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

'Quad-demic' of viral infections stokes rise in illness, medical intervention

By Debra A. Aleksinas

SHARON — The expected trio of winter viruses have arrived — and they brought a new friend with them.

Post-holiday cases of influenza, COVID-19 and Respiratory Syncytial Virus — commonly known as RSV — have spiked in recent weeks, joined by widespread cases of norovirus, commonly known as the "stomach bug."

"Definitely we're seeing plenty of all of them," said Dr. Mark Marshall, Sharon Hospital's vice president of medical affairs.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported

"There was a period of time when we were seeing a ton of RSV, COVID and flu come in and norovirus was hot."

— Dr. Mark Marshall, vice president of medical affairs, Sharon Hospital

on Friday, Jan. 17, that the amount of acute respiratory illness causing people to seek healthcare remains high across the nation and in Connecticut.

"Emergency department visits related to COVID-19 are elevated compared to fall and highest

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PHOTO BY SAVA MARINKOVIC

From left, Finn Malone, Adelyn Diorio and Jassim Mohdin work on this year's competition robot.

Circuit-savvy students gear up for robot competitions

By Sava Marinkovic

FALLS VILLAGE — It's build season for the robotics team at Housatonic Valley Regional High School.

Strewn about the students' workspace are wheels, cylinders, belts and drives; wooden frames and machined metal plates; parts scrapped from retired robots, and whiteboards crammed edge-to-edge with new designs. As they work at a feverish pace toward their March 7 competition deadline, there is electricity among the

members of Team 716.

As members of the FIRST Robotics Competition, the team's primary goal is to design a robot to operate on the FIRST competition circuit. Advertised by FIRST as "the ultimate sport for the mind," this year's contest takes the form of a team-based game in which robots — piloted remotely by humans — race to score points in a nautically-themed arena by completing tasks. The game, called REEFSCAPE, abstracts the complexities of a coral reef, wherein robots seed coral to reefs, harvest algae, and

make deliveries.

The uniqueness of each year's competition format means that teams must purpose-build robots, from the ground up, during the intensive build season. Currently in the season's early stages — the game is only revealed to contestants in early January — the team is still working to nail down the final design of their robot.

"First, we prototype for about a week," said team captain and HVRHS senior Jassim Mohdin

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Can you hear me now?

By Nathan Miller

Drivers and residents across Northeast Dutchess County, New York, and Connecticut's Northwest Corner are well aware of the area's spotty cell phone coverage.

"Cell phones suck," Amenia Volunteer Fire Chief Chris Howard said. He echoed the feelings of many residents and visitors to the area who contend with dropped calls and failed text messages on a

regular basis.

Spotty cell service is annoying for drivers relying on GPS for directions and it creates problems for Howard and his department. Howard said the truck's computer-assisted routing uses the T-Mobile network. When trucks have to travel north of the traffic light in the middle of downtown Amenia,

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PHOTO BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

Frozen finesse

Winter sports are in full swing. Kent School girls ice hockey hosted Loomis Chaffee Jan. 15. The same day, Mohawk Mountain hosted a meet of the Berkshire Hills Ski League. Full sports coverage on Page B5.

'Snowy the Snow Plow' among Kellogg kindergarten's top names for Falls Village fleet of plows

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — Lee H. Kellogg School's kindergartners recently took on the challenge to name the town's four snow plows.

Spearheaded by Kindergarten teacher Amelia Nichols and supported by First Selectman Dave Barger, the project offered a hands-on learning experience that engaged students while fostering local connections.

The youngsters studied snow plows through books and discussions, and applied their geometry skills by creating models of their own snow plows.

The grand finale was a democratic process where the students voted on names for the vehicles.

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PHOTO PROVIDED

Falls Village's snow plows have new names courtesy of the creative kindergartners at Lee H. Kellogg School. The winning names were: Snowy the Snow Plow, The Ice Demolisher, The Blizzard Buster and The Snow Breaker.



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Online This Week

NCES first trimester honor roll

North Canaan Elementary School released the honor roll. Read more at lakevillejournal.com

POLICE BLOTTER: TROOP B

The following information was provided by the Connecticut State Police at Troop B. All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Rental car sideswiped

On the evening of Jan. 11, a rental Dodge Charger, driven by Samar Zemeer, 26, of Sacramento, California, was turning right onto North Elm Street in North Canaan when another vehicle, a Ford F150, struck the left side of the Charger after attempting a left turn from North Elm Street. The vehicles sustained functional damage, and were able to be driven from the scene. Each vehicle carried a passenger, but no injuries were reported. The driver of the F150, Daniel Wolfe, 65, of Sheffield, Massachusetts, was found at fault for the accident, and was issued a written warning.

Missed turn sends vehicle in ditch

At midday on Jan. 14, Olaf Olsen, 87, of Salisbury was driving home on Route 112 in Salisbury when he missed his turn onto Salmon Kill Road. In response, he attempted to reverse onto Wells Hill Road. to return to the intersection with Salmon Kill Road. In

the process, his Subaru Forester exited the roadway and slid down an embankment. The vehicle suffered minor, non-disabling damage, but had to be towed from the embankment. Olsen was issued a warning.

Rear-end at stop sign

On the afternoon of Jan. 17, Kevin Sabia, 63, of Kent came to a stop at the intersection of Route 7 with Route 63 in Canaan. A Volkswagen Jetta, driven by Erica Randlett-Habarta, 61, of North Egremont, Massachusetts, subsequently collided with the rear of Sabia's Hyundai Elantra. Both vehicles sustained minor damage, and Jane Sabia, passenger in the Elantra, was taken to Sharon Hospital for minor injury to the head and neck. Randlett-Habarta was found at fault, and issued a written warning for C.G.S. 14-240 Failure to Drive a Reasonable Distance Apart.

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

Salisbury housing market saw end-of-year rush in December

By Christine Bates

SALISBURY — Salisbury's December recorded property transfers were the busiest of the year with the sale of 11 properties recorded — not including the 10 plots sold to individuals by the Salisbury Cemetery Association. Only two properties were sold for over a million dollars and two commercial properties on Main Street and Lime Rock Road sold for under \$500,000. In mid-January there were 16 homes listed for sale with 11 over a million dollars.

Transactions

21 Greystone Lane — 2 houses including a 1 bedroom/1 bath cottage and a 4,229 square foot home with 3 bedroom/3 full baths/2 half baths on 33 acres sold by Margery H. Hetzel to Sarah B. Kapnick and Andrew C. Elken for \$3.3 million.

280 & 280A Taconic Road — two houses built in 1880 each with 4 bedrooms on 6.5 acres sold by Peter Lorenzo to Raccard Properties LLC



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE BATES

Built in 1880, 369 Lime Rock Road sold for \$360,000.

for \$800,000.

5 Reservoir Road — 3 bedroom/3 bath house on 3.15 acres sold by Louis Baker Bell Jr Trustee Harriette A. Mellen Revocable Trust to Kevin and Alyssa Mahoney for \$860,000.

329 Main St. — a commercial building with 2,022 square feet sold by Furnace Village LLC to Idle Biscuit LLC for \$400,000.

54 Main St. — 5 bedroom/4.5 bath home on 1 acre sold by Andrew Foley to Jennifer Portnoy Trustee Jennifer Portnoy Living Trust for \$1.46 million.

24 Bunker Hill — 4 bedroom/2 bath home on 2.5 acres sold by Michael G. and Samuel A. Reid, Mariel M. and James S. Reid Trustees of Reid Family Trust to Aida and Christopher Stoddard for \$695,000.

432 Undermountain Road — 3 bedroom/2 bath house sold by Ryan Hartje to Elizabeth A. Romaker and Spencer C. Crawford for \$325,000.

87 South Canaan Road 7C — 2 bedroom/2.5 bath condo sold by Susan S. Match Trustee of Susan S. Match Revocable Trust to Jeffrey G. Hamlin and Inge Heckel

for \$649,000.

369 Lime Rock Road — Investment property with four apartments by Lime Rock Ventures Incorporated to Bridgeview Management LLC for \$360,000.

27 Fowler St. — 2 bedroom/1 bath house on .03 acres sold by Peter Ronald Kuglatter to Austen Hayes for \$300,000.

30 Selleck Hill Road — 2 acres of land sold by Hal-leck and Theresa Lefferts to Salisbury Housing Trust for \$174,017.

*Town of Salisbury real estate sales recorded as sold between Dec. 1 and Dec. 31, 2024, provided by the Salisbury Town Clerk. Property details provided in town tax cards. Note that recorded transfers occur after the actual real estate closing and will also include private sales. Current market activity from Smart MLS. Transfers with no consideration are not included. Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Advisor with William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty, Licensed in Connecticut and New York.

Sharon Center School sets kindergarten registration dates

Sharon Center School Kindergarten pre-registration for the 2025-26 school year is scheduled for Feb. 28 and March 7.

Bring your child's birth certificate to confirm the date of birth and a current record of childhood immunizations.

Because of new Connecticut legislation, Public Act 23-208, Section 1, children must turn five before Sept.

1 to be eligible to enroll in kindergarten. If your child turns five between Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, they will be eligible to enroll in the early-kindergarten program at Sharon Center School.

Please contact Kim Robinson to include your family in this exciting new chapter in your young person's life. Call (860) 364-5153 or email krobins@sharoncenter-school.org

Salisbury Central School plans for kindergarten registration

Salisbury Central School Kindergarten pre-registration for the 2025-26 school year is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 26, Tuesday, Feb. 27, and Wednesday, March 11.

Bring your child's birth certificate to confirm the date of birth and a current record of childhood immunizations.

Because of new Connecticut legislation, Public Act 23-

208, Section 1, children must turn five before Sept. 1 to be eligible to enroll in kindergarten. If your child turns five between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31, they will be eligible to enroll in the early-kindergarten program at Salisbury Central School.

Please call Pat in the school office at (860) 435-9871 to schedule an appointment.

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Our Towns

New syringe production line up and running at BD

By Debra A. Aleksinas

NORTH CANAAN — New production lines installed in 2024 at Becton, Dickinson and Company's Connecticut and Nebraska plants are now pumping out critical medical devices — including syringes, needles and IV catheters — to meet the burgeoning needs of the nation's health care system.

One syringe production line is already fully operational at the vaccine manufacturer's 385,000 square foot North Canaan plant, with additional lines expected to start up in the coming months, the leading global medical technology company announced on Jan. 15.

The new production lines will boost BD's capacity for safety-engineered injection devices by more than 40% and conventional syringes by more than 50%, adding millions of units annually to support hospital procedures, vaccinations, medication preparation and drug delivery to patients, company



PHOTO PROVIDED

Becton Dickinson's North Canaan plant opened in 1961 with eight employees and a 25,000 square foot facility. Today the operation employs more than 540 people and encompasses 385,000 square feet.

officials said.

The Connecticut plant manufactures small-size syringes and syringe and needle combination products. Operations take place around the clock and are sold in every region worldwide.

"Domestic manufacturing is crucial for ensuring a resilient supply of essential

healthcare devices," said Eric Borin, president of Medication Delivery Solutions at BD.

"By expanding our production capacity, we are not only meeting the critical needs of patients and providers, but we also are reinforcing our commitment to the nation's health care infra-

structure," Borin said.

To support this production, the vaccine manufacturer has hired more than 215 full-time employees at its facilities in Nebraska and Connecticut, with more than 145 of those jobs based in North Canaan, boosting

that plant's employee roster to more than 540.

The North Canaan plant, which opened in 1961 with eight employees and a 25,000 square foot facility, is Northwest Connecticut's largest employer.

In 2024, the company invested more than \$10 million to expand its manufacturing capacity at its Connecticut and Nebraska facilities in response to quality issues with plastic syringes imported from China that were uncovered in late 2023 by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

In late November 2023, the FDA announced its probe into reports of leaks, breakages and other quality problems with China-made plastic syringes not cleared by the FDA, and in August 2024 recommended that healthcare providers "use syringes not manufactured in China, if possible."

At that time, Fallon McLoughlin, director of public

relations and corporate communications for the Franklin Lakes, New Jersey-based company, announced that production lines and production staff were being relocated to North Canaan from other BD plants as part of the expansion.

Becton, Dickinson and Company, which operates more than 30 manufacturing and distribution facilities around the country, announced plans last week to invest more than \$30 million in 2025 to expand manufacturing capacity for IV lines at its plant in Utah. That facility, said officials, is the largest producer of IV catheter lines in the world.

The company's Connecticut, Nebraska and Utah plants alone have collectively 200 years of experience in manufacturing critical medical devices, company officials said, and are the only remaining large-scale manufacturing sites in the country.

P&Z tables River Woods application another month

By Riley Klein

NORTH CANAAN — The application for a 20-lot subdivision along the Housatonic River remains in limbo as of the most recent Planning and Zoning Commission meeting Jan. 13.

The commission motioned to table the matter for another month pending a review by the town Inland Wetland and Conservation Commission.

George Johannesen of Allied Engineering, representing applicant and landowner Bruce McEver, updated the commissioners about a recent site walk with the inland wetland commission, the Housatonic River Commission and Housatonic Valley Association — HVA is an intervenor party for this application.

Johannesen reported sev-

eral agreements were made during the site walk. The developers agreed to prevent further erosion of the riverbank by planting appropriate shrubbery within 20 feet of the water's edge. Star Childs will be consulted to create a "replanting healthy forest plan to maintain the forest as time passes." An accounting of endangered plant species and archaeological sites will be carried out, as recommended earlier in the application process.

Tim Abbott, conservation director at HVA and former North Canaan Planning and Zoning chairman, described the site walk as "encouraging."

Abbott said HVA provided a template to the developers to be used for the conservation easement along the river corridor, but "HVA does not wish to hold the

conservation easement."

Abbott urged the Planning and Zoning Commission to make the agreements that came out of the site walk "conditions of approval" for the application in order to guarantee they are fulfilled.

No action was taken by the commission at the Jan. 13 meeting. The topic will be revisited at the next regular meeting Feb. 10 at 7 p.m in Town Hall.

Selectmen appoint new members to Planning and Zoning

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Selectmen Monday, Jan. 13, First Selectman Dave Barger reported that long-time Planning and Zoning Commission chair Fred Laser has stepped down from the commission. Laser's term expired and he has opted not to continue.

The selectmen accepted Laser's resignation with thanks for his 30-plus years of service.

The commission chose Greg Marlowe as chair.

The selectmen appointed Eileen Kinsella as a full member of the commission, re-appointed Steven Koshland, and added Tim Metzger as an alternate member to replace Kinsella.

The selectmen did not set a date for a town meeting on the proposal for Liz Ives of Salisbury to take over the coffee shop at town-owned 107 Main St. Barger said the town's attorney is working on a lease and Ives has

been in the space checking to see what equipment will be necessary, assuming the deal goes through.

Barger reported that Recreation Commission chair Ted Moy has resigned and that body currently has no replacement. Recreation Director Emily Petersen is filling in for the time being.

Barger said he was notified by the state Department of Transportation that state tree-trimming crews would be out on Routes 7 and 63 in the coming weeks.

'Ice in' at Lake Wonoscopomuc

By Patrick L. Sullivan

LAKEVILLE — Don Mayland of Lakeville, who has been announcing "ice in" — or not — on Lake Wonoscopomuc for years, sent this bulletin on Thursday, Jan. 16: "I am back in business."

"After two years with no complete ice cover on Lake Wonoscopomuc I thought

global warming had made me irrelevant. But, this morning I checked out the lake and could not believe my eyes. The lake has 'ice in' on January 16, 2025!"

"As always it is not safe for anyone to be out on that ice at this time. Several sections have been open, despite the cold temperatures. High winds have kept much of the west end wide open."

Swift House study in the works pending state grant funding

By Alec Linden

KENT — The Board of Finance voted unanimously at its Jan. 15 regular meeting to allocate \$15,500 to support the town's efforts to perform a historical significance assessment of the Swift House.

The money would serve as upfront capital for the Selectmen's application to the State Historic Preservation Office for a reimbursable grant, which can only be awarded if the financing is demonstrated to be available before the grant is approved.

The town money will only be used if the application — which has already been submitted — is successful and thus guaranteed to be reimbursed.

The funds would be used to cover the payroll of a con-

tracted architectural historian, who would produce a "historic designation report" that would support efforts to enroll the town-owned Swift House with the National Register of Historic Places.

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PHOTO BY RAFAEL D. SWIFT

“Halcyon Decay” by Rafael D. Swift is on display at the HCC show.

Housatonic Camera Club unveils first show of 2025

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — The Housatonic Camera Club held the opening of its 2025 show at Noble Horizons Friday, Jan. 17.

Gail Dow-Goldberg helped coordinate the show of 13 photographers.

Asked how many people belong to the club, she and husband Steven Goldberg consulted for a moment, and settled on 50 members.

Dow-Goldberg said there are a few members who still use film cameras, but all the entries in the show are digital.

Rafael D. Swift, who was wearing a kilt, had a striking entry called “Halcyon Decay.” It shows an extensive wooden building in the later stages of falling down.

Swift said the building was in Millbrook and he had been keeping it mind as a subject for some time. When

he came to photograph it, he found he was just in the nick of time.

“The bulldozers were starting on one side,” he said.

The show will be up through Feb. 23 on Saturdays and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The club hosted a “How to Improve My Photography” event at Noble Horizons Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 7 p.m. All HCC meetings are free and open to the public.

Residential pottery studio seeks approval for overdue permit

By Alec Linden

KENT — An application for a special permit for a Major Home Occupation regarding an in-residence pottery studio was tabled until February by the Planning and Zoning Commission after a contentious public hearing Jan. 9.

“The arts is one of the main reasons people come here,” said Steve Katz, who represented the applicant, Alison Palmer Studio, along with his wife Alison Palmer. The couple has lived at 48 Stone Fences Lane for 26 years and has had a home studio running for 16 years. “Twenty-six years and not one complaint,” Katz said during his presentation to the Commission.

The drama began with a last-minute addition to the Dec. 12 Planning and Zoning meeting agenda, when Katz and Palmer applied for a special permit to conduct a week-long open house-style event at their residence. David and Denyse Stoneback, residents of 11 Stone Fences Lane who moved to Kent

from the Chicago area in the spring of 2024, presented complaints to the Commission regarding speeding and traffic congestion on the road that they attributed to the studio, asking the Commission to deny the application.

Katz and Palmer were ultimately issued a permit to host the event — which drew only four cars throughout its duration, they claimed at the Jan. 9 public hearing — with the understanding that they apply for proper permitting for a commercial home studio in the future.

The couple returned to the Jan. 9 meeting seeking approval for the general permit, along with 206 letters in support of their home studio which had been sent to the Land Use Office, they said. Also present at the hearing were several other residents of Stone Fences Lane, including the Stonebacks, who doubled down on their condemnation of the application.

Kevin Frost, who is a part-time resident of the community but soon to be full-time, he said, stated that he won't allow his children

to ride their bicycles on the road during busy times due to concerns about speeding vehicles. He also posited that a domino effect might ensue from such an approval, encouraging other residents to similarly apply to host home businesses, thus spiking traffic levels further.

After the public hearing was closed, Commissioner Sarah Chase drew attention to the fact that this was an application for a special permit. She recommended that approval of the application be conditioned so that no precedent is set, and that “all other special permits are on a case by case basis, as they are meant to be.”

“We're not setting precedents, we're reviewing a single case,” Planning and Zoning Chair Wes Wyrick echoed later in the meeting.

Other commissioners were sympathetic to the traffic concerns levied by the residents, though maintained that they hadn't seen sufficient proof that the studio was a major contributor to congestion and speeding on the roadway. Vice Chair

Salisbury Association opens new preserve

By Alec Linden

SALISBURY — Another 47 acres of pristine Salisbury woodland are now open to the public, thanks to the completion of a hiking trail on the Hecht Preserve located on Route 112.

The Salisbury Association Land Trust acquired the land from John and Mary Belter and Helen Belter Hill in late 2023, aided by funding from the Connecticut Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Program, U.S. Fish & Wildlife's Highlands Act, and a generous donation from the Anne and Rollin Bates Foundation.

A little over a year after purchase, the parcel is now available for public use via a 1.3 mile loop trail, which the Trust rates as moderately difficult. Parking for the trail is located at the entrance to



PHOTO BY ALEC LINDEN

The trailhead for the newly opened preserve.

Wack Forest along Route 112 about a half mile west of the intersection with Wells Hill Road.

The trail was originally meant to be opened by summer 2024, though the process was delayed as the parking is along a state highway, meaning the Trust had to apply for approval from the Department of Transportation, Trust Co-chair John Landon said.

As it abuts the town-owned Wack Forest, the

opening of the Hecht Preserve has created a much larger publicly accessible protected area. The terrain comprises a wooded hillside and ridgeline, and is dissected by a clean, cold-water stream that provides valuable habitat for native fish and other aquatic species. The rest of the property is ecologically rich with a mixture of younger and older forest and several key habitat types.

“There's definitely a lot of wildlife in that area,” Landon said, noting that he's seen bears several times nearby.

The preserve was named to honor Lou and Elaine Hecht, longtime contributors to the Trust. Lou was co-chair of the Trust for 17 years and remains an emeritus trustee.

“Lou and Elaine have been huge supporters of the Land Trust for many years,” Landon said. “They've just contributed so much to the town and have educated people about the importance of the environment.”

“I would be terribly upset if we all the sudden prohibit artists from living in their homes and doing their artwork, which is how I see this,” Casey said. “I think it's part of our culture here.”

“This is an activity that should be embraced by the community,” agreed Commissioner Lawrence Dumoff.

The commission is expected to vote on a resolution at its next meeting on Feb. 13.

Karen Casey said that speeding and traffic are concerns everywhere in Kent today, including on the single-lane dirt roadway she resides on.

Casey also appealed to the cultural and community value of having artists live and work at home studios in Kent, a sentiment that was similarly expressed by several residents during the public hearing as well as in the support letters.

LEGAL NOTICES

**LEGAL NOTICE
SALISBURY
HISTORIC DISTRICT
COMMISSION**

The Salisbury Historic District Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 9:05am to act on an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to Create a Handicap Access Ramp to the Main Street Entrance at 30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT, 06068. This Public Hearing will be an In-Person meeting at Salisbury Town Hall with Remote Access by Live Internet Video Stream and Telephone. The Meeting Link will be posted on the Town of Salisbury website: www.salisburyct.us/agendas/. The application is available for review by contacting the Salisbury Town Clerk's office: www.salisburyct.us. 01-23-25

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF ROSEMARY
THERESA CARPENITE
Late of Canaan
(24-00446)**

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated January 9, 2025, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

The fiduciaries are: Frederick Lorenzen c/o Kathleen M McCormick, Kathleen M McCormick PLLC, 390 Main Street, #2, Great Barrington, MA 01230 Susan Green-Lorenzen c/o Kathleen M McCormick, Kathleen M McCormick PLLC, 390 Main Street, #2,

Great Barrington, MA 01230 Megan M. Foley Clerk 01-23-25

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF
AMY STEVENS SAAR
Late of Florida
(24-00484)**

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated January 9, 2025, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

The fiduciaries are: Susanna S. Haam and John Saar, c/o Donald W Anderson, Brenner, Saltzman Wallman LLP, 271 Whitney Ave, New Haven, CT, 06511

Beth L. McGuire Chief Clerk 02-23-25

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF
JAMES E LILLEMOR
Late of Canaan
(25-00003)**

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated January 7, 2025, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

The fiduciary is: Ayn Nast c/o Linda M Patz Drury, Patz & Citrin, LLP 7 Church Street, P.O. Box 101 Canaan, CT 06018

Beth L. McGuire Chief Clerk 01-23-25

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF SALISBURY
February 5th, 2025
7:30pm**

The Annual Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings in the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut, will be held in-person and via Zoom (hybrid) on Wednesday, February 5th, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and act upon the report of the Town Officers and to recognize the Town Report dedication.

2. To receive and act upon the audited financial report from the Chairman of the Board of Finance and Treasurer of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, which is available for inspection at the Town Hall.

3. To act upon a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 55, Section 4.5(a), to read as follows: “Any unsewered property hooking into an existing sewer will be charged a hook-up charge of \$5,000. In the case of a multi-unit development, residential or commercial, the hook-up charge will be \$5,000 for each unit of such development.”

4. To approve the transfer of up to \$450,000 from the Town's undesignated surplus fund for replacement of existing windows at the Town Hall.

Dated at Salisbury, Connecticut this 17th day of January, 2025.

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OBITUARIES

William F. Mattes III

MILLERTON — William F. Mattes III, passed away at his longtime home in Millerton on Friday, Dec. 20, 2024, with his beloved children, Dylan and Elizabeth, and his wife, Diane, at his side.



Bill, son of the late William F. Mattes Jr. and Grace Mann

Mattes, was born in Chicago, Illinois, on July 27, 1944, and grew up in Briarcliff Manor, New York. After attending high school in Briarcliff, Bill went on to graduate with a Bachelor's degree in English from New York University. It was there that he met his wife of 34 years, Gweno P. Mattes.

Bill forged a distinguished career in New York City in advertising at William Esty, Cunningham & Walsh, Lois, Holland Calloway, Grey Advertising and 25 years at Doyle Dane Bernbach — where he served in senior management roles on accounts including Polaroid, Avis, Michelin and Mobil Oil.

Bill and Gweno built their weekend home in Millerton in 1977 and raised their children, Dylan and Elizabeth, there and in New York at The Buchanan on East 48th Street.

Life in Millerton tapped Bill's inner country boy, where he could cut cords of firewood, build a woodshed and a screened porch and grow an abundance of vegetables each summer. In the city, he could smooth a client's ruffled feathers, write and deliver a new business pitch ... so many skills and talents — this man, we knew, could do it all.

A lifelong New York Yankees fan, Bill emulated his heroes with a mean lefty curve ball as a kid. Watching 9 year old grandson Rohan's MVP turns at bat, on the field and on the mound filled him with pride. A versatile athlete but never one to brag, only Bill's closest friends knew about that hole-in-one at Poxabogue back in the day.

In 2000, Bill traded the gray flannel suit of Madison Avenue for flannel shirts from Saperstein's and retired to Millerton, where he was

free to enjoy life at his home in the woods. He read voraciously and curated playlists of John Prine, Bob Dylan and Ry Cooder soundtracks to accompany a drink and dinner at the end of a good day.

Bill cared for his beloved wife Gweno when she became ill. When she passed away in 2003, Bill ensured that her love and his and the wonderful life they had created carried on for Dylan and Elizabeth.

In 2009, Bill married Diane P. Barto at the home of his late sister, Barbara Abercrombie and her late husband Bob Adams in Santa Monica, California. Diane was welcomed by the entire family when this second chapter began.

Bill is survived and dearly missed by Diane, Dylan and his wife, Tanaya Apte, Elizabeth and her husband, Jason Marrian, along with 4 beautiful grandchildren; Aliya, Rohan, Annapurna and Lucius. He also leaves nieces, Brooke Abercrombie and her husband, Chris Wilson, and their daughters Emma and Cara and Gillan Abercrombie Frame, her husband, Greg Frame, and their children, Axel and Grace, and by his and Diane's cat, Charlie.

Bill will be remembered for his love of family, friends and home and for his devotion to them all; for his sharp wit and signature humor; for all that, and for those remarkable blue eyes.

A private family memorial will be held in the spring. Donations in Bill's memory can be made to the Millerton Fire Company, P.O. Box 733, Millerton, NY 12546, Hudson Valley Hospice, 374 Violet Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 or to the Little Guild of St. Francis, 285 Sharon/Goshen Turnpike, W. Cornwall, CT 06796. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Ave., Millerton, NY 12546. To send an online condolence to the family or to plant a tree in Bill's memory, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com

Celebration of Life

Eileen Mulligan

Noble Horizons Auxiliary and Noble Horizons will be hosting a celebration of life for Eileen Mulligan on Saturday, Jan. 25, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Community Room. Eileen was the founding ad-

ministrator of Noble Horizons in 1972 until her retirement 45 years later in 2017. Upon retiring she achieved the status of five stars for Noble Horizons. Please join us in her honor for this celebration.

For more obituaries, see Page A8

Send obituaries to johnc@lakevillejournal.com

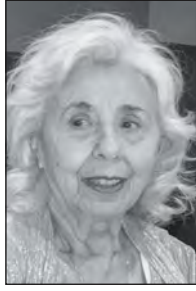
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Luigina A. Dzenutis

CANTON — Luigina A. Dzenutis, 91, of Canton, died peacefully on Jan. 16, 2025, in her home. She was the wife of the late Peter A. Dzenutis Sr.



Luigina was born in Bronx, New York, on May 17, 1933, the daughter of the late Jack and Medie (Tonelli) Grecco.

Luigina's life was full of family, friends and celebrations. She enjoyed her last Christmas season surrounded by everyone she loves, singing and dancing her way through December.

Luigina is survived by her seven sons; Peter Jr., John, Ralph, David, Stanley, Thomas and Rah; and four daughters Mary, Elizabeth, Ann and Luigina. She is also survived by sixteen grandchildren; Jolene, Sherri, Cassie, Michael, Britney, Nicholas, Gabriela, Sydney, Page, Terry, Kaitlyn, Zachary, Jacob, Maximilliam, Gabriel and Luigina, along with thirteen

great-grandchildren; Payton, Aubrey, Aman Jr., Carmela, Landon, Hailey, Hayden, Jayden, Grayson, Malia, Bennett, Rowen and Landon Jr.

Besides her husband, Peter, of 69 years she was predeceased by a son, Michael and grandson Aman.

Luigina leaves behind a legacy of stories and memories to be told by her 11 remaining children and a multitude of grand and great-grand children, nieces and nephews.

Members of her community, and friends of the family, may pay their respects at Kenny Funeral Home in Sharon, CT, Jan. 22 from 4 p.m to 6 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia, NY on Thursday, Jan. 23 at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at the Immaculate Conception Cemetery. The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

In Appreciation

Eileen Mulligan

I was an idealistic third year college student pursuing a Social Work degree and I needed an annual seven week field period placement in 1976 and it was time to give elder care a whirl. And just like that, my introduction to Eileen Mulligan, Administrator of Noble Horizons, changed the trajectory of my life. On the facility tour, Eileen stopped and addressed a frail male resident in a wheelchair by title, putting a hand on his shoulder, and discreetly replaced his compromised lap blanket. This still frame of a singular caring gesture to ensure a modicum of dignity stayed with me, and epitomizes who Eileen was.

Those seven weeks in the Recreation Dept, entertaining and engaging seventy 65-85-year-old guests, set the stage for a lifelong endeavor and a love of compassionate care, crazy and spontaneous fun and creativity, as well as customer service. Three years later, I was back at Noble as a full time Recreation Director.

With Eileen Mulligan at the helm of what was then a cutting-edge continuum of care model, her influence and professionalism developed and supported the 'premier' living standard for late life and end of life care. With a powerful sense of decency, commitment, and loyalty, Eileen created a culture that became the benchmark of quality of care for over four decades.

Eileen had an innate sense of right and wrong, and demanded the utmost respect. She was extremely organized, thorough, and observant, detail oriented. Her expectations were high, and she was a task master. Always on time, always hands on, always pragmatic, always with a let us get it done attitude. She was fiscally responsible,

community minded, and generous. Eileen was an etiquette maven with exquisite taste in décor, art, fashion, fine wine, and delicious food. She was attentive to family and close friends, took epic vacations over the years, and had a string of little unpleasant dogs that she adored.

Our paths crisscrossed over those decades, while I wore many hats in many departments at Noble, as well as in the community. Eileen was a mentor and considered me an earnest voice of reason albeit an idealistic thorn in her side as she moved me around and brought me back time after time, when I'd need a change from entrepreneurial endeavors. I was fortunate to have had four family members live out their final years under her tenure, and three relatives had benefitted in short term rehab care.

(Eileen, coincidentally, was our tenant for years and I even did a little successful matchmaking!)

I was a stalwart supporter, as well as a dependable critic. Of course, Eileen had her less than stellar moments as we all do, some infuriating and some wildly stubborn. I am grateful for the collage of memories that bring me tears of joy and grief. Eileen did not deserve her condition (no one does, to be clear) but she had more than earned the quality care she received these last few years and the ultimate peace she now has.

Because of the thousands of lives affected directly and indirectly by her dedication and vision, I hope and pray that Eileen's legacy will live on in the Salisbury community and in the industry of elder care in the Tri-State area. This is her gift to us and our gift to her.

Sandra Oliver

Lakeville

In Appreciation

Sterling J. Sterling

The dog park feels a little quieter this week as we mourn the passing of our dear friend Sterling. Known for his wit, warmth, dark humor and unforgettable stories, Sterling was a cherished member of our community. His loyal dog Jasper, the most noble of canines, continues to grace the picnic table, where he often posed like a regal model—a fitting tribute to his remarkable owner.

The dog park on Long Pond Road in Lakeville is a vibrant hub of diversity, both in its dogs and their owners. Among its most memorable regulars was Sterling, an artist and storyteller with a personality as colorful as his life. He spent many years in Belize, Central America, where he brought joy to his village—including the unforgettable tale, always shared with a mischievous grin, of how he introduced the first toilet to town, sparking a spirited community celebration.

Sterling's presence at the park was unmistakable. He would arrive draped in a flowing black cape and crowned with a black Stetson hat, his look completed by a silver belt buckle. Last summer, he proudly added



PHOTO PROVIDED

Sterling and Jasper

a touch of whimsy to his signature style with a pair of bright orange sneakers he had rediscovered in the back of a closet.

To know Sterling was to share in his laughter, his creativity, and his deep love for life. His presence will be deeply missed, but his stories, his art, and the sight of Jasper watching over the dog park will keep his memory alive in our hearts.

As Jasper adjusts to life without Sterling, we are looking for a new home for this noble companion. If you or someone you know would like to provide Jasper with a loving home, please reach out. Let us honor Sterling by ensuring Jasper finds the care and companionship he so richly deserves.

Cristóbal López-Henríquez A. on behalf of the Friends of the Salisbury Dog Park

Worship Services	
Week of January 26, 2025	
<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>
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<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 Sunday, February 9 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>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>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>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 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>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 9 a.m. Trinity Retreat Center Chapel Lower River Road, West Cornwall in person and on zoom Warm fellowship following service All Are Welcome! www.allsaintscornwall.org Rev. Mary Gates!</p>
<p>Falls Village Congregational Church 16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village 10:00 a.m. Family Worship Coffee Hour A Friendly Church with a warm welcome to all!! 860-824-0194</p>	<p>St. Thomas Episcopal Church 40 Leedsville Road Amenia Union, NY SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30 IN-PERSON AND ONLINE Visit our website for links Rev. AJ Stack 845-373-9161 www.stthomasamenia.com A Community of Radical Hospitality</p>
<p>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>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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Run-up to the Revolution, VI:

Boycott, 'Conciliation'

When Prime Minister Lord Frederick North read in the Dec. 15, 1774 London Evening Post the plans of America's Continental Congress for boycotting all British goods and preparing local militias for resistance, he was surprised — and worried. Aggressiveness by all the colonies, not just Massachusetts, contradicted what his government had believed for a year, and what secretly intercepted messages from Americans said, that British threats of force were successfully cowering them. Now it was clear they were not only uncowed but on the road to rebellion and punishing economic sanctions. British merchants were already feeling the pinch.

Immediately North began teasing reconciliation by introducing next year's budget early, prior to the Christmas holiday, to prevent funding to send military reinforcements across the Atlantic. And he considered rescinding the tax on tea that a year earlier had caused the Boston Tea Party.

Unfortunately, the prime minister's tilt toward reconciliation was directly opposed to that of his sovereign, George III, who wanted more troops to reinforce those already in Massachusetts, and to get even tougher with the Americans. King George agreed with General Thomas Gage, chief military officer in America, who wrote, "They will be lyons, whilst we are lambs; but, if we take the resolute part, they will undoubtedly prove very meek."

In the American colonies, as 1775 began, the split between those who would conciliate the mother country and those who would defy her was still extant but was narrowing as the boycott firmed and militias began to arm and drill.

Virginia planter-lawyer Thomas Jefferson apologized to his local boycott group for having previously neglected to mention that he had ordered window sashes from London for Monticello and had not been able to countermand his order; he resigned himself to the likelihood that the windows would be seized on arrival.

Lawyer-farmer John Adams, ushering in the new year, wrote to fellow Bostonian firebrand James Warren, quoting a letter from fellow-Continental Congress delegate Samuel Chase of Maryland, ratifying that colony's support of the boycott: "He thinks we may never have a more favourable Crisis to determine the Point, I mean the Colonies will never be so cordially

THE LONG VIEW
TOM SHACHTMAN

united, and their Spirits in a higher Tone that at present." And that same day, to Mercy Otis Warren, playwright and friend of his and Abigail's, Adams confided that his private business had been "totally annihilated ... by the inauspicious Course of Public Affairs" in the past year, and he saw no prospects of it returning; yet he was ready to do whatever his fellow colonists required of him for the "Cause of Truth Justice Liberty and Humanity ... at whatever Hazard it may be can insure it." His scholarly Novanglus articles, refuting the British right to tax the colonies, began to appear in the Boston Gazette.

Planter George Washington, also in Virginia, tended to his farm, hunted fox, dined with neighbors, and participated in his local militia, which was requiring that each militiaman bring a tomahawk as well as a firelock musket and bayonet. As with other men of wealth, Washington continued to hope the British would come to their senses and obviate the need for armed resistance, but he backed a plan to require each "tithable" resident to pay a few shillings toward a common gunpowder supply.

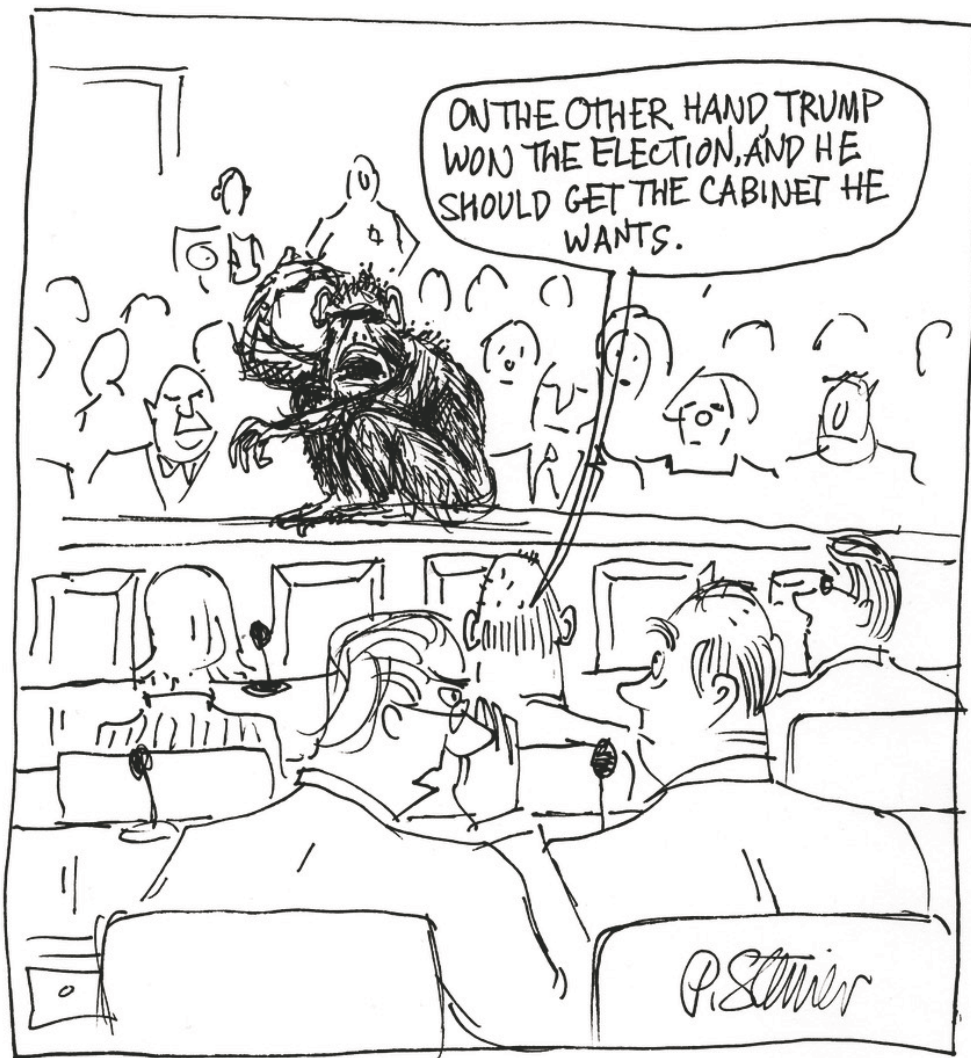
On Feb. 10, Lord North, in an extraordinary move, introduced into the House of Commons a Conciliatory Proposal to allow the American colonies to tax themselves so long as they paid enough of the resulting monies to London to underwrite the administering of the colonies. The proposal also included rescinding the hated tea and sugar duties, which American agent in London Benjamin Franklin, through an intermediary, had advised him to do.

King George III was outraged.

Franklin thought North's Conciliatory proposal a positive step, but warned, in a note to a friend, "It seems to me the Language of a Highwayman, who with a Pistol in your Face says, Give me your Purse, and then I will not put my Hand into your Pocket," and deemed the proposal no more than "divide-and-conquer" tactics, designed to prevent Americans from uniting against British tyranny.

Next time: Push coming to shove.

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



The deadline for letters to the editor is 10 a.m. each Monday. You may email letters to publisher@lakevillejournal.com. Please limit letters to 500 words.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A response to letter on P&Z Wake Robin matter

With respect to Mr. Abram's letter that was published on Dec. 18, 2024, for the sake of accuracy, I did not send a letter to the Editor of the Lakeville Journal. My letter was sent to the Salisbury Planning and Zoning Commission. It does, however, accurately express my alarm and incredulity at the prospect of the Planning and Zoning Commission's approving the substantial expansion of a small, and heretofore, non-conforming use, the Wake Robin Inn, located in the middle of a rural neighborhood of approximately 60 residences.

Was the timing of the May 2024 amendment to RR 1 zoning simply coinci-

idental? Aradev had presented its draft amendment to the Planning Official and/or Planning and Zoning Chairman in late '23 or early '24 during the time that its representatives were meeting with Ms. Conroy and or Chairman Klemens. Question: why didn't Ms. Conroy and or Chairman Klemens address the Aradev request for change by simply saying, "No"? Salisbury's zoning laws had prohibited the expansion of the Wake Robin, since it was a "Non-Conforming Use." Instead Ms. Conroy and Chairman Klemens prepared an amendment to the ordinance that was approved by the Commission in May, 2024. That legislation al-

lowed Aradev to file a permit application for an enormous expansion of the Wake Robin infrastructure. Does Mr. Cockerline's statement that "the alterations in question have been in development for years" make the amendment acceptable and require those of us who object to remain silent?

Mr. Abram says I called Ms. Conroy and Chairman Klemens "dishonest." Look at my letter. I did no such thing. Mr. Abram's comment is reckless and inaccurate. What I do know is that publicizing the amendment with the Northwest Hills Council of Government was not at all notice to the residents of the Wells Hill and Sharon Road Wake Robin neighbors or notice to any other residents of our town. Only one Salisbury resident attended the May meeting.

Universal knowledge of this major zoning change? I think not. The Planning and Zoning Commission is supposed to represent "all" of the residents of Salisbury. It is not a "developers" commission. And I would have thought that in a matter that so dramatically affects the tranquility of the Wake Robin neighbors on Wells Hill and Route 41 serious thought

should have been given by the Commissioners and the Planning Office to those residents before they voted to approve the amendment. Mr. Abram ignores the Connecticut law to which I referred as well as Connecticut case law that supports the proposition that a non-conforming use should be discouraged, not encouraged. The Chairman's October explanation for the amendment does not answer my question: what was the compelling reason to amend RR 1 zoning if not for the applicant Aradev and the sellers of the property in question? How did the amendment improve the lives of any Salisbury residents?

The proposed Wake Robin project is too big; it is too noisy; it creates a traffic hazard; it destroys the natural habitat; it uses precious capacity of our sewer system; it creates runoff to the lake. The RR 1 zoning should have remained unchanged.

Finally, I never implied that the town volunteers and/or town staff don't work hard. But hard work does not excuse bad legislation, in this instance passed by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Thomas N. Murphy, Jr. Salisbury

Canaan community: A town that gives back

A sense of community. In the early morning of Dec. 29 we had a fire break out in the cellar of our home in Canaan. Having called 9-1-1 we were amazed at how fast the Canaan Fire Department showed up.

After a few quick questions they went to work. The ladder truck was up to watch the roof and chimney, hoses came out and they quickly entered the house to see where the fire was located.

As the fire was in the basement wires were starting to melt and arc and were quickly cut back to the panel box to prevent further damage. They came up to us numerous times to let us know what was happening all through

the fire.

We can't say enough about the professionalism of these volunteers who jump out of bed in the middle of the night to help their fellow townspeople in any weather. In the days following we had more than ten offers who were willing to open their homes to us if needed and many more genuine offers to help in any way they could.

I have lived in Canaan for forty years and have made many good friends here. And I've seen a community that is always willing to help people wherever and whenever needed. This is truly a town that gives back.

Chris and Karen Toomey Canaan

Quilts support Diann Franson Education Fund

The Diann Franson Education Fund was founded in 2019 in memory of Diann Franson of Salisbury to support education in Guatemala. Diann and her husband, Reverend Carl Franson had been supporting primary school students in Guatemala for several years in towns around Lago de Atitlán in Guatemala's Western Highlands. They worked with Jim Britt, also of Salisbury, who has been coordinating scholarships in Santiago Atitlan since 2009. The Fund once supported as many as 12 students before the COVID pandemic.

When Guatemala closed all schools in March 2020, the Fund redirected its energy to provide food to families in Santiago Atitlan, where several of its students had been enrolled.

Thanks to sponsorships and fundraising efforts the last two years, the remaining four of 16 students are on their way to completing their certificates in Business Tourism and Culinary Training by the end of 2026.

As a fundraiser for the Fund, embroidered quilt panels were brought by courier to Connecticut (thanks

to local artisan Nicol Chiyal in Santiago Atitlan, Guatemala). With the aid of volunteer quilters Matt and Laurie Britt in New York and Kathleen Ruiz and the Goshen Quilters Guild, two one-of-a-kind quilts were assembled, and tickets were sold over the last two years. The winners were drawn on Dec. 21, 2024, by Rev. Franson. Maria Barreira of Salisbury and Sharie Schwaikert of Salisbury were the lucky winners, respectively, and received their quilts on Dec. 26.

Sandra Oliver Salisbury



PHOTO PROVIDED The late Diann Franson with a student.

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TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

125 years ago —
January 1900

Mrs. Katherine Frink of Salisbury gave an enjoyable whist party to a number of friends.

Mrs. James McDonnell slipped on the ice last Saturday, and injured her left hip quite seriously. She has been under the care of Dr. W.B. Bissell since the accident.

The new school building at Dr. Knight's Institution is beginning to assume shape. The frame work is already up and the sheathing on. When finished this building will be a great convenience, will be thoroughly modern in equipment and add greatly to this excellent institution.

The young people have had great times this week and last coasting down the different hills about the village. There were double rippers, toboggans, big sleds and little sleds. On Thursday evening of last week Mr. and Mrs. Travers Jerome gave a very enjoyable coasting party to a number of friends.

While loading ice on Indian Pond on Thursday, a team belonging to James Macklin in some manner got into the lake, but were gotten out safely after much hustling on the part of those present.

The through car from Norfolk to New York has been discontinued. This will be a cause of regret among a large number of people who used this through car in their going and coming from New York. It is to be hoped the management of the two roads will again find it profitable to put on the car.

Mr. Robert Scoville has presented the corporate members of the Library Association with handsomely bound volumes of the new library catalogue. The library has procured a typewriter for its librarians and a new stove has been placed in the temporary reading room.

100 years ago —
January 1925

In the last two thousand years, only fourteen total eclipses of the sun have been seen from the territory which is now New England. On the 24th of this month (Saturday) the people of Connecticut are to have their last chance to see nature's grandest spectacle. If any of the babies born this month live to be a hundred years old they may see the next one which comes in 2024.

ORE HILL — William Rowe has been ill with an attack of gripe. The Genito family have all been ill and under the doctor's care.

A.F. Roberts' Reo delivery truck caught fire on Wednesday and was considerably damaged. The Lakeville Hose Co. was called and extinguished the blaze.

A new street light has been installed near Benjamin Cleaveland's residence on Pettee Street.

See what the street plow did toward opening the walks after the 10 inch snow fall of Tuesday? If you want this work continued after future storms hand your contribution to the snow plow committee.

Miss Margaret Egan has received a five pound box of

Masterpiece Chocolates from Lovell & Covell Co., Boston, Mass., as a radio prize, for sending the first telegram from Connecticut to station WEAN, Providence, Rhode Island, in a contest held there last week. Needless to say Margaret is quite pleased.

Mrs. Hunter of Lime Rock was in Lakeville Saturday to visit the dentist.

LIME ROCK — The death of Mrs. Richardson was a great shock to our community. She will be greatly missed. She leaves two sons, Milo of this place, and Edward of New York.

50 years ago —
January 1975

All was going swimmingly in production of The Lakeville Journal last Wednesday night when a bolt suddenly broke and sheared off our folder, and the press ground to an abrupt halt when we were half-way through printing the "B" section. It was impossible to make immediate repairs, and The Journal appeared courtesy of The Berkshire Courier in Great Barrington, Mass., which printed the remaining papers in emergency on short notice. Our sincere apologies go to readers whose papers were delayed and who may have inadvertently received the wrong sections.

A testimonial dinner honoring Dr. Josephine Evarts (Mrs. Charles Demarest) will be held March 22 at 7 p.m. at the Hotchkiss School in Lakeville. "Dr. Evarts is not retiring, thank goodness," said Mark B. Cohn, chairman of the dinner committee. "It is just high time that we recognize this lady of great stature who has played such an important role in our communities."

The new Whitridge Memorial Wing of Noble Horizons, Lower Cobble Road in Salisbury, has opened its doors. The new wing offers complete 24-hour nursing care for 30 beds.

The first physical signs of construction were apparent this week on the site of the future Market Place of Salisbury, in the area behind the Salisbury Bank and Trust Company branch office. A bulldozer began work on Monday, but that operation was held up by the intensely cold weather. By mid-week, a construction shack and portable sanitary facilities had been erected, and action was expected to resume when the weather moderates.

Canaan residents voted Tuesday night to purchase a 2.55 acre portion of the former Lawrence Playground on East Main Street from the State of Connecticut for \$15,450. The purchase returns about one-half of the original field to town ownership. The field was purchased in 1957 for the proposed relocation of Route 7.

Leroy M. Beaujon, a Canaan resident who devoted 40 years of his life to furthering recreation in Canaan, was honored at Tuesday night's town meeting. The Canaan swimming pool building will be dedicated to his memory and will henceforth be known as the Leroy M. Beaujon Memorial.

Dorothy Edell, who has operated the Globe Thistle motel in East Canaan since

1956, has announced that she will open a new kennel on her property this spring. The motel was closed early this year. Miss Edell said that her kennel will be known as East Farms Kennel and will be able to board about 25 dogs of small breeds. She says that she is known for being "a nut for dogs" and that she wants to make her new kennel the "nearest thing to home away from home."

There will be no public access and no public fishing on Cream Hill Lake this spring unless the state changes its mind and renews a lease with Ralph Scoville. When Mr. Scoville wrote to the state asking for an increase in salary and state leasing fee, he was told that "already high inflationary pressures make it impossible to justify your salary increase demands in either services rendered or recreational opportunities available." The lease had been a "handshake agreement" with Mr. Scoville's father Frederick while he ran the boat renting business from 1938 to 1952 and it continued with Ralph Scoville before becoming a formal lease two years ago.

Gerald Blakey has been appointed General Manager of the Housatonic Valley Rug Shop. Mr. Blakey started with the firm in 1955 as a carpet installer, and for the past two years has been in sales. He is tax collector for the Town of Cornwall, a member of the fire department, a trustee of the First Church of Christ, and is active in many community affairs. His wife is the former Patricia Benedict. They reside with their three children in Cornwall.

A young Salisbury skier, John Harney Jr., will represent the United States in the World Biathlon Championships in Italy this summer. Harney, a 20-year-old graduate of Salisbury School and a student at Williams College, is a member of the Salisbury Winter Sports Association and has skied for SWSA on many occasions.

25 years ago —
January 2000

The charm of the Cornwall Inn will remain the same, but its buildings will undergo a major renovation. According to Tom McKenzie, who along with three other business partners recently purchased the inn, work on the buildings has started and rooms should be available by the first week in February. The restaurant and bar are scheduled to open a month later. The inn's upgrade includes refurbishing the smaller bunkhouses behind the main building. The bunks will cater to those passing through the area while hiking on the Appalachian Trail.

Kent Affordable Housing's first parcel program house was delivered earlier this month and is expected to be ready for its occupants by mid-February. The Jones family from Kent was selected from dozens of applicants to live in the two-story Cape home on Locust Lane. Through the parcel program, general contractor Concept Homes LLC of New Milford built and delivered the 1,300-square-foot three-bedroom home. The Jones family will have a 99-year lease for the land and a government-backed mortgage with New Milford Savings Bank for just under \$100,000.

Measles kills: A short history

He knows nothing and thinks he knows everything. That points clearly to a political career.

—George Bernard Shaw

In 1962, about 500,000 American kids got measles, with fever and spots made by the immune system reacting with the virus. Many of us remember it as relatively benign and I have heard people say, 'I had it, and it wasn't so bad'. But we are not all the same; we are not inbred white mice. Some people respond differently; immune systems are complex and vary from one person to the next. About 20% of affected children had complications, usually encephalitis, an inflammation of the brain. Or they had diarrhea and dehydration. Many were hospitalized and about four hundred died. Year after year. That is hard to imagine now, because in 1963, a vaccine was produced by the legendary Dr. Sidney Hillman and his team at Merck. The Merck team made many vaccines and saved millions of lives.

After 1963, measles was one less thing for parents to worry about, along with polio, mumps, rubella, and then chickenpox. Whooping cough, diphtheria, and tetanus had been dealt with through earlier vaccines. Measles virus did not disappear, it was not eradicated like smallpox; It still stalks unvaccinated communities.

The measles virus is very contagious, more than SARS-CoV-2. Measles has another insidious property—it wrecks existing immune responses and not just a person's response to measles. Imagine a child in Africa, whose immune system is just managing to keep the malaria parasite at bay. A case of measles will depress the immune system, unleash the malaria parasite, and may kill the child. Measles virus is one of the great killers in Africa with 47,000 deaths in 2022. Most viruses have ways

THE BODY SCIENTIFIC RICHARD KESSIN

to suppress immune systems, but measles is a champion of immune suppression and contagion.

The vaccine is exceptionally effective. And measles returns when vaccination stops. In an under-vaccinated community, a single tourist shedding measles virus can start an epidemic. That is what happened in September 2019, in American Samoa, in the months before the Covid pandemic.

The ground had been prepared by Robert F. Kennedy Jr., who had visited Samoa, met with government officials, and told them and other people that the vaccine caused autism. In 2017, 74% of babies were vaccinated, which was already low, but by January 6, 2020, only 31 to 34% of newborns were being vaccinated. Before the outbreak there were almost no cases of measles. A single infected tourist introduced the virus and by the 6th of January 2020 there were 5,700 cases and 83 deaths. The population is about 200,000 and about 100,000 doses of vaccine (measles, mumps and rubella) were administered. Schools were closed, and sports teams were idle (Samoans play rugby). People stayed home and hung out a red flag to summon the vaccination teams. Other islands in the region had 99% vaccination rates and no measles or noticeable increases in autism. Wikipedia has a lengthy article on the American Samoa measles outbreak, well as others in the South Pacific.

An emergency response

by Samoan health workers converted to vaccinators with help from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the public health agencies of New Zealand, Australia, Israel, and French Polynesia and may other countries, and health agencies stamped out the measles epidemic by January 22, 2020.

I do not know if there were any cases of autism among the thousands of children who were vaccinated, as Mr. Kennedy's theory predicts there would be. Did Mr. Kennedy even ask if autism had increased after thousands of kids got measles vaccine? There should have been a wave, according to his theory, but if you don't ask, the theory remains intact.

Raw data say no increase in autism occurred. The American Samoa Public Health website, does not mention autism as a problem. I called the American Samoa Health Authorities. They were very cooperative and have not noticed anything of concern, but being competent officials said that they will do a deeper investigation. Numbers count. We will let you know the results.

The message from these events is simple: Be skeptical of people who never admit that they are wrong. Do not trust people whose message is meant to instill fear. Don't believe people who think they know, but don't. Do not put Robert F. Kennedy in charge of any American health agency, let alone all of them. Genial skepticism is a virtue that keeps people healthy, even alive.

Richard Kessin, PhD, is Professor Emeritus of Pathology and Cell Biology at the Columbia University Irving Medical Center.

Status Report

"The Jump," a documentary about Salisbury Winter Sports Association (SWSA), will air on Connecticut Public TV (CPTV) on Jan. 25 at 4 p.m. and Jan. 27 at 10 p.m. It has also been picked up by PBS. The hour-long film was written, produced and directed by Rich Hanley, an Emmy-nominated filmmaker and Professor Emeritus at Quinnipiac University and covers the history of Satre Hill from its beginnings in the 1920's through 2014. Featured in the documentary is Roy Sherwood, a hometown hero who overcame a bout of polio to compete in the 1956 Olympics.

NORFOLK — Route 44 was ranked the 74th most feared road to travel on in the continental United States, according to a survey of motorists conducted by Gunther Volkswagen Daytona. The survey described Route 44 as "a deceptively beautiful but hazardous journey" and pointed to the curves, particularly near Norfolk, as challenging in snowy or icy conditions.

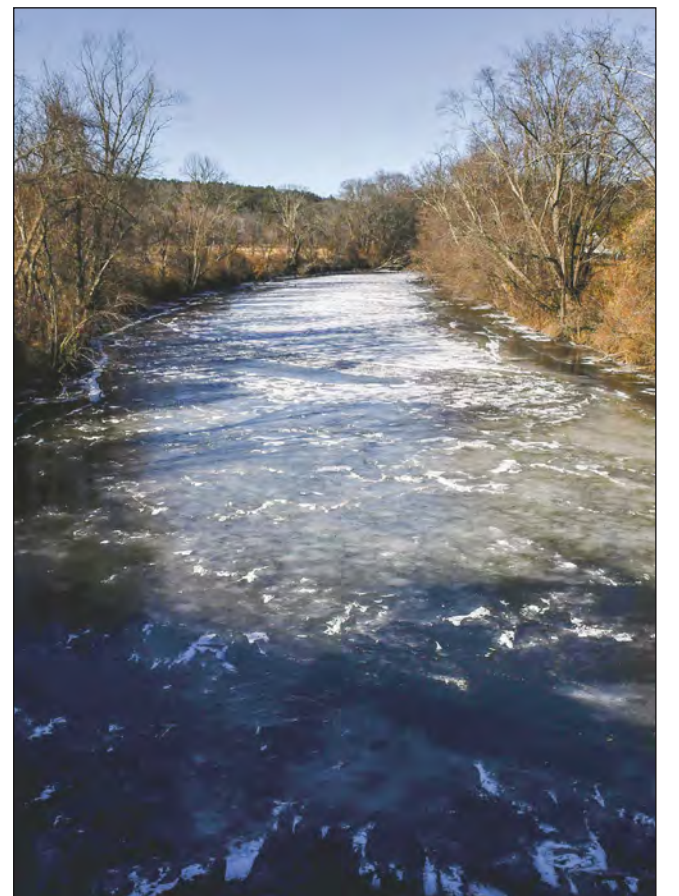


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In my search to understand our countryside here in NW Connecticut more fully, I came upon a wonderful book written by Leila Philip entitled *Beaver Land*. Exhaustively researched, Leila details the history of beavers from pre-colonial times to present day and how important they are to restoring our ecosystems. I found her writing and observations compelling on how this animal creates their own ecosystem that improves water quality, reduces flooding risk and creates habitat for a diversity of wildlife. Her final conclusion is that, much like the ancient Japanese art of Kintsugi, beavers serve to repair and restore a broken landscape. For more information, please visit: www.leilaphilip.com



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as he tested the fit of a custom-machined part against the developing robot's chassis.

"We draw up designs," detailed Adelyn Diorio — working with teammate Finn Malone on a prototype coral pick-up mechanism — "then put them together and evaluate them on a matrix." The matrix, populated by contributions from the entire team, includes parameters such as ease of build, simplicity, reliability and durability.

At the other end of the workspace, sophomore Byron Bell writes code that will be used to control the robot. He seeks to maximize the robot's capabilities while keeping it reasonably easy to operate, noting that a driver will only be chosen from among the team after a "practice driving bracket" later in the season.

As the students bustle away, mentors Andy Brockway and Michael Ellington provide oversight with a light touch. "It's truly a student-led effort," said Ellington, who believes in allowing students the freedom to experiment,

take creative risks and "develop their superpowers."

Now in his ninth year serving as mentor, Ellington reports that this year's team is the largest he has advised. Despite growing student interest, school staff and team mentors are concerned that the program may be at risk without a new coach.

Brockway, Team 716's lead mentor, has advised the team for nearly 25 years; during the last five, he and Ellington have sought to bring on additional help and prepare for changes in leadership.

"Most people don't realize just how competitive a sport it is," said HVRHS principal Ian Strever. Under the current student-driven model, Strever said the most essential characteristic of leadership is not necessarily technical knowledge, but a "desire to work with students and coach them to believe in themselves."

Echoing Strever, the team mentors pointed out that —

while experience with mechanical, electrical and pneumatics systems are a strong asset — coaching involves the essential functions of team management: among them logistics, paperwork,

grams and future professions through their participation on the team.

By promoting mentorship of Team 716 to a coaching position and adjusting compensation to account for the time and dedication involved, Strever hopes to "find the right person in the community" to continue the

storied 25-year legacy of robotics at HVRHS.

Interested individuals are encouraged to reach out to Michael Ellington at 860-824-5123 ext.1283 or via email at mellington@region-1schools.org.

Information on the upcoming regional FIRST competition, which is open to public attendance, is available at frc-events.firstinspires.org/2025/ctwat.

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scheduling and outreach.

"This program has so much to give," Ellington said, observing that many students grow in skill, confidence and autonomy as they deepen their participation. Further, he has found reward in seeing the doors that the program has opened for special needs and at-risk students; many of whom discover paths toward personal development, college pro-

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their cell service drops out and crews could lose those directions. Usually, Howard said, this isn't a huge setback for his crew, but that's not the only challenge emergency responders face because of spotty, slow service.

Hikers hitting the hills often travel through dead zones. The region's rugged terrain — while scenic and inviting to hikers — hurts coverage. Hills block signals from distant towers, so if hikers have an accident in a remote area they may have trouble getting in touch with emergency services. Howard said Amenias' rope crew will ask for coordinates, but sometimes the hiker can't provide good information. "Then they're hiking blind," Howard said.

Cell phone tower construction is slow in rural areas across the United States, but Northeast Dutchess County and the Litchfield Hills combine a number of factors which all contribute to poor service in the region. Chief among them are the challenges presented by rugged, undeveloped land. Regions with lots of hills, few people and less power and telecommunications infrastructure are more difficult and costly to service than suburban or urban areas, according to a 2019 New York Upstate Cellular Coverage Task Force report.

John Emra, AT&T's Atlantic region president, said cell towers require power and fiber optic connections, and many rural sites don't already have that infrastructure. Another consideration is access. Towers can't be too remote, otherwise emergency repairs are too difficult. However, they can't be too

close to large groups of people. Often, service roads have to be built to sites on remote ridgelines and hilltops. All this drives up the cost of cell tower construction, and the 2019 cell coverage task force report says the higher cost disincentivizes rural investment.

That report also cites local zoning codes as a potential hurdle for construction, but Emra said he doesn't think regulations completely halt progress. In his 24 years with AT&T, he said rural communities have become increasingly open to cell tower construction and upgrades. Building codes in Northeast Dutchess County and the Litchfield Hills still present unique challenges for cell towers. Special attention is paid to ridgelines and scenic views in the area, so tall towers on high hills are discouraged through local laws. Cell towers constructed in valleys or on the sides of ridges are less effective, covering much smaller areas because of the hills blocking the signal.

"Even 10 years ago if you proposed a new site — particularly in Litchfield County, Connecticut — you would likely meet some fairly fierce community resistance," Emra said. "I've seen the change where we now have communities asking us to build." He said AT&T recently completed a cell tower near Stanfordsville, New York, and there's a site near Salisbury, Connecticut, which should be online by the end of the year. Additionally, AT&T has built cell antennas across Dutchess County called "small cell nodes," which are installed on utility poles but provide coverage over shorter distances than a full-size tower.

QUAD-DEMIC

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among young children and older adults," according to a CDC report. "Visits for RSV are highest among young children, and visits for influenza remain elevated among all age groups."

In recent weeks, Sharon Hospital has experienced a spike in admissions and people seeking medical care through its Emergency Department for flu, RSV, COVID-19 and norovirus.

"I would say that the last few weeks, from mid- to late-December through the first week of January, were exceedingly busy with a large volume of patients in the emergency department and a large number of admissions to the hospital for respiratory or GI viruses," Marshall said. "I think we may actually be on the downturn a little bit, but there was a period where we were seeing a ton of RSV and COVID and flu ... and norovirus was hot."

He described norovirus as a gastrointestinal illness which causes severe vomiting and diarrhea. Older adults and very young children, he said, are particularly prone to serious dehydration.

Unlike respiratory viruses which spread via droplets, norovirus is spread via contact, such as touching contaminated surfaces or eating contaminated food.

The CDC reported that norovirus has been more common this season, with at least 495 outbreaks as of mid-December, about 36% higher than the previous year.

Severe year for flu

The CDC reported on Jan. 15 that the number of weekly flu hospital admissions continues to rise across the country, and that in the last week, 20 children have died from influenza-associated conditions.

Nationally, influenza test positivity increased to 18.8%, COVID-19 test positivity remained stable at 6.6%, RSV test positivity decreased to 8.9% and viral activity levels for both influenza and COVID-19 are at high levels, according to the CDC.

"Influenza predictions suggest that emergency department visits will remain at a high to very high level for the next two weeks," the federal agency reported.

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The winning names were: Snowy the Snow Plow, The Ice Demolisher, The Blizzard Buster and The Snow Breaker.

As a special surprise, members of the Falls Village Town Roads Crew visited the school with their snow plows, giving the children a chance to see the named machines up close.

Which virus do I have?

So how do you know which respiratory virus rallied your immune system?

Sharon Hospital's Marshall noted that symptoms for the "big three" — flu, RSV and COVID-19 — are similar, as are their courses of infection and complications.

The only way to positively determine which bug has invaded your cells is to get tested.

"If you are ill and seek treatment, you can test for these viruses individually or there is even a single swab test for flu, RSV and COVID," he explained.

Marshall stressed the importance of getting vaccinated.

"Both the updated influenza and COVID vaccines are recommended, and it's not too late for a flu vaccine."

Flu, COVID-19 and RSV are all more dangerous to older adults and very young children, along with people with chronic illnesses and co-morbidities, including those who are immunocompromised, noted the Sharon Hospital physician.

Vaccines, he said, have been shown to reduce ICU admissions by 25%, and deaths by 30%. "And even if people who get the vaccine still get COVID, it reduces their risk of severe disease."

Health officials' recommended treatment for most of these infections includes resting, staying home when sick, getting adequate nutrition, washing your hands and drinking plenty of fluids. The CDC recommends that people in the community with COVID-19, influenza or RSV should remain home until fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications and symptoms are improving.

Marshall also noted that there are several antiviral treatments available for at-risk people, including Paxlovid for COVID-19 and Tamiflu for influenza.

HMPV threat?

In recent weeks reports of a wave of hospitalizations from another respiratory illness known as human metapneumovirus, or HMPV, which is sweeping across China, has stoked fears of a new global pandemic.

The virus causes symptoms similar to COVID-19, including fever, persistent cough and congestion — and in severe cases leads to pneumonia.

Marshall noted that HMPV has been around for years and most people have encountered this virus in childhood. At this time, he said, he does not see it as an imminent threat.

"I don't believe what is happening in China represents the early signs of a new pandemic."

OBITUARIES

Trinidad Proffitt

SALISBURY — We mourn the great loss of Trinidad Proffitt, 88, who passed away peacefully on the morning of Thursday, Jan. 16, 2025. She was a beloved mother, sister, grandmother, friend, and member of our local community.



Trina was born on Aug. 10, 1936, in Vega Baja, Puerto Rico, to the late Carmen Martínez Padrón y Sandín and Lino Padrón Rivera, who co-authored the Puerto Rican Constitution. While studying Pharmacy at the University of Puerto Rico, she met the love of her life, Burton Proffitt, who was serving in the Marine Corps.

Together, they raised their family of three children in Puerto Rico and Long Island.

Trina was a woman ahead of her time in many ways. Early in her career, she created scents for perfumes and products like Tone Soap at International Flavors & Fragrances (IFF).

She also invented a method for suspending chemicals at very high concentrations, which allowed the company to expand significantly. She continued making radical scientific and organizational contributions at North Shore University Hospital in Long

Island where she eventually became the Director of Outpatient Pharmacy. After retiring from Pharmacy, she moved to Los Angeles and became a docent, teaching art history to young children. She brought her love for teaching to Salisbury for the after-school program SOAR.

In her later years, she became an avid reader, likely consuming the entire collection at Scoville Memorial Library. She was well-known and loved by everyone. Tough and resilient, she rarely let anything slip by her. With a twinkle in her eye and a wry smile, she could make us laugh until we were in tears. She loved her children and grandchildren passionately.

She is survived by her sisters, Carmen and Bruni, her children Robert, Craig, and Pilar, and her grandchildren Isabel, Carmen, Grace, Ellis, Sam, Amelia, and Pablo.

A memorial service was held at the Salisbury Congregational Church on Sunday, Jan. 19, at 1 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Noble Horizons in Salisbury. The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

For more obituaries, see Page A5

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'Gather' at Troutbeck

Hosted by Jason Klein and Sascha Lewis, an ongoing series called "Gather" at Troutbeck in Amenia brings together a curious crowd of local entrepreneurs, artists, and others with a story to tell for an intimate midday chat. On Thursday, Jan. 16, floral designer Romane Recalde, owner of the newly opened Le Jardin in Amenia, took center stage to share her journey from modeling in Miami to cultivating flowers in the Hudson Valley. Gather is a place to share stories, swap advice, and celebrate some of the unique businesses that make our area vibrant — all with a delicious lunch on the side. The gatherings are unconventional in the best way, with no agenda beyond good conversation and community building.

Recalde's story isn't just about creating a flower shop; it's about a complete reinvention of self. "I hated Miami so much," said the French-born Recalde, recalling her time in Florida before moving to New York. She worked as a model in New York, and eventually met her husband, James. Their pandemic escape to Turks and Caicos turned into a six-month stay, which in turn led them to Millbrook and finally to their home in Amenia, where Recalde's connection to nature blossomed.

"We had all this land for the first time," said Recalde, who started with a vegetable garden. "I had absolutely no idea what I was doing, but I did some research and found information about planting flowers to bring in pollinators. When I saw flowers bloom in my garden I was like, 'Oh my God! This is what a flower is supposed to look like,' laughed Recalde. "I became obsessed, and I knew the next year I wanted a flower farm." In the spring, she began planting. "I signed up for the farmer's market in Millerton and I didn't even know if I would have flowers to sell. But I did! I figured it out."

Recalde's trajectory from hobbyist to business owner has come with its fair share of challenges, not least of which is the perishable nature of flowers. "Winter is definitely harder," said Recalde, explaining how she imports flowers during the colder months while



also nurturing seeds in a neighbor's greenhouse. Despite these hurdles, the most rewarding part for her has been seeing the impact her flowers have on people. "It's amazing to hear people say, 'You don't know how much this meant to me,'" she said, reflecting on the joy of seeing her arrangements in clients' homes and weddings.

Klein, a board member of the Wassaic Project, co-founder of software development company ListenFirst, and a self-professed connector of creative minds, underscored the value of these conversations. "People here are doing such interesting things," he said. "It's a little funky because it's in the middle of the day, so it definitely appeals to folks with weird schedules — usually people who are business owners or self-employed." He's hosted about five of these Gather sessions which have grown in attendance; this month's event was sold out. "It's a nice way to put a spotlight on something that's exciting that might be hidden away," he said, noting how the Gather series has allowed him to bring together a range of people — from business owners like Will Schenk,



PHOTOS BY NATALIA ZUKERMAN
Romane Recalde and Jason Klein at Gather

owner of the Cornwall Market who's starting a chocolate business, to local political figures like Justin Potter.

Questions from attendees included how to juggle time and schedules as a business owner and how to deal with the seemingly shifting world of marketing and self-promotion. "Word of mouth has been amazing," Recalde said as she shared that it's been the community's enthusiasm that has helped her new business take off. "Honestly, everybody has been so supportive and helpful," she added, citing both Instagram and local chatter as key drivers in her success.

During the event, Eliot Wadsworth from White Flower Farm

spoke briefly about continuing his family's legacy, a perfect complement to the conversation about sustainability and the challenges of building a business in a small town.

Lauren Kemner, Troutbeck's culture and commerce manager, said, "We love inviting people to Troutbeck, letting folks know that we're open to the public. This program is such a great way to build community."



PHOTO BY NATHAN MILLER

Mad Rose Gallery director Michael Flowers contributed to the gallery's "Assembled" exhibit with a series of collaged landscape photographs

ART: NATHAN MILLER

Mad Rose opens 'Assembled' exhibition

Mad Rose Gallery's "Assembled" exhibition opened Saturday, Jan. 18, with a public reception.

The eclectic exhibition — on view until March 2 at the gallery on the intersection of Routes 22 and 44 in Millerton — gathers together work from a group of diverse artists with decades of experience between them. The exhibition itself is true

to the name, featuring photographs, sculptures, drawings and mixed media works in all shapes and sizes.

The collected works include the photographs of Arthur Hillman, Bruce Panock and Mad Rose's gallery director Michael Lavin Flower; drawings and mixed media works

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BOOKS: LAURIE FENDRICH

The fragile bonds of family: a review of Betsy Lerner's 'Shred Sisters'

Betsy Lerner's 'Shred Sisters' is written with such verve and poetic imagination that it's hard to fathom how it could be the author's first novel. Ms. Lerner, 64, has worked for three decades as a literary agent, editor, and non-fiction writer, but at some point during the Covid pandemic — without any forethought — she sat down and typed out the first line of the novel exactly as it now appears in the book, and then completed it without telling anyone what she was up to.

The novel takes place over twenty years — from the 1970s into the '90s — and is a kind of guide for that era. It reads like a memoir accompanied by some bouncy dialogue, but is actually a work of what's called autofiction in which Lerner mixes her own experiences — including her own struggle with mental illness — with things she simply makes up. The fictional narrator is Amy Shred, the younger of two sisters

in an upper-middle-class, secular Jewish family living in the suburbs of New Haven, Connecticut.

What begins as the older sister Ollie's impulsiveness, rebelliousness and unpredictable outbursts expands logarithmically in intensity and severity until she reaches her teens and starts disappearing from home for long stretches of time. Soon she falls into that special circle of Hell reserved for the mentally ill — drugs, sleeping on the street, random hookups, sex work, petty thievery and grand larceny. Because her parents can afford it, she spends long periods of time in a private psychiatric hospital, but to no avail.

Ollie's mental illness leads to multiple chaotic events within the Shred family, all narrated by Amy, who simultaneously loves, loathes, and fears her sister. At times, Amy reveals herself to be almost as self-centered and self-deluded as Ollie. Yet Lerner brings empathy to all her characters' plights,



and never romanticizes or medicalizes Ollie's life. My only quibble in the author's otherwise superb wordsmanship is with her overuse of similes. Hers are individually imaginative and powerful, sometimes even brilliant — e.g., "...his

arm hooking me like the long cane in a vaudeville act," or "the magnolias now in full plumage like fat ostriches" — but with so many of them, their impact is weakened.

On Amy's account, she and Ollie couldn't be more different. Ollie is

the beautiful, charming child who grows into a beautiful adult who uses that beauty and charm to manipulate her parents, strangers, lovers, doctors, the police and even, on occasion, her sister. Amy, on the other hand, is decidedly not beautiful. But her intelligence, passion for science and inner drive to excel propel her forward — to college and then a fellowship in a science lab. It's then that she meets the first love of her life, who turns out to be almost as messed up and exploitative as her sister. Eventually, Amy pivots away from science — as well as her first love — and lands a job in publishing, while Ollie moves about among various lovers, erratically showing up only when she needs something.

In a virtual talk with the author sponsored by

Hotchkiss Library of Sharon, in collaboration with Essex Library Association and Darien Library on Thursday, Jan. 16, Ms. Lerner said, "Shred Sisters is a coming-of-age novel that took me about 45 years to write." It's also a compassionate and compelling story about the complex nature of sisterly love in the face of the terrorizing nature of mental illness. At first glance, it might seem its appeal is only to women, but anyone will find it translates into a story about sibling relationships in general, as well as the exhaustion that comes with living in any fragile family.

Laurie Fendrich is an abstract painter, professor emerita at Hofstra University and vice-president of American Abstract Artists. She lives in Lakeville.

... Mad Rose *Continued from previous page*

of Karen Dolmanisth and Emily Rutgers Fuller; and Kim Saul's kitchen cabinet shadow-box sculptures.

The works share a common transience despite their many differences. Arthur Hillman's large-scale photographic prints feature otherwise still flower beds streaked by camera movement. Kim Saul's colorful kitchen cabinets evoke mystical alchemy, the art of change whose practitioners sought to transform lead into gold. Michael Flowers's collaged panoramas present fragmented, overlapping landscapes featuring conflicting winds and double images.

All the works featured in the exhibition are for

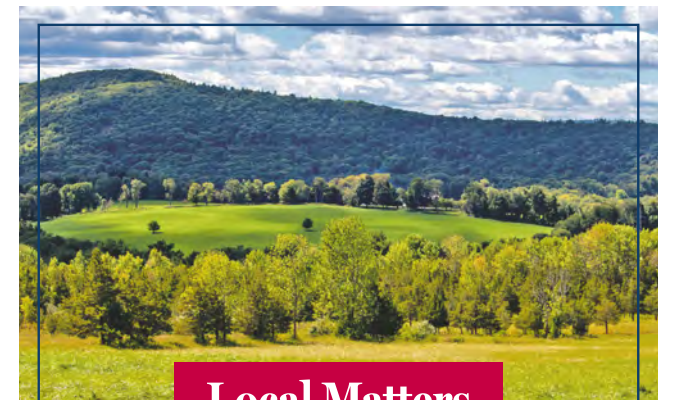


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Brenda Butler, right, and Ilene Spiewak admired Karen Dolmanisth's pieces at Mad Rose Gallery for the opening reception of "Assembled" on Saturday, Jan. 18, at the gallery on Main Street in downtown Millerton.

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ART: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Art in process: Wassaic Project open studios

The Wassaic Project will host open studios on Saturday, Jan. 25, from 1 to 3 p.m. The participating artists are: LaTonia Allen, Jayden Ashley, Arden Carlon, Ricardo Galvan, Erin Goodine, Diana Guerra, Hyunjin Park and Kanthy Peng. For art lovers, it's an opportunity to view work in progress and ask questions of the creators and for the artists, it's a chance to make connections and possibly even gain new insights into their work.

Allen, a New York based multidisciplinary artist, is a 2025 recipient of the Wassaic Projects Family Residency. Of the open studios experience she said, "Welcoming people in can be a bit nerve wracking at times, but afterwards, I always find myself feeling better. Oftentimes, I have a different perspective to think about or another way to approach the subject matter to consider."

Working in various media, Allen's work investigates the definition of Black self-liberation. "Through portraiture and figuration, my work engages through the washes of oil paint and charcoal to explore emotions, employing symbolism related to the passage of time and trauma, personified through skin tone and Black hair," said Allen. "I don't know that the open studios help me view my work differently. I think as an artist, sometimes you have to be able to decipher through the multitude of opinions, good or bad, and maintain trust in yourself and your process."

South Korean born Park is also part of Wassaic's Artist in Residence program. Her work explores the intimate relationship between human and non-human entities, the intersections between animals, machines and technology. At the open studios, she plans to share sketches from an ongoing video project, highlighting how she merges animated drawings with video footage.

"I believe art is born through the dialogues and interactions between artists, artworks and viewers," said Park. Of the open studios, she shared, "This experience offers an opportunity not only to share my finished pieces but also to open up about the thought processes and materials behind my practice, hopefully fostering a deeper understanding of my work."

Of the Artist in Residence program, Park said, "It's been such a warm and heartfelt experience, and I think part of that comes from the fact that the directors and staff at the Wassaic Project are also artists themselves. This gives them a deep understanding of the community and an intuitive sense of what artists need during this winter residency."

The upcoming open studios promise a unique chance to witness creativity in motion, fostering meaningful connections between artists and those who get to experience their work.

The Wassaic Project is located at 37 Furnace Bank Road in Wassaic. For more info, visit: www.wassaicproject.org

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Lazy, hazy days of...winter?

When syndicated columnists run out of ideas they do one of two things.

First they collect the last couple year's worth of columns and call it a book. These are published to great acclaim from other syndicated columnists and show up in due course in gigantic, ziggurat-shaped mounds at Costco for \$4.98 a pop.

We're working on that one.

The other standby is this right here: The "Things That Caught My Eye Recently" column.

Item: How's the fishing?

Lousy. As I peck this out on the Chromebook with the sticky "s" key, the latest wild guess from the weather people says we're going to get the first proper snowstorm of the winter starting tomorrow — Sunday, Jan. 19.

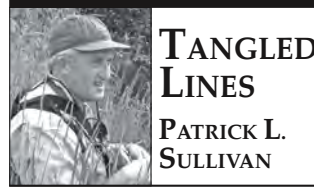
If that happens as predicted then the following advice will have to include the phrase "be prepared for snowdrifts."

If I was going to drop a line somewhere, I would go first to the West Branch of the Farmington, probably in the two miles or so downstream of the Goodwin dam.

The same water that keeps the river cool in the summer works in the opposite direction in the winter. You'll find more clear, ice and slush-free water here than anywhere else.

Downstream from where the Swift River enters at Riverton you will almost certainly encounter ice and slush. The latter will clear out on a sunny day but the shelf ice won't. Do not walk on the shelf ice. It isn't safe, period, and an unscheduled bath in January is absolutely no fun at all.

If that's not appealing, then I would try a little blue line. The warning about shelf ice applies here too. Because the brush is down, you can forget the little rod and deploy a nine-footer. You'll need the extra length to flip your flies into the clear channel of water between the ice floes without messing



TANGLED LINES
PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

with the shelf ice along the banks.

For the Farm, try junk flies first: squirmies, mops, eggs and so forth. If nobody salutes try big stonefly nymphs. If that's a bust, Woolly Bugger 'em.

And if that fails to click, go home already. It's freezing out.

On the little stream, big, high-floating dries like Stimulators, Parachute Adamses and Chubby Chernobyls are the way to go. Try adding a short, 12 inch, dropper with a kebari or soft-hackle wet fly.

Item: Should I be monitoring the winter clearance sales?

Yes you should. This is the time to pick up things like discontinued models of wading boots at considerable savings. There is nothing worse than having a set of boots fall apart and having to pay top dollar for replacements. Extra worseness for paying for overnight freight.

However, this is not necessarily the time to buy new flies unless you have carefully and methodically cleaned out and organized your fly

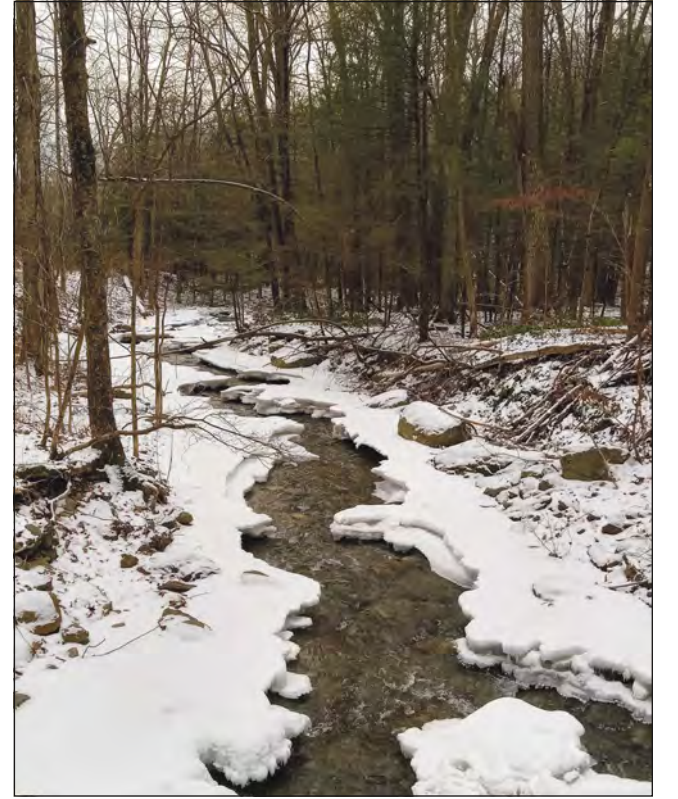


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This small stream is fishable, despite the wintry conditions. It probably won't be a pleasant or productive experience, but it can be done.

boxes so you know exactly what you need.

My fly boxes are, for the most part, still in the car. So I am resisting the lure of stocking up on size 6 Double-Gilled Wampus Busters.

Item: Is it dangerous to fish in cold weather?

Yes. It's also mostly unpleasant and unproductive. The pain and misery can be mitigated by dressing in wicking layers and getting out of the water when you can't feel your feet.

But catching a decent fish in the winter makes

for a good story, in which the size of the fish is in inverse proportion to the air temperature. In other words, the colder it is, the bigger your fish gets in the retelling.

Finally, I note that the great angling writer John Gierach died recently.

Spend a little time with one of his books and you'll realize that while any idiot can string a few jokes together with some basic fishing information — ahem — very few can do it in such a way to make the story about life, not fishing.

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JANUARY 23

Property Records 101: Researching Your Home's History with Salisbury Town Selectman Katherine Keifer

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

It can take some sleuthing to trace property history. Join us on Thursday, Jan. 23, 10 to 11 a.m., to learn how to research your home's ownership history and other property information. After an introduction at the library, we'll visit the Town Hall's records room. To register and learn more, please visit the event page: scovillelibrary.libcal.com/event/13680437

JANUARY 24

Lunch and Learn at Hotchkiss Library of Sharon

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

Join us on the second and fourth Fridays of every month for a nutritious lunch and a variety of activities including movies, chair yoga, Qigong, crafts, Scrabble, cards, and more! The program runs through September 2025, with activities changing each session. Pre-registration required; limited to 12 participants per session.

Register for January 24: hotchkisslibrary.libcal.com/event/13742094

For more info, call (860) 364-5041 or visit hotchkisslibraryofsharon.org.

JANUARY 25

Emerging Artists: Home Sweet Home

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

From Jan. 17 through Feb. 7, the David M. Hunt Library in Falls Village will host "Home Sweet Home," an exhibition of cigar box art by the students at Lee H. Kellogg School. Madeleine Stern, Kellogg School's Art Instructor received one cigar box for each student at the school from David M. Hunt Library's ArtWall program and set up workshops for each grade level to explore the theme of "home." There will be a reception for the public and parents of the artists on Saturday Jan. 25 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Local Trivia Night

Center on Main, 103 Main St., Falls Village, Conn.

The David M. Hunt Library and the Falls Village/Canaan Historical Society are partnering for an evening of local trivia at the Center on Main on Saturday, Jan. 25 from 5 to 7 p.m. \$5 per person to play, BYO food and drinks. All ages are welcome. Come test your knowledge about Falls Village, the Northwest Corner and Connecticut!

Wassaic Project Open Studios

Maxon Mills, 37 Furnace Bank Rd, Wassaic, N.Y.

On Saturday, Jan. 25, from 3 to 5 p.m., meet artists: LaTonia Allen, Jayden Ashley, Arden Carlson, Ricardo Galvan, Erin Goodine, Diana Guerra, Hyunjin Park, and Kanthy Peng.

Chili Cook-Off

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

Spice it up! And stay warm at our chili cook-off night at Copake Grange on Saturday, Jan. 25 (Snow date Sat., Feb. 1) 5 to 7 p.m. There will be a delicious variety of chili dishes, from vegetarian to venison, with all the toppings. Take a taste of each one, vote on your favorite and see who wins prizes. Best of all, dinner is already made! Purchase chili to eat in or take out. A festive, filling evening!

A delicious variety — from vegetarian to venison. Taste each, vote for your favorite, a festive filling evening! Free entry. All chili for sale. Eat in, take-out. For more info or to enter your chili, go to www.copakegrange.org/event

JANUARY 26

Babysitter Certification Program

Kent Memorial Library, 32 North Main St., Kent, Conn. kentmemoriallibrary.org

Kent Memorial Library is offering a certified babysitter training program, Safe Sitter®, for teens & tweens in grades 6 and above. The class lasts all day, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 26. The cost of the class is \$30, to cover the take-home course manual. The course covers basic first aid, emergency preparedness, choking rescue skills, business and life skills, child development and care. Space is limited, registration is required. Please email kmljuniorroom@biblio.org to register.

Jammin' at the Grange

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

On Jan. 26 from 4 to 6 p.m., join us for "Jammin' at the Grange": Everyone is welcome to join in for a session of creative music making! Join the jam or just join the fun. For more info contact Lenny Barham at lennybarham@gmail.com.

Visit copakegrange.org/events for additional details.

Spoon Carving at Troutbeck

Troutbeck, 515 Leedsville Road, Amenia, N.Y.

From 1 to 4 p.m., \$120 (payable to Cottage Courses)

Join Cottage Courses for an intro to spoon carving. Using hand tools, you'll shape a spoon from a pre-cut blank and leave with a unique, finished piece. No experience needed.

Led by Abby Mechanic, educator and maker with a background in woodworking and craft.

JANUARY 28

Tapping Into Wellbeing: 4-Week Series

Troutbeck, 515 Leedsville Road, Amenia, N.Y.

Tuesdays, Jan. 28 through Feb. 18, from 5:30 to 7 p.m., \$45 for Members, \$50 for Hotel/Public Guests

Join this transformative 4-week series at Troutbeck, blending EFT tapping, meditation, and breathwork. Each week focuses on a different theme:

Jan 28: Trust

Feb 4: Loving the Body

Feb 11: Feeling Abundant

Feb 18: General Happiness

Led by Mirjam Paninski of the Open Consciousness Institute, these sessions help recondition your mind and body for lasting change and inner peace. Open to all.

JANUARY 29

Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia

Online.

On Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 7 p.m., there will be a

Last week's WotW

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talk on Alzheimer's and Dementia virtually via Zoom. The program is hosted by the Sharon Historical Society and Museum and the Hotchkiss Library of Sharon.

Alzheimer's is not normal aging. It's a disease of the brain that causes problems with memory, thinking and behavior. Join us to learn about the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, risk factors, and evolving research and treatments.

Registration is required, do so by emailing director@sharonhist.org

JANUARY 30

The White Hart Speaker Series: Janice Kaplan

The White Hart Inn, 15 Undermountain Road, Salisbury, Conn.

The White Hart Speaker series continues with "WHAT YOUR BODY KNOWS ABOUT HAPPINESS: How to Use Your Body to Change Your Mind" by Janice Kaplan in conversation with Karen Duffy on Thursday, Jan. 30 and 6:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$15 (includes a complimentary beverage and \$5 voucher for book purchase)

Presented by Oblong Books, The White Hart Inn, & Scoville Memorial Library.

JANUARY 31

Lunar New Year Celebration

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

It's the Year of the Snake! Join the David M. Hunt Library to learn about Lunar New Year, a special celebration in many parts of the world that marks the new year, at our Lunar New Year Celebration on Friday, Jan. 31 at 3:30 p.m.! We'll enjoy treats, stories, and crafts as we learn about this treasured holiday.

FEBRUARY 1

Live Music + Open Mic

Twelve Moons Coffee House, The Center on Main, 103 Main St., Falls Village, Conn.

Twelve Moons Coffee House offers live music, poetry readings and storytelling on the 1st Saturday of each month. Saturday, Feb. 1, will feature David Ray as the Featured Artist. A former New York City cab driver, bartender, bouncer, and actor, David Ray's award-winning songs have been described as "cinematic." Doors open at 6 p.m. with open mic performances beginning at 6:30. Ray will play from 8 to 9 p.m. Guests are welcome to bring their own dinner and beverage or enjoy coffee/tea and fresh baked goods provided by the venue.

Kitten Story Time/ Take Your Child to the Library Day

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

Celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day at the David M. Hunt Library on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 10:30 a.m. with Kitten Story Time! Learn more about cat fostering and animal rescue through this special story time while meeting some of Sophia L'Orange's rescue kittens! Snacks and crafts to follow.

2025 Winter Benefit: Le Bal Éclipse

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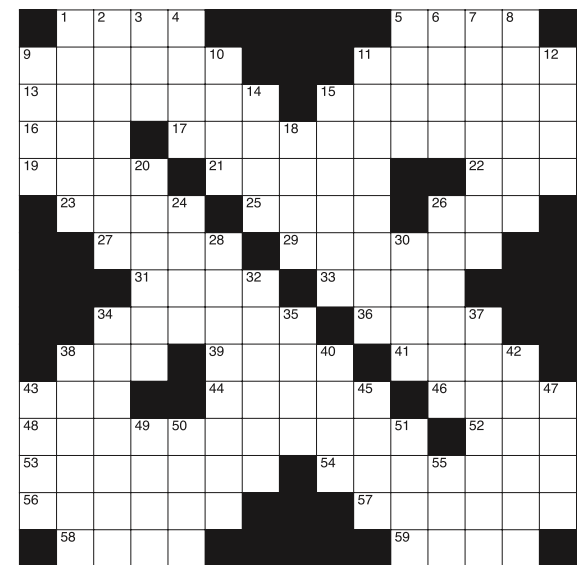
There will be a benefit for the Wassaic Art Project on Saturday, Feb. 1. The benefit is from 6 to 8 p.m. and the afterparty is 8 to 11 p.m.

Join us for a black-and-white ball in the style of Paris 1968, honoring philanthropist Robert Wilder and artist Taha Clayton. The evening includes exclusive artworks, an auction, and the unveiling of Clayton's new object edition. The afterparty begins at 8 PM, transforming the night with sound, light, and liberation. Admission to the afterparty is included with the benefit ticket.

Brain Teasers

CLUES ACROSS

- "Loser" rocker
- Partner to relaxation
- Mixing
- Winged nut
- Expression of blame
- Vast ocean
- Comedienne Gasteyer
- Multiply
- Meat from a pig (French)
- Related
- Rocker Stewart
- Surprise completely
- Loon
- Canister
- Large, deep-bodied fish
- Takes forcefully
- Oil cartel
- Palmer and Hepburn are two
- More than one
- Places down purposefully
- Pitching statistic
- Type of sword
- Witnesses
- Body part
- Mixes slowly
- Satisfy
- Strong belief
- One's physique (slang)
- More frightening
- Soup cracker
- Teaches
- One who carries something
- Actor Sean
- Changes



- Breezed through
- Type setting
- Felt for
- Codified rules
- Small dome
- Chevrotain
- Male reproductive gland
- Controversial beliefs
- Z Z Z
- One who confines another
- Bishop
- Garlands
- Bird that flies by the coast
- Optical device
- Greek goddess of discord
- Some are "Rolling"
- Formerly (archaic)

- Thrust a knife into
- German river
- Atomic #26
- Make a grotesque face
- Primordial matter of the universe
- Chinese philosophical principle

Jan. 16 Solution

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Sudoku

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Jan. 16 Solution

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Level: Intermediate

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.

- Twist a rag to expel liquid
- Automated machine
- Reef ecosystem foundation
- Renewable energy option
- Cold as ice



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Sports

Kent girls hockey falls 8-1 to Loomis Chaffee

By Lans Christensen

KENT — Kent School girls varsity hockey hosted Loomis Chaffee Jan. 15 at Nadal Hockey Rink.

The game promised to be a testing challenge for Kent as Loomis arrived with a 9-1 season record. From the first face off, Loomis showed their strength and control, keeping the puck at the Kent end of the ice.

Loomis captain Chloe Obser scored twice in the first period and again in the second. Her teammate, Lindsay Stepanowski, added two goals in the second as well.

Kent's two power forwards, Renee Bishop and Ainsley Moffitt, made strong and threatening attacks but the Loomis defense kept them scoreless.

Kent's Chloe Pittinaro finally found the Loomis goal and got the home team on the scoreboard early in the second period.

Loomis maintained control and the game ended with an 8-1 victory and advanced to a 10-1 season record. Kent's record moved to 6-5.



Above, Kent's Dakota Boyle lines up a shot. Below, Loomis goalie Adeline Roper guards the net.



PHOTOS BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

Loomis Chaffee and Kent School girls varsity hockey players battled on the ice Jan. 15.

Mohawk hosts varsity ski teams

By Alec Linden

CORNWALL — Skiers from the six schools comprising the Berkshire Hills Ski League hit the slopes on the chilly afternoon of Jan. 15 for the first race of the 2025 season.

Despite thin natural snow cover, Mohawk Mountain Ski Area's state of the art snow-making system ensured the skiers had great conditions to lay giant slalom turns down the mountain's northern flank.

The inter-conference league includes Housatonic Valley Regional High School, Rumsey Hall School, Washington Montessori School, Marvelwood School, Dutchess Day School and the Harvey School.

In total, 63 skiers successfully completed two qualifying runs of the course. Each skiers' two-run times were



Above, skiers concluded their run with a hard stop that produced a puff of fluffy powder. Below, supporters and teammates watched from the bottom of the slope.

combined for final results, earning points toward team totals.

Dutchess Day School's team placed first overall. Addie Garcia of Dutchess Day earned the fastest two-run time of the day at 1:25.95.

Rumsey Hall School took second place and Housatonic Valley Region High School placed third.

There are five more races before the season wraps up with a Feb. 19 championship hosted at Mohawk Mountain.



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Mohawk Mountain Ski Area hosted more than 60 high school skiers for the BHSL varsity meet Jan. 15.

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