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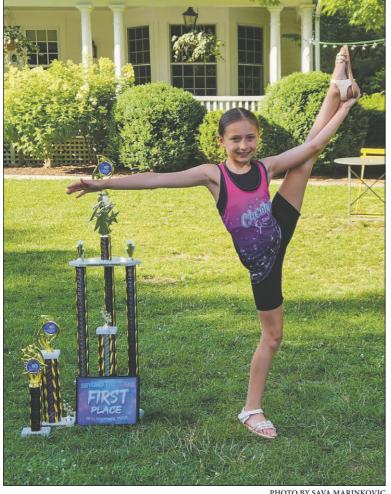


PHOTO BY SAVA MARINKOV

Addison Aylward-Vreeland with her trophy from the national Beyond The Stars Dance Competition.

Salisbury dancer wins national title

By Sava Marinkovic

SALISBURY — Earlier this month, a rising talent cemented her place in the firmament of competitive dance when Addison Aylward-Vreeland placed first at the national level of the Beyond The Stars Dance Competition.

Aylward-Vreeland, who will this fall be entering fourth grade at Salisbury Central school, secured top marks among a field of twenty-four regional winners in the solo jazz dance category.

Her routine, "Sugar Pie, Honey Bunch," was the first that she had ever performed solo at the national competition level since she began dancing at age three. It took her and her coach, Maile Pikul of Cherilyn's School of Dance in Pleasant Valley, N.Y., nearly seven months of diligent work to perfect.

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2024 Election: August primary vote approaches

By Nathan Miller

LAKEVILLE — The official date of the Connecticut District Primaries is Aug. 13, but voters can head to the polls starting Aug. 5 for early voting.

With most party nominees running uncontested in 2024, voters in the Northwest Corner will have just one race to be decided in the primary.

Republican voters will choose between two candidates to face U.S. Senator Chris Murphy in November. Beacon Falls First Selectman The primary voting period will be from Aug. 5 to Aug. 11 and Aug. 13.

Gerry Smith and Manchester entrepreneur Matthew Corey will vie for the Republican nomination for U.S. Senate. An Independent party candidate, ex-Marine Robert Hyde, will also appear as a challenger to Murphy in November.

Incumbent nominees will face no opposition in the August primary. Senator Murphy (D-CT), U.S. Rep. Jahanna Hayes (D-5), State Senator Stephen Harding (R-30), State Senator Lisa Seminara (R-8) and State Rep. Maria Horn (D-64) have earned their parties' nomination and will all appear on the ballot in November.

Challengers for the house 64th district and senate 30th are also uncontested in the primary. Come November, Republican Barbara Breor, longstanding Goshen Town

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From Connecticut woods to East African grasslands

By Mia Barnes

Dr. Daniel Peppe, a North Canaan Elementary School and Hotchkiss alum, is a professor of Geosciences at Baylor University in Waco, Texas.

When he is not teaching both intro and graduate level courses, he can be found conducting research across the globe. In short, his work focuses on the evolutionary processes of plants and animals in response to climate change. Having conducted fieldwork in the U.S. Midwest, Australia and Abu Dhabi, Peppe has settled for Eastern Africa.

While in graduate school at Yale University, Peppe lived in the forests of Uganda with his wife, who at the time was researching chimpan-

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PHOTO PROVIDED

Dan Peppe holding the end of a partial femur of an 18 million year old elephant ancestor.

Labrador maimed in bear attack

By Riley Klein

CORNWALL — An eight-yearold black labrador retriever named Charlie was mauled by a bear in his yard the evening of Wednesday, July 17.

Phyllis Nauts, his owner, said she did not hear or see the fight and only realized what had happened when Charlie came inside for mealtime.

"When it was time for dinner he came into the house and didn't seem interested, which, if you know anything about labs, is unusual," she

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Charlie, a black lab, was bitten by a bear July 17. Bite marks on both flanks left deep wounds in the dog.





PHOTOS BY PHYLLIS NAUTS

Renovations underway at Housatonic High

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — The auditorium looked much smaller without anything in it. Multipurpose Room 133 was covered with plastic sheeting. The cafeteria was stripped down to the bones, and workers were on the scaffolding at the front of the building.

That was the scene at Housatonic Valley Regional High School Friday, July 19, when Facilities Manager Jeff Lloyd took a reporter around to see the ongoing renovations and capital improvements.

A Jan. 8 referendum vote on a \$5.64 million capital improvement and renovation project at HVRHS passed by 579-206 vote.

The improvements and renovations are extensive. Included are cafeteria and auditorium renovations, including new seats in the auditorium, new furniture in the cafeteria, and new sound equipment in both venues.

The tennis courts located north of the HVRHS campus are being resurfaced with a new "coaches' alley"

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Kent plans to buy new ambulance

KVFD approved the purchase of a 2024 Ford F-450 4x4 Medix Type 1 ambulance. Full story at www.lakevillejournal.com

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.

Loses brakes, hits tree

On Sunday, July 13, at approximately 1 p.m. Nathanial Divine, 17, of North Canaan, was westbound on Route 44 in North Canaan in a 2008 Ford F150, attempting a left turn onto New High Street when the brakes failed. The vehicle struck two mailboxes and Divine continued up New High Street with brakes still inoperable. The vehicle swerved into a tree. Divine received an infraction for failure to maintain lane.

Driving in heavy fog

On Sunday, July 14, at approximately midnight, Nathan Decker, 19, of Canaan, was westbound on Route 44 in North Canaan in dense fog. The 2003 Ford struck a utility pole and was towed from the scene. Decker was issued a verbal warning for traveling too fast for conditions.

Assault on lifeguard

On Sunday, July 14, at approximately 5:30 p.m, Troop B responded to the town Grove in Salisbury on the report of an assault on a lifeguard. Samuel Simmons, 20, of Canaan, was arrested on charges of cruelty to animals, assaulting a public safety officer, breach of peace 2nd degree and assault 3rd degree.

Disorderly conduct charge

On Tuesday, July 16, at approximately 5 p.m., Troopers were dispatched on a report of a violation of a protective order on Green Avenue in North Canaan. Christopher Fasolo, 35, of Canaan, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct and violation of a protective order.

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.

Rotarians give back to community

By Riley Klein

SALISBURY — Salisbury Rotary Club's Charitable Gifts Committee presented donations and scholarships to locals Tuesday, July 16.

Marking its 75th year as a club, the Rotarians made a dinner to celebrate the occasion. Steak, shrimp cakes, veggies and desserts were paired with splendid conversation between the community and club members.

Once plates were cleared, Rotary President Paul Ramunni, owner of the accordion museum in North Canaan, presented donation checks to each recipient.

Jane Lloyd Fund received \$3,000; Extras After School and Summer Program, 21st Century Fund for HVRHS and Dial-A-Ride each received \$1,000; Fishes and Loaves and Corner Food Pantry received \$750; Boy Scouts of America received

A scholarship check was given to Housatonic Valley Regional High School graduate Grace Riva. She will attend University of New England in the fall.

Rising HVRHS junior Simon Markow was chosen for the Bob Estabrook award, given to an intern at The Lakeville Journal each summer.

While accepting the award, Markow commented on his time at the Journal so far. "I'm learning a lot. It's a really great experience."



Lakeville Journal Intern Simon Markow, left, receives the 2024 Bob Estabrook Award from Salisbury Rotary Club Tuesday, July 16. Managing Editor Riley Klein praised Markow's dedication and hard work.



PHOTO BY SIMON MARKOW

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Rummage treasures

The Cornwall Rummage Sale ran once again this year July 20 to 22. The annual fundraiser offers thousands of items for purchase second-hand and supports the Cornwall Woman's Society, which celebrates its 100th year this year. Guests scored clothing, furniture, tech, toys and anything else that fit within the four locations around Cornwall.



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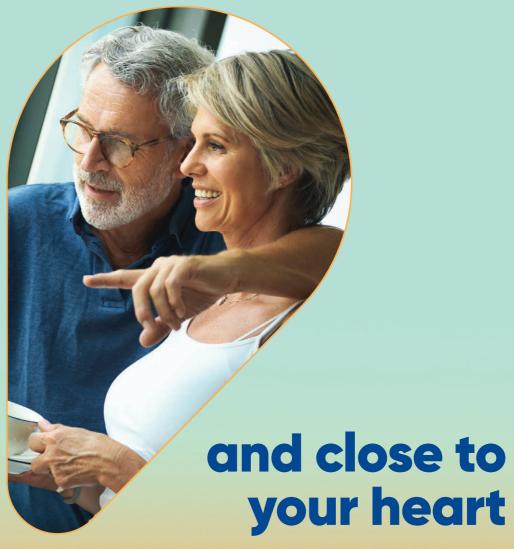
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Animal Control: A different breed of dog lover

By Mia Barnes

SHARON — Whether volunteering at schools, visiting prisons, or at her home in Kent, Lee Sohl can almost always be found with a dog.

For the past 32 years Sohl has served as animal control officer in Kent. She has since added on three other towns serving as the ACO in Sharon for 10 years, Salisbury for seven, and most recently Cornwall.

Her and her husband, Jim Sohl, who is also ACO certified, live with 14 dogs of their own.

Originally from Westchester County, New York, Sohl fostered her love of animals from a young age. Dogs became the subject of her artwork and she said, "By age 12 I had read every dog book in the Chappaqua Pub-

As she gained more experience, the number of animals in her care grew. She revealed that at one point there were 50 animals in her house, ranging from llamas and pigs to ferrets and chinchillas.

Sohl was asked by the First Selectman in 1991 to take over as the town dog warden, and having had experience working at the Kent pound, she agreed. For the past three decades she has been fielding calls, answering questions, and searching for dogs while also balancing her full-time job as a reading interventionist and assistant principal at Kent Center School.

The work of an ACO, though seemingly animal centered, involves a significant amount of human interaction. Aside from dogs that Sohl herself finds roaming, the majority of the reports come from community members.

Most cases fall under



PHOTO BY MIA BARNES

Lee Sohl and therapy dog Freddie.

one of two categories, nuisance (biting or barking) and roaming. The ways in which Sohl responds vary from case to case.

Above all her goal is to educate the owners, whether that be through a reminder of the licensing mandates or tips on how to handle disobedient behavior. "The people here are animal lovers," emphasized Sohl after stating that she tries to limit her ticketing to "frequent flyers" and formal complaints.

"Social media has made a big difference," said Sohl when asked about how reports are generated. When Sohl started the job, she had 60 dogs in the pound in one year just for Kent; last year there were 20 dogs across all four towns.

When a dog is reported as roaming, all efforts are focused on identification and reunification. If an animal is licensed or is microchipped, they are almost always guaranteed to return home. In other cases, Sohl takes to the newspaper and various social media platforms. During that time, the dog will stay in the pound in which town they were found for a week before being able to be placed in a new home.

"The pound can be a traumatizing place for most dogs" remarked Sohl when describing the urgency of her work. "Though the job is part-time, I am working 24/7."

In the past two years she has increased outreach efforts by bringing her 3 therapy dogs to schools, libraries, nursing homes and most recently prisons.

"Students have a much easier time reading to a dog than a teacher or parent," noted Sohl. "It takes a lot of the stress off."

While reflecting on her time as an ACO she stated, "This is a great life with animals and because of them my world has been opened up to new opportunities."

In the past year she has written, illustrated, and self-published 6 books each one focusing on one of her 14 dogs. She has already started the creative process for the next book.

'There's been so many fun experiences," Sohl reflected. "I get to help these animals while also meeting great

Young naturalists capture and catalogue critters in Salisbury

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — Youngsters attending a "Bio Blitz" event at the Scoville Memorial Library Saturday, July 20, came up with an impressive haul of animals found on the library grounds.

The children worked under the guidance of Bethany Sheffer, naturalist at the Sharon Audubon Center.

Speaking to the group, which ranged in age from about six or seven years old to 12 or 13, she said the Bio Blitz is an attempt to catalog as many different species as possible in a one hour win-

Less than an hour, actually, when the introduction and subsequent debrief is factored in.

Cut loose by Sheffer, the participants headed straight for the Wachocastinook stream, which runs behind the library.

There they found, in no particular order: butterflies, hellgrammites, water spiders and stoneflies.

August Schaufelberger, age 11, had a moment of triumph when he coaxed a two-lined salamander into a specimen jar.

Not to be outdone, his 7-year-old sister Anna fearlessly turned over a rock and picked off a couple of cased



PHOTO BY PATRICK SULLIVAN

The "Bio Blitz" at the Scoville Memorial Library sent local youngsters into a creek, jars in hand, to collect butterflies, hellgrammites and water spiders.

Afterward, the group discussed their findings. Sheffer explained that the presence the local ecosystem. of things like the hellgram-

mite indicates the water quality is good, an encouraging sign for the overall health of

Sharon moves money out of rainy day fund

By Sadie Leite

SHARON — Sharon held a town meeting vote on July 12 to decide on two motions, which both passed. There were 16 residents in atten-

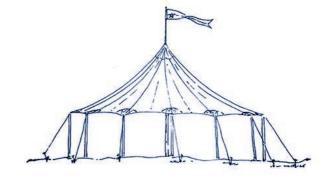
The motions considered funds from the undesignated fund for two projects approved by the Board of Finance. The first was an approval of up to \$66,000 for the sidewalk replacement project. The second was an approval for an additional sum of up to \$300,000 for the Town Hall parking lot expansion project.

Music, story time at Douglas Library

NORTH CANAAN — Jonny G of the Music Cellar will perform a music show at Douglas Library Friday, July 26, at 11 a.m. The concert will go on

just after story hour, which begins at 10:30 a.m.

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OBITUARIES

Oscar Theodore Fischer

Theodore "Bud" Fischer, Jr.,

98, passed away Saturday, July 13, 2024, at home in Lakeville. He was the beloved husband of Tru (Carver) Fischer with whom he was married for 73 years.

Bud was born in Poughkeepsie,

on March 9, 1926, son of the late Oscar T. Fischer, Sr., and Clara Augusta (Ferguson) Fischer, and had been an area resident for most of his life before retiring to the Myrtle Beach, South Carolina area in 1989.

Bud graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School, a WWII U.S. Navy Veteran. In addition to working for over 30 years at Harlem Valley State Hospital in Wingdale, New York, he was a skilled electrician and provided independent services to many in the area. He was an avid golfer and celebrated bowler who loved the great outdoors, especially deep-sea fishing.

Survivors, in addition to his wife, Tru, include three children; Harold Fischer and his wife, Shirley, of Plainville, Virginia Hayes of Lakeville

LAKEVILLE — Oscar and partner Peter Martinson, and Charlene Fischer of Tor-

> rington. His brother, Glenn Fischer, and two sisters, Audrey Powers, and Joyce Graves; four grandchildren, Lana Holly, Troy Dean, Kyp Mitchell, and Marcus Hayes; eight great-grandchildren, Ryan "RJ"

Doty, Myles Doty, Briana Mitchell, Kypp Mitchell, Kai Mitchell, Ariyanna Hayes, Markez Hayes, and Aysa Perez; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Bud was predeceased by siblings, Jane Smith, Patricia Wilson, Gwendolyn Jones, and Robert Fischer.

Services will be private. Ryan Funeral Home, Lakeville, is in care of arrange-

The family would like to thank The Sharon Hospital Staff, Dr. Kurish, Dr. Harvey of The Smilow Cancer Center, Marcia Brown, APRN, and The VA staff at Castlepoint, New York for their kindness, and support which extended well beyond their professional responsibilities.

To offer an online condolence, please visit ryanfhct.

Juan Vanicky

CORNWALL - Juan of God. Vanicky aka Julius, 22, of

Ballyhack Road, passed away on July 17, 2024, at his family home. He was the beloved son of James and Patricia, and brother of Samihr, Efraim and Jenna.

Juan was born Nov. 22, 2001, in Belém, Brazil.

Juan graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School in 2020.

He loved nature, philosophy, science, and finances, and was incredibly studious when it came to the things he was interested in. He was passionate about archery and his bow and arrow, video games, anime, and Dungeons and Dragons. He loved to bodybuild and greatly enjoyed his workout routine, and liked using his voice for singing and recording voice overs. His favorite book was "Meditations", by Emperor Marcus Aurelius, and he was



He is survived by his loving fam-

ilv. His mother and father, James and Patricia, his siblings Samihr, Efraim and Jenna, his grandmother Margaret, and his aunt and uncle, Iris and Manuel.

A memorial service will e held at the Canaan Seventh-day Adventist Church on Saturday, July 27, at 3 p.m. All other services are private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Canaan Seventh-day Adventist Church, 7 Sand Rd., Canaan,

May he rest in peace. The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

Peter L. Iones

WASSAIC — Peter L. "Pete" Jones, Sr., 82, a lifelong area resident, died Monday, July 15, 2024. Beloved husband of the late Susana Jones and loving father of Peter L. Jones, Jr. and Su-Lin Jones of Wassaic.

a devout believer in the word

Calling hours will be held on Sunday, July 28, 2024, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton, New York, 12546.

To send an online condolence to the family, flowers to the service or to plant a tree in Pete's memory, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.

New Hunt Library art

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — The David M. Hunt Library hosted a reception for artists Sarah Martinez and Ali Gibbons Saturday, July 20. The artists' show, "Serial Works on Paper and Canvas" runs through Aug. 16 at the library.

Gibbons and husband (and fellow artist) Scott Reinhardt split their time evenly between Sharon and Brooklyn. Martinez, with husband Brook and family, lives up the street from the library.

Gibbons will give a talk Thursday, July 25 at 5:30 p.m. and Martinez will run a workshop Saturday, July 27 at 10 a.m. (please RSVP). Both events are at the library.

work with, and help people from all walks of life, especially those in need. This was her focus as a wife, mother, grandmother, teacher, and volunteer. Community-oriented and pragmatic, with seemingly boundless energy even into her 90's, she thrived on serving others. Born on Dec. 23, 1928,

KENT — Always with

a ready smile, Leslie Guy

Connery loved to meet,

Leslie grew up in Binghamton, New York, in a strongly knit community of family and friends. From this deeply rooted childhood, she looked forward to adventures in the wider world. While studying at Radcliffe College, she majored in international relations with the goal of becoming a diplomat. This was excellent preparation for the life she would soon begin to lead after meeting, and then marrying, her college sweetheart and aspiring journalist, Donald S. Connery.

Just seven years later, in 1957, Don became a foreign correspondent for Time and Life magazines, and thus they began twelve whirlwind years of extensive travel and extraordinary experiences, with four children in tow, including New Delhi (1957 to 1960), Tokyo (1960 to 1962), Moscow (briefly in 1962), and London (1962 to 1968). Leslie experienced India coming into its own after centuries of colonial rule; Japan recovering from the devastation of World War II; Moscow during the Cuban Missile Crisis; and Great Britain during the time of The Beatles and swinging London. Leslie managed the household and assisted Don in his work, serving as his sounding board, advisor, and editor, making it possible for him to focus on his career and travel widely and constantly. In 1965, with all her children in school, she began three years of volunteer work with autistic children as part of a British National Health

Service pilot project. In 1968, Leslie and Don (now a freelance writer and author) settled permanently in a historic farmhouse in the small rural town of Kent, Connecticut. Leslie earned an M.A. in Special Education at Southern Connecticut College and became a state-certified teacher and the family's primary breadwinner in 1971, when she

So today is a day I would think,

What if you were still here,

How different life would be.

I wish that I could lean on you,

If you were living near.

Grab your helping hand,

As I took a forceful stand.

They make us question why

I truly don't know who you'd be,

But history, it makes me think

Input that would make me know

This is where we're meant to be

I have to say I got past that

As I let the tears run dry.

That you would suggest,

I can only guess,

So many things in life,

Listen to your input

Leslie Connery

began her 40+ year career as a special education teacher.

She taught for 26 years in local public schools, helping students ages four to 16 with physical, mental, or psychological learning challenges. After retiring in 1997, she continued as a substitute teacher and then took a job

as a learning skills teacher at a nearby private boarding school in 2001. She tried retiring again in 2009 but couldn't resist signing up as a volunteer teacher in the Kent Center School's new program for autistic children in 2010.

Wanting to do more and inspired by the remarkable Kent volunteer firefighters who saved the Connery home from destruction in a Jan. 1969 fire, Leslie decided to join the newly formed Kent ambulance squad in 1974. She became a certified emergency medical technician; however, the all-male fire department was reluctant to accept females and insisted that she first attend fire school and become a certified firefighter. Always inspired by a challenge, Leslie soon went on to become the Kent Fire Department's first female firefighter and EMT. Thus began her 36 years of volunteer work in emergency services. As a certified EMT, she responded at any time of the day or night to as many calls as she could manage, coming to the aid of hundreds of people and helping save numerous lives. In addition, she served as chair of the regional board responsible for EMT education and training and, from 1996 to 1999, as ambulance chief. In 1999, she received a Distinguished Achievement Award from the Connecticut Emergency Medical Services Councils. Leslie finally retired as an EMT in 2010 at the age of 82, likely as the oldest EMT in Connecticut at the time.

Leslie was also a member, volunteer, and choir singer in the Kent Congregational Church for over four decades. On the personal front, she loved horseback riding on local trails; knitting and sewing to create gifts for family and friends; watching Red Sox games and tennis matches; and, into her late 80s, international vacation

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in those short years

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you still touch our souls,

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Bobbie-Jo and Ruthanne

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Your cousins

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travel with Don. Always enthusiastic and gracious

hosts and devoted parents and grandparents, Leslie and Don welcomed many guests and enjoyed frequent visits from their children, grandchildren, and great-grandson, who loved spending time at the

Kent family home. Leslie's passion for EMT work inspired several of her children and grandchildren, who volunteer or work in emergency services and related fields. Almost to the end, thanks to grandson, Justin, Leslie had a scanner nearby so she could stay abreast of ongoing emergency activities in Connecticut.

Leslie passed away peacefully in her sleep on July 11 at 95 years. She is survived by her four children (Jan Connery, Eric Connery, Julie Connery-Smith, and Carol Connery), eight grandchildren (Marc, Jacob, Tyffany, Sean, Lucas, Justin, Kyle, Stuart), great-grandson (Brayden), brother (Peter Guy), sister-in-law (Barbara Guy), daughter-in-law (Jane Connery), and son-in-law (Keith Smith).

The Connery family is deeply grateful for the compassionate care and support that BrightStar Care staff and VITAS staff provided to Leslie during her final year.

A memorial service, followed by a reception, will be held on Sept. 21, at 11:00 a.m. at the First Congregational Church of Kent, 97 North Main Street, Kent CT.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Kent Volunteer Fire Department Inc., 28 Maple St, Kent, CT 06757.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

More obituaries on Page A7.



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Run-Up to Revolution: Part II — Summer 1774

hen I'm asked why the American Revolution was successful and the French Revolution, though larger and more complete, ended in the tyranny of Napoleon Bonaparte, my answer is that prior to independence ours had Committees of Correspondence, uniting men of like minds (and often, of modest means) in many cities in discussion of the issues, while France's revolution was a top-down affair controlled by a Paris-based elite. Democracy is not only at the core of our governance; it is what allowed us to become a nation in the first place.

Exactly two hundred and fifty years ago, in May, June, and July of 1774, our Committees of Correspondence, most formed only a year or two earlier, began to coalesce into what in September would become the First Continental Congress. The call for such a Congress had gone out a year earlier, from Boston firebrand Samuel Adams, but most colonists were not then ready for it. In the late colonial era, only a few such firebrands consistently called for resistance, among them Adams, Christopher Gadsden in Charleston, and Patrick Henry in Williamsburg.

Then, in late 1773 came the British attempt to force Americans to pay excessive duties on imported tea, and the Boston Tea Party to resist that, and, in reaction to the Tea Party, the British "Intolerable Acts," described in my earlier column. However, in the wake of those Intolerable Acts, when colonial groups tried to organize a boycott of British goods and votes were taken on the matter in various cities, the result was still not uniformly pro-rebellion. Of New York's public vote, upper-class resident Gouverneur Morris sniffed, "On my right hand were ranged all the people of property, with some poor few dependents" who were against the boycott, "and on the other all the tradesmen," whom Morris thought of as "reptiles" come out for their moment in the sun. The boycott lost the vote in New York but it won elsewhere.

Because it had not won everywhere, Philadelphia's Committee of Correspondence issued a call for all colonies to send representatives there for a congress whose delegates would "clearly state what we conceive as our rights and to make claim or petition of them to his Majesty, in firm, but decent and

THE LONG VIEW Tom Shachtman

dutiful terms."

That seemed such a good idea that every colony except Georgia began to prepare. This was not simple, as there were whole phalanxes of potential delegates for whom the date was inconvenient the operators of small farms, for instance, would be in the midst of their annual harvest and others who could not afford the time off from their businesses to attend. It was generally understood that the congress would be largely a rich men's affair.

Boston's Sam Adams was chosen to go, as was his cousin John. The Sons of Liberty, knowing how poor Sam was, decided that his appearance ought not to count against him or subject his ideas to ridicule, so they had a bespoke suit made for him, with gold knee buckles. British General Thomas Gage thought about arresting Sam in advance of the congress but decided against it, believing that to do so would spur a riot. Gage's attempts to then bribe Adams were repulsed, and Sam requested that the general "no longer ... insult the feelings of an exasperated people."

Several colonists who would have liked to be at the congress could not go, among them Thomas Jefferson, who was ill, Bostonian Joseph Warren, who couldn't afford it and was perhaps redundant with Sam Adams, and Pennsylvania lawyer John Dickinson. All three wrote documents that many others read and took to heart: Warren's "Suffolk Resolves," a rousing call to arms; Dickinson's collection of "Letters from a Pennsylvania Farmer, and Jefferson's latterly-famous "A Summary View of the Rights of British America." The writings made similar points that would be fundamental to the revolution: 1) that the colonies were of supreme economic importance to Great Britain and therefore ought to be accommodated; and 2) that the colonists were entitled to the very same rights enjoyed by British citizens in the homeland.

Next time: The First Continental Congress, and what it left undone.

Salisbury resident Tom Shachtman has written many books, including three about the Revolutionary Era.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hypocrisy and opportunism

I'm finding it ironic that letter writers in these and other pages accuse the liberal left of antisemitism while many voices from the right insist on calling America a "Christian" nation.

It's also interesting that supposedly pro-semitic Republican party members seem loath to actually vote for Jewish candidates when elections come around.

Every one of the 10 Jewish Senators in the 118th U.S. Congress except Bernie Sanders, an independent, is a Democrat; where are all the Republican Jewish nominees for these seats? The House is similar, with 25 Jewish Democrats and only 2 Jewish Re-

Governorships and mayoralties follow suit. When American universities, country clubs, and employers for decades routinely discriminated against Jewish enrollment/ membership/hiring, wasn't it conservatives who locked the doors and progressives who opened them? Aren't the antisemitic tropes, conspiracy theories, and libels on QAnon and its apers associated with the Right, not the Left? And isn't it disingenuously opportunistic for Republicans to wave the flag of pro-Jewishness only when it's convenient to their agenda? Just asking.

Robert Buccino Salisbury

The court got it wrong on Chevron rule

In his July 18 letter to the Editor, Joe Agli states the USSC got it right on overruling the Chevron precedent. His argument misstates the law under Chevron.

He asserts that administrative rulings that he does not like can now be challenged in Court, implying that this could not be done before. Administrative rulings could always be challenged in Court and frequently were.

All Chevron did was to give deference to the expertise of administrative agencies in interpreting their enabling statutes. The recent case eliminates such deference.

The consequence of this ruling will it make more likely that administrative law will

Beware Project 2025

MAGA Republicans have hatched a plot against America called Project 2025. It describes itself as "the conservative movement's unified effort to be ready for the next conservative administration to govern at 12 noon, January 20, 2025." It's the 922-page brainchild of the far-right Heritage Foundation and 100+ allied groups. Two-thirds of its authors and editors served in the Trump administration. Trump falsely denies any connection to Project 2025, but, in fact, he has long supported its extremist goals, proclaiming at a 2022 Heritage event: "This is a great group and they're going to lay the groundwork and detail plans for exactly what our movement will do ... when the American people give us a colossal mandate to save America."

Regardless of Trump's disavowals, Project 2025 expresses the agenda of his conservative political base, so voters need to know whether Republican candidates agree with it. In our 5th Congressional District, Trump supporter George Logan, running against Democrat Jahana Hayes, must tell us where he stands. His silence to date is unacceptable.

A single letter cannot address all the damage Project 2025 would do, but here are a few of its most harmful plans:

—Allow the President to fire 50,000 federal civil servants and replace them with unqualified political loyalists. Heritage's allies are already working on hit lists of federal employees not 100% loyal to Trump.

-Demolish the Justice Department's independence, enabling the President to prosecute political opponents and obstruct any prosecution

Eviscerate the fight against climate change by killing clean energy subsidies and "dismantl[ing]" the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and National Weather Service.

—Severely restrict access to abortion by revoking FDA approval of the abortion pill mifepristone and prosecuting anyone who sends abortion pills by mail.

—Ban certain forms of contraception, cut back insurance coverage for contraception and defund Planned Parenthood. It also calls for "deleting" from all federal laws and actions such terms as "reproductive health" and "reproductive rights."

—Delete from all federal laws and actions the terms "sexual orientation and gender identity ..., gender, gender equality [and] gender equity." It also insists on a "biblically based" definition of marriage and family.

Mr. Logan, please tell us now which of Project 2025's plans you support, and why.

Sharon

Pamela Jarvis

vary in the various Circuit Courts of Appeals. Courts will reasonably insist that all cases arising in their circuit follow their established prec-

The problem is that no one knows in which circuit a case will wind up. Further, unless laws start being written with the length and breadth and specificity of regulations, you will have judges tasked with setting very complicated and nuanced standards in areas such as public health, securities trading, airline regulation, climate science, labor relations, and consumer safety.

Under the National Labor Relations Act, with which I am most familiar, a case decided by the NLRB may go to the circuit where the action arose, the circuit where the party resides or does business, or the D.C. Circuit.

Most parties are law abiding and wish to conform their actions to established

precedent. But what precedent to follow?

The overruling of Chevron will make a hodgepodge of different interpretations that will encourage more litigation and demand more action by the Supreme Court to sort it out. This may be good for lawyers, but surely not for small employers and unions that are not in a position to expend great resources on litigation.

Members of administrative agencies are appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate. The decisions of the agencies generally reflect the values of the incumbent President. That was a workable system. Overruling Chevron will be seen, I believe, as costly and unworkable.

Daniel Silverman, Former Regional Director **National Labor Relations Board**

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TURNING BACK THE PAGES Norma Bosworth

100 years ago - July 1924

The most important event of the season in the Berkshires will be the Sharon Street Fair for the benefit of the Sharon Hospital, which will take place on the village green on Aug. 13, 14 and 15. The Sharon fair, managed by women who have had experience in New York's Park Avenue Fair, will have as the principal features a circus, an Italian market, art gallery, book stores, sports shop, dancing pavilion, drug store, restaurant, tombola, candy stand and voting contest.

Edward Tompkins was kicked and injured while shoeing a horse at his blacksmith shop last Saturday. He received a broken shoulder, and the ligaments were badly torn. John Phillips hurried him to Sharon Hospital, where he was treated for his injuries. He was able to return home the next day, but will be unable to work at his trade for some weeks to come.

SALISBURY - Miss Margaret S. Norton, who for the past four years has been actively engaged in missionary work in China, has returned to this country and is now spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Norton. Miss Norton's many friends here are glad to welcome her home again.

Master Charles Ashman, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ashman of Salisbury, fell from a cherry tree while picking the fruit, and had the misfortune to badly fracture both arms.

The borough of Litchfield once had highway since which read, "Drive slow and see our town - drive fast and see our jail." It was a pretty pat sign and might be adapted to Salisbury like this: "Drive slow and see Salisbury - drive fast and see Litchfield jail."

Last Sunday morning a Ford car driven by Leslie Cambridge and containing some of his friends did some funny stunts on the Sharon road. For some reason the car left the road, darted up the bank, turned over, spilling out the occupants, turned over again onto its wheels in the road, darted up the left bank again rolled over and came to a stop in the middle of the road with its "feet" up in the air. The occupants of the car escaped injury, but were quite badly jarred and rattled by their experience.

50 years ago - July 1974

Don Pollard of Falls Village has been selected by the Connecticut FFA Association to receive the American Farmer Degree, the highest degree given by the Future Farmers of America on the national level.

The members of the Canaan Volunteer Fire Company voted unanimously Tuesday night to accept the recommendation of their Finance Committee to purchase the Getty Oil property at the intersection of routes 7 and 44. The garage will be converted and used as a fire-

CANAAN - Grand Union Company has purchased about four acres of land on North Elm Street from Robert Gandolfo. The company is expected to start construction of a shopping plaza on the site this summer. The plaza will include a Grand Union food store and several other business establishments. It is hoped that the new shopping center will open in the summer of

The Falls Village Selectmen have accepted "with deep regret" the resignation of Nellie Rodgers as selectmen secretary, a position she has held for about 18 years. Miss Rodgers has also served as tax collector, assistant registrar of vital statistics and assistant town clerk.

Troop B officers were summoned on at least four occasions last week to help remove drunken persons from bars and a theatre in the troop area. On some occasions the reported drunks had gone off under their own steam by the time the patrol arrived. On other occasions the troopers were able to lend

a hand. No arrests were re-

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence in Washington, D.C., announced this week that Howard J. Swanson of Morgan Motors Inc. in Canaan has successfully passed the examination and satisfied the experience requirements of the Institute's program. Mr. Swanson, service manager for the Ford agency in Canaan, passed tests on the auto electrical system. heating and air conditioning.

25 years ago - July 1999

The recent sale of the Salisbury Motel, located at the foot of Smith Hill on Route 44 between Salisbury and Canaan, evoked memories for many people. Once called the "Rocking Chair Cabins," and once the site of a friendly and popular little restaurant called "Candito's," the property has stood vacant for several years. An attempt to contact the new owners was unsuccessful.

By the summer's end, those visiting Kent's downtown business section will have a nice place to sit down and rest. With the help of 18 donors, the Kent Garden Club has purchased 18 park benches to be placed throughout the town.

The lawn around the building at 2 Gandolfo Drive in Canaan has come alive with green and yellow not grass and dandelions, but John Deere tractors. Two months ago, Stanton Power Equipment moved into the portion of the building previously occupied by Roughneck Riding.

Lakeville resident Erik Winters is one of 11 men named to the U.S. rowing team scheduled to participate in the 1999 Nation's Cup Regatta this week in Hamburg, Germany.

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

Longtime volunteer priced out of Kent housing market

ouis Dingee spends a lot of time on the road. hours round-trip from his home in Torrington to Kent, where he volunteers with the Kent Volunteer Fire Department (KVFD).

Louis has been with KVFD since age 14, when he participated in the junior members program after school. By the time he was 19, Louis was a full member, and he's been with the Department for more than two decades since.

"Getting early exposure to the Department is what drove me to continue," he

says. "They've grown to be a family to me. I do it for the Kent community - I love giving back to where I used to

Louis used to live in Kent. In recent years, the local housing market has completely priced him out. Due to his two hour com-

mute, sometimes Louis is unable to respond to emergency dispatches. "In many cases, by the time I'd arrive, I'd basically be meeting them at the hospital," he explains.

Louis's dream home is modest. He just needs a garage where he can keep his electrician equipment, and a zip code close enough to Kent so that he can respond to emergency calls. But for now, Torrington is the only financially feasible option.

In fact, Louis's situation is not unique. KVFD has lost multiple members over the past few years due to the high cost of housing in Kent. One former volunteer found housing in Sharon, and now volunteers at the Sharon Fire Department. A few members moved to New Milford, where they struggle to balance the commute to Kent with work and family commitments.

In some cases, the relationship between affordable housing and volunteerism is less obvious than forced moves, but still impactful.

GUEST COMMENTARY HANNAH POULER

Alan Gawel, Kent's Fire Chief, has seen more people working two jobs in order to afford housing in Kent. In Gawel's words, "if you're working two jobs, where do you find the time to commit to the Fire Department?"

John Russell, the President of KVFD, explains that KVFD's recruitment and retention issues are especially worrisome because of

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the Department's broad remit. KVFD covers not just fire protection services, but also first response, life support, and rescue services. Four years ago,

KVFD could rely entirely on volunteers for 24hour Emergency Medical Services (EMS) coverage. But in recent

years, dwindling volunteer numbers has created uncertainty.

"An ambulance call would come in and we would hope that a member could respond," Russell recalls. "You can't provide an emergency service on hope. So we had to outsource EMS coverage to the tune of \$320,000 a year."

From this testimony, it's easy to see why Kent's firefighters support creating more affordable housing. More budget-friendly options would help the Department recruit new volunteers, namely younger residents who could afford to move to Kent.

It would also help retain existing volunteers, who wouldn't need to move away or take on additional paid work to afford rent.

And of course, there's a direct budgetary benefit as well. If the KVFD team could return to pre-pandemic volunteer numbers, they could reduce the amount of taxpayer dollars spent on staffing 24-hour EMS shifts.

For these reasons, KVFD is collaborating with Kent Affordable Housing, which secured a grant from the Litchfield County Center for Housing Opportunity to explore the feasibility of developing housing for volunteers.

The collaboration committee has met monthly since January, and an architect has begun conceptual plans for a few units in a small portion of the warehouse space behind the firehouse.

"Our goal is to make it possible for volunteers to live in Kent," Gawel says of the collaboration.

"I want people to have the ability to respond to emergency calls, go through training, and help with regular duties like fundraising without needing to work a second job or move away."

Gawel is one year away from his 40th anniversary with the Department. Like Louis, he joined when he was a teenager. And like Louis, his love for the community has kept him volunteering for so long.

'People have a calling for this," he told me. "I did, my uncle did, and my great-uncle did. I hope other young people will get the chance to live here, so that they can experience 'the calling' for

"Everyone should get the chance to give back to their community."

Hannah Pouler is a resident of Salisbury.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A heartfelt appreciation for Railroad Days

As the Railroad Days festivities come to an end, I would like to express my most sincere and heartfelt appreciation to those who played such a significant role in its success this year. Railroad Days has been a nostalgic memory for so many generations, creating an atmosphere of fun and excitement that now spans 60 years. The planning phase for this twoweek celebration is ongoing, creating a 12- month cycle of concepts, designs, contracting, and overall execution.

The end result of this selfless and tireless effort creates an opportunity for both North Canaan residents and our neighbors from the north, south, east, and west to all enjoy the many offerings that our town is known for.

I would like to personally thank the Chairperson of the North Canaan Events Committee (NCEC), Jennifer Crane, as well as all of the dedicated members of the NCEC, for their unwavering commitment to creating and hosting such a memorable

"We must also give praise and thanks to all of our incredible local first responders, non-profit organizations, volunteers, town crew members, and businesses; who collectively give so much of their time and financial assistance to ensure that this renowned tradition remains a summer staple for years to

Finally, to our quests and patrons who descended onto North Canaan over the past two weeks, we are

What's with that mustache?

truly grateful that you chose to spend your time with us, creating memories that will undoubtedly last a lifetime. We're makin' it happen here! We will all continue to work together to ensure that our name remains synonymous with constant enjoyment, infectious laughter, great food, quality shops, and a safe and bucolic community.

Fondly,

Brian M. Ohler First Selectman **Town of North Canaan**

Status Report

Canaan Fire Company's annual raffle drawing took place July 21. The \$10,000 winner is Lisa Luminati. The \$5,000 winner is Olde Farms Furniture. The \$2,500 winner is John Zucco.

A recent Freshly Ground Media study on the birthplace of Olympic athletes found that Connecticut ranks near the top in the nation. When comparing number of athletes to the population of their home states, Connecticut ranked 11th of all states with eight athletes

heading to Paris. Sports include rowing, modern pentathlon, field hockey, swimming, soccer, and track and field. Washington D.C. placed first with four athletes and California sent the highest total with 123, good enough for fourth in the list.

NORTH CANAAN — Town Hall has implented a long awaited newsletter. To sign up for email updates directly from town officials, visit northcanaan.org and scroll to find the 'sign up' box at the bottom of the page.

What about AI and our forefathers?

I was nine when some curious promoters wondered aloud who was the best heavyweight fighter ever. Muhammad Ali or Rocky Marciano. It was 1969, Marciano and Ali were both undefeated. And in the end, speculation prevailed.

After much analysis, along with a computer's algorithmic punch, the fight took place on Jan. 20, 1970. Ali was 27 and Marciano was 46 but that didn't matter much because they never actually fought. The kicker was there was still a winner — actually

Salvador Dali died in 1989, when he was 84. But go visit the Salvador Dali Museum in St. Petersburg, Florida and you can hear, watch and talk to him. And he will answer you. Achieved through artificial intelligence after a lengthy, technical process, it is as if he is real. He is here.

He is now. Watch the promo videos. It's pretty amazing stuff. Ask him why his clocks are melting? Why all the faces?

And then I thought how about this: We get a couple guys together — let's say

Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, Franklin, and Hancock for starters. AI resurrects them, a la Dali, and then we ask a few questions. We surely know enough about them all. Not only do we know what their positions on issues were but how they, themselves, acted with the future of our country in mind. Not just the moment.

Americans live in the mo-

ment at the expense of the future and a suggestion that some communication with our forefathers needs serious consideration. If only consideration. AI is here now and we have endeavored to chronicle the past. If we put these Americans together, they may offer us some collective answers to the questions we ask and who knows, we might find a winner maybe two.

Andrew E. Schwartz Salisbury

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vet another infestation impacting our forests, that being the Beech Leaf Disease. This is relatively new, which has quickly spread throughout New England. Beech trees primarily are impacted by a tiny nematode that loves both their buds and leaves, resulting in weakening and killing of these beech trees over a number of years. Great Mountain Forest (greatmountainforest.org) in Norfolk is one of the sites in the state studying the effects of this disease. The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station has put out an informative publication of both what this disease is and how to manage it, please visit: portal.ct.gov/-/media/ caes/documents/publications/ fact_sheets/valley_laboratory/ beech-leaf-disease-management

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John Addison Berkey III

was born in Santa Barbara, California, raised in Lake Forest, Illinois, and chose to spend his retirement years in Corea, Maine, died May 6 at home surrounded by his loving family. He was 78.

Although many obituaries refer to a peaceful passing, Berkey, according to his widow, Lori Berkey, left this world "kicking and screaming. He didn't want to go."

That same zest for living was evident throughout his lifetime. After college he entered the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves and was discharged honorably five years later with the rank of sergeant.

Berkey published art books in Wilmot, New Hampshire, under the name, "Addison House." And, although he was not trained as an architect or interior designer, he was commissioned to design 32 homes, mostly in the Millbrook, New York, area. He also was hired to design and furnish the interiors.

He then took a weary apartment house he owned in Hudson Valley, New York, and transformed it in six months into Bullis Hall Accommodations, which contained five suites. Relais & Chateaux soon came knocking at the door of the Bangall, New York, property and added it to their collection of the most exclusive hotels and restaurants in the

Nine years later, Addison and Lori moved to their beloved home overlooking Corea Harbor. It was a serendipitous find. Addison was familiar with the area, saw the house, noticed a cardboard sign turned over facing the ground, and discovered it was for sale.

The couple gutted the nome and turned it into

COREA, Me — John something elegant yet Addison Berkey III, who homey with heart-stopping

views of the busy fishing harbor. Their neighbors, fishermen and community members, became fast friends.

In retirement, Berkey became very skilled at gardening and cooking - a dinner

party invitation was highly sought after — and was often seen bicycling around the Schoodic Peninsula, a pursuit he continued until just a few years before he passed.

He cherished his wife, his family, his friends, and his cat, the late Walter. He often said his favorite pastime was sitting on the deck overlooking the harbor with a martini in hand.

Berkey was the son of the late John Addison Berkey II and Martha Rachel Fleming. He leaves a son, John Addison Berkey IV (Larson Campbell), of Charlotte, Vermont, and, a daughter, Perrin Berkey, of Millbrook, New York; three surviving brothers, Thomas Berkey (Michelene) of Colorado, Charles Berkey of Colorado and Maine, and David Berkey (Lucinda) of Washington state, and sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Patti and Mark Kaiser of Hyde Park, New York. He was predeceased by a brother, DeGraff Berkey (Debra), of Arizona. He also leaves two granddaughters, Kitter and Piper Martin, and two grandsons, Hartley and Henry Berkey, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

There will be no memorial service. His remains will be buried in Corea Cemetery. For those wishing to make a donation in his memory, please consider the Schoodic Food Pantry, P.O. Box 173, Corea, ME 04624, and/or Pals, 7110 Republic Airport St., No. 202, Farmingdale, N.Y. 11735.

Veden unveils newest Falls Village video

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — Eric Veden's 33rd installment of video about Falls Village kicks off at the Lime Rock Station Road home of Jim and Louise March, whose home used to be the quarters for the teamsters who worked for the railroad.

Jim Marsh explains that "every room had major destruction."

"We did one room a year." The video shows a photo of Louise March in the pre-rehab kitchen, and cuts to her in the modern kitchen, which is now some 20 years old.

Veteran educator Maria Bulson speaks about keeping busy in retirement. She "retired" after six and a half years as principal at the Lee H. Kellogg School but remained involved, working in different school districts in a variety of positions, from substitute teacher to vice principal in charge of discipline, before she retired

The experiences "helped me come down from all my years in education."

She describes retirement as "wonderful" but stressed the importance of staying active. Her husband fishes year-round, so she took up gardening for the warmer months and quilting for the winter.

The next segment features Daniel Karp, a photography teacher at Bard College of Simon's Rock delivering an overview of the changes in photography from the early 20th century to the present.



PHOTO PROVIDED BY ERIC VEDEN Maria Bulson is featured in Eric Veden's newest video.

The talk was given prior to the reception for "From the Great Falls to the Hilltops:

Early 20th Century Photography from the Falls Village-Canaan Historical So-

ciety" at the David M. Hunt Library Saturday, March 16.

He quoted author Arthur C. Clarke: "Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic."

The final segment starts with Michelle Hansen and Andrea Downs making a quick pitch for the 100th anniversary activities of the Falls Village Volunteer Fire Department, one of which was a talk about strokes and heart attacks from Melissa Braislin of Nuvance Health.

Another fire department-sponsored event was a talk on arson investigation by veteran investigator Laura Billon.

The event was not captured on video, so Veden had this reporter, sitting in the back of his Subaru amidst fly-fishing paraphernalia, summarize the talk.



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Magic at Hunt

Sandy Rhoades taught magic to participants in the Falls Village Recreation Commission's Creative Kids Club at the Congregational Church on Tuesday, July 16.



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On Sat. 8/3 at 10:30 AM, Dow Integrative Institute will have a "Stress Buster" yoga class featuring a unique blend of Yoga Nidra and Jin Shin Jyustu Self Help. Cost is \$15, which will be donated to the Kent Food Bank. On the website, go to the Events page to register for Tranquil Haven: Stress Buster Pop Up!

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ELECTION

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Clerk, will face Horn for the 64th seat and Harding will be facing a challenge from Democrat Justin Potter, a political newcomer from Kent, for the 30th. Democratic candidate Paul Honig will challenge Seminara for her state senate seat in the 8th.

To vote in the primary voters must be affiliated with a political party. Unaffiliated voters have until Aug. 2 at noon to register. However, voters already affiliated with a political party may no longer change their party prior to the election.

This is the first year that early voting is available for Connecticut voters. The August district primary will have a seven-day early voting period running from Monday, Aug. 5 to Sunday, Aug. 11. Polling locations will be open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. On Tuesday and Thursday voting booths will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Unregistered voters still have time to register before the election. Voters wishing to register should see their local Registrar of Voters no later than noon on the business day before they would like to vote. For example, to

be eligible to cast a ballot on Aug. 5 a voter must register

Primary day is Tuesday, Aug. 13. Polls will be open that day from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. The deadline to register before the primary is Monday, Aug. 12 at noon.

Cornwall Registrar of Voters Jayne Ridgway told the Lakeville Journal that the early voting period has created some challenges for local election officials. "It's the money," Ridgway said. Cornwall received a \$10,500 grant from the Connecticut government to help establish early voting earlier this year. "We spent all the money that was the state money and now we have to use the town money."

Staffing could be an issue for some localities as well, though Ridgway said she's fortunate to have enough interested people to serve as poll watchers through the seven day early voting period. "There are only 188 registered republicans," Ridgway said.

people willing to work," Ridgway said. "But generally, some other towns where there's a more active workforce; they just can't do it, so they have more trouble."

DANCE

"Solos have to be two minutes or less," says Aylward-Vreeland, who is already working on her solo routine for the 2025 season, "but I have so many ideas I can't fit them all in."

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Those ideas range from song choices, to costumes and choreography — all selected to be perfectly complementary and to express the sounds, rhythms, and syncopations of jazz music. It's a tall order made by an exacting discipline, but Aylward-Vreeland does it all while staying, in her own words, "cool as a cucumber."

"She's so excited to try new things," says the dancer's mother, Larissa Vreeland, "and every year she challenges herself a bit more."

True to this form, Aylward-Vreeland isn't content only to take home the biggest prizes in her preferred jazz style, but also practices tap, hip-hop, ballet, and large group dance at her team's studio in Pleasant Valley, New York. Her teammates, "the Pearls," are a tightly-knit group that Aylward-Vreeland has been performing with at the competition level since

Asked to name her dance heroes, Aylward-Vreeland answered, "my friends Lorelei and K.K. They do cool moves and they teach them to me."

On Tuesday, July 9, at the Kalahari Convention Center in Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania, it came time for Aylward-Vreeland to show off those cool moves on Beyond the Stars' national stage.

Three judges, a live audience of five hundred, and numerous far-flung livestream viewers had eyes on Aylward-Vreeland as she took the stage, tracked by spotlights so bright that she was "blinded" to the crowd of onlookers. None of it was enough to faze, however.

"I asked her to let me hold her butterflies," said Vreeland, to which her daughter replied, "I don't have any!"

It was meant to be the capstone performance of a meticulously-crafted routine that had already won Aylward-Vreeland a regional title and first place in four of five seasonal competitions — and the young dancer delivered.

by noon on Aug. 2.

"We're fortunate to have

"I wasn't expecting it," said Aylward-Vreeland, recalling how she waited on stage as

the judges ranked the performances in ascending order. But as more placements were called without Aylward-Vreeland hearing her name, she began to get excited. "I started to see it coming," she said, beaming from behind her array of trophies, "it felt really

> good to win." Following the solo competition, "the local support has been overwhelming," says Larissa Vreeland, citing Addison's incredible teammates, coaches, and supporters as reasons for her success.

> For her upcoming endeavor, Aylward-Vreeland will have this support a bit closer at hand. Her team will be competing together in hiphop, large group, and jazz dance at the World Dance Championship in Secaucus, New Jersey on July 24, 28 and 29, respectively. For the fans who wish to follow the Pearls' next steps, twists, and jumps, a livestream of the event will be available at www.worlddancechampionship.com/ live-stream.

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PEPPE

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zee behavior. It was there that he was put in contact with a geologist in Kenya who was looking for an extra set of hands at a fossil site.

Over the past 20 years, he has continued his work in East Africa, collaborating with both local and international geologists. Each trip lasts about a month and involves moving from site to

"The work I do is like building a puzzle, I have all these pieces that need to be put together," Peppe said.

To build the puzzle of what the landscape looked like in Africa 15-20 million years ago, his team uses paleobotany and ecological methods. The "pieces of the puzzle" range from climate patterns to plant and animal communities. Once put together they provide the team with a reconstructed version of the ancient ecosystem. From there, Peppe can estimate how the ecosystem impacted the natural life that once inhabited it.

A recent focus of Peppe's work has been on C4 plants, which refer to warm-season

With his team, he set out to answer the question "when did C4 plants evolve in Kenya and why?'

Unbeknownst to him, the data he would later find would completely shift the timeline of African geology. Peppe's team found that these

plants, which are imperative to interpreting the evolution of mammals, including humans, could be dated back 10 million years earlier than previously documented.

This finding then led to their second breakthrough. It was previously claimed that traits and characteristics of apes had developed through their reliance on dense forest as habitat.

coupled However, with the earlier dating of warm-season grasses, Peppe's team was able to connect apes' evolution to both types of vegetation.

Peppe's passion for nature started long before his academic career. Growing up in the Northwest Corner "really had an impact," he reflected. As a kid he worked his way from Cub Scout to Eagle Scout. His Eagle Scout project was making trail signs for the North Canaan Greenway.

Despite far flung adventures, Peppe still reveres the Northwest Corner. "I think a lot of people overthink where we live," Peppe said. "It is full of interesting geology."

When at Yale, his class went on a field trip to the Falls Village Falls, a place that he associated with childhood memories, not coursework, like fishing in the Blackberry River and hiking Mt. Riga.

"I love what I do," Peppe said. "I get to be outdoors, working with people, discovering new things."

BEAR ATTACK

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said. "He collapsed on the kitchen floor. As I petted him I realized there was blood on his flank."

Nauts said the bite marks were deep and roughly the width of a dime. Charlie could not make it upstairs to sleep, so Nauts arranged dog beds in the kitchen and slept with him on the floor.

The next morning she took Charlie to Millerton-based veterinarian Caroline Cannon, who put him on a combination of antibiotics, pain killers, rabies boosters, and tender love and care. She also condemned Charlie to a cone collar while he healed.

As of Friday, July 19, Nauts reported her beloved lab is on the mend. "He's chipper and up and about."

Nauts said she has seen bears on her property for many years but has never experienced an incident like this.

"I'm concerned there may be a rogue bear out there," she

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Nauts reported the attack to Cornwall Town Hall, and the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

HVRHS

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Crews are hard at work on the roof, interior and at the tennis courts on campus.

included. A 300 kilowatt generator is being installed in the southern end of the school, which Lloyd said "can run everything" in the event of a power failure. All masonry is being inspected and, where necessary, repaired. There is a new fire alarm system, new bathrooms, and the cupola on the roof is receiving some long-overdue attention.

In the hallway outside Room 133 and heading down into the math and science classrooms, the entire wiring and duct system was exposed.

Lloyd asked an unseen worker overhead how it was

"We're bobbing and weaving, just like we always do" said the voice.

Clambering up the scaf-

fold stairs in the cafeteria, a visitor beheld a small army of workers dealing with the

Lloyd said with a building as old as HVRHS, there are always surprises, which almost always require some adjustments to the original

Most of the project will be complete for the first day of school Tuesday, Aug. 27, but the auditorium will not be ready. Lloyd said the new seats won't arrive until the last week of August.

Lloyd was interrupted constantly during the tour, for quick huddles with contractors, to discuss the plantings in the front of the school, and to help sort out a delivery.



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ART: MIA BARNES

Upstate Art Weekend brightens Wassaic and beyond

rt enthusiasts from all over the country flocked to the Catskill Mountains and Hudson Valley to participate in Upstate Art Weekend, which ran from July 18 to July 21.

The event, which "celebrates the cultural vibrancy of Upstate New York", included 145 different locations where visitors could enjoy and interact with art.

On Saturday, July 20, The Wassaic Project hosted numerous community events. Will Hutnick, the director of artistic programming, said "We've been a part of it since the beginning, this is the fifth year of UPAW."

Most of the action was based at Maxon Mills, the seven-floor grain



PHOTO BY MIA BARNI

Abstract art display in Wassaic for Upstate Arts Weekend, July 18-21.

cy here, meaning they

live and work with one

months at a time," Hut-

another for a couple

mill located in the heart of Wassaic. On exhibit was work from 30 artists, 18 of whom were past residents of The Wassaic Project. "Artists can come and do a residen-

nick stated.
The first floor held
work by Petra Szilagyi,
who uses dirt and
linseed oil to construct
images of paranormal
concepts, most of which
include bats. They reflected that a recent trip
to a fifth sense competition in Vietnam was
the influence behind the
exhibit.

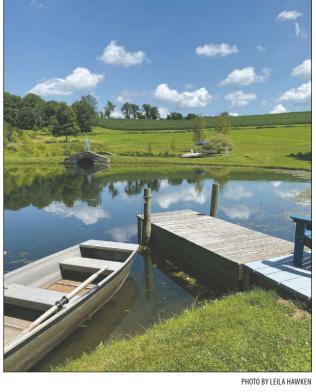
Across the floor was
Tiffany Smith's interactive installation which
incorporated plants
and wicker chairs, all
of which were objects
associated with her
Carribean upbringing.
"The room being filled
with plants is symbolic
of hurricane prep which
often included bringing
the plants from outside
into the house," Smith

said.

As visitors made their way up the narrow wooden stairs, music could be heard from behind the walls. The echoing music was Daniel Shieh's installation, entitled Mother's Anthem, which played a recording of the American Anthem in 30 languages. The languages ranged from Spanish and Italian to Navajo and Bengali.

Each floor was filled with artwork of all mediums, including painting, fibers, collage and photography. Rachel Bussières, who switched her concentration after watching the 2017 solar eclipse, uses varying light sources to produce lumen prints. During the wildfires, she recounted that she "made a new exposure each day to

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Serene scene from the Garden Tour in Amenia.

GARDEN: LEILA HAWKEN

Green thumbs drawn to Garden Tour

he much-anticipated annual Amenia Garden
Tour drew a steady stream of visitors to admire five local gardens on Saturday, July 13, each one demonstrative of what a green thumb can do. An added advantage was the sense of community as neighbors and friends met along the

Each garden selected for the tour presented a different garden vibe. Phantom's Rock, the garden of Wendy Goidel, offered a rocky terrain and a deep rock pool offering peaceful seclusion and anytime swims. Goidel graciously welcomed visitors and answered questions about the breathtaking setting.

Amenia Finance
Director Charlie Miller
welcomed visitors to his
Bog Hollow Road garden
in Wassaic, a manicured
expansive yard with
well-placed garden beds
framing a far-reaching
view. He said he plans
carefully each winter for
the next spring's improvement.

The organic, environmentally responsible

Maitri Farm was next, a lesson in coordinating agriculture with natural balance. The farm stand and a walk among the greenhouses brought visitors together.

Near the center of
Amenia was the garden
of Polly Pitts-Garvin,
offering a chance to
visit a robust vegetable
garden with raised beds
to be envious of and a
remarkable absence of
any insects or usual vegetable garden problems.

At Chez Cheese, the vast garden acreage surrounding the 1850s historic home of Joan Feeney and Bruce Phillips in Millerton, visitors could begin at refreshment stations where walking tour maps of the 15-acre property were available. There were streams and ponds with docks, and a dozen bridges arranged around the landscape. In the 19th-century, the property had been the home of the Wilson Cheese Factory, inspiring the name of the estate.

The Amenia Garden Tour was supported this year by Paley's Garden Center in Sharon.

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Casting into depths at dawn

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— The Schoharie
Creek, a fabled
Catskill trout stream,
has suffered mightily in
recent decades.

Between pressure from human development around the busy and popular Hunter Mountain ski area, serious flooding, and the fact that the stream's east-west configuration means it gets the maximum amount of sunlight, the cool water required for trout habitat is simply not as available as in the old days.

This is not a new phenomenon. It does seem to be getting worse, though.

Gary Dodson and I convened where the creek makes its final run into the Schoharie reservoir, part of the New York City water supply

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HORIZONS



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

which abound in the

temperature.

at 77.

lower section of the river.

This was hot stuff -

as in an 80-degree water

The air temperature

was actually slightly less

After negotiating the

intensely slippery rocks,

festooned with treacher-

ous algae, the first major

pool presented several

difficulties, with a back

eddy competing with a

main flow and several

the whole thing.

large trees draped about

I hit on the simplest

strategy, which was to

flip a weighted attractor

fly called a Tequilley into

the start of the eddy so

it would proceed slow-

ly but steadily into the

maelstrom, sinking all

adult smallmouth, with

bronze coloring and verti-

cal stripes, took the thing.

camera finally died,

however, and I was not

The point-and-shoot

This worked. A proper

the while.

Gary Dodson working a tricky pool on the Schoharie Creek, hoping to lure something other than a rock bass from the depths.



TANGLED LINES PATRICK SULLIVAN

system, on a semi-broiling Thursday afternoon, July 11.

The goal was simple. Catch smallmouth bass, going to try to fumble my phone out for a nice but routine fish photo.

Why not?

Because I guarantee the fish would have made a sudden, last-moment bolt for freedom, causing me to drop the device into the drink.

Gary moved downstream while I continued trying to annoy the residents of the pool, succeeding a couple of times with different colored Wooly Buggers.

Then we all got bored and I moved off, where Gary was catching rock bass and cussing them out for not being something else.

I have to admit, they are not the most compelling critters. Something about the red eyes.

This latest trip was dominated by extremely tedious and distasteful Harry Homeowner activities, but on both Wednesday and Thursday mornings I prowled Woodland Valley Creek. By "morning" I mean "dawn," because that was when the water temps were down to a barely acceptable 64.

I made the acquaintance of several stocked browns and of a handful of their wild cousins. The wild fish are smaller and nimbler.

The successful ploy was an Adams wet fly, size 16, drifted behind something big, like a Parachute Adams or Stimulator.



PHOTO BY JOHN COSTON

Mona Lisa Palmer and Deke Muyskens of Falls Village danced at Robertson Plaza in Norfolk on Saturday, July 20.

MUSIC: JOHN COSTON

Norfolk rocks as storm rolls in

lose to 70 music lovers gathered at Robertson Plaza on Saturday, July 20 as the Joint Chiefs, an Americana band, played a free concert sponsored by the Friends of Robertson Plaza.

An hour into the concert, the western sky began to show threatening signs of bad weather, but the band persevered and the crowd just pulled out umbrellas and rain gear, checking cellphones for weather updates.

With the backdrop

of Haystack Mountain, the musicians filled the air in Norfolk's historic downtown with rich country, folk and blues tunes.

One Falls Village couple kicked off some dancing. People lingered in their parked cars, or sat in circles around the band's setup.

As 4:30 p.m. approached, the cloud unleashed a downpour, ending the show.

The Friends of Robertson Plaza is planning a fall festival on Sept. 28.

...Upstate Art

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capture the changing air quality".

Luciana Abait also incorporates the natural world into her pieces, instead using maps. An

environmental activist

originally from Argentina, Abait's work highlights "environmental fragility, specifically the impacts it has on immigrants." Her installation that is currently on display at Maxon Mills, takes the form of a mountain range built solely from maps of the US and Argentina.

Throughout the day, visitors could "Arm Wrestle 4 A Popsicle". Winners had the choice of 3 playfully flavored trout-inspired popsicles - Nightcrawler, Power Bait, and Salmon Roe. Artist Katie Peck, who spent the day in costume as a rainbow trout, encouraged guests to step up and try their hand at an arm wrestle.

Shibori Indigo dyeing, group meditation, and dance workshops were open for community members of all ages as well.

While the daytime activities fostered appreciation of fixed art, a dance party until midnight at The Lantern Inn offered guests a space for performative art.

When describing the environment of The Wassaic Project, Smith emphasized, "It's all community, it's all love."

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Canaan Railroad Days delivers in year 60

ach July since 1964, Railroad Days has pulled into North Canaan to promote all the town has to offer.

Year 60 of the summertime tradition brought two weeks of activities for locals and visitors to enjoy. From railroad tours to carnival games, North Canaan Events Committee put forth a calendar full to the brim with fun.

The Canaan Country Club Car Show opened the festivities on July 7. Vintage vehicles shined in the afternoon and then attendees cooled off with trivia at Great Falls Brewing Co.

Throughout the two weeks, downtown businesses put on special promotions for the occasion. NBT Bank gave out free popcorn and Olde School Deli's Railroad Burger was a hit with a free bag of chips.

The Railroad Days Vendor Market was held at Lawrence Field on Saturday, July 13. A total of 67 merchandisers signed up to market their products.

Before the COVID-19 shutdown, this Railroad Days market was known as the 'Craft Fair.' With the name change, the market expanded from crafts to all types of marketed goods.

Customers discovered handmade jewelry, refurbished home decor, antique products, art pieces, thrift clothing, baked goods and farm stand goods to purchase. Throughout the shopping experience, visitors could stop by the food trucks to enjoy some fresh lemonade and snacks from the Blazin' Poppers and Food 4 Friends.

Vendors from across the region attended and the selection drew big crowds. The broadened category of products contributed to NCEC's main priority to indulge in "family-friendly activities," as committee chair Jenn Crane described them.

Volunteer Alicia Whiting explained that she was drawn to the Railroad Days events to "help support the community and local



PHOTO BY KAYLA JACQUIER

From left, Ayrslea Chritinat Odell, Maralisia Camardi, Jenn Crane, and Pat Graff tend the staff booth at the Vendor Market.

businesses." All volunteers worked tirelessly to make the wide variety of events possible.

The annual Bed Race was held outside North Canaan Elementary School July 13. A tradition of Railroad Days from decades past, the race was reinstated last year and now features any homemade, fourwheeled, man-powered racing machine.

The carts are pushed by four runners with a fifth teammate sitting on the vehicle. The course begins on Pease Street, turns into the drop-off circle at the school's entrance, then turns back down Pease Street to cross the finish line.

Perotti Plumbing's team completed the lap in 31.02 seconds and won for the second straight year. The fan-favorite "Royal Flush" cart, fit with a pipe wrench for a fender and a toilet for a seat, held up well through the sharp turn back onto Pease. Fire-fighters operated the only competing vehicle and finished the course in 37.41 seconds.

The team at Freund's Farm hosted Sip & Clip on July 17 and 18. Guests were invited to the farm to create flower arrangements from homegrown blooms.

Flowers were pre-cut before the rain on day one of the event, so the visitors could choose from them while keeping dry in the greenhouse. Rachel Freund informed everyone about the types of flowers available, their Latin names, and how they work best in each arrangement.

From there, it was time to choose a vase and create a masterpiece of your own. With snacks, drinks, and other materials needed for the arrangements offered to the customers.

Canaan Carnival took over Lawrence Field beginning Thursday, July 18. Games of chance, thrilling rides and fried delicacies enamored the crowds.

The grand finale of the 60th anniversary of Railroad Days on July 20 came to a close with a bang.

It was a jam-packed day full of memorable events, starting with the 2nd annual Triumph field fly-in, the boot drive fundraiser, and the carnival.

The firefighter's parade marched down Main Street as the evening approached. Departments from across the region joined in the bright occasion.

The day continued as crowds filled the town with cheer and communal enthusiasm, awaiting the arrival of the drone and fireworks shows.

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JULY 27

The Cornwall Village **Vegetable Garden Tour**

Cornwall Village Green, Cornwall, Conn

On Saturday, July 27, from 10 a.m. to noon, there will be a selfguided tour through six interconnected village gardens. Meet the gardener at each location and learn their gardening secrets. Registration table on Cornwall Village Green with illustrated map. No RSVP required.

Summer Concert Series: Vance Cannon

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn huntlibrary.org

The David M. Hunt Library and the Falls Village Recreation Committee are excited to offer a summer concert series on the lawn of the David M. Hunt Library. On July 27 at 6 p.m. the library will host Vance Cannon. The final event on Saturday, Aug. 24 at 6 p.m. will be a community talent show/open mic night. Pack a picnic, bring chairs or a blanket, and join us on the library lawn for music this summer! These events are free and open to the public.

Free Outdoor Pilates Mat Classes

Near the flagpole at Community Field, Lakeville,

Discover the Essentials of Pilates! On July 27, at 8 a.m., join Suzanne Oliver, owner of Lakeville Pilates at 350 Main St., for an energizing Pilates mat class in the great outdoors. Perfect for beginners and experienced practitioners, this class will cover the foundational exercises of Pilates.

Pilates improves core strength, flexibility and posture while training you to move your body in the most efficient and pain-free manner. It complements and helps to improve your performance in sports and in everyday movement. Spaces are limited, so reserve a spot by emailing lakevillepilates@gmail.

JULY 28

Summer Picnic at Copake Grange

Copake Grange #935, 628 Empire Road, Copake, N.Y.

There will be a Summer Picnic at Copake Grange on Sunday, July 28, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The picnic will be potluck, indoors or outdoors (depending on the weather). Bring your friends and family and a favorite summer dish (serving 6-10 people)

Water, lemonade, plates, napkins, flatware and cups/glasses will be provided.

Paper Marbling with Christina di Marco

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org

There will be a handson paper marbling workshop at the Scoville Memorial Library on July 28 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Register at www. scovillelibrary.org

AUGUST 1

Short Story Discussion: The Choc-Ice Woman by Mary Costello

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org

On Thursday, Aug. 1 at 4 p.m., the David M. Hunt Library will host a discussion of Mary Costello's short story "The Choc-Ice Woman" with Dathalinn O'Dea. Costello's second book and first novel, Academy Street, won the Irish Novel of the Year award.

AUGUST 3

Mt. Washington Church Fair

Church of Christ Mt. Washington, 428 East St., Mount Washington Mass

Offering more prizewinning possibilities, shopping opportunities, and family fun than ever before, the Mt. Washington Church Fair kicks off its 91st consecutive year, as always on the first Saturday in August. Admission is free and includes a ticket for the door-prize drawings, including some for kids only this year. The Fair will take place on August 3, rain or shine, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the intersection of Plantain

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Scenic Sips Fest

Roeliff Jansen Park, NY-22, Hilltop Barn, Hillsdale, N.Y.

Scenic Sips Fest is coming to Hillsdale, N.Y. on Saturday, Aug. 3, from 4 to 8 p.m. (Rain date: Sunday, Aug. 4), showcasing local craft beverages, specialty food, and crafts. Over 15 Columbia County producers of beer, wine, spirits, and cider will be present, with live music from Curt Buchan, Rounders Revival, and more. Diverse food options include: Ukrainian, Italian, soul food, and sweet treats

Artist Reception

The Wish House, 413 Sharon Goshen Tnpk, West Cornwall,

The Souterrain Gallery of The Wish House will be hosting an Artist Reception Saturday Aug. 3 from 3 to 6 p.m. for Suzan Scott, Nature is a State of Mind. The exhibit runs through Sept. 29.

Open Mic at A Weekend in Norfolk

Robertson Plaza, Norfolk,

Calling all musicians! Come play the Open Mic at A Weekend in Norfolk from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3 at Robertson Plaza in lovely downtown Norfolk, Conn. Each musical act gets 15 minutes. Full PA provided. Musicians must bring their own instruments.

AUGUST 4

Music by Mozart

Christ Church Episcopal, 9 South Main St., Sharon, Conn.

Violinists Marla Rathbun and Rachel Evans, with organist Ion Lafleur will perform four Mozart Church/Epistle Sonatas at Christ Church Episcopal, 9 South Main St., Sharon, Sunday, Aug. 4 at the 9 a.m. Service. The young Mozart composed 17 church sonatas when employed by the Archbishop of Salzburg in the 1770s. The public is invited to enjoy the service whose theme is "When In Our Music God is Glorified."

AUGUST 9

Rose Algrant Show

Cornwall Consolidated School, 5 Cream Hill Road, West Cornwall, Conn.

The 65th Annual Rose Algrant Art Show, a beloved tradition in Cornwall, is set to enchant art enthusiasts from August 9th to 11th at the Cornwall Consolidated School.

This esteemed exhibition will feature a diverse collection of artworks from talented artists residing in Cornwall. Attendees will enjoy an array of media, including paintings, photography, drawings, ceramics, handmade shoes, textiles, prints, furniture, and sculptures.

ONGOING

Art Show

Douglas Library, 108 Main St., North Canaan, Conn douglaslibrarycanaan.org

Raymond Kwiatkoski's nature poems. soulful photographs will be on exhibit at Douglas Library through Aug. 30.

His theme for the show is "Rural Wealth," which captures the spirit of the places he has seen and photographed on long drives through some of Connecticut's small towns.

Adult Pick-up Basketball

Stanford Recreation Park, Stanford, N.Y

Mondays at 7 p.m. Free and open to all levels of play.

Watercolor on Location with Peter Cusack

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org

On 2nd & 4th Wednesdays from July to August, 10 a.m. to noon, sketch outdoors or indoors with guidance from Peter Cusack.

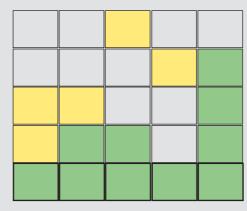
Register at www. scovillelibrary.org

Last week's WotW.

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Word of the Week

Hints relate to adjacent five-letter words. Solve to reveal correct letters. Green tiles indicate correctly placed letters in the Word of the Week. Yellow tiles indicate a correct letter in the wrong place. Uncolored tiles indicate letters that do not appear in the WotW.



- 1. Taste of sugar or honey.
- 2. Dehydrated plum.
- 3. Japanese cartoons.
- 4. Oar-powered boat.
- 5. Salisbury champion skill (A1).

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46. Drink containing

48. Secret encounters

medicine

47. Celebrating

50. A type of tag

52. Modern tech

54. Monetary unit

55. Resigned to one's

sleeping chamber

57. Execute or perform

61. "The Golden State"

62. "The Beehive State"

51. Halfback

(abbr.)

July 18 Solution

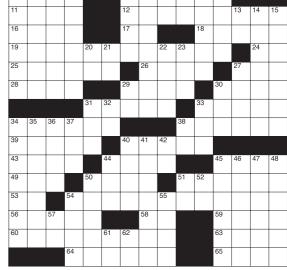
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Average damage per system (abbr.)
- 5. Lustful woodland gods (Greek mythology)
- 11. Colombian Town
- 12. Sour
- 16. A way to stuff 17. Former AL MVP
- Vaughn 18. Carried or transported
- 19. Cannot even fathom
- 24. Hammer is one
- 25. A way to separate 26. Not moving
- 27. Women's service
- organization (abbr.) 28. German river
- 29. Quantitative fact
- 30. A person's head 31. Process that produces
- ammonia 33. French modernist
- painter 34. Too much noise
- 38. Agree to a demand
- 39. One a line at right
- angles to a ship's length 40. Employees
- 43. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- 44. Component of
- hemoglobin 45. Quick and skillful in
- movement 49. Passing trend
- 50. Part of the eye 51. One who acclaims
- 53. Deadly amount (abbr.)
- 54. Taste property
- 56. Genus of mosquitoes 58. Blood type 59. A group of countries in
- special alliance 60. Institute legal proceedings against
- 63. Shade of a color 64. Spoke
- 65. Work units

CLUES DOWN 1. Charge with a crime

- 2. Mended with yarn
- 3. North Atlantic flatfish 4. Boil at low temperature
- 5. Lapps of northern Scandinavia
- 6. Poisonous plant
- 7. Atomic #22 **8. 36 inches**
- 9. Monetary unit of Russia
- 10. Type of gin
- 13. An alternative 14. Alone
- **HORIZONS**



- 15. A way to ooze
- 20. Publicity 21. American firm
- 22. Jewish calendar month
- 23. Popular sandwich
- 27. Comedian Cook 29. The NFL's big game (abbr.)
- 30. Political action committee 31. Make a low, steady sound
- 32. Legendary sportscaster Michaels 33. One thousand cubic feet
- (abbr.) 34. Designed to keep ears
- warm
- 35. One who scrapes 36. Tear into two or more
- pieces 37. Supervises flying 38. Flying arm of the U.S.
- military (abbr.)
- 40. District in Peru 41. One died leaving a will
- 42. Morning
- 44. The world of the dead 45. Widen

Sudoku



July 18 Solution

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> 07-18-24 07-25-24

Legal Notice State of Connecticut Department of **Consumer Protection**

Liquor Permit requested for these premises. Posting date 07/19/2024. Type of permit: Package store liquor. Permitee: Amanpreet Singh. Back Owner: Canaan Liquors, LLC. Entertainment, if any: Nolive entertainment. Objections must be received to DCP-Liquor Control Division by: 08/30/2024. Mail: 450 Columbus Blvd. Suite 901, Hartford, CT 06103. Email: dcp.liquorremonstrance@

> 07-25-24 08-01-24

Legal Notice

ct.gov.

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Special Permit Application #2024-0251 by owner AHMR Inc for Propane Tanks in the Flood Plain Overlay District at 11-15 Farnum Road, Lakeville, Map 49, Lot 12 per Section 401 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Monday, August 5, 2024 at 6:45 PM. There is no physical location for this meeting. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The 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 07-25-24 08-01-24

Legal Notice

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Site Plan Application #2024-0248 by owner Eric Mendelsohn for Nursery Use at 2 Prospect Mountain Road, Salisbury, Map 15, Lot 47. The hearing will be held on Monday, August 5, 2024 at 6:45 PM. There is no physical location for this meeting. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The 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.

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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF KENT

The first installment of the Real Estate, Personal Property and the Motor Vehicle tax for the Grand List of 2023 is due and payable July 1, 2024. The first installment of the Real Estate, Personal Property and Motor Vehicle tax for the Grand List of 2023 will become delinquent on Friday, August 2, 2024.

As soon as the tax becomes delinquent, it shall be subject to interest at the rate of 1.5% per month from July 1, 2024 until the same is paid.

Bills may be viewed and paid online by going to the Tax Collector's page on the Town of Kent website at www.townofkentct.org.

There are two options for online payment: credit card or electronic check.

The Tax Collector's office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. There is a red drop box next to the front door of the Town Hall for payments.

Payments are also welcome through the mail at P. O. Box 311, Kent, Connecticut 06757.

> 06-20-24 07-11-24 07-25-24

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS ESTATE OF** DANIEL P. GATES **Late of Sharon** (24-00293)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated July 9, 2024, 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: Mary M. Gates c/o Emily D Vail

Ackerly Brown, LLP 5 Academy Street PO Box 568 Salisbury, CT 06068 Megan M. Foley Clerk

07-25-24

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS ESTATE OF** JAMES A. NORTON Late of Sharon (24-00288)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated July 9, 2024, 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:

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Clerk 07-25-24

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF PATRICIA OMALYEV Late of Sharon (24-00269)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated July 2, 2024, 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: Marjorie Omalyev c/o Anne Marie Ragusa Anne M. Ragusa, LLC 103 SO. Main Street

Newtown, CT 06470 Megan M. Foley Clerk 07-25-24

TAX COLLECTOR **TOWN OF SALISBURY CT** LEGAL NOTICE

The taxpayers of the Town of Salisbury are hereby notified that I have received the Warrant and the Rate Bill to collect taxes on the Grand List of October 1,

2023 with a levy of 11.00 Mills. Said taxes become due on July 1, 2024. If said Real Estate and Personal Property tax is over \$100.00, it is payable in four installments due: July 1, 2024, October 1, 2024, January 1, 2025, April 1, 2025. Motor Vehicle tax shall be paid in one installment due: July 1, 2024. Payments must be received or postmarked by August 1, 2024. If said Real Estate, Personal Property and Motor Vehicle taxes are not paid on or before August 1, 2024 interest at the rate of 1.5% (18% annually) will apply. The minimum interest charge is \$2.00.Taxes can be paid by mail addressed to: Tax Collector, PO Box 338, Salisbury CT 06068. WPCA Sewer use fees for the year July 1, 2024 are also due and payable on August 1, 2024. Tax office hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9am-4pm. There is a drop box in the vestibule of the Town Hall open 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday and a 24 hour drop box on the Factory Street back side of the Town Hall. Please check salisburyct. us for additional credit card payment information. FAILURE TO RECEIVE A BILL DOES NOT INVALIDATE THE TAX OR THE INTEREST. Please contact the Tax Collector's Office 860 435-5189 or

taxcollector@salisburyct.us if you do not receive a bill or have questions. Dated this 5th day of June 2024.

Jean F. Bell, CCMC Tax Collector Salisbury, CT 06068 06-20-24 07-04-24

07-25-24

TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE **TOWN OF CANAAN**

Pursuant to Sec. 12-145 of the Connecticut statutes, the undersigned Tax Collector of the Town of Canaan gives notice that she will be ready to receive Motor Vehicle taxes and the first installment of Real Estate & Personal Property taxes due July 1, 2024 at the Tax Collector's office in the Canaan Town Hall, 108 Main St, Falls Village, CT on Monday's 9am-12pm & 1-3pm and Wednesday 9am-12pm. Payments must be received or postmarked by August 1, 2024 to avoid interest.

All taxes remaining unpaid after August 1, 2024 will be charged interest from July 1, 2024 at the rate of 1.5% for each month elapsing from the due date of the delinquent tax to the date of payment, with a minimum interest charge of \$2.00. Sec. 12-146

Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer of his/her responsibility for the payment of taxes or delinquent charges. Sec.

Rebecca M Juchert-Derungs, Tax Collector, **CCMC** 06-20-24

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