel column
32. Database management system
36. Similar
38. Providing no shelter or sustenance
40. Death
43. What a sheep did
44. Midcentury Asian

- battleground
45. Horizontal passage into a mine
46. Mortified
51. Improper word
54. No seats available
55. Financial obligation
56. It can be hot or iced
57. Tough outer skin of a fruit
58. ___ Spumante (Italian wine)
59. Misfortunes
60. Negative
62. Camper

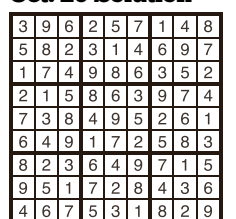
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Cornwall eyes TRIP grant program

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — Recognizing that the new state-funded TRIP grant application process is in its earliest stages, the Board of Selectmen discussed what is known about it at their regular meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 18.

First Selectman Gordon Ridgway described the TRIP (Transportation Rural Improvement Program) program being adminis-

tered through the NHCOC (Northwest Hills Council of Governments), indicating that there is up to \$300,000 in funding available to towns. He said that he would be gathering more information in the coming weeks in advance of the February 2023 deadline for towns to apply.

Engineer Steve McDonald, who is working on the West Cornwall wastewater project, is aware of the program, Ridgway said, adding that infrastructure repair

could be a possible focus.

River Road repairs

Work to repair River Road is likely to be scheduled for the second week in November, Ridgway reported. The portion slated for repair is located along the dirt stretch north of West Cornwall, about halfway between West Cornwall and Falls Village. He said that the road should be open for travel each night, and only closed during the day when the excavator needs to do its fill work.

Halloween Plans for Cornwall Center

Announcing plans for trick-or-treaters on Monday, Oct. 31, Park and Recreation Chairman Michele Shipp said that the town's residents will be distributing candy throughout the village center, and that residents may also creatively distribute treats to youngsters from decorated auto trunks in the town center. Donations of candy may be brought to Town Hall on or before Friday, Oct. 28.



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Music for a good cause

Wanda Houston and the HBH Band entertained on Friday, Oct. 14, at a Kent Land Trust concert at the Land Trust's field in cooperation with Kent Parks and Recreation, Kent Lions and Kent Greenhouse & Gardens, to benefit the Kent Food Bank.

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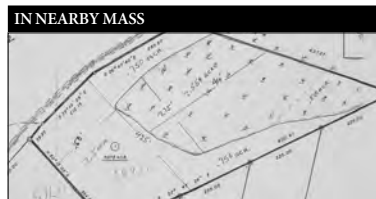
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