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



On Monday afternoon, Aug. 2, the Sharon branch of Salisbury Bank and Trust was robbed. CEO Richard Cantele, far left, met with security officers.

# Police seek robbery suspect in local towns

By Hunter Lyle

SHARON —The State Police reported on Monday afternoon, Aug.2, that they had received a report at about 12:30 p.m. of a bank robbery at the Sharon

branch of Salisbury Bank and Trust.

"The suspect, who is believed to be a white male, wearing blue jeans and a blue sweater," according to

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PHOTO BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

# A honey of a good time

Farm markets and farm stands are now at their delicious peak and everyone is happy, including the honey producers from Falconwood Farms, above, at the Kent Friday farm market.

# The future of Alzheimer's research

SALISBURY — Dr. Scott Small, director of the Alzheimer's Disease Research Center at Columbia University, will speak on Tuesday, Aug. 17, at noon at Noble Horizons on Zoom.

A specialist in aging and dementia, Small has run a National Institutes of Health-funded laboratory for nearly 20 years and has published more than 140 studies on memory function and malfunction. His neuroimaging and molecular work has led to seven patents. His research has been covered by The New York Times, The New Yorker and Time and his insight into Alzheimer's disease recently led to the formation of Retromer Therapeutics, a new biotechnology company that he co-founded.

In addition to directing Columbia University's Alzheimer's Disease Research Center, Small is the Boris and Rose Katz Professor of Neurology in the Taub Institute for Research on Alzheimer's Disease and the Aging Brain. He is the recipient of numerous awards and published his first book in July 2021.

His book, "Forgetting: The Benefits of Not Remembering," explains how forgetting actually

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# A life saved by caring volunteers, neighbors and good fortune

By Leila Hawken

CORNWALL — It's an extraordinary story. Completely without warning, on Saturday, July 17, CBS News correspondent Richard Schlesinger's habitual brisk morning walk was brutally interrupted by cardiac arrest, dropping him to the pavement on Cogswell Road, not far from home, alone —a situation termed "unattended cardiac arrest" that has an extremely low survival rate.

What followed was a confluence of seemingly coincidental events, all contributing like clockwork to an outcome with a nicely recuperating patient and gratitude to an exceptional community.

#### An actual 'perfect' storm

A conversation with Cornwall's EMS Captain Elizabeth Ridgway on Thursday, July 29, provided details of the heroic life-preserving efforts of volunteers and medical experts who responded to the scene. Although she was not on scene herself, she assembled the reports of those who were.

Schlesinger had been walking along Cogswell Road near the bridge, three-quarters of a mile from home. He was near the end of his walk that morning.

In what his doctors now assume was within a couple

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Richard Schlesinger, at left in photo, was saved by neighbors and volunteers following a cardiac emergency. He is recovering now in Cornwall with his partner, John Guenther, at right in photo; and Cyrus, in center, and Gus, who is not in the photo.

of minutes after his collapse, a motoring couple came along and rushed into action. Fortunately, the woman (who was found and identified on Monday, Aug. 2) knew CPR. Drawing upon her training, she began chest compressions while her husband dialed 911. That there was a cell phone signal at that spot was an added gift.

Within one minute, State Trooper First Class Roy Dungan from Troop B in North Canaan, who was near Cornwall Consolidated School at the time, responded and initiated rescue breathing using

a bag valve mask. Soon, more trained personnel were on the scene, including Schlesinger's neighbor Ian Ridgway, who had completed Emergency Medical Technician training earlier in the year. He took over the chest compressions.

Joyce Hart, who is one of the select trained personnel who happened to have a defibrillator kit in her car, arrived on scene. By EMS policy in Cornwall, such "The beauty of this experience is that these people gave up their time to give me back my life."

kits are deployed in Volun- Ridgway said that Williamson bers' vehicles as part of their jump kits, to provide quick response from scattered locations. Schlesinger's doctors were amazed that someone happened to have the device handy.

Using Hart's kit, the Cornwall Ambulance crew collaborated to shock Schlesinger's heart twice, once as the ambulance arrived, and then again.

The ambulance had its LU-CAS machine on board to begin mechanical compressions. It was an extremely hot day, Captain Ridgway recalled of the working conditions.

LUCAS is a state-of-theart machine purchased just a year ago with fire department funds at an investment of about \$15,000, Ridgway noted. Having a LUCAS is not mandated, so not every department has one, she added.

For the first time at that point, a pulse was detected, according to Ridgway.

The important task of notifying Schlesinger's partner, John Guenther, who was en route to Cape Cod, fell to Dave Williamson, a neighbor and long-term member of the Volunteer Fire Department.

teer Fire Department mem- willingly volunteered for the task, bringing to it his friendship and compassionate nature.

Meanwhile, according to Ridgway, the Northern Dutchess paramedics arrived on scene. Although they are based in Millerton, they were returning from another assignment in Goshen, not far away. They were qualified to administer advanced life support, including connecting an IV line and dosing stabilizing medications.

A LifeStar helicopter had been summoned. The Cornwall Ambulance sped Schlesinger to Sharon to meet the helicopter at Sharon Hospital's landing pad for the flight to Hartford Hospital for emergency treatment and, ultimately, quadruple-bypass surgery.

### The extraordinary

power of community Having persuasively agitated for early release from Hartford Hospital, Schlesinger was up for a conversation on Monday, July 26, eager to express his appreciation to emergency personnel and the Cornwall community at large.

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Three-day forecast		
Friday	Sun, high 84°/low 61°	
Saturday	Thunderstorms, 82°/63°	
Sunday	Cloudy, 84°/64°	

### 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.

#### Tree down in road

On July 25 at approximately 11 p.m. on Route 41 in Salisbury a 2008 Chevrolet Malibu driven by Jordan Alan Gdovin, 18, of Sharon failed to stop in time to avoid a fallen tree in the road. No injuries were reported and no police action was taken.

### Disorder at residence

On July 28 at approximately 4:30 a.m. at a residence on Wells Hill Road in Salisbury Elizabeth Macaire, 53, of Salisbury, following an on-scene investigation, was charged with disorderly conduct. She was scheduled to appear in Torrington Superior Court on that same day.

### Stolen hardware

Troop B is investigating a report of items taken from a residence on Millerton Road in Sharon between July 29 and 31: a yellow Dewalt table saw, a silver Hitachi framing gun, a trim gun, a four-way power cord and 13 feet of aluminum siding. Anyone with information is asked to contact Troop

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

### **FAMILY & FRIENDS**

# Marvelwood eco team moves to final round

KENT — Marvelwood's Envirothon team won the 2021 Connecticut State competition. It is organized by the Connecticut Envirothon program.

Students who participated in the team of environmentalists included Aiden Cherniske of Kent, Ashley Wilkins of Kent, Brennan Wilkins of Kent, Madeleine Paddock of Lakeville and Olivia Pignataro of Carmel, N.Y. They were led by their faculty advisor, Science Department Chair Laurie Doss.

Throughout the year, this group pursued a natural resource-based curriculum that culminated in a virtual field day competition in late May. Marvelwood earned top three finishes in four out of five categories: wildlife (1st), soils (1st), aquatics (2nd) and forestry (3rd) and, for the first time in the school's history, they won the overall competition and will represent Marvelwood and the State of Connecticut in the international Envirothon.

The team worked hard to prepare for the competition, coordinated by NCF Envirothon, which took place July 25 to 28; 42 teams from across the



The Marvelwood School's Envirothon team, led by Science Chair Laurie Doss, right, represented the State of Connecticut in a national competition in July.

U.S., Canada and China tested their environmental and natural resources conservation knowledge and skills during the virtual international competition.

# Art scholarship for HVRHS grad headed to NYC



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Melissa Mauri of Kent plans to continue studying art in on to find successful careers the fall at Pratt Institute in New York City.

KENT — Melissa Mauri of in design, advertising, and as Kent received the Contempoworking artists." rary Visual Arts Scholarship (CVAS) awarded at the recent Awards Ceremony held at the fall. Housatonic Valley Regional High School. The \$40,000 scholarship is given annually to a graduating senior who is pursuing a four-year degree in fine art. Region One School District Superintendent Lisa Carter said, "We are fortunate to be able to award this scholarship, which enables students who have shown talent and promise as young artists in

Mauri plans to attend Pratt

Institute in Brooklyn, N.Y., in

The CVAS, based on talent and financial need, was launched in 2004 and is facilitated by the Foundation for Contemporary Arts, located in New York City.

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# Submit to student film competition

Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation has partnered with the Civic Life Project and the Berkshire Film and Media Collaborative to launch the Bridging Divides, Healing Communities Youth Film Challenge.

Residents of Berkshire County, Mass., Columbia and northeast Dutchess counties, N.Y., and northwest Litchfield County, ages 14 to 24, are invited to submit a 6-minute film that highlights divisions and inequities in society, and how young people are tackling these challenges in their families, schools and communities.

Films can focus on topics such as climate change; the state of our democracy; exclusion based on identity, age, religion or social or immigration status; or any local, national or global issue for which there are opposing views yet possibilities for reconciliation and healing.

Virtual classes and one-onone advice from professional filmmakers will be available until October. Equipment is available on a limited basis. Films must be submitted by Nov. 1. A panel of filmmakers will judge entries and award a \$2,000 first prize, \$1,000 second prize and \$500 third prize. Select films will be screened at events this fall. To learn more and apply, go to www.Youth-FilmChallenge.com.

The Youth Film Challenge expands on a Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation grant program that awarded nearly \$50,000 to 21 local groups earlier this year to bring people together to explore shared

interests, address a problem through dialogue and action, or consider an issue through a range of perspectives.

These grants were made possible with generous support from Berkshire Bank and the Josephine and Louise Crane Foundation.

Berkshire Taconic also partnered with The Berkshire Eagle and Berkshire Bank to host a four-part Bridging Divides, Healing Communities Speaker Series featuring noted guests on topics such as race, social cohesion, the media's role in polarized times, and promising local engagement efforts. Recordings are available at www.BerkshireTaconic.org/ Speakers.

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Volunteers wanted

By Leila Hawken

SHARON — Recognizing the value of citizen involve-

ment in allocation of the nearly \$400,000 in funding

through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the

selectmen agreed at their regular meeting on Tuesday,

July 27, to form an ad hoc committee of volunteers to

seek and consider applications from local individuals

Tom Bartram, emergency management director for the town. The committee will create a spending plan to be

Serving on the committee so far are Jill Drew and

"The sooner we get going the better," Selectman Dale

Jones said, indicating that the committee will need to

reach out to groups whose work has been affected by the

COVID-19 pandemic. The ARPA funding carries with it

Residents interested in volunteering should contact

and groups who may qualify for the funding.

submitted to the Board of Selectmen for review.

many restrictions guiding its use.

the selectmen's office at Town Hall.

for COVID fund

spending plan

# **Our Towns**

# New restaurant now open in Falls Village, with coffee and meals

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — The new Falls Village Cafe was bustling on Thursday morning, July 29, with a group in the corner relaxing with coffee and a couple of solitary individuals peering at their laptops.

Co-owner Adam Sarosi, who with his spouse, Sabina Safar, opened for business last week, said it has been very

It's been a long time coming. The town-owned space at 107 Main St. was the subject of lengthy and arduous discussions for the better part of two

The final obstacle was the installation of a new septic system, which was done two weeks ago.

Right now the cafe has coffee, tea, ice cream and a breakfast and "all day" menu. Sarosi said an expanded menu, which will include dinner is in the works, as is a beer and wine

He said the biggest problem at the moment is help.

Fiber optic

in Sharon

Tuesday, July 27.

a possibility

By Leila Hawken

SHARON — The work of the Sharon Connect Task Force was discussed by the selectmen at their regular meeting on

They agreed unanimously to their plan to seek proposals and

cost estimates from engineering firms interested in devis-

ing a town-owned fiber-optic network to provide broadband coverage throughout the town.

Coverage could extend to every home and business in town.

firm for a feasibility analysis of

what it would take to do it and

es to the fiber-optic network

are under consideration. One

would provide service to ev-

ery home or business on any

state, town or private road. A

second approach would cover

only state or town roads, but

not private roads. The third

would see wiring along every

state or town road, without

connecting to the home or

owner to arrange for connec-

engineering feasibility plan

to be completed by the end

of December. At that point

Broadband coverage will be

brought before the town for

a vote. Possible decisions may

be to do nothing, to agree to

fund a town-owned network

plan, to contract with one of

the existing local providers or

to come up with another idea.

Individual home or business

The selectmen expect the

business, leaving the

tion.

Three different approach-

how much it would cost.

This year's budget provides \$30,000 to hire an engineering

"The problem is they can't



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Adam Sarosi and his wife, Sabina Safar, are serving fresh and (when possible) local food at the new Falls Village Cafe.

afford to live here."

There is a solid wifi connection, so people looking to get some work done can settle in.

Sarosi said the cafe makes a point of using as many local ingredients and products as possible.

Thus coffee from Irving Farm, tea from Harney and Sons and SoCo ice cream plus whatever is on offer from nearby farmers.

It's a cheerful atmosphere, even when the weather is wet and dreary.

Sarosi said his goal is to attract a mix of locals and visitors to town.

'We want to make it a place for everyone."

Go to www.fallsvillagecafe. com to see the menu and for more information.

# Groundbreaking for library Aug. 7

SHARON —The Hotchkiss Library of Sharon will hold a ceremonial groundbreaking in front of the library on Saturday, Aug 7, at 11 a.m. The public is

The project includes a modest addition to the rear of the building, will offer a new, fully accessible entrance and bathrooms, increased space for children's and community activities, and enhanced technology. The historic interior will also undergo a major refurbishment.

There will be a short program at the Aug. 7 ceremony with refreshments and an opportunity to view the project's plans. Tours to see how the library will look in the future will be available.

More details can be found at www.hotchkisslibraryofsharon.



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### Solar power in Salisbury

Last week the Salisbury Historic District Commission approved the Salisbury Congregational Church's application for a new roof with solar panels. The church's goal as a "net-zero" building that produces as much energy as it consumes. This image is a rendering of the proposed roof.



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# **Brain Teasers**

### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Ponds
- 9. Invests in little enterprises 13. Longtime Utah Jazz coach
- 14. Small sailboat
- 15. "Luther" actor
- 16. Round Dutch cheese 17. Detects underwater objects
- 18. Harsh, grating noise
- 19. Steward 21. Fencing sword
- 22. Painful places on the body 23. "Sleepless in Seattle" actress
- 24. Sodium 25. Engineering degree (abbr.)
- 28. Small lump
- 29. African antelope 31. Electronic point of sale
- 33. Carefully chooses
- 36. Ringworm
- 38. Unrefined 39. Drenches
- 41. Type of pants
- 44. Son of Noah 45. Spiritual being
- 46. Upton Sinclair novel
- 48. Journalist Tarbell 49. Atomic #21 (abbr.)
- 51. Born of
- 52. Rich tapestry
- 54. S. China seaport
- 56. Being without clothes 60. Surrounded by
- 61. Remains 62. Away from wind
- 63. Dried-up
- 64. One who can see the future 65. A very large body of water
- 66. Digs up earth
- 67. Type of screen 68. Old Norse poet

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Millisecond 2. Spanish city
- 3. Sudden, very loud sound 4. Type of chair
- 6. Sea eagles
- 7. Broad volcanic crater 8. Some animals have it
- 9. Ottoman palaces
- 10. Divulge a secret
- 11. "A Doll's House" playwright 12. "It's a Wonderful Life" director
- 14. Poisonous perennial
- 17. Gulf in the Aegean
- 20. Clothes 21. Chairs
- 23. Family of regulator genes

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- 25. NY ballplayer
- 26. Impressive in size or scope
- 27. Jacques \_\_\_, Fr. biologist 29. Manhattanite
- 30. Genus of lemurs
- 32. Sings to
- 34. River in southern Italy 35. Supplemented with difficulty
- 37. Farewell 40. Senior officer
- 42. Utah resident 43. Begets
- 47. Boy 49. Violently break
- 50. Brief appearance 52. Expressed pleasure
- 53. A light informal meal
- 55. Fabric with smooth finish
- 56. One billionth of a second (abbr.)



57. Ancient Greek City

61. A way to communicate

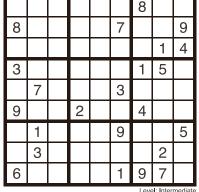
58. Close tightly

59. Commit

(abbr.)

65. Heavy metal

# Sudoku



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The Hon. Diane S. Blick, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated July 26, 2021, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

The fiduciary is: Lynn W. Humeston c/o Louise F Brown Ackerly Brown, LLP 5 Academy Street P.O. Box 568 Salisbury, CT 06068 Megan M. Foley Clerk 08-05-21

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Acertifiedlist of Republican party-endorsed candidates for town of Kent, CT election as First Selectman, Selectman, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Board of Finance, Board of Education, Planning & Zoning Commission, Board of Assessment Appeals, Zoning Board of Appeals, Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate, Sewer Commissioners and Sewer Commissioner Alternate is on file in my office at 41 Kent Green Blvd., Kent, Connecticut, and copies thereof are available for public distribution.

The certified list as received includes fewer names of party endorsed candidates that the party is entitled to nominate for the following offices:

#### Office Selectman

Number of Names Certified-0

Nominated- 1

**Board of Finance** 

Number of Names Certified-1

Number Entitled to be Nominated-2

#### **Board of Education(Vacancy)**

Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated -1

#### Board of Assessment **Appeals**

Number of Names Certified-0 Number Entitled to be Nominated-1

### **Planning and Zoning**

Number of Names Certified-1 Number Entitled to be

Nominated-2

**Zoning Board of Appeals** Number of Names Certified-1

Number Entitled to be Nominated-3

# **Zoning Board of Appeals**

Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-2 **Sewer Commission** 

Number of Names Certified-1

Number Entitled to be Nominated-2

**Sewer Commission Alt.** 

Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-1

### Sewer Commission Alt.

(Vacancy) Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-1

Primary will be held September 14, 2021 if the required primary petition(s) for opposition candidate(s) is filed, pursuant to Sections 9-382 to 9-450 of the Connecticut General Statutes, not later than 4:00 p.m. on August 11, 2021.

forms, instructions and information concerning the procedure for filing of opposing candidacies, including schedules, may be obtained from:

Sal Lilienthal, Republican Registrar of Voters or Karen Chase, Democrat, Registrar of Voters, at 41 Kent Green Blvd., Kent, CT. 06757.

Darlene F. Brady Kent Town Clerk 08-05-21

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Certified-1 Number Entitled to be Nominated -2

**Zoning Board of Appeals** 

Number of Names Certified-1

Number Entitled to be Nominated-2

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FOR SOME OFFICES A certified list of Democratic party-endorsed candidates for the Town of Salisbury for election as First Selectman, Board of Finance (Full Term), Board of Finance (To Fill Vacancy for Two Years), Board of Education, Board of Assessment Appeals, Planning and Zoning Commission, Planning and Zoning Commission Alternate, and Regional Board of Education is on file in my office at 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT, and copies thereof are available for public distribution.

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Number of Names Certified-1

Number Entitled to be Nominated-2

**Board of Finance(To Fill Vacancy for Four Years** 

Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-1

**Zoning Board of Appeals** Number of Names Certified-2

Number Entitled to be Nominated-3 **Zoning Board of Appeals** 

Alternate Number of Names

Certified-1 Number Entitled to be

Nominated-2 A Primary will be held September 14, 2021, if, for a particular office, the number of party-endorsed candidates plus the number of candidates filing petitions pursuant to Sections 9-382 to 9-450 of the **Connecticut General Statutes** exceeds the maximum number which the party is entitled to nominate for that office. Petitions must be filed not later than 4:00 p.m. of August 11, 2021. Petition forms, instructions and information concerning the procedure for filing of opposing candidacies, including schedules, may be obtained from: Karin Gerstel, Democratic Registrar of Voters, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068

Patricia H. Williams Town Clerk of Salisbury 08-05-21

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Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-1

Selectman Number of Names

Certified-1 Number Entitled to be

Nominated - 2 Board of Finance(Full

Term) Number of Names

Certified-0 Number Entitled to be

#### Nominated-2 **Board of Finance(To Fill Vacancy for Four Years**)

Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-1

**Board of Finance(To Fill** Vacancy for Two Years) Number of Names

Certified-0 Number Entitled to be

# Nominated-1

**Board of Education** Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-2

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Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-1

Planning and Zoning Commission Number of Names

Certified-1 Number Entitled to be

Nominated-3

Planning and Zoning Commission Number of Names

Certified-0 Number Entitled to be

Nominated-2 Planning and Zoning

**Commission Alternate** Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-2

**Zoning Board of Appeals** Number of Names Certified-0

Number Entitled to be Nominated-3 **Zoning Board of Appeals** 

Alternate Number of Names

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Regional Board of Education

Number of Names Certified-0 Number Entitled to be

Nominated-1 A Primary will be held September 14, 2021, if, for a particular office, the number of party-endorsed candidates plus the number of candidates filing petitions pursuant to Sections 9-382 to 9-450 of the Connecticut General Statutes exceeds the maximum number which the party is entitled to nominate for that office. Petitions must be filed not later than 4:00 p.m. of August 11, 2021. Petition forms, instructions and information concerning the procedure for filing of opposing candidacies, including schedules, may be obtained from: Maureen Dell, Republican Registrar of Voters, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068.

Patricia H. Williams Town Clerk of Salisbury 08-05-21

### **Legal Notice**

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Application #2021-0139 by Ramcharran (LRC Group - Wagenblatt) for a Front Setback Variance, Salisbury Map 49, Lot 116 per Section 304 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, immediately after the regularly scheduled business of the meeting or at 5:30PM, whichever occurs first. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom (Remote Meeting by Live Internet Video Stream and Telephone), where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The application, agenda and meeting instructions will be listed at www.salisburyct. us. Written comments may be submitted to the Land Use Office before 4:00PM on Monday, August 9, 2021, Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, P.O. Box 548, Salisbury, CT, or via email to aconroy@ salisburyct.us. Paper copies maybe reviewed Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:30 PM.

Salisbury Zoning Board of Appeals Stacie Weiner, Secretary

07-29-21

08-05-21

**Legal Notice** The Zoning Board of AppealsoftheTownofSalisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Application #2021-0135 by the Marketplace of Salisbury Map 54, Lot 25 per Sections 300.3/304/307 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 immediately after the regularly scheduled business of the meeting or at 5:30PM, whichever occurs first. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom (Remote Meeting by Live Internet Video Stream and Telephone), where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The application, agenda and meeting instructions will be listed at www.salisburyct. us. Written comments may be submitted to the Land Use Office before 4:00PM on Monday, August 9, 2021, Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, P.O. Box 548, Salisbury, CT or via email to aconroy@ salisburyct.us. Paper copies maybe reviewed Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:30 PM.

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### LEGAL NOTICE **TOWN OF SHARON** PARTY ENDORSED **CANDIDATES FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES INCLUDING NOTICE OF**

"UNDERENDORSEMENT" A certified list of Democrat party-endorsed candidates for the Town of Sharon for the election as First Selectman, Selectman, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Board of Finance Full Term, Board of Finance Fill Vacancy 2 yrs, Board of Finance Alt. 4 yrs, Board of Education, Board of Assessment Appeals, Planning and Zoning Commission, Planning and Zoning Commission Alt., Zoning Board of Appeals, Zoning Board of Appeals Alt., Regional Board of Education is on file in my office at 63 Main Street, Sharon, CT, and copies are available for public distribution.

The certified list as received includes fewer names of partyendorsed candidates than the party is entitled to nominate for the following offices:

**OFFICE** First Selectman # Entitled 1 #Certified 0

**Selectman** #Entitled 2 # Certified 1

Board of Finance Full **Term** #Entitled 2 # Certified 1

Planning & Zoning #Entitled 1 #Certified 0 **Zoning Board of Appeals** 

#Entitled 2 #Certified 1 A Primary will be held September 14, 2021, if, for a particular office, the number of party endorsed candidates plus the number of candidates filing petitions pursuant to Sections 9-382 to 9-450 of the Connecticut General Statutes exceeds the maximum number, which the party is entitled to nominate for that office. Petitions must be filed not later than 4:00 p.m. of August 11, 2021. Petition forms, instructions and information concerning the procedure for filing of opposing candidacies, including schedules, may be obtained from:

Marel Rogers, Democratic Party Registrar of Voters, Sharon Town Hall, 63 Main Street, Sharon, CT.

Linda R. Amerighi-CCTC Town Clerk 08-05-21

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for the following offices: **OFFICE** Selectman #Entitled 2

#Certified 1 Board of Finance Full Time #Entitled 2 #Certified 1 Board of Finance-Fill vac. **2yrs**. #Entitled 1 #Certified 0 Planning & Zoning

#Certified 0 **Zoning Board of Appeals** #Entitled 2 #Certified 1

Commission Alt #Entitled 1

**Zoning Board of Appeals Alt** #Entitled 1 #Certified 0 Regional Board of Education #Entitled 1 #Certified 0

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Barbara S. Coords, Republican Party Registrar of Voters, Sharon Town Hall, 63 Main Street, Sharon, CT.

> Linda R. Amerighi-CCTC Town Clerk 08-05-21

#### **Notice of Decision Town of Salisbury Planning & Zoning** Commission

Notice is hereby given that the following application was approved by the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut on July 27, 2021:

Site Plan Application #2021-0140 by William & Kathleen Reiland to develop a single-family residential lot in the LPOD as per Section 404 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor's Map 67 as Lot 02-2 and is located at 63 Washinee Heights Road, Salisbury, Connecticut. The owners of the property are William T. and Kathleen G. Reiland.

Town of Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission Martin Whalen, Secretary 08-05-21

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS **ESTATE OF MARABETH COHEN-TYLER** Late of Salisbury (21-00290)

The Hon. Diane S. Blick, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated July 22, 2021, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to

recover on such claim. The fiduciaries are: John R. Wagner and Kenneth E. Tyler

c/o Mary M Ackerly Ackerly Brown, LLP 782 Bantam Road P.O. Box 815 Bantam, CT 06750

Beth L. McGuire Chief Clerk 08-05-21

### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF JANET GAIL MORGAN MOL** Late of Salisbury (21-00321)

The Hon. Diane S. Blick, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated July 20, 2021, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to

recover on such claim. The fiduciaries are: Gretchen E. Mol and James

C. Mol, Jr. c/o Richard David Carella,

Updike Kelly & Spellacy, P.C. 179 Main Street 100 Plaza Middlesex Middletown, CT 06457

Megan M. Foley Clerk 08-05-21

The deadline for legal notices is Friday at 4 p.m.

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

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### William Grant 'Bill' Curtis Sr.

liam Grant "Bill" Curtis Sr., 83,

of Gulf Breeze, Fla., passed away peacefully at home on July 23, 2021, after a lengthy illness.

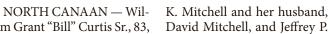
Bill was born on Feb. 26, 1938, in North Canaan to the late Louis G. and Margaret Curtiss.

He proudly served in the United States Air Force for 20 years from August 1955 to August 1975 and was a veteran of the Viet-

Throughout his life, Bill enjoyed travel, camping, NA-SCAR, golfing, working in his yard and flower gardens, and "playing" in the casino with family and friends.

He also loved spending time with his family and his precious Yorkie, "Louie."

He is survived by his wife, Nancy A. Curtis; his sisters, Mary Logerwell and Margaret Canevari; a brother, James D. Curtiss; his five children from his first marriage, Denise A. Curtis, Lynne H. Crosby and her husband, Ken Crosby, William G. Curtis Jr. and his wife, Stephanie Curtis, Lori



Curtis and his wife, Cindy Curtis; 17 grandchildren; 19 (number 20 on the way) great-grandchildren; along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by five siblings, Shirley Smith,

Johnny Curtiss Sr., Edith J. Thomen, Joseph Curtiss and Louis G. Curtiss.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Ronald Mc-Donald House, www.rmhc.org.

Visitation and memorial service will take place at Rose Lawn Funeral Home in Gulf Breeze on Aug. 6. Visitation will be from 9 to 10 a.m. and the memorial service will be at 10 a.m. followed by Military Memorial Burial Service at **Barrancas National Cemetery** in Pensacola.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of TSgt. William "Bill" Grant Curtis Sr., USAF (ret.), go to the floral store for Rose Lawn Funeral Home & Cemetery.

### Ian N. Gilmor

MILLERTON — Jan N. Gilmor, 68, a 21-year resident of Millerton and formerly of Pine Plains, died Monday, July 26, 2021 at Mount Sinai Hospital in Manhattan.

Mrs. Gilmor co- owned and operated Gilmor Glass Works in Pine Plains with her late husband, John, prior to moving their studio and beautiful showroom to Main Street in Millerton in 2000.

Jan was instrumental in selecting and approving the creative design work and color pallet for a wide array of artisanal glass products that were produced at Gilmor Glass for nearly four decades. Her attention to detail and exquisite taste along with John's unmatched ability to transform billions of grains of sand into elegant works of art put Gilmor Glass at the forefront of their profession and led to a very successful business serving clients all over the world. Jan retired from Gilmor Glass in 2019.

Born Nov. 11, 1952, in Brooklyn, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Phyllis (Silverstadt) and Donald Niederlitz. Following high school, Jan attended college and on Dec. 31, 1977, at Pine Plains Presbyterian Church she married John David Gilmor.

The Gilmors were married 43 years when John unexpectedly died on June 12, 2021.

Jan and John enjoyed traveling in their spare time and raising Labrador retrievers. Over the course of many years they raised 10 litters together. Jan was known for her ability to strike up a conversation with anyone and she loved a good, energized discussion.

She was also a founding member and supporter of TownScape, a revitalization initiative established many years ago by a group of caring business owners and citizens of the Village of Millerton and the Town of North East. Annual holiday decorations, sitting benches, signage, seasonal floral décor and business district enhancement projects are just some of the tasks that Town-Scape continues to provide and has perfected with great success. Jan will be dearly missed by all.

Jan is survived by her brother-in-law, Stephen J. Musso of Manhattan; her sisters-in-law, Mary Gilmor of New Windsor, N.Y., and Susan Gilmor on Winston-Salem, N.C.; two stepsisters, Lynn and Diane; a stepbrother, Rick; and many dear friends. In addition to her beloved husband, John, and her parents, Jan was predeceased by her loving sister, Kay Niederlitz.

There are no calling hours. A memorial service for John and Jan will take place at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home in Millerton.

Memorial donations may be made to TownScape, P.O. Box 835, Millerton, NY 12546 or North East Community Center, P.O. Box 35, Millerton, NY 12546.

To send an online condolence to the family or plant a tree in Jan's memory, go to www. conklinfuneralhome.com.

# Memorial service: David A. Brammer

LAKEVILLE — There will be a celebration of life luncheon for David A. Brammer (who died on Feb. 13, 2021) on Saturday, Aug. 21, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the firehouse in Lakeville.

# **OBITUARIES**

## Thomas William Butts

AMENIA — Thomas William Butts, 64, a lifelong resident of Amenia, died July 29, 2021, at home.

Mr. Butts was a former sanitation worker for Welsh Sanitation in Amenia for several

Born on Nov. 1, 1956, in Sharon, he was the son of the late William Butts and Marilyn (Murtaugh) Butts of Amenia.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his son, Thomas W. Butts and his wife, Jennifer, of Chatham, N.Y.; his daughter, Marilyn Wynne and her husband, William, of Conshohocken, Pa.; a sister, Linda Butts of Amenia; a brother, Robert Butts of Amenia; and two grandchildren, Annaleigh and Robert Butts.

Graveside services and burial will be private. Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 301 Manchester Road, Suite 105, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

To send the family an online condolence, go to www.hufcutfuneralhome.com.

# Therese Forsyth Hare

SALISBURY — Therese Forsyth Hare, 68, died July 17, 2021, peacefully surrounded by her family at Smilow Cancer Hospital in New Haven.

Terry was born April 27, 1953, in New York City to William H. Forsyth and Agnes M. (Mitchell) Forsyth. The Forsyths and McClintocks have lived on Prospect Mountain Road in Salisbury for 70 years, and Salisbury was Terry's favorite place to be.

She was educated at The Chapin School, Rosemary Hall, Westminster Choir College, Ithaca College, where she received a B.M.E., and Central Michigan University, where she received an M.A. in choral conducting.

After Ithaca College, she lived with her husband, John, in Bethlehem, Pa., Grand Rapids, Mich., and New Haven. In Pennsylvania, she taught cello privately; she was the Instrumental Director at Moravian Academy; and she played with the Reading Symphony Orchestra, the Pennsylvania Sinfonia, and the Lehigh Valley Chamber Orchestra, among others. She co-founded the Bethlehem A Capella Singers. In Michigan, she taught cello privately and at Grand Rapids Community College, and she was the Instructor of Viola da Gamba at Calvin College. She played with the Westshore Symphony Orchestra, the Ash Grove String Quartet, and the Terzina Piano Trio, among others. She also sang with the Bach Chorale. She directed the choir of Eastern Avenue Christian Reformed Church, where she was also a deacon. In New Haven, she played bass and treble viol with various ensembles, sang with the Yale Collegium, and directed the choir of St. John's Episcopal Church, where she was a member of the pastoral care team. She also founded and directed the St. John's Youth Choir.

Terry was a person who spread joy to those around her. She saw the good in the people she was with, and drew the good out of them. She was a person of deep Christian faith, and she showed this in the love she gave to her family and to people that she met, sharing deeply in their joy and suffering. She had an exuberance for life that she delighted in sharing with others; she brought light and joy to what could otherwise have been mundane experiences, routinely spinning straw into gold. She had a way of welcoming and disarming everybody, making connections with new people, and turning duties into adventures. Life will not be the same without her in it. She will be deeply missed.

She is survived by her husband, John; her son Thomas, and her son Andrew and his wife, Lindsy, and their child, Rory; her brother, Bill, and his wife, Lesleigh; and her sister, Caroline; her cousins, Mary and Lucy and their families; and her many nephews and nieces, Lydia, Verena, Henry "Hank", Chris, Rebecca, David, Gilbert, Edward "Teddy" and their families.

The funeral was at St. John's Episcopal Church in New Haven on July 31. Celentano Funeral Home had charge of the arrangements.

Memorial gifts should be given to Rivendell Institute, 291 Edwards St., New Haven, CT 06511 (www.rivendellinstitute.org).

For more obituaries, see page A6



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# Nancy Lewis Smith

LAKEVILLE — Nancy Lewis Smith, 97, of Lakeville, died July 25, 2021, at Noble

Horizons. Nancy was born in Waterbury on July 30, 1923, daughter of the late Octavia (Hickcox) and Justin Smith.

She was a graduate of Great Barrington School for Girls in Great Barrington, Mass., Endicott Col-

lege in Beverly, Mass., and received her degree in teaching from Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa. After college, she worked at

House of Industry in Philadelphia, a settlement house dedicated to the relief and employment of destitute immigrants.

She then returned to Connecticut, settled in Lakeville, and began her decades-long career teaching at Salisbury Central School.

Nancy had an affinity for nature. She enjoyed painting and photography and would often use photos she had taken as inspiration for her paintings.

She had a great interest in world travel and was an active

> member of the Salisbury Congregational Church, where she was very involved in the Ladies' Upkeep Society.

Nancy leaves her brother, Justin L. Smith and his wife Jean (Vey) Smith of Boothbay Harbor, Maine; and eight nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her sisters, Octavia Smith Cobb and Patricia Smith Brown. A memorial service was held

Wed., Aug. 4, at the Salisbury Congregational Church. Burial is private and at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial

donations in Nancy's name may be made to Save the Children, 501 Kings Highway East, Fairfield, CT 06825.

For additional information or to leave an online message of condolence, go to www.hickcoxfuneralhome.com.



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### **North Canaan** Congregational Church, UCC

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### **The Sharon United Methodist Church**

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### **Canaan United Methodist Church**

2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT 11 a.m. Worship Service "Open Hearts – Open Minds – Open Doors Rev. Lee Gangaware 860-824-5534 canaanct-umc.com

### **Christ Church Episcopal** in Sharon

9 South Main, Sharon CT Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 AM Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker All welcome to join us 860-364-5260 www.christchurchsharon.org

### **Greenwoods Community Church** 355 Clayton Road, Ashley Falls, MA Sunday Service 10:30 AM

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## **Trinity Episcopal Church 484 Lime Rock Rd., Lime Rock** Virtual Sunday service 10:30 AM

Trinity Lime Rock Facebook page Virtual Coffee Hour & Bible Study Rev. Heidi Truax trinity@trinitylimerock.org (860) 435-2627 www.trinitylimerock.org

#### **Unitarian Fellowship** of NW CT

Join our next service on Sunday, September 12 at 10:30 a.m. Venue to be announced For information, contact Jo Loi at jokiauloi@gmail.com All are Welcome

#### The Lakeville United **Methodist Church** 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

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#### Or contact us at 860-364-5002 **All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church**

313 Twin Lakes Rd., Salisbury, CT Divine Liturgy Sunday at 9:30 A.M. Rev. John Kreta 860-824-1340

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# **OBITUARIES**

# Daniel Charles Wright Jr.

SHARON — Daniel Charles Wright Jr., 93, passed away peacefully at his home in Sharon in the early hours of Wednesday, July 28, 2021. His wife of 67 years, Ann Wright, was at his bedside, along with children and grandchildren.

Dan was born on June 8, 1928, and grew up in Springfield, Mass. He enlisted in the US Navy at the age of 17 toward the end of World War II and was trained as a Corpsman. Honorably discharged, he attended the Munson Academy in Wilbraham, Mass., on the GI Bill, and upon graduation, moved to Boston to attend the Leland Powers School of Television and Radio.

While in Boston, in 1952 Dan was reintroduced to an acquaintance from Springfield named Mary Ann Callahan who was attending Boston University. They commenced a lifelong love story.

They married in 1953 and settled in NYC to pursue careers in the entertainment industry. He worked in many different areas of the business, starting out as an actor in live television, and working on production crews for live TV and TV commercials. He tran-

Memorial service:

memorial service for William

Schrenk (who died on Jan. 23,

sitioned to talent representation and worked with Ann for decades as a Theatrical Agent, a Sports Agent, representing successful athletes in the endorsement and commercials arena, and then as a Literary Agent representing screen-

The essence of Dan as a person is not found in a recitation of his career achievements. Dan was an artist in his core being. He was an observer of human behavior which he strived all his life to translate primarily through his painting, and a lifestyle of do-it-yourself decorative arts, furniture refinishing, and always an appreciation of the common man.

His salt-of-the-earth New England values informed his personal style. His aesthetic vision is everywhere evidenced in hundreds of oil paintings on canvas, watercolors, acrylic, charcoal, and pen and ink drawings. His annual handdrawn Christmas card was a sought-after keepsake. The Sharon house is floor to ceiling Dan art. He showed his work from time to time in NYC, and more recently at the Kent Art Association, Trinity Gallery at Lime Rock, Housatonic Valley

Hill Road, Cornwall. The ser-

vice will be at 2 p.m. and will be

Art League, Town Hall Gallery in Sharon and the Litchfield Jazz Festival, where his popular collection of "Jazz Greats" portraits were displayed.

Dan loved his family, with particular unwavering love for Ann, which he stated loudly for all to hear every morning.

Dan was predeceased by son Patrick Xavier Wright of Ridgefield, Conn.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Wright of Sharon; his children, Christopher Wright of Los Angeles, Calif., Susan Wright of Sharon, and Michael Wright of Sandy Hook, Conn.; his daughtersin-law, Laurie Ledoux Wright of Sandy Hook and Holly Powell-Wright of Paso Robles, Calif.; and his grandchildren in order of age, Ryan Wright of Menlo Park, Calif., Nicholas Tripodi of Canaan, Alex Tripodi of Sharon and Jerusha Wright of Sandy Hook.

**FORTUNE** 

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"The beauty of this experi-

up their time to give me back

admits he slept through the

whole episode. He said that

he knows that there were 12

people helping on the scene,

wall are more than amazing,"

he said. "I wave to the Corn-

wall people every day, and all

of a sudden, they are saving

my life. It redefines neighbor-

"I love Cornwall," he said,

Schlesinger noted with

deep gratitude that this was

happening on a Saturday

morning when all of these

people probably had other

things to do on their day off,

man was heard by the crowd

to say as he continued his com-

pressions. No one can identify

that person, but Ridgway said

it defined the intensity of the

"They refused to give up,"

Schlesinger said, returning to

that thought throughout the

conversation. "They worked

on me." And they had a LU-

Seeking

the Samaritans

this week for Schlesinger: He

did not know the identity of

the Cogswell Road motorists

And then on Monday,

August 2, he spoke with the

woman who saved his life by

performing CPR on him. He

had asked the State Police

for her identity; the trooper

who came along first.

One mystery persisted until

CAS machine, he marveled.

"I am not giving up," one

but still they kept on.

"The rescue people in Corn-

all of whom he knew.

liness."

effort.

and he meant it.

Family visitation hours will be held at the Kenny Funeral Home in Sharon on Thursday, Aug. 12, from 3 to 5 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Mary's Church in Ridgefield on Saturday, Aug. 14, at 10 a.m.

### **ROBBERY**

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PHOTOS COURTESY CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE

The State Police released this photo of the robbery suspect.

a police report that was sent out at approximately 2 p.m.

That evening, the police updated the report and shared an image from the bank's security camera.

The 9:30 p.m. report on Monday described the suspect as "a White or Hispanic male, small to medium build with dark hair. The suspect fled on foot and got into a gray or silver sedan nearby. State Police are investigating numerous leads in both Sharon and neighboring [North] Canaan."

The police said that "further information is forthcoming," and that "Anyone with information is asked to call Connecticut State Police Troop B in North Canaan at 1-800-497-0403."

phoned her to get her permission, which she gave. Her name is Elizabeth Jakobsen and her husband is Siguard Knippenberg. They were visiting Kent Falls from Maryland and had read that Cornwall has a covered bridge, so they drove up Route 7 to

They determined that there is ence is that these people gave a town beach in Cornwall; Google directed them to take Cogswell Road to the beach. my life," Schlesinger said. He

Although Jakobsen had been trained in CPR, she had never used it. This was her first time using CPR for real.

Schlesinger said that what strikes him is the randomness of the most direct route to the Cornwall town beach, and all of this led to saving his life.

"These people are heroes," he said.

With the episode behind him, Schlesinger said that he is pleased to be at home, propped up on pillows. He said it still hurts to laugh, so all jokes about his situation will need to wait.

The doctors in Hartford told him to expect to feel like he had been hit by a truck, twice. He said that he now feels as if he has been run over by a truck — but only once.

Schlesinger's current regimen calls for a required walk outdoors three times a day. During such walks, neighbors might come out to applaud and with good reason.

"The community saved him and the community has continued to support us, and that's enabled us to get through this," Guenther added. "We are filled with enormous gratitude."

There is more positive reaction to the incident. Locally offered CPR classes are attracting unprecedented interest.

Ridgway said the currently scheduled sessions are filled to capacity. Training is scheduled for Aug. 5 and 12 and a third date is being determined.

For information or to register for future CPR training sessions, email Ridgway at emscaptaincornwall@gmail.com.

'We prepare for the worst but hope for the best," Ridgway said, crediting poet Maya Angelou for the EMS motto. In this case, the worst happened and so did the best. "We are so pleased that our hundreds of hours of training paid off in such an important way."

#### followed by a reception. 2021) will be held on Saturday, Aug. 28, at the Cornwall Con-

William J. Schrenk Jr.

For more obituaries, turn to page A5

FALLS VILLAGE — A gregational Church, 8 Bolton

# Goods, good music, good food at Kent sale days

KENT — The Kent Sidewalk Sale Days combine two fun activities: shopping and being outdoors.

This year's festival begins Thursday, Aug. 5, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and continues through Sunday, Aug. 8. It's sponsored by the Kent Chamber of Commerce, and most of the stores in town (including several new businesses) will have special sales and other enticements.

The St. Andrews church Tag Sale returns, and as is the case with most of this year's tag sales, expect to find a larger-than-normal selection (people stockpiled their goods for a year because of the COVID-19 quarantine last summer).

Also overflowing with interesting second-hand goods is the summer-long Kent Memorial Library Outdoor Book Sale (while you're there you can purchase a raffle ticket to win a 2013 Mini Cooper Convertible).

Food options include full

meals at restaurants or graband-go options from Davis IGA and the new Sophie's Bakery. The Kent Farmers Market will be on Friday, Aug. 6, from 3 to 6 p.m. in its usual spot at 9 South Main, just south of the traffic light.

Kent Yoga and Bodyworks will offer half-price in-person or online Namastream classes on Friday and Saturday at 9:30 a.m.; reservations are required. Mention "sidewalk sales" at Lore's Nail Spa for 10% off any service.

The 2021 Summer Concert Series will present its final free concert on Thursday, Aug. 5, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., featuring the always-popular Joint Chiefs. The concert will take place at the Kent Land Trust Field on Route 7. On Saturday, Aug. 7, Glori Wilder will perform a free outdoor concert at the Shops at 31 North Main from 3 to 5 p.m.

For information on these and other activities, go to www.kentct.com.

— Cvnthia Hochswender



PHOTO FROM 2019 BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

The Kent Sidewalk Sale Days return this weekend, with concerts, special sales and food from Aug. 5 to 8.

# **SMALL**

### Continued from Page A1

see it. A child in the car with

them wanted to go swimming.

benefits our brains; it also examines groundbreaking developments in Alzheimer's disease. Small is a resident of Miller-

ton and New York City. At the time of his last pre-

sentation at Noble Horizons, he had just received national recognition for his lab's revelation that age-related memory

loss really is a distinct condition from pre-Alzheimer's, offering a hint that what we now consider the normal forgetfulness of old age might eventually be treatable.

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# COMPASS

Your Guide to Tri-State Arts & Entertainment

# The Art of Brewing Beer at NRM

he Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Mass., will host the third annual Art of Brewing Festival on Saturday, Aug. 21, from 1 to 4 p.m.

In addition to craft beers there will be regional foods from truck vendors, plus music and lawn games. Inside the museum there will be show of beer can illustrations.

About a dozen regional craft breweries are participating, including Brewery Ommegang and Berkshire Brewing Company.

For \$35 (\$20 for museum members), participants receive 10 sample pours and



Norman Rockwell Museum offers much more than just art, including a screening of "Raiders of the Lost Ark" with Berkshire County's Karen Allen, above.

a souvenir Norman Rockwell Museum beer glass. Also at the museum is the summer-long exhi-

bition of fantasy art and illustration, with special artist talks.

Unrelated but still fun: There will be a screening on Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 6 p.m. of "Raiders of the Lost Ark."

A special guest at the screening will be one of the film's stars, Karen Allen, who is a Berkshire County resident.

Tickets for the outdoor screening are \$125 for the reception and film, or \$20 for the film only.

The museum is at 9 Glendale Road/Route 183 in Stockbridge and online at www.nrm.org.

— Cynthia Hochswender



The stately old New Marlborough Meeting House is tucked away among trees and rolling lawn and steps away from the venerable Old Inn on the Green.

This tiny corner of Berkshire County (about a 30-minute drive from Lakeville, Conn.) looks like a sleepy New England village center, something out of an old movie. But it's pumping with life, thanks to the interesting people who inhabit this part of the world, and the cultural activities they come up with.

One such activity is the annual summertime talks with notable media figures. The talk featuring the at-that-time recently disgraced Garrison Keillor in 2019 sparked a furious conversation on social media about whether the writer/ radio personality should be invited to a public forum in the village. Keillor did in fact come, and every seat in the former

church was full. But the angry feelings sparked in that debate continue to this day.

This year's speakers are (apparently) less controversial. Bill McKibben, who writes extensively about the planet and climate change, and his wife, the author Sue Halpern, will speak on Saturday, Aug. 14, at 4:30 p.m. about our world, its past and its future. The title of their talk, ominously, is "The Future You Don't Want."

Tickets are \$20 (free for those under 21); order them at www.eventbrite. com/e/bill-mckibben-and-sue-halpern-on-climate-the-environment-and-technology-tick-ets-158748249287.

The New Marlborough Meeting House is at 154 Hartsville New Marlborough Road in New Marlborough, Mass. Learn more about the Meeting House at www. nmmeetinghouse.org.

— Cynthia Hochswender



# TRI-CORNER CALENDAR

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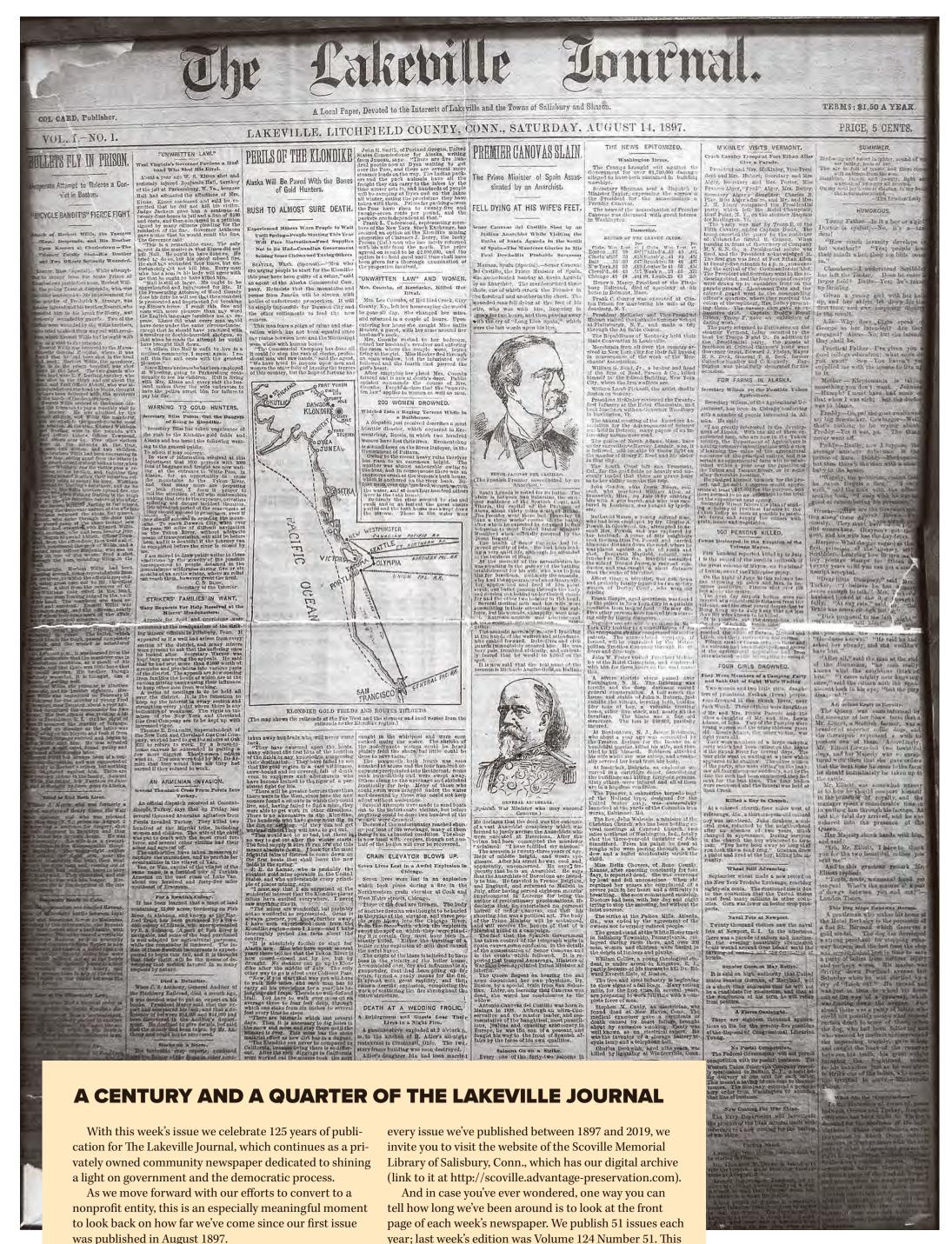
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# **EDITORIAL** The Lakeville Journal: 125 years

### The Past

The first issue of The Lakeville Journal was published on Aug. 14, 1897, by Col Card (see a copy of the front page of that first edition in this newspaper on Page B2 and online as an interactive file at www.tricornernews.com). Irving J. Keyes was the first editor, soon succeeded by B.D. Jones. At that time, the home for the newspaper was on Lakeville, Connecticut's Main Street, across from the Holley Williams House and in the building occupied by Argazzi Art in 2021.

This week, The Lakeville Journal enters its 125th year of operation as a local source for news. No matter the era, or the method of distribution, or the ownership, the mission for this newspaper remains the same. Our goal is to report the news of our communities accurately and fairly, fostering democracy and an atmosphere of open commu-

Since the purchase of The Millerton News in 1972, coverage has included New York's Harlem Valley and Northeastern Dutchess County communities. Content includes government, education, health care, business, real estate, the environment, nature, culture, the arts, everything that affects the lives of all those who live in the region. Our location at Connecticut's borders with New York and Massachusetts challenges our writers to give attention beyond our immediate area.

In 1998 a rudimentary website was launched. Since then, www.tricornernews.com has become an active and well-visited source of local news, using the original content from all our publications. Along with the two newspapers and the website, the monthly real estate tabloid TriCorner Real Estate and weekly Compass arts and entertainment, the company has a presence on Facebook and Instagram and publishes additional special sections over the course of the year.

Our rural bucolic region has little in the way of commerce to drive advertising so there was need to adapt, shrink costs and find alternate revenue sources. In 2017 the too-large building on Bissell Street in Lakeville was sold to Salisbury Bank and the office moved to a rental space on Route 7 in Falls Village. The Winsted Journal was discontinued in 2017, after 21 years of profitless publica-

Part of the challenge of having a small media company during the 1990s and 2000s was finding ways to avoid being taken over by a large corporate entity that would come in and cut publications back or shut them down. The Lakeville Journal Company LLC only managed to remain independent through the support and vision of its ownership from 1995 to the present, William E. Little Jr., A. Whitney Ellsworth and Robert Estabrook, together with the skill and talent of its staff.

### The Future

ow it is up to those who remain to value the legacy of the company and find ways to maintain its

As income deteriorated over recent years, a membership model to receive support directly from readers was initiated in 2019, and the response was enormous and encouraging. More than the goal of \$100,000 was raised. In 2020, with COVID-19 redefining life, the company applied for and received a PPP loan, converting it into a grant. Another PPP loan was obtained in 2021, and the hope is to also turn that into a grant. A new round of contributions from our readers was sought this year, and they responded generously, supporting the company with close to \$100,000 despite their own challenges of living through

Now, the company is pursuing conversion to a new business model.

An application to the IRS was submitted in late July to become a nonprofit 501(c)3 entity. This conversion marks a new beginning in several ways. Most obviously contributions now become tax deductible. We may now be eligible for grants. A new board is in formation with staggered and finite terms. The board will be geographically diverse and represent a variety of skills such as legal, journalism, technology, finance and fundraising. Above all, these will be our neighbors with deep interest and commitment to our communities.

Much thought is being given to the scope of content, geographic reach and delivery method. Most significantly, as a not-for-profit we belong to the community. We will continue to earn our right to exist by the quality we deliver, which will be reflected in your contributions, advertising, subscriptions and single copy sales at stores. We will continue to welcome your comments and criticisms.

Without the support of our readers in the Tri-state region and beyond, this local news organization and The Lakeville Journal would not still be here after 125 years. Thanks to all who read these publications and remain so connected to them, in an era when disconnection seems to have become the norm.

Our goal is to live up to the expectations of our readers and our communities, and to maintain a media company for local news that will continue long after our steward-

And remember, while this newspaper is 125 years old, like life, it's new every week.

Deadline for letters is Monday at 10 a.m. Send to publisher@ lakevillejournal.com. Letters are no more than 500 words.

More letters on page B4.



Fast-moving Housatonic

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Gratitude to Cornwall fire, EMS vols

I was out for a walk the other day and ran into Ian Ridgway, who lives two doors down. I had no words for him. The reason was...one week earlier, he saved my life. You may have read the story about this in the news pages of this week's edition. Ian is a Cornwall EMT who along with 11 other lifesavers worked on me on the side of the road after I went into cardiac arrest and died, briefly, one Saturday morning. A complete stranger and the selfless hero who I now know is named Elizabeth Jakobsen started CPR and kept going until other, familiar heroes arrived. Read these names. I hope you know some of them: Diane Beebe, Mike Carano, Joyce Hart, Skip Kosciusko, Ted Larson, Patience Lindholm, Rod MacNeil, Will Russ, Dick Sears, Jessica Slaven and Dave Williamson. It's hard

to know what to say to people like that without sounding trite. And there are few things worse than sounding trite.

I was just out for a morning walk... like any other day... and it was almost my last. I dropped to the ground. There was a series of amazing circumstances that helped me survive, as detailed in Leila Hawken's article.

But what really saved me was that this happened in Cornwall. This is a special place. A place where people help one another. It made all the difference in my life.

The people who worked on me are all my neighbors and friends. They volunteer their time (and a lot of it) to the Cornwall EMS squad. They are people I wave to... people who laugh (or quicken their pace) as they go by our house and our lunatic dogs go bonkers...

people I have had dinner with... people who have been in our house. But a relationship changes when someone saves your life (okay, I haven't done perfectly avoiding being trite!). Now I feel closer to this place and its people and I am indescribably grateful.

I've traveled the world as a reporter and always come home to Cornwall. Over the years this little town has become the center of my world. I chose well.

Cornwall has been described as cool... calm and quirky. It is also one other thing.... a more descriptive and important adjective. Cornwall is caring. I have always known that but never better than now. I wasn't too pleased to die here...but I'm sure glad I came back here.

**Richard Schlesinger** 

West Cornwall

# It's for the Presidency, for the country

"The Buck stops here." — Harry Truman

Seventy-six years ago, Aug. 14, the Japanese finally, totally surrendered — ending World War II on both battle fronts, East and West. Harry Truman had been president for 124 days, he was depicted as a "common man" — unpossessed of elite degrees, family prominence (a farmer), wealth or status-seeking ego.

"When you get to be president, there are all those things, the honors, the 21-gun salutes, all those things. You have to remember it isn't for you. It's for the Presidency."

Harry Truman drew crowds, large crowds, one million in San Francisco as the UN was chartered in 1945, a half million on Aug. 14, 1945, as Americans engulfed Lafayette Park, swarmed the White House fence as Truman greeted them — in such stark contrast to June 1, 2020, with a president, a Bible upside down and targeted gassings. Truman crowds gathered, together, to cheer national success, well-being, progress not in red-hat rallies making noise and calling names. A reminder to 45: It isn't for you. It's for the Presidency.

Dewey was the Republican presidential candidate in 1944 against Roosevelt and 1948 against Truman — he lost both in squeeze-tight races in 1948, the Chicago Tribune the morning after the election erroneously headlined, "Dewey Defeats Truman." Dewey of course conceded his defeat in both elections. After World War II devastation, the country and parties progressed into a new American era of development, prosperity for many but not all. Reminder to 45: It isn't for you. It's for the Presidency.

Truman, like Biden, had come from the Senate, where he successfully moved legislation and advanced efficient war-time production. An extraordinary U.S. infrastructure arose with World War II as hopefully an extraordinary infrastructure will arise following the traumas of a worldwide COVID pandemic. Perhaps soon the current U.S. Congress will go with Biden, replace a feckless 45 term of Infrastructure Weaks with focused, results-driven Infrastructure Restoration — jobs, jobs, safe transport, extended communi-

cations, renewed competitive stature. Reminder to 45: It isn't for you. It's for the country.

Truman at 5'9" was often portrayed as a small man as well as a man of little means. Truman had not wealth, he had character widely acknowledged by Churchill, foreign allies, his congressional colleagues, his World War I artillery unit, White House staff of all levels, voters in Missouri and nationally. While the GOP continues to lie down its honor, lies comfortably with political villains and false pundits, and lies continuously with the guilt of an insurrection at the Capitol, Biden is in it for the country. He honors the presidency.

"Once a government is committed to the principle of silencing the voice of opposition, it has only one way to go, and that is down the path of increasingly repressive measures, until it becomes a source of terror to all its citizens and creates a country where everyone lives in fear."

— Harry S. Truman Kathy Herald-Marlowe Sharon

# TURNING BACK THE PAGES

Norma Bosworth

100 years ago — August 1921

SALISBURY — The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Finnegan has been wired for electricity.

ORE HILL — The United States Tire sign here has been redecorated and the history concerning Millerton has been changed.

- The Extension Service News: "One of the best fields of potatoes in the state, one of approximately three acres, is grown by Dwight Cowles of Lakeville. He is a beginner in vegetable growing and has met with marked success this year." 50 years ago — August 1971

 A parcel containing 28 pounds of marijuana, valued at close to \$10,000, was confiscated last week at Camp Kent, a coeducational summer camp in Kent. The parcel had been mailed from Jamaica. A 17-year-old New Rochelle, N.Y., teen has been arrested.

 Recent sightings of bears just over the New York and Massachusetts borders and in Pine Grove, Falls Village, once again raise the question: Are there, or are there not, bears in "them thar hills"? Conservation Officer Peter Begley says there are reports every year, and said he believes the animals seen are "young bears, feeling their oats," which have traveled down from the north, probably as far as northern Massachusetts or Vermont, or even higher. Others may come from the Catskills.

- Roland Chinatti, Falls Village Recreation Director, has called off his rain-dancers. Every day during the recent dry spell, Mr. Chinatti would start off his youngest swimming class by having the kids perform a set of wild gyrations, which ended in a frenzied scooping and splashing in the half-filled pool. Designed to ready the youngsters for their lessons, the exercise was dubbed a "rain dance" in view of the prolonged drought.

25 years ago — August 1996 What a difference a year makes. Last year on Aug. 1, Northwest Corner farmers

were desperate for rain. The drought was imperiling crops. Corn was stunted. Water in the brooks and in the Housatonic River was at such a low point that the hydroplant in Falls Village was making only half as much electricity as usual. But now, in 1996, between six and seven inches of rain has fallen in the last three weeks and farmers are worrying about what too much rain could do

– The Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. this week put its new \$4 million Lakeville water filtration plant in service.

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

# Railroad Days a great success once again

Selectmen of North Canaan, I want to thank all of those who participated in Railroad Days, 2021. Between all the rain, and extending another weekend, it turned out to be a great success.

A very special thank you to John Lannen and the Railroad Days Committee; Chief Brian Allyn, as well as the members of the Canaan Fire Company. The Fire Company extended the participation this year to other organizations, which was a great asset to the parade; William Minacci and the North Canaan Ambulance Corp; and The Town of North Canaan Highway Dept. personnel, as well as our Resident Trooper Cori Swift.

I would also like to thank all the civic organizations, churches, local businesses,

On behalf of the Board of news media, radio and TV, the Marine Corps League Northwest Detachment #042, and Post #1903 for their safety patrols. For everyone I may have left out, a huge thank you for everyone's involvement with Railroad Days and I extend a special thank you to all those who came to enjoy and partake in the activities.

With COVID last year, this was a very special year for everyone to get out and enjoy. Once again it was a great event. Thank you all for your hard work and planning to make this happen and to make it a huge success. Hope to see you all again next year. A job well done everyone!

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# Viewpoint

# A trillion trees could help address climate change

n his 2020 State of the Union address, former President Trump spoke enthusiastically about the idea of combating climate change by planting billions of trees. It seemed an interesting idea; there are so many places that could be improved with the addition of lots of trees. Concurrently, U.S. House Rep. Bruce Westerman (R-Ark) introduced a bill entitled The Trillion Trees Act with nine Republican co-sponsors. However, although a graduate of the Yale Forestry School, Westerman himself has a zero out of 100 voting record with The League of Conservation Voters. Currently, his Bill is in committee in the House with two Democratic and 62 Republican co-sponsors.

Critics say that The Trillion Trees Act is being used by the Republicans as a public relations ploy to make it appear that they are actually addressing climate change which is largely caused by excessive emissions from the burning of fossil fuels, something which most Republicans are committed to continuing. But, as one critic of the Act observed, "planting trees without cutting emissions is like trying to clean up a major oil spill without first stopping the leak." Former President Trump

could have done much more for the environment by persuading his fellow climate-change-denying heads of state in Brazil, Australia, Indonesia and the Philippines to stop the massive destruction of forests taking place in their countries. In Brazil, for example, the government looks the other way as hundreds of acres of the Amazon full of giant trees are illegally being cut down every day and converted to farmland.

Environmental groups have estimated that the world is losing more than 15 billion trees a year because of human activities, way more than what might be added through new plantings of saplings. Carefully conceived and designed new tree plantings in American towns and cities could make many of them much more beautiful and salubrious as well as reduce summer temperatures and thus global warming.

The "grasslands" in the middle of the country where enormous acreages of corn and soybeans are grown for animal feed could be more effectively managed for the long term were these giant fields divided up and surrounded by hedgerows of trees and shrubs as is common in Europe. Signifi-

### OCCASIONAL **OBSERVER Mac Gordon**

cantly decreasing the "factory farming" of animals for meat and replacing much of this with a more diverse array of fruit and vegetable crops here could also help significantly reduce climate change.

Much of the Pacific Northwest, devastated over the past 70 years by logging, could be rejuvenated by widespread replanting. Another area for massive reforestation would be Appalachia (Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee and eastern Kentucky) where a major portion of the landscape has been effectively destroyed by "mountaintop removal" strip mining of coal. In the few instances where minimal land reclamation has taken place, the land still looks terrible. While it can never be returned to its former state, much could be done to make this degraded landscape more beautiful, economically productive, and environmentally sustainable.

How? Careful regrading and repair of waterways and other natural features would be followed by provision of ample, suitable soil cover. An enormous, well designed composting operation that mixed treated sewage sludge and manures with a wide variety of vegetable wastes could blanket these derelict lands with needed soil within a decade. The main plantings would be a varied mixture of native deciduous and evergreen trees and shrubs and native grasses where re-forestation was impossible. The countless volunteer plants would be evaluated,

A trillion small trees planted now around the country would not be effective in fighting climate change for decades but it would be a step in the right direction.

being nurtured or destroyed as appropriate.

Many years ago, I, as a young architect, undertook a pilot project using similar techniques to successfully convert several acres of derelict vacant lots in Manhattan into interim, low-budget parks and gardens.

While special woodlots for lumber could be grown and later harvested, thereby providing modest future income for the project, the reason for the reforestation should be VERY clearly understood to be conservation, not commercial tree farming and logging as promoted by the Westerman Bill.

The successful WPA and CCC programs of the 1930s might be models for the reforesting of Appalachia. The region is poorer and the unemployment rate higher than that of the rest of the country; this project could be a major economic boon and unlike most commercial projects, employment would not peter out after a few years since maintenance and expansion work would continue for a long time.

Perhaps even Kentucky's senior Senator, Mitch McConnell, could be persuaded to support it.

A trillion small trees planted now around the country would not be effective in fighting climate change for decades but it would be a step in the right direction. The idea should be developed into a well-thoughtout, well-administered, well-funded program, not just a public relations gimmick as presently conceived to distract the public from the main challenge of dealing with climate

Architect and landscape designer Mac Gordon lives in Lakeville.



# It's time to see the COVID-19 reality

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and state health departments are busy trying to get you to vaccinate, wear protective masks and generally stop this pandemic. With all the tools they are offering,

you would think people would wise up and get pro- A VIEW FROM tected if only to save their neighbors and family. But, when you listen to actual

numbers from around the world, perspective on why the vaccinations are vital and the only way forward for the economy and health institutions becomes crystal clear. As more and more countries lift restrictions, real numbers may be helpful for you to judge how safe and free you can be...

PETER RIVA

You see, no one has told the coronavirus that this is a good time to go without protection. And in case you missed it, we're clearly into a third wave of the virus with the Delta variant, possibly with the Lambda variant yet to come.

At the peak of the first wave, more than 20,000 people a day were being hospitalized in the USA, 4,000 a day in Britain and

2,000 a day in

hospital (who

the Netherlands. All of Europe had THE EDGE the same rates. Of those, one in every 20 persons in the

> contracted COVID-19 without a vaccination) died. The second wave last January was about the same; 1 in 20 died in the hospital — that's how deadly this virus is, remember that. To date, 612,000 Americans have died from COVID-19.

Delta variant is seeing an in- did. Image we're at the top of crease in hospitalization at a much faster and greater rate than the first wave. How come? Well, the Delta variant is much more infectious and the hospitalization rate here is based on those not vaccinated, not on every person as before.

And the in-hospital death rate? Even with better treatment and no shortage of ventilators, those unvaccinated patients are dying at a rate slightly higher than before.

The truth is, the decision to open the economy is a gamble based on a race to vaccinate. The more people vaccinated, the lower the death rate, maybe not lowering the rate of infection for the unvaccinated, especially as we now know that vaccinated people can transmit the virus, especially to kids. If we had opened up last January, the death rate would have been maybe 10 times as bad because there were so many unvaccinated. As the USA is looking at 750,000 total dead This current wave with the Delta variant is seeing an increase in hospitalization at a much faster and greater rate than the first wave. How come?

by the end of this year — that's one in every 440 people — the race to vaccinate becomes even more clear because, without at least 80% coverage, that death rate of the unvaccinated will be higher, especially with the youngest.

What can you do? Think of This current wave with the this as one scientist in Britain a very steep mountain. You want to get to the bottom safely. Isolating is like wearing good climbing shoes, helping you to be safe as you slowly pick your path down. Wearing the mask out in public is like using a walking stick keeping you from falling. Getting the vaccine is like walking with others, going carefully but more assuredly. Now, when we're getting near the safety of the bottom, it is shrouded in mist. Do you discard the safety measures you've taken, does the nation? That last bit of the mountain might be only 2 feet, or it could be 30... do you take the risk after all your careful, hard work and jump? No, you should proceed cautiously until you reach the bottom.

Wear a mask, get vaccinated. Stay safe, we're not out off the mountain yet.

Writer Peter Riva, a former resident of Amenia Union, now lives in New Mexico.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Too noisy around the hospital all summer

Sharon Hospital has not been a good neighbor for the past four-plus months. I urge readers to drive by the hospital entrance, slow down and roll down your window. You will hear a loud constant horn-like sound that registers 100 decibels in front of a truck-like unit that has been put in place, temporarily they say, to assist the hospital's cooling system. Apparently they are "waiting for a part."

Really? The sound registers 80 decibels on our property, day and night, non-stop, with no clear end in sight. All the neighbors are livid about this, but the hospital has done nothing helpful to mask the sound

to a tolerable level. When I spoke to Scott Pietras at the hospital several months ago, I asked for some sort of compensation, like maybe tickets to Sharon Playhouse, for having to live with that noise, and he told me he cannot do that but that he thinks I should just be grateful that the hospital is still able to operate.

The second time I called I was told they would have some "blankets" installed on the unit to dull the sound. The blankets were finally installed but the sound has not changed. We called state Rep. Maria Horn to see if she could get some action for a wall to be built around the unit, but as of yet, nothing has

How does this affect the neighbors of Sharon Hospital? We have no peace and quiet with our windows open, not to mention being out in our vards. Gatherings outdoors are out of the question. It jostles our nerves and is not mentally healthy. It affects the value of our homes. We have to sleep with windows closed and all the white noise we can muster up! Friends have often said, "I would not be able to tolerate that!" It certainly has disturbed the peace and quiet that we are entitled to. The lack of consideration is unconscionable.

The hospital did not communicate with the neighbors

before putting in this unit, nor any time since then, though I have heard this could go on for a few more months, and I have no reason to doubt that.

On my first phone call to Scott he said they mentioned it on their website at the start. I don't know about others, but I have never checked the hospital's website. I feel this whole thing has been handled very poorly and that, yes, the hospital should compensate each of the neighbors for this dreadful sound we have been putting up with, and I am way beyond thinking tickets will suffice.

Andrea Weyant

# We all need to be there for each other right now

It's inspiring to know the Olympics with top athletes are happening like clockwork even with setbacks such as Simone Biles needing to step back from all events except the balance

I happen to be helping someone that wowed crowds for years riding a horse, standing up and holding one leg straight up, in a circus.

We don't hear about the incredible talents of many performers in various fields but know they are all inspiring us to realize greater possibilities in how we run our lives and work together.

The show sometimes cannot go on as planned however. Nor should that be a qualification to get help.

Some people get hurt or decline physically whether through illness or injury or aging. Then the heroism one shows in self-care and helping others changes to receiving help one can ask for or needs. Who steps up to assist those in immediate or long-term needs?

We don't have this arena of life figured out well at the local, state or national level. Everyone can step up their game to be part of the Caregiving Olympics, especially during this COVID pandemic and challenging political time.

Many hands and funds can help someone get through a short-term or longer need. The rewards of being on a team can be healing, educational and inspiring (and often financially

satisfactory.) Let's see what's needed to get the job done with win-win outcomes. Everyone's worth it and can benefit! See what help one can give and get on reputable sites online (such as care.com) Everyone could learn caregiving basics and have support to find ways to help or ask for

**Catherine Palmer Paton** Falls Village

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