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PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

The Vintage Race Car and Sports Car Parade rolled into Falls Village Thursday, Aug. 29 to start the Labor Day weekend.

Classic car parade rumbles into town

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — The Vintage Race Car and Sports Car Parade left Lime Rock Park at 5 p.m., made its way through Lakeville and Salisbury, and rolled down Main Street to the center of Falls Village at about 5:38 p.m.

There were 128 vehicles reg-

istered.

The parade is part of Lime Rock Park's Historic Festival, now in its 42nd year.

The cars were preceded by a group of bagpipers, the Talcott Mountain Highlanders from Simsbury.

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The Hydrilla Menace

Wicked water weed causes 'significant ecological invasion'

By Debra A. Aleksinas

This is the first of a series on invasive aquatic hydrilla and its growing threat to waterbodies and communities in Northwest Connecticut.

SALISBURY — It was only a matter of time.

Since 2016, an aggressive non-native aquatic plant, Hydrilla verticillata, also known as water thyme, has fouled coves and tributaries along the Connecticut River from Essex to the Massachusetts border, leaving unprecedented ecological, recreational and economic damage in its wake.

Now it has hitched a ride via unsuspecting boat owners to inland freshwater lakes and ponds around the state, causing concern among lake associations, town and state officials.

To date, the submerged perennial plant, fittingly named after Hydra, the nine-headed serpent from Greek mythology known for its regenerative powers, has been



PHOTO BY DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS

The boat launch at Lakeville Lake is closed indefinitely due to the hydrilla threat.

identified in at least 10 known lakes and ponds in the state.

That number is expected to rise as scientists from the Connecticut Aquatic Experiment Station's Office of Aquatic Species (CAES/OAIS) scour 94 state-owned marinas in search of the worrisome weed, which they fear is spreading undetected.

Time is of the essence to locate, control and eradicate an aggressive subspecies of Hydrilla verticillata, which is unique to the Connecticut River and grows at an astonishing rate of up to a foot a day with long, slender stems that can grow underwater to lengths of up to 30 feet and spread horizontally into thick mats.

Fragments that contain as little as a single whorl of leaves are capable of drifting to other parts of a waterbody and forming new colonies. Left unchecked, perennial hydrilla, which has earned the title of "the world's worst invasive aquatic plant" and is listed as a federal noxious weed, can completely displace native submerged plant communities, altering fish populations and water chemistry, and threatening bald eagles.

Last summer, East Twin Lake in Salisbury raised alarm when it became the first documented lake outside of the Connecticut River

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Manufacturing sector remains vital to statewide economy

By Alec Linden

Paul Lavoie, Chief Manufacturing Officer of Connecticut, has a message of hope for the state's non-college bound young people: "get a job in manufacturing."

Lavoie, whose position is one of a kind in the United States, is spearheading Connecticut's Office of Manufacturing's new marketing campaign, called "I Got it Made,"

seeking to inspire and educate young adults on the state's manufacturing sector.

Lavoie hopes to dispel myths of manufacturing among young people as "dark, dirty, and dangerous... their grandfather's business," he said. "This is a marketing campaign designed around creating an outstanding perception of careers within Connecticut in manufacturing with young people and their

influencers" — careers that do not require hefty college debts, he emphasized.

The industry is booming and primed for young careerists to succeed in the field, Lavoie assured. After a brief decline in the sector between the 1980s and 2010s, the industry is now seeing sharp growth. Between 2020 and 2022,

See MANUFACTURE, Page A10

Styrofoam recycling program comes to CT

By Jennifer Almquist

WINSTED — Mayor Todd Arcelaschi cut the ribbon stretched in front of a huge pile of Styrofoam, as citizens of New Hartford, Barkhamsted and Winchester, members of the Board of Regional Refuse Disposal District No. 1, and elected state officials cheered the arrival of Connecticut's first Styrofoam recycling program at the Municipal Transfer Station.

RRDD1 is partnering with

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JENNIFER ALMQUIST

Winsted Mayor Todd Arcelaschi, State Senator Lisa Seminara, State Representative Jay Case celebrating the launch of Connecticut's first styrofoam recycling program at RRDD#1 in Barkhamsted.



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Meet one of NWCT's youngest entrepreneurs
 Sidney Crouch balances owning a landscaping business as a senior in high school. Watch the video on Instagram @lakevillejournal

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.

Misconduct with vehicle
 On Monday, Aug. 26, at approximately 10 a.m., Robert Steinmetz, 20, of Canaan, turned himself into Troop B on an arrest warrant charging failure to drive in proper lane and misconduct with a motor vehicle related to an incident that occurred on July 6, 2023, in Salisbury on Route 44 east of Twin Lakes Road at approximately 6:30 p.m. Steinmetz was driving a 2003 BMW X3 in rainy conditions with a wet road and the vehicle struck a wire guard rail and a utility pole, coming to rest on its side. A passenger, Jason Titunic, of Sarasota, Florida, was later pronounced dead at Sharon Hospital.

Gas station sideswipe
 On Monday, Aug. 26, at approximately 1:15 p.m., Nicholas Massimilian, 37, of Washington, Connecticut, parked his 2018 Audi Rs5 at a gas pump at the Xtra Mart Shell Station in North Canaan and went inside. A 2011 GMC Yukon was parked in front and to the left of the Audi. The GMC, driven by Roger Cote, 50, of Taconic, backed up and sideswiped the Audi, which sustained minor functional damage. Cote evaded responsibility and left the scene in an unknown direction. The accident is under investigation.

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



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Noah Sher came dressed as Groucho Marx for the "Cigar Box Tradition Redux" event at Hunt Library.

Fun with cigar boxes at Hunt

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — A whacking big crowd showed up for "Cigar Box Tradition Redux," a show of art created using the cigar box as a basis, at the David M. Hunt Library Saturday, Aug. 31.

Noah Sher, decked out in Groucho Marx glasses, circulated in the crowd, offering chocolate-tipped pretzels from a cigar box. (The late Groucho Marx was a noted cigar smoker.)

Vance Cannon swapped his standard guitar for one of David Reed's cigar box guitars.

Cannon, acting on a recommendation from the artist, tuned the three-string electric instrument to GDG, and commenced to improvise blues licks using a copper slide.

The show runs through September 20, and organizer Lilly Woodworth is holding a cigar box collage workshop this Saturday, Sept. 7, 10 a.m. to noon.

Forestry interns conclude time at GMF

NORFOLK — For each of the last 76 years Great Mountain Forest (GMF) has offered a select group of forestry undergraduate students from around the country an immersive summer program in all aspects of forest management in GMF's more than 6,000 acres of diverse landscapes and managed forests in Norfolk, Canaan, and Falls Village.

Working under the direction of experienced forester Matt Gallagher, who holds a Master of Forestry from the Yale School of the Environment, this summer's forestry interns gained hands-on, in-depth experience and skills working through a curriculum that included measuring forest tree species diversity and regeneration on 550-acres, harvesting and processing timber, managing invasive plants and insects and maintaining the infrastructure of a working forest. In addition to hard work, the interns explored some of the career paths they might pursue visiting a local sawmill, shadowing a researcher at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, and visiting with state and nonprofit forestry and conservation professionals.

The 2024 GMF Forest Interns were Ian Montgomery-Gehrt, a senior at Paul



PHOTO PROVIDED

From left, Ian Montgomery-Gehrt, Kyle Joray and Daniel Semell, 2024 interns at Great Mountain Forest, stand amid young pines with GMF's Matt Gallagher.

Smith's College majoring in Forest Ecological Management, Kyle Joray, a junior at Paul Smith's College studying Ecological Forest Management, and Daniel Semmel, an undergrad at the University of Connecticut in the Natural Resource Program. The long-term impact of the Great Mountain Forest-

ry Intern program can be seen through the careers of hundreds of graduates who have gone on to a range of important forestry and conservation-related professions throughout the country from professors of ecology and forest firefighters to forest managers, directors of land trusts and loggers.

To learn more, see this short video celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the GMF Forest Intern Program at www.vimeo.com/870470040

"It is so rewarding to see the way these forest professionals grow, working out in the field and developing a diversity of skills whether it is learning how to work the sawmill, collect forest data, or simply build professional relationships," said Michael Zarfos, Ph.D., and GMF Executive Director. "Our ultimate goal is to impart meaningful skills, experience, and a landscape of possibilities, positively influencing the interns' careers. They are the future of our New England forests."

Connecticut energy assistance available

Fuel assistance applications are currently being taken for fuel deliveries made between Nov. 1, 2024 and April 1, 2025. Households heating with electric and households with heat included in rent are also eligible to apply.

You may qualify for fuel assistance if your income is under (household size/annual income): 2/\$59,507, 3/\$73,509, 4/\$87,751.

Contact: Patrice McGrath at (860) 435-5187 or your local Social Service Agent.

Those who participate in one or more of the following benefit programs will automatically be considered income eligible for energy as-

istance: Temporary Family Assistance (TFA); State supplement to the Aged, Blind, and Disabled; Refugee cash assistance program; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

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Horn named 2024 Children's Champion

State Rep. Maria Horn was presented an award from Connecticut Early Childhood Alliance for her dedication to improving outcomes in the areas of education, health and economic security for children and families. Canaan Child Care Center's Education Consultant Mary Cecchinato (standing left) and CECA's Executive Director Merrill Gay (standing right), along with two students, Riley and Winnie, thanked Horn for her commitment to early education when presenting the Children's Champion certificate in North Canaan Aug. 29. Horn was among 17 legislators in the state chosen to receive the honor.

Ginger Betti elected Falls Village Finance Board chair

By Patrick Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — At a special meeting of the Board of Finance Monday, Aug. 26, the board appointed alternate member Ginger Betti

as a full member, and then elected Betti chair.

Both moves were made necessary by the resignation of former chair David Wilburn. Amy Wynn was also nominated as chair. Betti was

session and submit an application on FCH's online portal by Monday, Sept. 23.

"This program reflects our commitment to supporting the vital work of local non-profits," said Natashea Winters, Director of Programs and Learning at FCH. "By providing sustained, flexible funding, we aim to enable non-profits in our region to focus on their missions and create lasting impact in our community."

More information on eligibility, FCH's funding priorities and upcoming information sessions can be found at www.fchealth.org.

Paul Mattingly modernizes municipal engagement

By Kayla Jacquier

NORTH CANAAN — Town Hall is more accessible than ever, thanks in large part to reimagining the role of the front desk.

Paul Mattingly was hired in February 2024 to replace Marissa Ohler, the outgoing selectmen's secretary. Mattingly brought an expanded range of skills to the position, which has evolved into a new title: executive assistant for the selectman's office.

Among the changes includes increasing Town Hall's operating days to five per week rather than four, along with a rotating lunch schedule to ensure time in the office is convenient for the interest of the townspeople.

Since Mattingly joined, the selectmen's office started a monthly newsletter that has been well received by the town. Board and commission meetings are now regularly

held both in-person and on Zoom. Behind both of these initiatives is Mattingly's hard work.

The new title also includes more involvement in town business and budgeting. Mattingly brings professional knowledge of the business and grant-centered work that is now involved in his day-to-day expertise. He is helping the selectmen research federal and state funding opportunities to help with the bottom line come tax time.

Mattingly studied at Central Connecticut State University for his undergraduate degree in political science with an interest in state and local government. He went on to complete his master's degree at University of Massachusetts.

When discussing his contributions to the selectmen's office, Mattingly described a full plate. Although being a selectman is technically a part-time job, he described

the position as a "part-time, full-time commitment."

Mattingly shared that he uses his time to complete his town tasks "and be that helping hand where and when needed."

From First Selectman Brian Ohler's perspective, he said it has been a "wonderful partnership" with Mattingly. As for the job transforma-

tion, the intention was to "modernize every part of North Canaan government."

On the idea for modernizing the position at Town Hall's front desk, Ohler said, "Communication, transparency, and engagement is a critical priority." In the expanded role, Mattingly meets this priority through endearing professionalism.

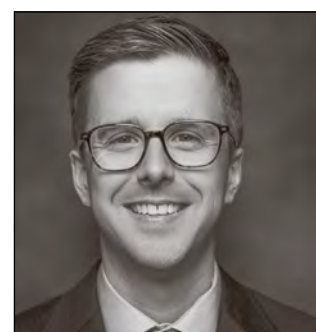


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Paul Mattingly

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Academy building's new display features a fully restored knife case from the mid-19th century.

Holley knife case restored for exhibit

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — A display case for knives made by the Holley Manufacturing Company of Lakeville has been conserved and restored and returned to the Academy building ahead of the upcoming exhibit, "The World Comes to Salisbury: Celebrating the Holley Knife Collection" with an opening reception Saturday, Oct. 5, 4 to 6 p.m.

The knives have been

cleaned up as well.

Established in 1844, the Holley Manufacturing Company is considered to be the first pocket knife company in the United States.

The walnut case, holding 222 knives, was featured at the United States Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia in 1876.

More than 100 of the original knives, including an unusual pistol knife, are currently in the display in Salisbury.

Kent's 'orange bag' transfer station program is here to stay

By Alec Linden

KENT — Kent will move forward with a new municipal waste program after a successful pilot year, as voted through at the Aug. 28 Board of Selectmen meeting.

In a conversation after the meeting, First Selectman Marty Lindenmayer said, "we don't need to practice anymore ... We can actually go ahead and do it full time."

The decision to formally adopt the program — commonly identified by its distinctive "orange bags" — and accept Department of Energy and Environment Protection's \$24,950 grant to support the transition comes after a year-long pilot including approximately 700 households. DEEP awarded the town \$55,400 to run the pilot, which involved residents bringing their waste to the municipal transfer station at Maple Street with a unit-based pricing system.

In a presentation to the meeting, Executive Director of the Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority Jennifer Heaton-Jones noted the "very healthy trend" demonstrated by comparing the pre-pilot numbers with today's, two months after the official implementation of the program. Food scrap collections at the transfer station are rising sharply, and

there has been a 45% reduction in municipal solid waste (household trash) between 2022-2023 and 2024-2025. "It proves that a state-issued program can change behavior," Heaton-Jones said.

It costs residents a \$50 annual permit to use the transfer station under the new orange bag program, plus an additional \$1.25 per bag. It's a much fairer price than the \$150 dollar flat annual rate previously in place, argued Heaton-Jones and Lindenmayer.

Town Hall to remain open during voting days

The Board of Selectmen also voted to rescind a motion to close Town Hall on election days.

In 2016, the Selectmen voted to close Town Hall on all election days and primaries to avoid "electioneering" amongst officials on the ballot. Lindenmayer, however, argued that decision is no longer sensible given the new reality of early voting, which didn't exist at the time.

"It doesn't make sense for me to try and stay home for 14 days and work from my house," Lindenmayer explained.

There still remains a restriction of "politicking" within 75 feet of voting areas, though Town Hall will be open throughout both early and regular voting days.



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Jessy Haggard reached out to pet Ralphie the bearded dragon while Meg Sher maintained a prudent distance.

Reptiles and pizza party at Hunt Library

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — Participants in the David M. Hunt Library's summer reading program had the opportunity to get up close and as personal as is consistent with prudence with assorted reptiles on Thursday, Aug. 22.

Jessica and Zachary Decouteau of The Reptile Nook in Agawam, Massachusetts, brought several examples of reptiles to show the 25 or so youngsters that filled the children's area.

Ralphie, a bearded dragon, was a big hit.

Clinging to Zachary Decouteau's dark blue t-shirt, the yellowish-white lizard allowed himself to be petted by everyone who wanted to.

As Zachary and Ralphie made the rounds, Jessica Decouteau explained that while a bearded dragon makes a reasonable pet, "it can't love us like a dog or cat."

"It can trust us, because he knows we feed and care for him."

However amiable a bearded dragon might be with people, the situation changes quickly when another reptile enters the picture.

Jessica Decouteau said a bearded dragon will puff its neck out and bob its head up and down by way of warming up for a fight with a rival reptile.

"We don't let Ralphie even see other bearded dragons," she said.

After the reptiles, the children were treated to pizza.

Artists invited to join Trinity Lime Rock's juried art show

LIME ROCK — Trinity Church in Lime Rock is bringing back its annual juried art show.

Artists can drop off their entries at Trinity Gallery at the church Friday, Sept. 6

from 3 to 5 p.m. or Saturday, Sept. 7 from noon to 2 p.m.

Opening reception will be Friday, Sept. 13 from 5 to 7 p.m., with open show dates following on Sept. 14, 15, 21 and 22 from noon to 4 p.m.

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PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notice

The Union Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting on Sept. 14, 2023, at St. Thomas Church, 40 Leedsville Rd., Amenia, NY from Noon to 1:30 PM. If attending, please bring a couple of dollars to give to the Church's Food Pantry. If you have family in the Cemetery, we are always looking for new Board members. Also if you wish to donate to help support the Cemetery, you can send a check made out to Union Cemetery Association and mail it to Union Cemetery Association, % Gail Seymour, 16 Townsend Blvd., Poughkeepsie, New York 12603. Call Gail with any questions at 845-454-6641.

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Legal Notice

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Special Permit Application #2024-0260 by Nick Brazzale for Contractor Equipment Storage at 17 Railroad Street, Salisbury, Map 54, Lot 58 per Sections 213.4 and 224.3

of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The owner of the property is Vanessa Brazzale. The hearing will be held on Monday, September 16, 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
09-05-24
09-12-24

Notice of Decision Town of Salisbury Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission

Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses

Commission of the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut on August 26, 2024:

Approved – Application 2024-IW-031 by owners Fritz and Dana Rohn to replace a barn in the upland review area. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor's map 39 as lot 16 and is known as 100 Interlaken Road, Lakeville.

Any aggrieved person may appeal this decision to the Connecticut Superior Court in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes §22a-43(a) & §8-8.

09-05-24

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF SARAH C.T. PICTON Late of Salisbury (24-00303)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated August 20, 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.

claim.

The fiduciary is:
Peter Boyd
c/o Louise Brown
Ackerly Brown, LLP
5 Academy Street
P.O. Box 568
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Megan M. Foley
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09-05-24

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF LARRY D. TYLER Late of Salisbury (24-00097)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated August 22, 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.

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Ann Marie Nonkin

LAKEVILLE — Ann Marie Nonkin, 80, of Millerton Road, passed away Aug. 25, 2024, at Connecticut Hospice in Branford. She was the loving wife of the late Dr. Paul Nonkin.



She was born April 12, 1944 in Queens, New York, the daughter of the late John and Ann Vallen.

She was a medical technician for Manhattan Eye and Ear for many years.

She was an active Parishioner in years past at St. Mary's Church in Lakeville, where she ran many activities. Alongside that, she was an avid gardener.

She is survived by one cousin, Joan Jalbert.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, Aug. 30 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Church the Parish of St. Martin of Tours in Lakeville.

A burial will be on Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Charles Cemetery in Farmingdale, Long Island.

Memorial contributions can be made to The Little Guild, 285 Sharon Goshen Turnpike in West Cornwall, CT 06796.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

David R. Tetor

PINE PLAINS — David R. Tetor, 80, passed away at Northern Dutchess Hospital on Aug. 20, 2024, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on Dec. 16, 1943, in Montour Falls, New York to the late Donald and Margaret (Howell) Tetor. He was educated and graduated from Dundee Central School and he obtained his Bachelor's degree from Cornell University in 1965. The same year he enlisted in the United States Army and served honorably until 1969.



David was an Agricultural Agent for Cornell Cooperative Extension out of Millbrook. When he began his career he covered both Herkimer and Dutchess County. He was noted for being the founder of the Dairy of Distinction Program and was a fierce advocate for farmers. For over 30 years he was heard on WKZE and WRWD providing to listeners the Farm & Ag report. Prior to his retirement, he was the Ag agent for both Dutchess and Ulster counties.

When not working, David provided his time to his community. He was a member of the Dutchess County Industrial Development Agency, and was on the board for the new Dutchess Stadium. He was former president of the Pine Plains School Board and also helped to form the Stanfordville Little League. He was a member of the Dutchess County Fair Board, Pine Plains F.F.A., Lions Club and

was a life member of the Stanfordville Grange. In 2002, he received the Outstanding Alumni Award from Cornell for his lifetime achievements.

When not working, or giving his time to the community, he enjoyed traveling with Louise to raceways, up and down the east coast following the NASCAR circuit. He was also an avid Met's fan.

David is survived by his three children; Brian (Lida) Tetor, Michael Tetor, and Eric (Jennifer) Tetor; his five loving grandchildren, Nicholas (Samantha), Melanie, Felicia, Aiden and Cadence; two great grandchildren, Kylie and Kinsleigh, in addition to his sisters, Doris Allen, Kimberly Driver, and his brother John Tetor.

Besides his parents, he was also preceded in death by his loving wife, Louise, and his sister, Janis Sepos.

A time for sharing memories and offering condolences was held on Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2024, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Peck & Peck Funeral Home, 7749 S. Main Street, Pine Plains, NY. A funeral service was conducted at 7:00 p.m. with Reverend Jan Brooks officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations in David's memory may be made to the Pine Plains FFA, C/O Stissing Mountain High School, 2829 W Church St, Pine Plains, NY 12567. To leave a message of condolence for the family, please visit www.peckandpeck.net

Memorial Service

Sandra Watson Schafer

The memorial service to celebrate the beautiful life of Sandra Schafer who passed away on June 24, 2024, will be held on Saturday, Sept. 7 at 10:00 a.m. at the Falls

Village Congregational Church.

To view Sandra's obituary <https://lakevillejournal.com/sandra-watson-schafer-2668680017>

Celebration of Life

Joan Palmer

A celebration of Joan Palmer's life and a display of some of Joan's life work of art will be held Saturday, Sept. 7 from 12 to 3 p.m. at the Town Grove Senior Building, 42 Ethan Allen St., Lakeville Ct. 06039.

Witness her passion of arts and a life well lived.

OUR TOWNS



PHOTO BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

Vintage vehicles toured the track at Lime Rock Park before rolling through the hills of the Northwest Corner.

Lime Rock hosts Historic Festival 42

By Lans Christensen

SALISBURY — The 2024 Labor Day Weekend was highlighted by horsepower at Lime Rock Park's Historic Festival 42 Aug. 30 to Sept. 2. Race cars of every marque, vintage, and rarity competed on the track Friday, Saturday and Monday.

"Big Bores," "Tin Tops," "War Era" and "Wings and Slicks" were among the groups that were able to compete in the races on Saturday and Monday.

The big draw of the festival was the Saturday pre-race ceremony where Senator Richard Blumenthal (D) joined Governor Ned

Lamont (D), and State Representative Maria Horn (D-64) in concluding Lime Rock Park's summer dedicated to honoring Skip Barber.

Among the honors, Blumenthal announced that Aug. 31 has been recognized officially in Connecticut as "Skip Barber Day."



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State Rep. Maria Horn (D-64) with Skip Barber at Lime Rock Park on Labor Day Weekend.



PHOTOS BY TOM BROWN

Upper left, the Hudson Hornet that was modeled in the "Cars" film. Lower, a replica 1952 Citroen 2CV modeled after a two-headed car utilized by a French fire department for decades.



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Lime Rock Park CEO Dicky Riegl addresses, from left, Senator Richard Blumenthal, Governor Ned Lamont, State Rep. Maria Horn, and Skip Barber.

Worship Services

Week of September 8, 2024

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

<p>Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon 9 South Main, Sharon CT Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 A.M. Transitioning through prayer All welcome to join us 860-364-5260 www.christchurchsharon.org</p>	<p>The Congregational Church of Salisbury, U.C.C. 30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! Worship, Sundays at 10 am, in-person and streaming www.salisburyucc.org Sharing God's shalom: Wholeness, harmony, justice, and joy! (860) 435-2442</p>
<p>St. John's Episcopal Church 12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Rev. Paul Christopherson SUNDAY SERVICE 10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II) In-Person and on YouTube www.stjohnssalisbury.org 860-435-9290</p>	<p>Trinity Episcopal Church 484 Lime Rock Rd. Lakeville Offering companionship along the Way Sundays at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School at 9 a.m. Livestream at 10:30 found at www.trinitylimerock.org The Rev. Heidi Truax trinity@trinitylimerock.org (860) 435-2627</p>
<p>North Canaan Congregational Church, UCC Joyfully opening our hearts and doors to all God's people 172 Lower Rd/Rt. 44, East Canaan CT Worship services Sundays at 10 am www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational 860-824-7232</p>	<p>Unitarian Fellowship of NW CT Cobble Living Room, Noble Horizons The next meeting will be Sunday, October 13 at 10:30 a.m. For information, contact Jo Loi at jokialoi@gmail.com All are Welcome</p>
<p>FISHES & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY, A MISSION OF OUR CHURCH is at Pilgrim House, 30 Granite Ave., Canaan Tuesday 4-6 pm & Thursday 12-2 pm www.fishesandloavesnorthcanaan.org</p>	<p>Chabad of Northwest CT On the Green 69 West St. Litchfield, CT 06759 chabadNW.org 860.567.3377 office@chabadNW.org Rabbi Joseph & Mina Eisenbach A home away from home, a gathering place where unity is paramount. We are here for you, welcome to the family!</p> <p>WINTER SCHEDULE Sunday 10:30 AM - Hebrew School Wednesday 8:00 PM - Parsha In My Life How The Weekly Portion Relates to ME! Thursday 11:30 AM - Women's Tea & Torah Saturday 9:30 AM - Shabbat Services Followed by a Congregational Kiddush</p> <p>Children's Camp Jewish Newspaper Smiles on Seniors Cteen YJP</p>
<p>Congregation Beth David A reform Jewish Synagogue 3344 East Main St., Amenia SERVICES SATURDAY 10:30 AM Twice Monthly - Followed by Oneg (Calendar at congbethdavid.org) ALL ARE WELCOME Rabbi Jon Haddon 845-373-8264 info@congbethdavid.org</p>	<p>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH Immaculate Conception, 4 North Street, Norfolk St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 4 pm, St. Joseph Church Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary Sunday 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm St. Joseph Chapel or Church Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078</p>
<p>The Lakeville United Methodist Church 319 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Sunday School "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse 860-435-9496 Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</p>	<p>UCC in CORNWALL Cornwall Village Meeting House Worship Sunday, 10 am Outstanding Church School (10 am) Mission Opportunities Warm Fellowship following Worship 860-672-6840 www.uccincornwall.org Rev. Micki Nunn-Miller, Minister Welcoming all - including the LGBTQ Community</p>
<p>The Sharon United Methodist Church 112 Upper Main Street, North End of Sharon Green Touching Lives - Lifting Spirits 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery Care No Sunday School in Summer The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse 860-364-5634 sharonumc5634@att.net</p>	<p>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 9 a.m. Trinity Retreat Center Chapel Lower River Road, West Cornwall</p>
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<p>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church 656 Smithfield Valley Rd. Route 83, Amenia, NY Services every Sunday 10 a.m. www.thesmithfieldchurch.org 21st Century Theology in an Historic Building</p>	<p>All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church 313 Twin Lakes Rd., Salisbury, CT Vespers Saturday at 5:00 P.M. Divine Liturgy Sunday at 9:30 A.M. Special Services Online Rev. John Kreta 860-824-1340 allsaintsofamerica.us</p>
<p>Canaan United Methodist Church 2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT 11 a.m. Worship Service "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" Rev. Lee Gangaware 860-824-5534 canaanct-umc.com canaanctumc@gmail.com We hope you will join us!</p>	<p>Promised Land Baptist Church 29 Granite Ave., Canaan, CT Where you will find: A Warm Welcome! Helpful Bible Messages, A Place to Grow! Sunday School - 10am Sunday Worship - 11am Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - 7PM (860) 824-5685 VISITORS WELCOME! www.promisedlandbaptist.org</p>

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The Lakeville Journal

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EDITORIAL
Five years

The news late last month that labor and delivery services at Sharon Hospital will be maintained for a period of five years was welcomed by our community. Connecticut Attorney General Willam Tong said it well: "Miles and minutes matter when it comes to labor and delivery, and I am pleased that Northwell has committed to preserving affordable, lifesaving care—especially maternity care—for Western Connecticut. This is a strong, enforceable agreement for healthcare access in Connecticut."

Nuvance Health announced this spring that it planned to combine with Northwell Health, the largest health provider in New York State. The resulting 28-hospital system would span the New York and Connecticut border. Northwell itself employs 85,000 people, making it the largest private employer in New York state.

The reprieve was the latest chapter in the battle to keep labor and delivery services at Sharon Hospital, a struggle that has been waged by the grassroots organization Save Sharon Hospital and others, including our political leaders, for years. This year in February the state of Connecticut denied the hospital's request to close the services, citing a long list of "Findings of Fact" that the hospital questioned. The hospital petitioned the state to reconsider, but the state denied that appeal.

At the time of the announcement of the new combination with Northwell, Sharon Hospital CEO Christine McCulloch said that Northwell has agreed to invest in all of the Nuvance hospitals. So it's not a complete surprise that labor and delivery services at Sharon Hospital have been spared the chopping block — at least for now.

Save Sharon Hospital described the development as a great first step.

Our hospital had its humble beginnings in 1909 in a house rented by Dr. Jerome Chaffee. Less than a decade later a new building opened with 16 beds and three nurses. Over the years, the hospital underwent more expansion. In a 1969 Lakeville Journal article commemorating Sharon Hospital's 60th anniversary, its history was described as "written by thousands of dedicated people who founded it, planned its development, staffed its facilities, financed expansion programs and, in many cases, became thankful patients."

Ownership changes first started to occur in 2002 when a for-profit named Essent Healthcare of Tennessee bought the nonprofit, which triggered protests. More than a decade later Essent merged with another Tennessee-based group, RegionalCare Hospital Partners. Some five years after that, in 2016, Health Quest, formed by a merger of three hospitals in New York, took control of the hospital and it once again became a nonprofit. Soon thereafter, in 2019, Health Quest merged with Western CT Health Network, with hospitals in Connecticut, to become Nuvance Health.

This whirlwind of merger and acquisition and flip flop from nonprofit to for-profit and back to nonprofit brings us to our current state of affairs. Confidence in the future prospects for our beloved rural hospital should be bolstered by both Sharon Hospital's ranking and by Northwell's long list of top honors as a healthcare provider, and by the reputation of its CEO Michael Dowling as a healthcare leader. Last week, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) gave Sharon Hospital a five-star rating for the fifth consecutive year.

As SSH said, this is a great first step, and welcome news.

School safety: prime issue

A survey presented at a Waterbury Board of Education meeting this March revealed a disturbing level of violence in the city's schools. According to the Waterbury Teachers Association 86% of teachers say current student discipline policies and protocols do not create a safe classroom. The current Congressional Representative for our 5th district taught history for 15 years in Waterbury's John F. Kennedy High School and now sits on the House Committee on Education and Workforce. Yet it is the Republican candidate for the 5th district, George Logan, who has taken action to address the problem of school violence.

Logan has taken the initiative to follow up on two Department of Justice investigations regarding the safety and security of students, teachers and staff in Waterbury public schools in June of 2022 and February 2024. In an April 15, 2024, letter to Attorney General Merrick Garland Logan urged the department to immediately review the June 2022 and February 2024 investigations and subsequent policy changes regarding the safety and security of students and teachers in Waterbury Public

Schools.

"I demand full transparency regarding the Department of Justice investigations, findings and subsequent policy recommendations regarding the safety and security of Waterbury Public Schools and ask that you take whatever action is necessary to ensure a safe learning environment for students, teachers and staff," Logan wrote.

Logan charges that teachers and administrators have been told not to report incidents of violence in order to suppress data and falsify records to meet artificial quotas that do not reflect the reality in Waterbury schools. "Waterbury Public Schools serve approximately 18,610 students and the policies recommended in secret by the Department of Justice are failing these students, their parents and guardians, as well as the teachers and staff throughout the Waterbury school district," Logan wrote.

It is this kind of initiative and demand for transparency on a major issue of concern to students and teachers that we can expect from George Logan as our Congressional representative.

Bill Littauer

Lakeville



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Support of Special Olympics and Hotchkiss Swimathon

Thank you to Patrick Sullivan and The Lakeville Journal for running a piece about the 30th annual Hotchkiss Swimathon, taking place next Saturday, September 7. Swimmers from Hotchkiss will cross Lake Wonoscopomuc and back in support of Special Olympics.

For three decades, Hotchkiss has held this fundraiser; we continue to support Special Olympics whenever and wherever we can.

We're thrilled to share this important milestone date with eight Slovaks — four coaches and four Special Olympics athletes — who are coming to America and Lakeville to do their part in

helping us raise money for the Dream Day Center in the capital city of Bratislava.

Designed for Ukrainian refugee children born with intellectual disabilities who were displaced from their homes by the war with Russia, this school opened on October 10, 2022, thanks in large measure to Special Olympics Connecticut and the Hotchkiss Swimathon. We are working hard to keep its doors open.

Special Olympics Connecticut is a magnificent organization that helps bring people from possible shadow lives into the limelight. The organization's generosity in reaching out

to a refugee population in serious need after Vladimir Putin launched his war against Ukraine in 2022 has inspired us at Hotchkiss to work even harder to support Special Olympics here in Connecticut as well as in central Europe.

We welcome any support as these Slovakian friends — Eva, Martina, Veronika, Dominika, Peter, Darina, Vanda, and Andrej — come to town next week. Please let us know if you would like to be involved.

Keith Moon & the Hotchkiss Special Olympics Club
Lakeville

Are happy days here again for Democrats?

On paper, Kamala Harris looks like an impossible candidate. As vice president, she's a national joke in the Dan Quayle category. Her word salads and shrieking laughter at inappropriate moments are cringeworthy.

Not long ago, Democrats were trying to figure out how to get Harris off the party ticket without offending minority groups. Now, thrilled to be out from under the Joe Biden cloud, they are embracing her as the next Franklin Roosevelt, whose 1932 campaign song was "Happy Days are Here Again."

But in so doing, the Democrats are not just threatening democracy but trampling it. Nancy Pelosi said they forced Joe out of the race for which he had been duly nominated by nearly 15 million primary voters, not because of cognitive decline which would have been a legitimate reason, but because the polling looked bad. Even New York Times columnist Maureen Dowd called it a "coup."

The jettisoning of Sleepy Joe and the anointing of Happy Harris - who has never earned a single primary vote herself - was done by party bigwigs and donors. They stifled any competition for Harris just as they stifled primary competition for Biden in this cycle, and just as they're stifling third-party candidates.

Is this the "democracy" the left claims to be so desperate to protect from Donald Trump?

Despite her contrived ascendancy, Happy Harris and her partner, cheerleader Tim Walz, might win in November. They have one huge advantage. The mainstream press, as always, is solidly on the Democrats' side. The press is protecting Harris, helping to rewrite her story and rebranding her. Her cringeworthy laughter is now "joyous."

Joyous Harris spends most of her time (when not laughing) trying to hide her "most liberal" status. No interviews, no unscripted moments. She hugs her teleprompter like Biden does, because without it she goes to pieces like he does, revealing her bafflement on many issues.

If Harris and Walz do win, Democrats can continue their Happy Days agenda of open borders and helping children transition to one (or more) of the over 100 "genders" the left has recently discovered.

Like Trump, the Democrats dodged a bullet to get to this point. But while Trump was shot at, the Dems dodged their bullet by stepping all over democracy, including the rousting of Robert F. Kennedy Jr., a lifelong Democrat who had to go to a third-party campaign, and

who has now dropped that and endorsed Trump. His supporters could wipe out Harris's recent gains and tip the election to Trump.

Karma may yet catch up with Kamala and the Democrats.

Mark Godburn
Norfolk

LETTERS

Betrayal of public trust with Paley Farm project

When the state of Connecticut bought the development rights of the old Paley farm it was with the understanding that all non-farming developments are excluded and the 184 acres remain as open farmland, as a portion of that quintessential public asset called landscape. Allowing the building of a multimillion-dollar mansion with a long driveway, a pool and presumably a correspondingly large lawn and garden is a betrayal of the public, as would be any even small development unrelated to farming. Protected open land has so far saved the Sharon countryside and private money should not be able to carve out development rights for hilltop mansions. I hope the DOA decision gets overturned.

Fritz Mueller

Sharon

Supportive Dog Park people in Salisbury

I enjoyed the August 22 article in The Lakeville Journal by Patrick Sullivan, regarding the Salisbury Community Dog Park annual meeting. I would like to elaborate on the word "community."

I have discovered what a welcoming, friendly group of people meet with their dogs most days of the week. My pup Rusty, arrived at the end of April. Soon after his arrival I discovered I was woefully unprepared for a puppy. Dogs I have had, but never a puppy.

Immediately the dog park group became supportive with words of kindness, advice and support. I am very grateful for their kindness and encourage anyone interested to participate in the park in any way they can.

JoAnn Luning
Salisbury

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TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

100 years ago –
September 1924

George R. Belcher has entered the employ of Osborn & Barnes, state road contractors.

SALISBURY – Miss Ethel Ball is home from Cornwall for a vacation.

The most severe thunderstorm of this season visited this section on Tuesday afternoon and the lightning was almost continuous for an hour. In this telephone division 26 lines and 85 telephones were put out of business by falling trees. The telephone co. however hopes to have the damaged lines restored by the end of the week. A nearly new silo at A.B. Landon's farm was blown down and the corn and other crops were twisted and flattened. At Canaan and East Canaan the storm was even more cyclonic in its nature. Two barns at East Canaan on the Isadore Minacci and Bion Stevens farms were struck by lightning and burned to the ground. It was by far the worst electric storm of the season and the damage caused by it will run into large figures.

Mrs. Jerry Parmalee of Lime Rock has gone to Springfield for treatment. She has three goiters on her neck.

Leander Whiteman has received news of the birth of a grandchild – a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. George Pardis at Waterbury last Friday. Mr. Whiteman says this is his 31st grandchild.

Mr. John Wesley Mainwaring of Brooklyn, N.Y., presented the home at "The Pines," a Radio, of his own construction. The same was installed by Elester Patchen Jr. and John Wesley Mainwaring Jr.

50 years ago –
September 1974

For the first time in 82

years, since The Hotchkiss School first opened its doors in 1892, women have been accepted to attend the private secondary school in Lakeville. This Tuesday, 88 women will be arriving on campus along with the men to begin orientation sessions and will begin their first day of classes Thursday. The total student population this year is approximately 460.

A Labor Day crowd estimated at 8000 turned out at Lime Rock Park this Monday for the Camel GT Challenge race and other racing events. The crowd saw Mike Keyser take the Camel GT and actor-driver Paul Newman capture an event for sports sedans. It also saw two accidents, in one of which a deer and a car collided. The deer was killed when hit by a Datsun 240Z as the animal darted across the track. The car lost its right front wheel and was out of the race.

Tom Tweed, who takes care of the Town Hall, was back at work Tuesday with a bandaged right hand, the result of a rather serious accident with a saw at his home last Friday.

Nicholas Gordon, the son of Music Mountain's founder, is the new president of the Falls Village Chamber Music Festival's Board of Managers. Mr. Gordon, who lives in New York City, is a vice president of the National Broadcasting Co. Music Mountain was founded in 1929 by the late Jacques Gordon as the summer home for the Gordon String Quartet and as a center for young professionals to receive advanced training and experience in chamber music.

25 years ago –
September 1999

When most college students decide to spend a semester abroad, they pick a country and absorb as much of its culture before returning home. When Sharon res-

ident Kara Clemente decided to spend a semester abroad, she did it a little differently. Her trip began Feb. 17 in Nassau, Bahamas, where she boarded the ship the S.S. Universe Explorer. From there, she visited Cuba and Brazil before heading off for South Africa. The ship then made stops in Kenya, India, Malaysia, Vietnam, China and Japan before returning to the United States May 28. "It was kind of a floating university," Ms. Clemente said. "I think I saw a lot and did a lot. I never learned so much in my whole life."

After increasing its capabilities at its Amenia office, Fountain Press has opened a satellite office in Kent, in the plaza by the Fife and Drum, formerly the location of Sarah's Flowers.

Beligni Realty of Canaan has changed ownership, but there is little to give that away at the moment. Cherie Kennedy purchased the business Aug. 2 from Jean Beligni, who will remain on as a broker associate. Ms. Kennedy worked at the Railroad Street office for the past five years and the pair did not even switch desks. "All that has really changed is that I have redecorated the office and now I get to pay the bills," Ms. Kennedy said. She will leave such things as renaming the 20-year-old agency for future consideration.

SHARON – Alison M. Trotta graduated in May from Iowa State University, College of Veterinary Medicine, with a doctor of veterinary medicine degree. Ms. Trotta, whose specialty is small animals, did her internship at the Kansas City Zoo. She is now in a small animal practice in Weare, N.H.

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September into October
could be bumpy for stocks@THE
MARKET
BILL SCHMICK

We enter September with the three major averages close to or above yearly highs. Momentum is still on the side of the bulls. As such, in the next week or so, markets could attempt to scale those heights and possibly better them.

It is what happens next that concerns me. The next two months are seasonally the worst period for the stock market. However, investors also expect the Federal Reserve Bank to cut interest rates at their meeting on September 17-18. That is normally a bullish development for stocks. We won't know if the Fed will cut rates, but the markets are betting heavily on that outcome.

The macroeconomic data this week certainly reinforced those expectations. Second quarter GDP was revised upward on the back of higher consumer spending from 2.8% to 3%. This week's jobless claims were flat versus last week and the Fed's favorite inflation gauge, the Personal Consumption Expenditures Price Index (PCE), came in line for July with economists' expectations at 0.2%.

Between now and the FOMC meeting, the only data point that could make a difference to the Fed's rate decision would be next Friday's non-farm payroll numbers for August. Recall that the last report spooked investors. The number of jobs decreased by 36.3% versus the month before. Economists were looking for 175,000 job gains but the economy only added 114,000 jobs.

The data sparked fears of a deep recession and calls for immediate rate cuts by the Fed to avert a hard landing. Since then, investors have explained away the sharp increase by blaming the shortfall on Hurricane Beryl, which decimated the Houston job market. If next week's jobs report does not

backing and filling in the markets over the last several days. Blame it on the summer doldrums. It feels like the market wants to grind higher, possibly into the FOMC meeting in two weeks. An added variable investors will contend with is politics.

After Labor Day, voters normally begin to pay attention to the upcoming elections. It is a time when political promises come fast and furious as politicians and the media make hay while the sun shines. The combination of negative seasonality and election rhetoric could be 'a perfect storm' of volatility for the stock market, especially given the level of gains in the market. Many who follow technical charts are convinced that a pullback will occur. It is just a question of when. I agree.

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PHOTO BY HIGGS MERINO

A Route 41 'regular'

On learning to love melons

Not long before the start of the Second World War, my parents moved out of Manhattan to a twelve acre woody site on then very rural Long Island. When the war started and food rationing became the law, they soon expanded their little backyard garden to create an unusually large "Victory Garden," as they were known, not only to help the War effort but also to provide better food during those years of restricted supply.

My parents were novice gardeners but their enthusiasm led them to heroic accomplishments, especially considering their lack of agricultural experience. Within a few seasons they were growing peach, pear, and apple trees, various cultivated berries, a giant asparagus patch, a multitude of their favorite vegetables and a long multi-speded grape arbor.

My father's favorite crops were the melons. He grew an unusually delicious special variety called "Hand" melon and watermelon from special seeds sent from his brother in Alabama. Back then, before global warming extended the growing seasons, it was always uncertain whether or not there would be enough time for the watermelons to mature before the frost ruined them. But after several seasons of failure, my father had mastered the tricks for

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MAC GORDON

saving most of them: starting seeds early indoors, "hot caps" over young plants, special fertilizers, and so on. And the rest of the family learned to love melons just as my father did.

In her book, "Melons for the Passionate Grower," Amy Goldman shows photos of more than 70 different species of melon including more than fifteen different varieties of watermelon.

These days supermarkets that carry melons usually limit their selection to watermelon, honeydew, and cantaloupe (muskmelon). Something in their recent breeding seems to have made them less flavorful. Occasionally in mid-season, some markets carry other types of melon like Piel Del Sapo and these are often a nice surprise. This summer I have seen three or four other kinds of melon in the local shops but they are usually gone the next day.

Melons may have originated in Africa or possibly Asia Minor, (experts aren't sure) and have been popular for more than five thousand years. Watermelons are a separate family but most of the several hundred other types

of melon are closely enough related to have been widely interbred to make new varieties.

The famous Hand melon, first grown by the Hand family at their farm near Saratoga Springs, NY in 1925 is still as prized as ever. Apart from its biological excellence, the Hand family has taken every step to assure outstanding quality melons including excellent soil, special fertilization, precise watering and careful timing of harvesting to assure optimum flavor.

Somewhere along the line I was introduced to Crenshaw melon, a cross between the Persian and Casaba melons. It's a basic melon shape, longer than wide, generally with yellow skin and orange flesh and about the weight of a cantaloupe. In other words not very distinguished looking. They are very juicy like a honeydew but much more flavorful, an almost perfect taste.

But the Crenshaw has some drawbacks. First it's only available from a few seed companies. It is also very difficult to find in stores. When it comes into markets it's seldom ripe; and it should

not be eaten before it is. Last year I planted them in the beginning of June and when they succumbed to frost in late September they were not much larger than softballs (and not sweet enough to eat). And they are especially attractive to small mammals (voles, mice, woodchucks, foxes, etc.). Even a fence may not be enough to stop all predators. One professional gardener recommends wrapping nearly mature melons in metal screening for its last few weeks on the vine.

This year I started indoors in late April and set the seedlings out around Memorial Day. They're still not ready to harvest yet in late August but they are under assault by various critters. I'm taking a few in early and trying to ripen them on the window sill.

Whether I get any delicious, ripe melons remains to be seen...

Check your local markets for Crenshaw and other lesser known melons. Try a few different varieties if you have the chance; you will be pleasantly surprised.

Architect and landscape designer Mac Gordon lives in Lakeville.

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Status Report

SALISBURY — Craig Adkins deposited a doll, described by his son as "creepy," at the Transfer Station last week. Adkins later learned the doll held sentimental value to his wife. A social media effort to find and return the doll was successful.

SHEFFIELD — Rattlers Youth Hockey is in need of an additional goalie for the 14 and under team. Home games are played at Berkshire School's Jackman L.

Stewart Athletic Complex. Visit www.rattlersyouthhockey.com to register.

FALLS VILLAGE — Ella, a cyclist from Melbourne, Australia, arrived in Falls Village Aug. 26 to begin her journey north on the Western New England Greenway. Her destination is Montreal, Quebec, a distance of about 300 miles on the bicycle. She made it to Pittsfield, Massachusetts by the end of day one.

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Housatonic Valley Regional High School varsity golf started the season with a meet against Lakeview High School at the Litchfield Country Club, Aug. 28.

Berkshire League varsity golf swings into action

By Riley Klein

LITCHFIELD — Housatonic Valley Regional High School took on Lakeview High School for a Berkshire League preseason match Wednesday, Aug. 28.

Hosted at Litchfield Country Club, the two teams put forth six official golfers to pair up in three foursomes with the lowest four scores contributing to team totals. Additional players from each side matched against others for practice play.

HVRHS coach Peter Vermilyea was excited to see his team hit the links for the first time this season. Although the match did not count toward Berkshire League rankings, player scores from the meet will contribute to the season totals for state rankings.

The nine-hole course was recovering from recent heavy rains. Lakeview coach Rob Gollow described conditions as “very soft” because “it was pretty much half underwater last week.” It was about 83 degrees at

tee time with high humidity and no breeze. Mature trees provided a welcomed shade around the course.

Lakeview won the meet with a score of 163 to HVRHS’s 202.

Lakeview leader Ryan Blasavage medaled in the meet with a score of 38. John Gilbert shot 39, Vincent Salviotti 40 and Grace Thompson 46.

HVRHS was led by Jake Bosio who shot a 46 over nine holes. Jonas Johnson shot 47, Dan Moran 52 and Wiley Fails 57.



Wiley Fails putts from mid-range as Dan Moran and a Lakeview opponent watch.

Mt. Riga Labor Day tennis tourney draws big crowds for 65th year

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — Tom Vail and Eleni Kollias won the 65th Mt. Riga Tennis Tournament Monday, Sept. 2, defeating George Kollias and Kate Settlemyer in three sets, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5.

The summer community on Mt. Riga enjoys the use of two clay tennis courts, and the mixed doubles tournament is the highlight of the Labor Day weekend.

This year’s match was largely a family affair. George Kollias is the father of Eleni Kollias, and Tom Vail is Eleni’s uncle.

The first set was all Vail/Kollias, but Kollias/Settlemyer found their groove in the second set. The third set was a real grinder, with numerous deuce points.

Eleni Kollias and Settlemyer live in New York City; Tom Vail resides in Bronxville, New York, and George Kollias lives in Longmeadow, Massachusetts.



PHOTOS BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Above, the mixed doubles final was played between, from left, Tom Vail and Eleni Kollias and Kate Settlemyer and George Kollias. Below, fans look on during the 65th Mt. Riga Tennis Tournament Sept. 2.



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East Twin Lake Hydrilla Timeline

June 2023



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The Connecticut River subspecies of Hydrilla verticillata, also known as Northern Hydrilla, is discovered in Salisbury's East Twin Lake during a routine lake survey by Northeast Aquatic Research (NEAR) on June 21. CAES collects samples on June 29 which are sent off for genetic testing, which confirms the plants are the same as the Connecticut River strain, making it the first known lake in Connecticut to become infested with this specific variant.

September 2023



PHOTO BY DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS

TLA receives approval from CT DEEP on Sept. 11 to apply ProcellaCOR within O'Hara's Marina. No treatment is approved or conducted in the North Cove.

January 2024

TLA submits grant request for \$75,000 matching funding to CT DEEP AIS Grant program to cover lake management expenses.

April 2024

CT DEEP agrees to return the state boat launch to a car-top carrier-only launch and replaces the boulder barriers across the ramp. Within a week, the boulders are moved by an unknown person(s). The state is notified, and they return and install the boulders in a way that prevents them being moved without heavy equipment, thereby preventing access by trailered boats. The TLA investigates and orders new signage for O'Hara's marina and other launches within Salisbury. TLA appoints Adam Mayer to lead the ramp monitoring initiative.

July 2024

The first application of a slow-release herbicide, SonarOne, is applied at the marina. The intent is to continue treatment at three-week intervals throughout summer, targeting hydrilla beds in the vicinity of the marina and in the north cove.

NEAR continues to document spread of hydrilla outside the approved treatment area.

The TLA applies for an NDDB determination letter modification requesting a larger treatment area in the marina and permission to treat from O'Hara's up to the state boat launch. Approval is received by the Aug. 3 meeting.

August 2024



PHOTO BY DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS

SonarOne is applied to the expanded treatment area in the marina and along the shoreline to the state boat launch.

TLA approves the application of ProcellaCOR to limit fragmentation.

SePro scientists visit Twin Lakes to assess progress in managing hydrilla.

Lake management expenses are likely to be in the range of \$300,000 for the 2024 season. TLA President Grant Bogle shares that the budget estimate for the 2025 season to be \$350,000. The TLA will need to be responsible for the majority of this cost and it is estimated that the fundraising goal for this year to be approximately \$225,000. The balance of funds to be received from the combination of contributors from Salisbury and private and state grants.

— Debra A. Aleksinas

July and August 2023



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Repeat aquatic plant surveys confirm that hydrilla is growing rapidly at O'Hara's Landing Marina and an additional bed is found north of the state boat launch among the lily pads. NEAR hand pulls over 200 pounds of hydrilla from the marina but it quickly returns. The TLA applies for a permit modification to use ProcellaCOR as an initial treatment in the marina.

October 2023

First Coalition meeting held at O'Hara's Landing on Oct. 3 bringing together scientific and political leaders to assess the situation and discuss plans for 2024.

December 2023

TLA board representatives investigate ramp monitoring programs at lakes across Connecticut and in New England. The goal is to understand best practices and options for initiating a program on Twin Lakes.

February 2024

TLA vendors, NEAR and The Pond and Lakes Connection, complete necessary reports and paperwork to apply for an NDDB determination letter for the 2025 season. The letter requests that the herbicide permit for Twin Lakes be modified to allow for the use of a new herbicide, Sonar One, and for permission to treat hydrilla north of the state boat launch. Also, the TLA holds first meeting with CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to discuss returning the state boat launch to its intended purpose as a car-top carrier only launch site.

May 2024



PHOTO BY ERICA COHN

A limno barrier is installed beneath the Isola Bella Bridge to limit the plant's spread by fragmentation. It also blocks access under the bridge to kayakers.

Coalition members meet on Twin Lakes to assess the situation and discuss treatment plans. This includes representatives from Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, SePro and TLA board members.

Mayer recruits and hires eight monitors for the summer season and arranges for payment through the town of Salisbury. Training is completed and collateral materials are developed.

New hydrilla signs are installed at O'Hara's, at the state boat launch and throughout other lake access points in Salisbury.

NEAR finds hydrilla growing in the marina area.

2023-2024



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Elsewhere in Salisbury, in an effort to keep hydrilla from invading its waters, Lake Wononscopomuc, also known as Lakeville Lake, closed its boat launch in fall 2023 and for the 2024 season.

Mount Riga Incorporated also closed its beach and campsites for the 2024 season, and the town of Salisbury limited the boat launch at Lake Wononpakooc, also known as Long Pond, to car-top only watercraft.

HYDRILLA

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to become infested with a Connecticut River variant of hydrilla. Lake officials suspect it had been thriving undetected beneath the lake's surface around the marina for several years before being noticed during a routine lake survey. [See timeline].

Ripples of invasion

Hydrilla, native to Africa and Southeast Asia, has had a rich introduction history into the United States, with multiple subspecies being introduced since the 1960's. It was first introduced to this country in the early 1950s near Tampa, Fla., when an aquarium plant dealer dumped bundles of the lush, green plant into a canal near his business, and by the early 1990s hydrilla occupied more than 140,000 acres of public lakes and rivers.

In 1916 a new variant of Hydrilla verticillata, subspecies lithuanica, also known as Northern hydrilla, was identified in the Connecticut River, and three years later the CAES surveyed the river from Agawam, Mass., to the Long Island Sound, reporting at least 774 acres of hydrilla.

"The particular strain that is unique to the Connecticut River appears to be much more aggressive and robust than anything we have seen before," said Gregory Bugbee, who runs the Invasive Plant Program at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station (CAES)

And it is difficult and expensive to manage and eradicate.

"Significant costs are already associated with the impact and maintenance of the prior two subspecies established in the United States since the 1960s and 1980's," according to Jeremiah Foley, assistant scientist with CAES.

Why hydrilla management is important

The alarming explosion of Connecticut River hydrilla outside of the Connecticut River has raised significant concerns about its spread inland, threatening the beauty and pristine nature of many of its waterbodies.

The worrisome weed can outcompete native species, replacing habitat for sensitive species including migratory fish. Thick, horizontal-

"The threat of hydrilla gaining a foothold in our lakes here in the Northwest Corner is an increasing concern of the highest levels."

— John Harney, Salisbury real estate agent

ly-growing mats of hydrilla have crowded out boaters, anglers and those who recreate on the Connecticut River.

Marinas and municipalities have reported that they can no longer access boat slips and docks due to hydrilla infestations, limiting business opportunities. Extensive stands of hydrilla can obstruct swimmers and other water-related activities. The plant can also hurt tourism and impact the value of real estate that depends upon attractive waterways.

"The threat of hydrilla gaining a foothold in our lakes here in the Northwest Corner is an increasing concern of the highest levels," said John Harney, a real estate broker with Willaim Pitt Sotheby's International Realty in Salisbury.

"Twin Lakes commands the highest values for real estate, but this all changes if the lake becomes clogged with hydrilla. I would hope that this is a clarion call to bring all of our resources and attention to solving not only the hydrilla issue, but also to address the effects of overdevelopment."

Since hydrilla's discovery last summer in East Twin, the nearby boat launch at Lake Wononscopomuc, has been off-limits to outside boaters to keep the lake from becoming infested, and lake officials there intend to keep it closed indefinitely.

"If you lose this wonderful body of water the town would take such a hit. Property values around the lake will drop if you have a lake you can't boat or swim in, and it's not just popular for fishing. This is a very recreational lake for the children," said Stacey Dodge, Town Grove Manager.

Management and control

The best way to manage hydrilla is to prevent its spread in the first place. Boaters are advised to clean, drain and dry their boats, trailers and equipment after leaving a body to keep hydrilla fragments from entering other lakes or rivers.

Once it becomes established, it is a nightmare to control and can cost as much as \$1,000 per acre to manage. Many states are spending millions of dollars annually to control it. Lake Associations and towns can face a staggering rise in management costs, even with state and federal assistance.

Research on this very invasive plant is ongoing, as many biological attributes of this subspecies remain unknown, and it has no natural predators or diseases to limit its population. "Because it's a new strain, it's been a slow and frustrating process," noted the Connecticut River Conservancy's Rhea Drozdenko, River Steward for Connecticut.

Eradication by harvester is discouraged because even the smallest of fragments can spread and repopulate, and the introduction of grass carp into lakes is not a viable option, according to Foley, because while the fish will eat hydrilla, they will also devour every other aquatic plant within the lake. Biological control, he recently told members of the Twin Lakes Association during the group's annual meeting at Camp Isola Bella on East Twin, is still in its infancy.

Aquatic herbicides have shown the most promise.

Coming next: A visit to the Connecticut River, where researchers are testing various aquatic herbicides at five sites.

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Paul Lavoie serves as Chief Manufacturing Officer for the State of Connecticut. He is the only state officer in the nation to hold the unique title.

manufacturing's contribution to Connecticut's GDP jumped from 10% to 12.6%, which made the state's economy the 7th fastest growing in the nation. "It's another stat nobody knows anything about," Lavoie added with a wry smile.

About 10% of Connecticut's workforce is currently employed in manufacturing, and the industry is the second largest in the state behind insurance. "And we're lapping at insurance's heels," Lavoie said.

Connecticut has a rich history in manufacturing. Between the advent of patents in 1790 and 1930, Connecticut had the most patents issued per capita out of any US state. Connecticut's arms industry in the 19th century was so integral to the military's weapons supply that the state was known as "the arsenal of democracy."

Today, the "bedrock" of Connecticut's manufacturing industry lies in defense, medical devices and chemical manufacturing, and the state remains a leader in each field.

"You can't fly without Connecticut" is a slogan in the aerospace industries, Lavoie mentioned, adding that "every submarine that's made in America is assembled in Groton, Connecticut."

Lavoie intends the "I Got it Made" campaign to bring young, "disruptive" minds into this vibrant and storied industry. "We need tomorrow solutions and young people can bring us those solutions of tomorrow," he said.

Lavoie also hopes that attracting a younger, diversified workforce may bring more women and people of color into the industry. According to industryselect.com, only 1% of Connecticut manufacturers are owned by minorities, and just 2% by women. Lavoie intends that as the campaign is rolled out, through traditional tv

and radio media, and most importantly through look books that will be accessible in every college guidance counselor's office across the state, it reaches the full breadth of Connecticut's diverse young population in equal parts, attracting more women and people of color to manufacturing.

Connecticut manufacturing is a "high value, low volume" industry, according to Lavoie — a highly respected sector which he hopes will attract bright and open-minded young professionals who are put off by the prohibitive costs of a college education.

Lavoie's campaign is timely — recent reports show that young people across the nation are foregoing traditional college-directed career paths in favor of blue-collar work. Forbes refers to this movement as the "new collar workforce," while a recent NPR article characterizes a new "toolbelt generation."

Lavoie noted that Connecticut is a state where young people can confidently make the choice to pursue a lucrative career without accruing debts along the way. "We're not a low wage state," he said, indicating that while he holds his position, he intends to maintain Connecticut's manufacturing industry as a highly valued and well-paying center for innovation.

He encourages those curious about manufacturing to visit the webpage of the Office of Manufacturing, manufacturing.ct.gov, as well as the site for the I Got it Made campaign, gotitmadect.com. He also urges those in the industry to register with mfgambassador.com, where one can sign up to be an ambassador to be sent information and content to educate others.

Connecticut is sitting "right in the middle of the growth engine," he said. "It's just a really exciting time to be here."

CAR PARADE

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And the drivers were welcomed by stiltwalkers from Mortal Beasts and Deities, waving checkered flags.

Of particular note to Falls Village residents: a car bearing the logo from Jacobs Pontiac, and a Corvair truck bearing the legend "John Fitch and Co., Falls Village, Conn. 203 TA 4- 5113."

Lou Timolat, who was helping to direct traffic, noted that the Fitch garage was at 100 Main St., and that the "TA" in the phone number stood for "Taylor". (It also corresponds to the now-familiar 824 prefix on Falls Village and North Canaan land line phone numbers.)

Wanda Houston performed with her group. The stiltwalkers danced to the music (and made it look easy).

And racing fans mingled with locals, spreading out over the downtown Falls Village area, eating and drinking and admiring the cars as late afternoon turned into evening.



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Main Street in Falls Village was the final destination for the race car parade, part of Lime Rock Park's Historic Festival. Clockwise from top, stilt walkers, bagpipers, Wanda Houston's band, and vintage vehicles in the village center.



STYROFOAM

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FOAMCYCLE LLC. from Sussex County, N.J. Arcelaschi is also the Administrator of the municipal transfer station of RRDD1. He has his finger on the pulse of innovation and seeks solutions for the massive waste management challenges in Connecticut. Arcelaschi wrote, "With the July 1, 2024, ban of single use Styrofoam containers at schools, universities and restaurants in Connecticut, this effort will help reduce even further the amount of Styrofoam that makes its way into landfills."

The gleaming \$85,000 machine crushes the Styrofoam refuse that is stored in giant white nylon bags. The material is crushed up, the air which makes up 98% of Styrofoam is extracted, the densifier melts the chopped-up bits, and a tube of pliable, recycled polystyrene is extruded out the side of the metal box and formed into "foam ingots." The ingots are shipped offsite to make



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Winsted Town Manager Paul Harrington and mascot Buster Foam celebrating Connecticut's first styrofoam recycling program at the Barkhamsted municipal transfer station, RRDD1.

its end products: surfboards, HVAC panels and filters. Styrofoam is a trademarked brand made by DuPont company for a product commonly called blue board. It's a foam building insulation board used in walls, roofs, and foundations as a thermal insulator.

Lou Troiano, inventor and founder of FOAMCYCLE, proudly showed a gilt, ornate frame. A Green Team of students from Montclair State University in N.J. has developed an innovative environmental program. They are marketing elegant picture frames made from the polystyrene ingots. If the frames

break, they can be shipped back to BetterFrame.org to be recycled and made into new frames, which keeps this waste material out of landfills and waterways forever. It is truly a closed-loop circular-economy recycling product.

Troiano said that the demand for the extruded ingots is high. The buyback rate is \$800 per ton, or ap-

proximately \$4 per pound. (Ingot values are determined by location, grade, weight, volume and current market values.)

To date, FOAMCYCLE programs are in 30 locations in New Jersey, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Vermont, Wisconsin, and Quebec, Canada, and now Connecticut.

Currently, 11,344,365 people can recycle their foam packaging from electronics, TVs, furniture packaging, foam coolers, and food service foam such as cups, clamshell containers, egg cartons and meat trays free of food debris. Arcelaschi emphasized that the Styrofoam to be recycled must be brought to the recycling center, not placed in roadside pick-up.

On Earth Day, 2024, FOAMCYCLE was featured on NBC News. In the words of its singing, dancing mascot, Buster Foam, who demonstrated how to use the system to the curious crowd in Barkhamsted, "Bring it to Buster Foam, Buster's here to save the day."

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Cornwall Studio Tour captures rural arts scene

The Cornwall Open Studio took place on Saturday, Aug. 31. It is a Cornwall tradition and has been taking place for eighteen years.

It is a day when Cornwall artists invite the public into their studios to see what they are working on and how they do it. The artists work in various media, including painting, sculpture, photography and artistic shoes.

To participate, prospective tourists go to cornwallct.org/event/cornwall-open-studio-2024/ where a map and a list of the artists is available to download and print. The event is free, there is no registration, and so armed with the map, those taking the tour are set to explore not only artists' studios, but the beautiful drive through Cornwall.

David Colbert, sculptor, is the initiator of the event. He said of his work, "I was smitten by the geometry and eventually the geometry led me to art." Behind his studio in Cornwall Bridge he has a quarter mile sculpture path which he has been building for the past thirty-five years. Those on the tour could meander down the path and enjoy the beauty of the geometrically derived works.

Asked if there were any special artists and studios that should not be missed, he said, "I can't help but mention Tim Prentice, whose shop, barn and whole place is pretty amazing" At Prentice's studio in West Cornwall, an old barn, mobiles, and other kinetic works of art hang from walls and ceilings and populate the surrounding fields. Across the road, another barn holds larger sculptures.

At 93, Prentice still works most days in the studio beside his house. He said he works on "small things." He struggles with fading eyesight due to macular degeneration. He will be in a film by The Vision and Art Project, which seeks to bring awareness of macular degeneration by featuring artists like Tim Prentice. The film will be shown at the Cornwall Library sometime in the coming months.

In spite of his failing eye sight, he enjoys getting out to the studio and working and was



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Top, David Colbert with one of his sculptures on the sculpture walk he has created over 35 years. Lower, A display of Lauren Brinkers handmade, one of a kind, hand painted shoes on display at her Cornwall studio.

welcoming visitors on the tour.

Another interesting studio is that of Lauren Brinkers Shoes in Cornwall Bridge. The shoes are hand painted and "one of a kind." "I studied in London and went to shoe making school there," Brinkers said. "I studied traditional men's shoe making and transitioned into women's." She wanted to bring "more color and expression into shoes." She learned how to work with leather dyes and paints the shoes to accomplish this goal.

Next to Lauren Brinkers' studio is that of Stephan Sagmiller, who shows with his photographs that "The world is worth looking at closely. You've got to look at them up close. That's my ethos as an artist." His photos are large and colorful and invite you to do just that — look up close.

In West Cornwall, the abstract landscapes of Suzan Scott were on display at the Souterrain Gallery. Scott says of her work, "I've always had a strong connection with nature. I see everything, every blade of grass." It was overwhelming for her. She began to paint still lives thinking they'd be easier, but in doing so she realized that still lives are similar to landscapes in that she could break down the parts

as she did for still lives. "Why not go out and do landscapes and simplify them — abstract them?"

Her process is to layer tinted glazes, sometimes as many as thirty. She will work on a painting, let it rest, go back to it, work some more, and continue this until the painting is finished, which can take a week or months.

Scott paints scenes from the northwest corner and has "favorite spots" that she revisits. "The more I see it, the more I can interpret it, and it becomes mine."

These are just a few of the artists on the tour. There were also Curt

Hanson's beautiful landscapes and the looser, colorful paintings of Magaly Ohika, Katherine Freygang and Sally Van Doren. Photographers Nick Jacobs and Bela Selendy also opened their studios. They use their cameras to explore life and nature.

If you missed the tour this year, be sure to keep an eye out for it next Labor Day Weekend. It is a wonderful way to spend a Saturday. To contact these artists or find out more about their work, go to: cornwallct.org/history-culture/arts-artists/ or go to the tour website to find links to their websites.



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Pastries by Hanna was established in February of 2024 at 27 Railroad St. in North Canaan. The owner, Hanna Rybolt, is a resident of Canaan who studied in the pastry program at Johnson & Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island.

Her interest in baking is rooted in fond memories with her family. The baked goods and pastry products are sold locally at ILSE Coffee just next door, as well as the Great Barrington farmer's market. Her pastry kitchen is located below Colonial

Theatre.

Rybolt aims to ensure the goods are produced with locally grown products and sold in community businesses. Pastries by Hanna's best-selling product is brioche-style donuts.

The business is solely owned and operated by Rybolt, who stated she is looking forward to what the future will bring for the bakery and is hoping to collaborate with more companies in the area.

Customers can custom order goods online at pastriesbyhanna.com or check out her Instagram page @PastriesbyHanna.

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Paving the Way: Geraldine Ferraro's legacy at the Triplex

On Sept. 15, The Triplex Cinema in Great Barrington, Mass. will host a special screening of "Geraldine Ferraro: Paving the Way," a documentary directed by Donna Zaccaro, Ferraro's daughter. The film celebrates the life and legacy of Geraldine Ferraro, the first female vice-presidential candidate in U.S. history. As we approach the 40th anniversary of Ferraro's groundbreaking campaign, this screening offers a timely reminder of the significant strides made by a trailblazer who forever altered the landscape of American politics.

Zaccaro, a seasoned filmmaker and the founder of Dazzling Media and Ferrodonna Features Inc., has dedicated her career to producing films that center on women, women's issues, and social justice. "Ferro means iron, and Donna means woman in Italian," Zaccaro explained, highlighting the significance behind the name

of her nonprofit production company. "It's a nod to both my mother's strength and my mission to tell women's stories." The documentary is both a tribute to her mother and a poignant exploration of the barriers Ferraro faced during her 1984 vice-presidential run on Walter Mondale's ticket.

While Geraldine Ferraro's historic campaign is widely remembered as a milestone in American politics, what's less known is the story of how she got there. Ferraro's journey from a hardscrabble childhood to breaking barriers in Washington is a tale of relentless determination and grit. She faced personal and professional challenges at every turn—struggles that would have stopped many in their tracks. And though her campaign ultimately ended in defeat, the way she conducted herself throughout left a lasting impact. "There are a lot of lessons in the film," said Zaccaro. "I mean

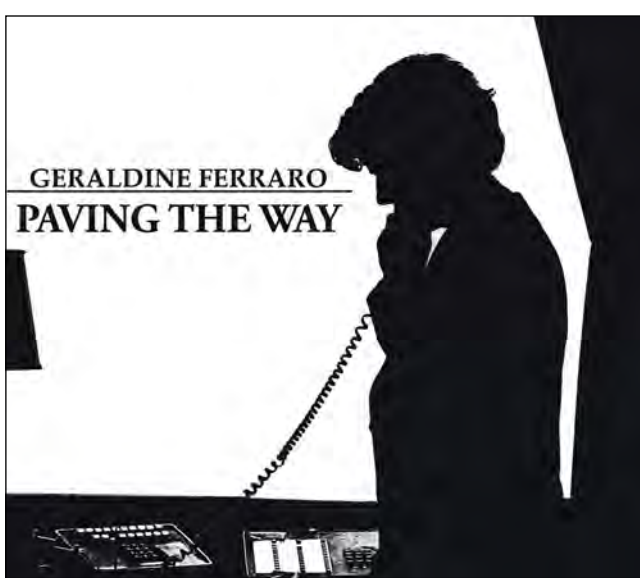


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Poster image for "Paving The Way."

look at the people who are successful in Congress now. They do exactly what was being done then — they work across the aisles, they find common ground, they're respectful to each other. This was a lesson that my mother taught — even though you might disagree with people, you still respect them, you can even become friends with them. The only way you reach compromise is if you treat everyone with respect and try to find common ground."

Originally released to critical acclaim, the film had a robust festival run before airing on Showtime. As the film makes its way back to the big screen during this pivotal moment in American politics, the lessons from Ferraro's life resonate even more strongly. "These are lessons that we desperately need today, especially as we look toward the 2024 presidential race," said Zaccaro. The connection between Ferraro's trailblazing campaign and

Vice President Kamala Harris's current political journey is undeniable. "She would have been absolutely thrilled to see Vice President Harris," said Zaccaro, who was preparing her remarks for the Democratic National Convention at the time of this interview. "I wanted to show that the reason that she was willing to give up her congressional seat, and she loved being in Congress, was because she knew that even if they lost, which they were likely to given what was going on with the economy and Reagan's popularity, was how she conducted herself during that campaign would make a difference for what women thought was possible." The screening will be followed by a talkback moderated by author, journalist, lecturer, social activist and a founding editor of Ms. magazine, Letty Cottin Pogrebin. Pogrebin, a longtime friend of Geraldine Ferraro said, "She was just one of the most vibrant,

forward thinking, high energy, positive people I've ever known. She was a great agitator for good things. You wanted to be part of whatever she was part of." Ferraro's commitment to her Catholic faith and her unapologetic fight for reproductive freedom of bravery, Pogrebin explained. "She understood how all things flow from freedom inside one's own skin. You can't be free if you're not free to make decisions about where and how your body is used, how your body is seen and respected."

"Geraldine Ferraro: Paving the Way" is more than a historical retrospective; it's a call to action, a reminder of the enduring fight for equality, and an inspiration for those who continue to push the boundaries of what's possible in American politics. Don't miss the chance to revisit the past and look toward the future on September 15 at the Triplex.

Honoring the legacy of 'Grumpy Dad'+ at Snodgrass Gulch

Ian Davison and I ventured into our favorite brook trout haunt the other day.

I'm talking about Snodgrass Gulch, of course. Yes, that difficult-to-access gem that zig-zags over border lines at the magical spot where the states of Vermont, Louisiana and Montana converge.

If you have the "special" map you too can find it.

I'm being coy here because Snodgrass Gulch is home to a particularly fine population of wild brook trout and it would be disastrous if legions of people started tramping through it, throwing beer cans around and killing these beautiful and gullible char.

It's also not listed in any state fishing guides. I suspect there is a good reason for this.

It was cold when we embarked, 50 degrees, which felt like sub-zero after the summer we've had.

Getting in requires a pretty hefty hike, and my right knee entered a formal objection to the program.

Both of us were using fixed-line or Tenkara rods. I deployed the Dragontail Foxfire, a noodly zoom rod well suited to this sort of thing, and Ian brought an 8.5 foot Temple Fork rod.

We have different styles. I generally chuck a big dry fly around at first, to gauge interest. Think Parachute Adams or Chubby Chernobyl, size 10.

Ian was more subtle. He used something called the Animal, which looks to me like a Griffith's Gnat, in smaller sizes.

The stream was on the low side, and several runs and pools were reconfigured by downed trees.

One pool in particular was unrecognizable, but somewhere in my mind a memory stirred.

I made my way across the stream into some fairly dense forest and looked around.

Aha!

Affixed to a tree, and facing away from the stream, was a wooden plaque of sorts, a memorial to "Grumpy Dad."

I spotted this some years ago, chasing after an errant backcast that got hung up on a passing spruce tree.

Grumpy Dad's dates are given as 1/6/36 to 1/20/10, and there are 11 names carved in the wooden block.

Some of them are getting a bit hard to read.

I wondered why the thing was facing away from the stream, where only someone like me would see it. Perhaps that was a favorite camping or picnicking site before it became a thicket?

Maybe someone will read this and provide more details.

Anyway, we clambered along, hooking and losing fish. This is known as the "compassionate release." This is also known as a "rationalization," or "lame excuse."

Wild brookies on Ten-



TANGLED LINES
PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

kara rods are extra-wriggly, so a compassionate release here and there is no big deal.

On this trip it became a theme. I uttered many bad words and phrases completely unsuitable for a family newspaper.

In deference to my advanced age and creaky knee, Ian skipped over the relatively easy to reach spots. It dawned on me that this was similar to the compassionate release but opted not to pursue this line of thought.

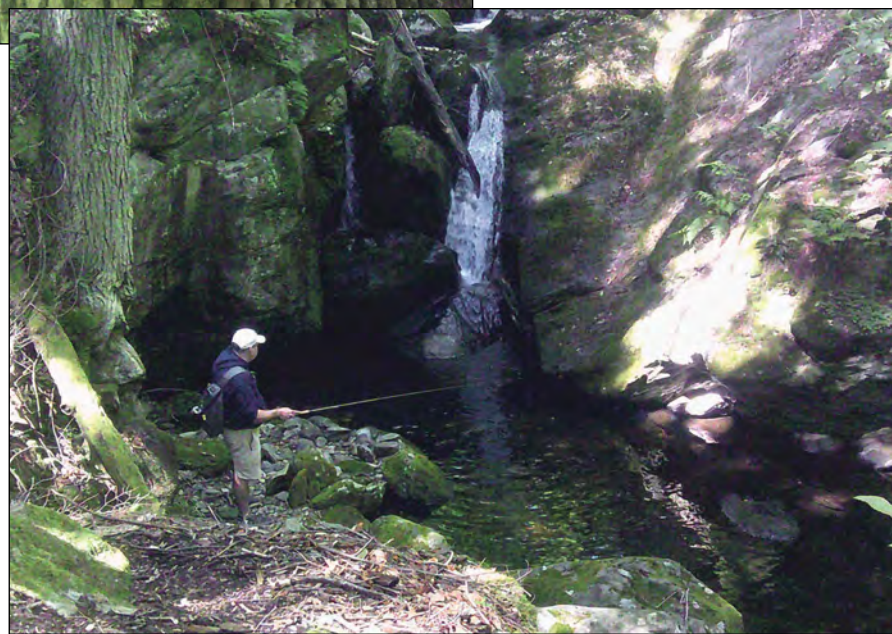
He did balk momentarily when I asked him to scramble down a particularly nasty bit of rockslide so I could photograph him in action.

I also tried my hand at shooting video. I thought it would be funny if I ad-libbed like a golf announcer.

"Ian Davison approaches the 14th pool at Snodgrass Gulch. He lines up the cast, using 5X nylon tippet and The Animal, size 16. And here's the cast. It's floating, floating, floating..."

What I discovered is that watching someone fish is indescribably boring. The ratio of action to waiting is very poor, say one minute of action to 50 of standing there looking at a bit of fluff floating on a stream.

It's enough to make a guy grumpy. So when the time comes, do I get a plaque?



PHOTOS BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Left, deep within Snodgrass Gulch is this tribute. The wooden plaque is facing away from the trail and stream. Only by chance did an angler discover it. Below, Ian Davison scrambled down a minor cliff to get at the brook trout in Snodgrass Gulch.



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ART: JENNIFER ALMQUIST

*The Creators:***A sense of place, Leslie Watkins at Dandelion Cottage**

We make the invisible, visible- my muse and teacher Frank Mason taught me that," recalled Norfolk artist Leslie Watkins.

A pre-Raphaelite beauty herself, this master watercolorist, classically trained landscape painter, and Master Gardener sat in dappled sunlight on her deck, feeding walnuts from a jar to a friendly chipmunk, with her rooster Houdini crowing in the background. Her love of nature, painting the beauty that surrounds her, and creating landscapes en plein air (in the open air), inform the details of her life.

Years ago, Leslie purchased a small house in Norfolk with a lawn that slants directly down to a busy roadway. Now when approaching her magical one acre, one must search to find her house. Deep layers of trees, magnolias, apples, giant hydrangea blooms, and native species of flora and fauna create a labyrinthine series of pocket gardens, some dark with shade-loving plants and ferns. Leslie has become the landscape she paints.

She refers to herself as an "artistic descendant" of the Old Lyme Art Colony, which was the heart and soul of American Impressionist painting. The pantheon of Watkins' artist influencers includes Childe Hassam, William Metcalf, and Frank Vincent Dumond. At the Art Students League in Manhattan, Dumond taught Georgia O'Keefe, John Marin, Norman Rockwell and Frank Mason. Watkins has exhibited her fine art paintings in the Columbus Museum, the Lyman Allyn Art Museum, the National Arts Club, the Salamagundi Club, the Union League Club, the Hudson Valley Art Association, Brooklyn Botanical Gardens, the Lyme Art Association, and in Japan.

Her prolific commercial art career includes botanical watercolors and nature studies that decorate note cards, placemats, textiles, Battersea enamel boxes, and educational materials. Her illustrations appear on postage stamps, books, and magazines.

Watkins' many clients include:

Walt Disney Co., Tiffany & Co., Caspari, B. Shackman & Co., Addison Wesley-Scott Foresman, Harcourt Brace, Houghton Mifflin, McGraw-Hill, Options, Oxford University Press, Prentice Hall, Rodale Press, Scholastic, Golden Books, Dover, Book-of-the-Month, and The New



PHOTO BY JENNIFER ALMQUIST

Norfolk artist Leslie Watkins in her garden at Dandelion Cottage

York Times.

Interview**Jennifer Almquist:**

Tell me about life in Dandelion Cottage.

Leslie Watkins: Dandelion Cottage is my tiny homestead in Norfolk designed as an experience in "living off the land" on just one acre. I named it Dandelion Cottage because I feel like I blew into Norfolk like a weed, like I didn't belong here, and I loved it. I sent down this big, long taproot because I wasn't going to leave. The seeds go off on the wind when I share my creative inspiration with other people. I don't know where they go, I don't know what they're going to do, yet I hope that they'll carry on the tradition of this natural creative inspiration.

Small as it is, with the help of my cheerful and hard-working flock of Bantam chickens, I produce much of my own food supply in season. Honeybees help pollinate the fruits and flowers. My chickens live free range and eat bugs, scraps, seeds, fallen apples, small fruits and greens. They provide eggs, manure, and laughter. I have bred Bantam chickens (which are 1/5 the size of standard chickens) for 18 years, such as Bearded Belgian D'Avers, Seabrights, and Dutch Bantams.

My partner is an ethnobiologist. On our first

date (thirteen years ago) at the Southfield Store, he talked to me for an hour about Heirloom tomatoes. His knowledge and wisdom are invaluable.

JA: You are a Master Gardener?

LW: Yes, I am a Connecticut Master Gardener. I have a certificate in horticulture. I design, renovate, and maintain gardens in Northwest Connecticut. Currently, I am creating a garden of native species alongside the Norfolk Library. I want children to be able to see the plantings from inside the library. My own cottage gardens are filled with flowers blooming in mass succession. There's a fragrant white garden with cimicifuga, hydrangeas, phlox, a fringe tree and punctuated in autumn with blue asters. The central peony bed is filled with lush blooms in June. Old fashioned roses and butterflies are everywhere. My garden design illustrations have been published in Rodale's Perennial Combinations and in Fine Gardening, Horticulture, Kitchen Gardener, and in The New York Times.

JA: How did you become a designer for Tiffany?

LW: The head of the Art Students League, Rosina, called me to her office. "Tiffany called-they want a studio assistant. I want you to

**A recent watercolor of the gardens at Dandelion Cottage by Leslie Watkins.**

get this job." I had never done commercial work, but that night I put together a portfolio and trotted down to Tiffany design studio on 5th Ave. and 59th St, the most expensive property in the world at the time and went to the 9th floor design studios. Tiffany designed jewelry for kings and queens, for the aristocracy, and the White House. They hired me. I worked with 6 or 7 designers who specialized in different areas: jewelry, china, silver, and stationary. The designers, who did brilliant botanic designs, took me under their wing. I was hired by the International Philatelic Association in New York to create a series of stamps. Using watercolors, I designed a souvenir sheet of nocturnal animals for Lesotho, a series of food crops like mangoes for the Maldives, and a World Health Organization stamp for Uganda.

JA: Tell me about your early life.

LW: I'm a New Yorker through and through. My parents were born in

Brooklyn and Queens. Generations of my family had a printing business, John D Watkins Company down on 9 Murray Street, NYC. My parents divorced; my mother remarried when I was 10. I had a lot of adversity in my life, but I always kind of landed on my feet. I feel I've got a powerful Angel watching out for me.

When I was a little girl, around three, my mother and I went to visit my grandmother in Brooklyn. Aunt Flossie showed me how to make a box. I was absolutely mesmerized. I must have made fifty boxes. I just thought it was an amazing piece of magic. My father was a printer brought home reams of paper so I could sketch and draw.

I was an incredibly shy kid. I literally grew up in the woods with dogs, no other kids. I still don't know how to socialize, truly. It took all my courage to sit next to this older girl on our school bus to watch her draw the most beautiful horses I had

ever seen. I was enraptured. It made such an impression to see people draw. It was like magic to create something out of nothing. I was always an optimist who felt that if I could share my love of nature that it would inspire other people to love nature, develop a reverence, and help take care of it.

JA: Now what are your plans?

LW: I want to get back to painting now. I got further and further away from my painting while running my garden business. Friends of mine who have gone on to be well-known artists wonder what happened to Leslie for twenty years. Well, I designed my Olana, like Frederic Church. Dandelion Cottage was never going to be an estate, but I knew it would be the cutest darn cottage it could. I was creating my life.

Now, I'm kind of scrambling. I must resurrect my career. I want to create a new body of work and a new audience. I can distinguish myself with watercolor. I have the credentials, the history, the background, and the ability. This September I'll be teaching watercolor classes in the beautiful natural light in the Arcanum Building Annex in Norfolk. I'm also going to be offering some holiday paper crafting workshops, because now is the time to start getting ready for Christmas.

In part, I have modeled my life on the lives of Tasha Tudor and Beatrix Potter, who is my favorite. I combine my backyard sustainability lifestyle, my reverence for nature, with my artwork. I wanted it all to connect. I want to live an authentic life.

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SEPTEMBER 5

Sharon Historical Society to Host Community Meetings

Sharon, Conn.
The Sharon Historical Society and Museum (SHSM) invites all community members to a series of meetings in August and September, both online and in person. Your input on SHSM's future is welcome.

In-person meetings: Sept. 7: Sharon Playhouse, 1 to 2 p.m. (before "Steel Magnolias").

Online option: Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m. (RSVP for link: director@sharonhist.org)

For details, visit sharonhist.org. Meetings supported by a grant from the Connecticut Humanities Council. SHSM is open to the public Wed. to Fri. noon to 4 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bridge Class

Cornwall Library, 30 Pine St., Cornwall, Conn. cornwalllibrary.org

Beginning September 5, bridge is back with Gary Steinkohl: An ongoing series every Thursday through December from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. at the Cornwall Library. If you know basic bidding and play and want to improve your game these classes are for you. The fee is \$10 per class, payable to the instructor.

For questions and to register contact Gary at garysteinkohl@gmail.com.

Birding 101 at Roe Jan Library

Roeliff Jansen Library, 9091 Route 22, Copake, N.Y. roejanlibrary.org

On Thursday, Sept. 5, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. there will be a Birding 101 event at the Roeliff Jansen Library in Copake, N.Y.

"Birding 101" is the perfect introduction. Chris Frank and Marian Sole of the Alan Devoe Bird Club will lead this informative presentation, where you'll learn the basics of birding, how to use binoculars effectively, and techniques for identifying different bird species.

Oldtone Roots Music Fest

Cool Whisper Farm, 1011 Co. Rt. 21, Ghent, N.Y.

The Oldtone Roots Music Festival, founded by Jim Wright, Kip Beacco, and Matt Downing in 2015, started as a one-day event in Wassaic, N.Y., and expanded into a full festival in North Hillsdale, N.Y., in 2016. After being canceled in 2020 due to the pandemic and limited attempts to reboot in 2021 and 2022, the festival was revived in 2023 as a nonprofit under Grass Fed Arts. Now co-produced by Jim Wright and Trevor Roush, the festival aims to sustainably promote great roots music as a not-for-profit arts organization. This year's Fest will be at Cool Whisper Farm in Ghent, N.Y. from Sept. 5 to 8.

SEPTEMBER 6

Banned Book Club

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

On Friday, September 6 at 4 p.m. the David M. Hunt Library and the Falls Village Equity Project will host a Banned Book Club. This month we will be discussing the book "Gender Queer" by Maia Kobabe. Copies of the book are available at the library. This group is open to anyone high school aged and older.

SEPTEMBER 7

Saturday Community Coffee

Hotchkiss Library of Sharon, 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. hotchkisslibrary.org

On Saturday, September 7, from 11 a.m. to noon kick start your day at the Hotchkiss Library of Sharon with the Volunteer Guild and enjoy a nice cup of joe while chatting with fellow patrons.

Story Time with Author Randall de Sève

Hotchkiss Library of Sharon, 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. hotchkisslibrary.org

Join us for a special Story Time with author Randall De Sève at the Hotchkiss Library of Sharon on Sept. 7 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

She will read her new book "Sometimes We Fall," sign copies of her book that will be available for purchase, and we'll do a fun craft!

Qigong for Late Summer

Hotchkiss Library of Sharon, 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. hotchkisslibrary.org

On Saturday, September 7, 10:30 a.m. to noon, join us for the Qigong for Late Summer workshop at the Hotchkiss Library of Sharon.

Housatonic Meadows State Park Outreach Event

Housatonic Meadows State Park, Sharon, Conn.

The Housatonic River Commission is hosting a celebratory outreach event at Housatonic Meadows State Park on Sept. 7, 2024 from 1 to 4 p.m. Along with its partners, including the Housatonic Valley Association, the National Parks Service, CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, FirstLight Energy, and Housatonic Heritage, HRC is marking the designation of the 41-mile stretch of the Housatonic from North Canaan to New Milford as a Partnership Wild and Scenic River. This event will include music, light refreshments, and an opportunity to thank and greet all those who helped make this designation possible, including our elected officials. All river lovers are encouraged to attend!

Songs, Slapstick, and Sherlock: A 1920's Spectacular!

Music Mountain, 225 Music Mountain Road, Falls Village, Conn.

Internationally acclaimed silent film musicians Donnie Sosin and Joanna Seaton create a live score for Buster Keaton's hilarious silver screen comedies SHERLOCK JR. (100th anniversary!) and his 1922 short COPS.

PLUS, an audience singalong (with words on the screen, of course!)—popular songs from the silent era and beyond. Films and fun for everyone!

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.

- Sudden zap of electricity.
- Impatient, uninterested.
- Red-breasted songbird.
- A shady garden alcove.
- Hard work.

WORD OF THE WEEK © THE LAKEVILLE JOURNAL

SEPTEMBER 8

Birding Walk

Rheinstrom Hill Audubon Center, 225 Cambridge Road, Copake, N.Y.

Following the Birding 101 event, put your newfound knowledge to the test with an early morning bird walk. Join Chris Frank, Marian Sole, and Gillian Duer, the seasonal outreach coordinator for the Rheinstrom Hill Audubon Center & Sanctuary, for a guided birding excursion. To register, please visit tickets.audubon.org/hudsonvalley/events/9026ac89-f4bd-79d5-027e-a0aefa21707f.

SEPTEMBER 11

Opera Outing

Foote Field, Furnace Brook Road, Cornwall, Conn.

The Parks and Recreation departments of the Northwest Corner have joined together to host a trip to the opera Wednesday, Sept. 11. Meet at Foote Field on Furnace Brook Road in Cornwall for a 9:45 a.m. departure. Arrive in East Haddam for lunch at Gelston House and then attend Goodspeed Opera House for the 2 p.m. performance of "Maggie." Tickets at \$100 and can be reserved by calling Matt at (860) 364-1400 or email sharon.rec.ctr@snet.net

SEPTEMBER 13

Wine Dinner and Auction

White Hart Inn, 15 Under Mountain Road, Salisbury, Conn. winedinnerandauction.com

Tickets are on sale for the sixth annual Wine Dinner and Auction at the White Hart on Friday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m. The event raises funds to send HVRHS students to Italy/Germany and to Thailand. Actor Sam Waterston will attend and speak to show his support for the program. Tickets are \$100 each. To buy tickets, become a sponsor or donate an item for the auction, visit winedinnerandauction.com or call/text Lia at (860) 248-0269.



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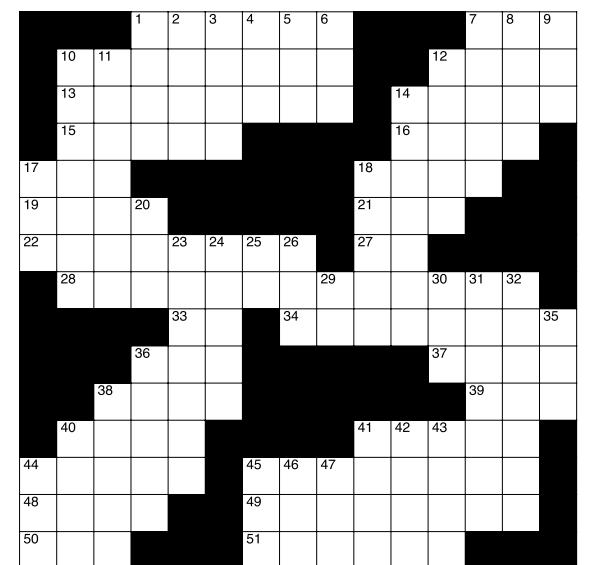
'Things I Sort of Saw' at Norfolk Library

The Norfolk Library is hosting an exhibit of paintings and drawings by East Canaan artist Bridget Starr Taylor. The exhibit is entitled "Things I Sort of Saw" and will run to Oct. 3. Above, the opening was held Aug. 31.

Brain Teasers

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- Current unit
- Reciprocal of an ohm
- God of the sea
- A way to disfigure
- Positioned
- Tall tropical American tree
- Large deciduous trees
- ___ and ends
- Part of a machine
- Brews
- One who leads prayers in a mosque
- Indian state
- Partisans
- Top lawyer in the land
- Former Dodgers MVP
- Title for women
- Heated and allowed to slowly cool
- Copycat
- Sounds
- One-time Israeli diplomat Abba
- Part of (abbr.)
- Hateful
- Collide
- European football heavyweight
- One who works for you
- Song
- Ancient marvels
- Bridge building degree
- Delivery boys



- Popular cooking ingredient
- Greek mythological princess
- Scent for men
- Cost, insurance and freight (abbr.)
- Once more
- Irate
- Triangular spaces above a door
- Norwegian playwright and poet Henrik
- Atomic #58
- Patti Hearst's captors
- Natural logarithm
- Talk incessantly
- Went by
- Strives
- Fall back
- Manila hemp
- Not easily explained

August 29 Solution

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Falls Village real estate sales for June and July

By Christine Bates

FALLS VILLAGE — The least expensive real estate sale in June and July for Falls Village was a small cabin in Pine Grove for \$50,000 and the highest was 48 Belden on 6.03 acres for \$675,000. Four of the eight properties traded at or below \$200,000.

As of Aug. 25 there were six residential properties, five parcels of land, and the Falls Village post office listed for sale with no rentals.

Transactions

48 Belden St — 4 bedroom/2.5 bath home on 6.03 acres sold by Robert L. Guimarro to Deeg and Shelby

Martin for \$675,000.

36 Lime Rock Station — 3 bedroom/2.5 bath home sold by Aduib Osama to R. Hinkle Buckner II for \$500,000.

Route 63 — 25.52 acres of forested land sold by Paul J. Cortesi III to Christopher Hopkins for \$238,000.

265 Route 63 — 3 bedroom/2 bath house sold by Catherine E. Tenney to David Pollan for \$590,000.

16 Undermountain Road — 2 bedroom/2 bath house sold by Carolyn Calandro to Anthony Jason Stark for \$200,000.

24 Asbury Ave — 2 bedroom/1 bath 4 room cottage camp of 776 square feet in

Pine Grove sold by Ellen Morris to Carlin Carr for \$50,000.

403 Route 7 N — 3 bedroom/1 bath ranch sold by Norma E. Galaise to Arnold D Cagar for \$170,000.

* Town of Canaan real estate transfers recorded as sold between June 1, 2024, and July 31, 2024, provided by the Canaan Town Clerk. Transfers without consideration are not included. Current market listings from Smart MLS. Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Salesperson with William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty, Licensed in CT and NY.



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